

## 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.
- This information has been amalgamated from a variety of sources including payroll data, central financial ledgers and school financial system data.
- 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 parental contributions include parental payments for before and after school care, excursions, tours, camps and activities. In some cases, this forms a significant component of these categories, especially where overseas excursions have occurred.
- Recurrent funding from the Australian Government is allocated based on how each program provides benefits to students.
- The majority of funds are provided through Commonwealth specific purpose payments to the state and benefit all students. These have been applied to each school based on enrolments.
- Other Australian Government program funding has been applied to schools based on the most appropriate methodology. For example, where programs are targeted at a particular group of schools, such as those in low socio-economic areas, funding is allocated based on each schools share of enrolments.
- 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 and supplemented with additional enrolment information, where appropriate, in respect of children below Year 1 minus 2 who have contributed income to the school.