

We just want to LSAY THANK YOU!

The information you have shared has given us a better understanding of the lives of young Australians.

As one of the few longitudinal surveys in the world with multiple groups participating, LSAY gives those with an interest in youth issues invaluable insight into the diverse pathways that young people take. The results are then used by researchers and policymakers to support future generations of young Australians just like you.

Thank you for taking the time to complete your LSAY surveys over the last 10 years, and for helping us piece together this important puzzle.

 **60,000+**
young people surveyed since LSAY commenced in 1995

 Your cohort began with **14,251** respondents in 2009

'95 ✓ '98 ✓ '03 ✓ '06 ✓ '09 ✓ '15 ✓ **6 cohorts** have been interviewed since 1995



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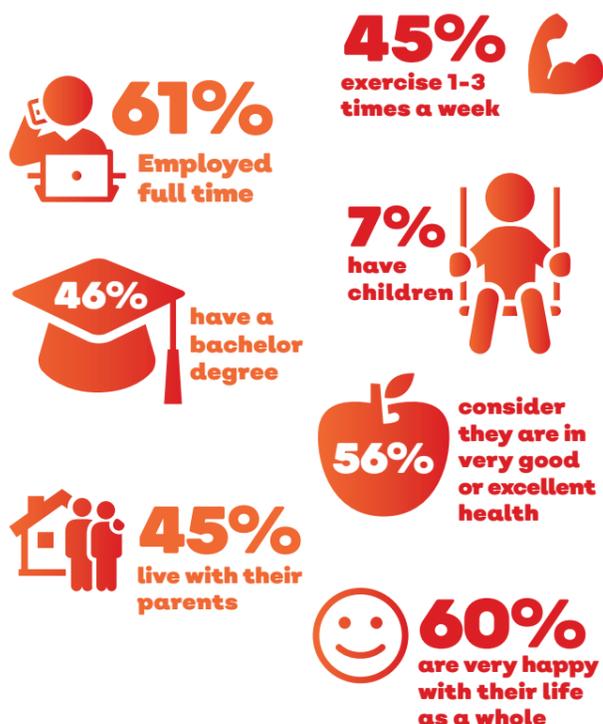
Thank
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being an
important
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Your contribution has made a significant impact over the past 10 years.



Your results are in

 A snapshot of today:



In 5 years time...

What aspects of your life do you hope to make the biggest change?

"I hope to have a new career in which I can work with people to benefit them"

"Move out of my parents' home and become fully independent"

"To save money and have financial security to travel and buy a home"

"I want to build confidence in my ability to look after myself and feel positive about the future again"

"Figure out what I actually want from life"

Please note: statistics on this page are based on weighted data

Putting education to work

The Movers

The Movers represent the most complex pathway, and contain the highest proportion of young people who experience more than 10 transitions between the ages of 16 and 25 years as they find their paths.

The Part-timers

The Part-timers enter the labour market relatively early and are mostly employed part-time.

The Mixers

The Mixers spend extended amounts of time in higher education and VET combined with short periods of employment, which eventually leads to further employment or VET activity.

The Academics

The majority of young people are Academics, meaning they spend an extended amount of time in higher education followed by employment.

The Workers

The Workers follow an 'express pathway' to employment. They also spend the longest time in work, with a high proportion undertaking vocational training or apprenticeships and traineeships.

People transition from education to work in different ways - the journey is no longer linear or straight forward. LSAY data shows that there are five main pathways young people take in their journey to the world of work. Increasingly, young people spend more time in initial education, delay their entry to the labor market and move between an assortment of part-time or temporary jobs.

10 year comparison

Compared to 23 year olds in 2008, in 2017...

25% of you own a credit card
↓ (down from 45%)

8% currently own your own home
↓ (down from 14%)

4% are married
↓ (down from 9%)

32% are working part-time
↑ (up from 22%)

Interviewing the interviewer

What has been special about working on LSAY?

"People who have stuck it out really give us such valuable information, and it feels rewarding hearing about where they have come from and how their goals ended up..."

- India, 26

"Working with the Y09 participants in the final year of their survey feels quite sentimental, they have stuck with it for 10 years."

- Marc, 39

"Realising the different life aspects of a young generation."

- Pratibha

Have you had any weird/funny experiences working on LSAY?

"...I've had a participant who had a baby since her last interview - it's so interesting how life can change completely in just a year."

