

## Tasmanian government schools

## Jurisdiction-specific comments

- School income pertains to funding received therefore not all of this income has passed through school bank accounts. The majority of the income used to support the operation of schools is held centrally to pay for school costs such as teacher salaries and wages.
- The financial information has been extracted from departmental financial ledgers. The financial data is supplemented by the use of student enrolment numbers from the annual August school census for per capita apportionments.
- Where a school incorporates a kindergarten these costs have been reflected in school funds as it has not been possible to separate these funds from other school funding.
- 'Fees, charges and parent contributions' includes parental payments for before and after school care, excursions, tours, camps and activities.
- The majority of Australian Government funds are provided through a Specific Purpose Payment to the state and benefit all students. These have been applied to each school in line with Department of Education allocative mechanisms such as the Fairer Funding Model that allocate teaching and grant payments to schools.
- Other Australian Government program funding has been applied to schools based on the most appropriate methodology. Tasmanian schools are not permitted to borrow money so new school loans will be zero for each school.
- Certain jurisdictions report Year 1 minus 2 (i.e. preschool) costs and enrolments. Student numbers used for per capita purposes use enrolment figures collected from the annual August school census which provides a snapshot of student numbers on census day.