

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Students



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The following tables provide summary statistics relating to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) students in South Australian Government schools as at Term 3 Enrolment Census.

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) students – are students who have identified to be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander origin. The term 'origin' is considered to relate to people's Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent and for some, but not all, their cultural identity.

Table 1: ATSI enrolments full time equivalent (FTE) by school type, Term 3 2012-2014

Type of School	2012	2013	2014	2012-2013 Change	2013-2014 Change
Junior primary schools	214.0	59.0	73.0	-155.0	14.0
Primary schools	4247.9	4658.5	4760.0	410.6	101.5
Area schools	793.7	829.5	798.6	35.8	-30.9
High / Secondary schools	2208.0	2220.8	2356.5	12.8	135.7
Combined primary / secondary	536.4	672.5	762.7	136.1	90.2
Anangu schools	591.5	594.4	589.0	2.9	-5.4
Aboriginal schools	268.8	276.0	257.1	7.2	-18.9
Special schools	64.0	61.0	65.0	-3.0	4.0
Alternative schools	82.4	82.8	76.2	0.4	-6.6
Total enrolments	9006.7	9454.5	9738.1	447.8	283.6
% of total enrolments	5.4%	5.6%	5.9%		

Figure 1: ATSI enrolments (FTE), Term 3 2005 – 2014

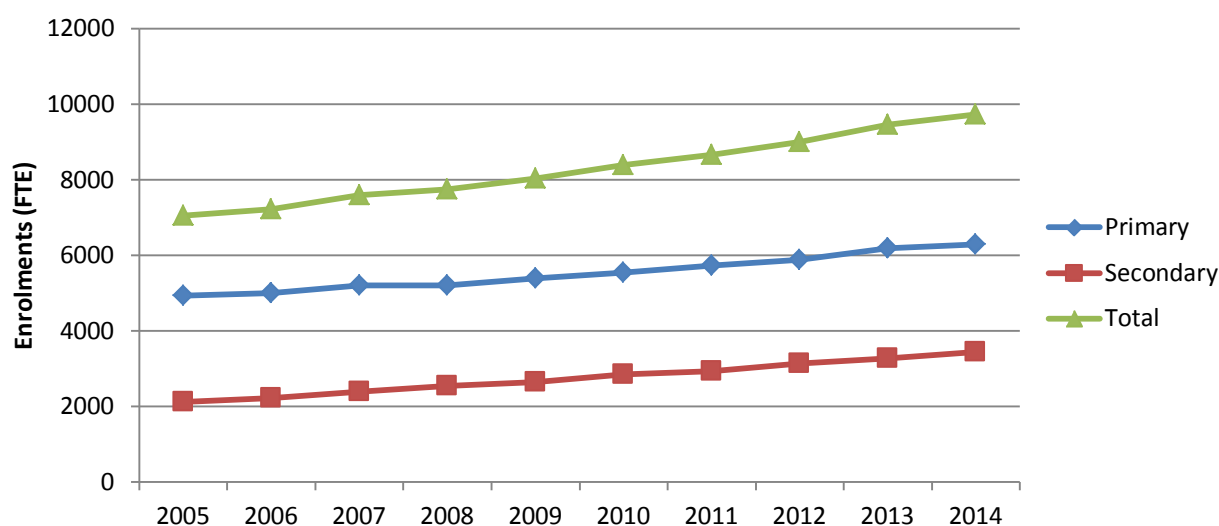


Figure 2: ATSI enrolments (FTE) by year level, Term 3 2012 – 2014

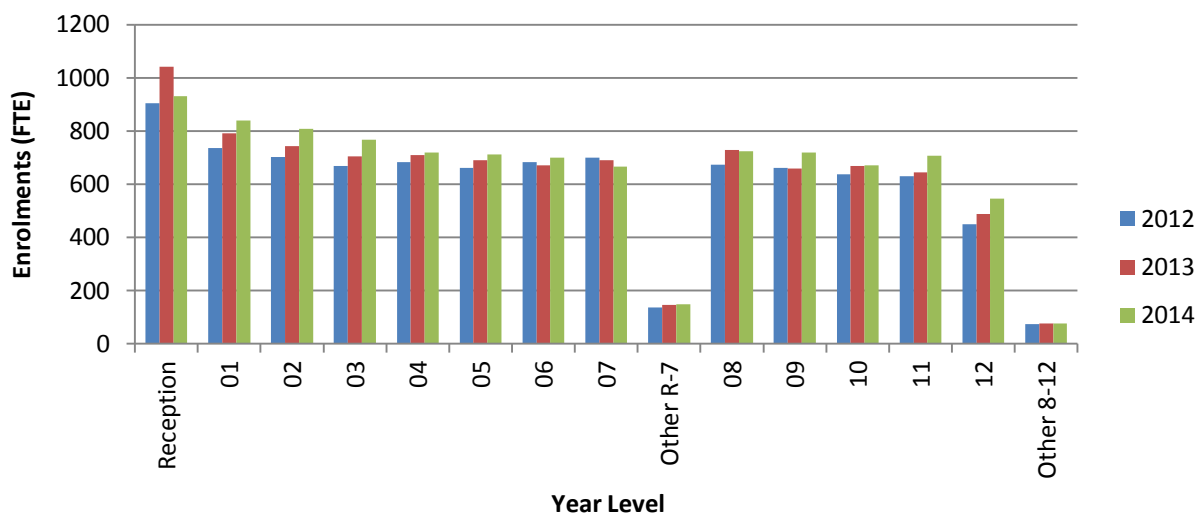


Table 2: ATSI apparent retention rates for students in Government schools, 2012-2014

	2012	2013	2014
Year 8-12	FTE	FTE	FTE
Aboriginal Students	69.1%	79.2%	86.1%
All Students	89.6%	91.9%	96.0%
Year 10 -12	FTE	FTE	FTE
Aboriginal Students	70.1%	77.0%	85.5%
All Students	87.3%	88.1%	91.4%

Apparent retention rates – show the percentage of students who continued to Year 12 from their respective cohort groups.

Source for all tables and figures: DECD Term 3 School Enrolment Census 2005-2014