- Michelle, 28

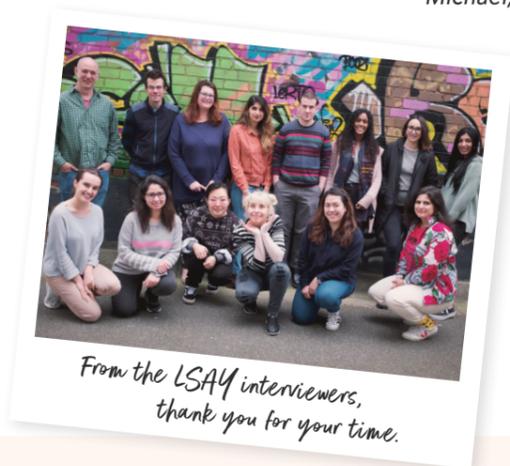
What do you enjoy about working on LSAY?

"Talking to people, specifically the lovely people I speak with who genuinely want to help others..."

- Steph

"Connecting with people of my generation in a meaningful way."

- Michael, 25



What the researchers had to say

There is no dataset in the world like LSAY. By taking part in LSAY, you are contributing to advances in the social sciences in a truly unique way.

- Professor Philip Parker
Deputy Director and Program Lead, Institute for Positive Psychology and Education, Australian Catholic University

LSAY provides a window for researchers into the myriad of challenges and opportunities presented to young people along their paths to adulthood. There is no other youth-focused survey like it in Australia, and without it, we'd be lost.

- Dr. Cain Polidano
Senior Research Fellow, Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research, University of Melbourne

LSAY is a wonderful data set for looking at issues facing young people in their transition from school to further study and work.

- Adjunct Professor Tom Karmel
Future of Employment and Skills Research Centre, University of Adelaide

Your results go global!



Across the globe, the countries and cities that have cited LSAY data include:



As of 2019, around 2,700 studies have used or cited LSAY data.

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NCVER @NCVER · Aug 15
 MEDIA RELEASE: Future less clear for today's young people
 Fewer young people are working in their career job at age 24 when compared with 10 years ago: ncver.edu.au/news-and-event..
 #auspol #jobs #youth #lsay #employment

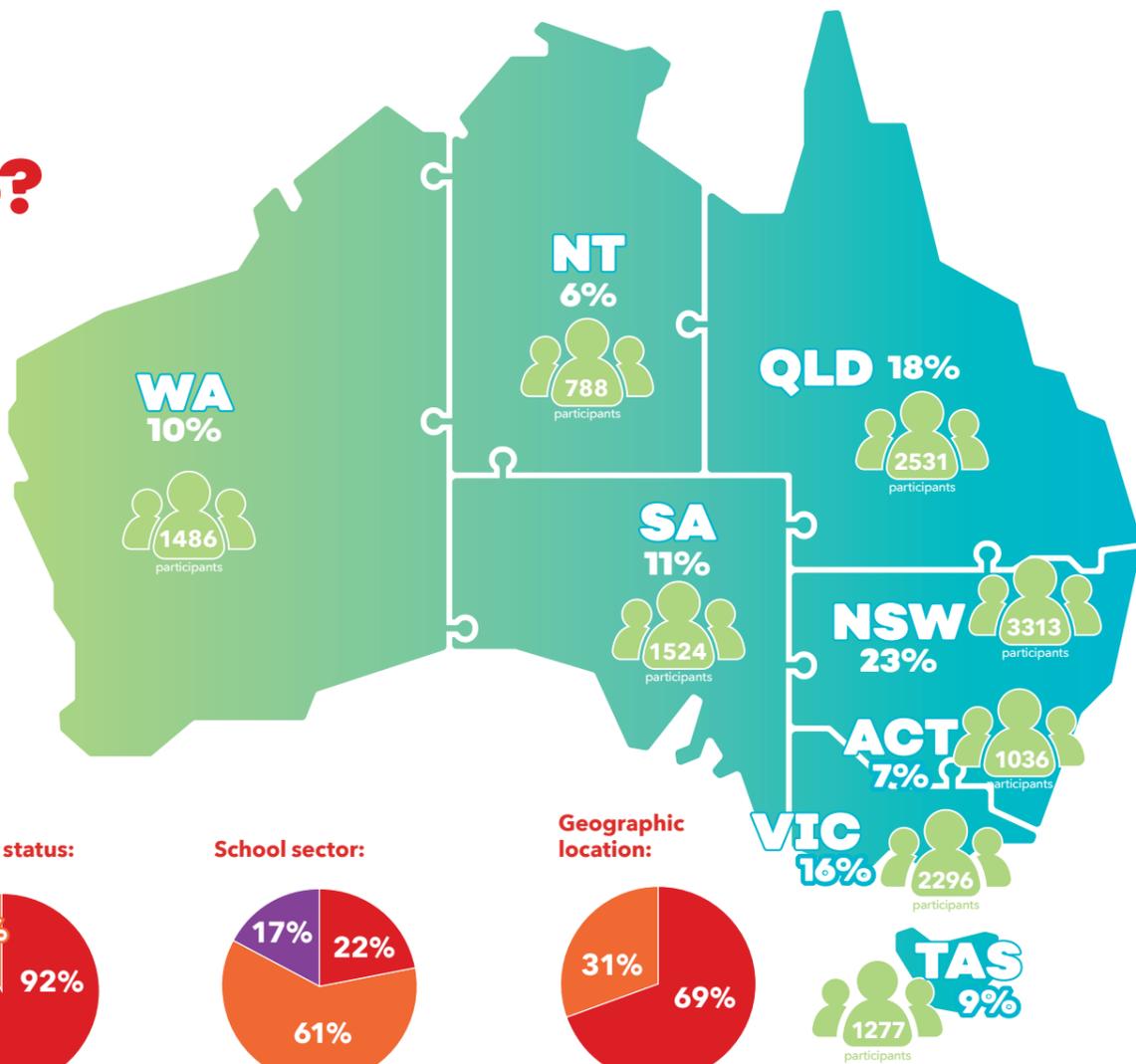
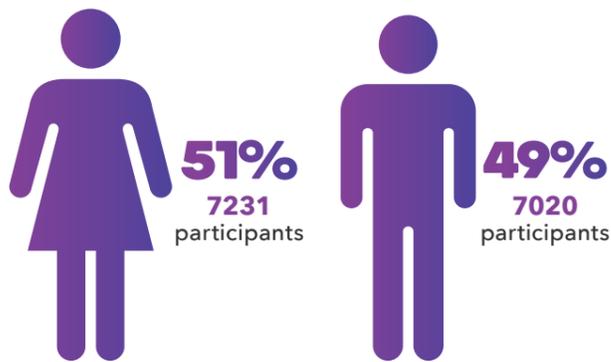
ACHPER NSW @ACHPERNSW
 This infographic uses data from the Longitudinal Surveys of Australian Youth to provide a snapshot of how #study, #training and #work have changed for Australians aged 24 in 2018 when compared with those of the same age in 2008.
 Check it out here: buff.ly/2zjuXHq

More students are going to university than before, but those at risk of dropping out need more help theconversation.com/more-students-...
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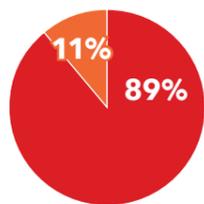
NUMBERS DON'T ADD UP AS GIRLS SHUN MATHS AND TECH
 Mathematics is failing the gender test with more boys than girls choosing the subject in their final years of school. But it's the opposite story when it comes to humanities and arts.

It's complicated: why students drop out of university
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It's complicated: why students drop out of university
 The number of students dropping out isn't rising - but the pressure on students is.

Who else is part of your LSAY group?

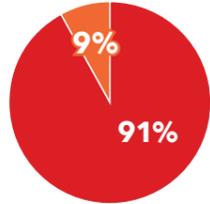


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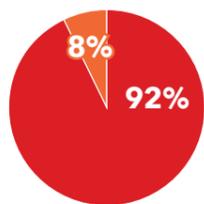
Australia
Other country

Language at home:



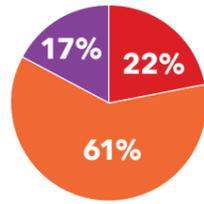
English
Other language

Indigenous status:



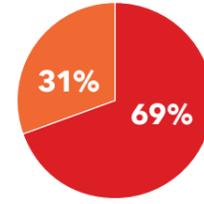
Non-Indigenous
Indigenous

School sector:



Catholic
Government
Independent

Geographic location:



Metropolitan
Non-metro

Top 5 other countries of birth:

New Zealand, South Africa, Philippines, USA, India

Top 5 other languages:

Vietnamese, Cantonese, Mandarin, Arabic, Indigenous languages