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State school attendance

Semester 1, 2019–23

- The student attendance rate is based on Semester 1 each year and is generated by dividing the total of full-days and part-days that students attended, and comparing this to the total of all possible days for students to attend, expressed as a percentage.
- The overall 2023 student attendance rate for all Queensland state schools was 87.1 per cent, 1.5 percentage points higher than the 2022 attendance rate.
- When analysing attendance data over time, it should be noted that extreme events such as cyclones, flooding and pandemics may have impacted on the data in certain years.
- From 2020, the COVID-19 health emergency has continued to affect student attendance in Queensland Government schools. Comparisons between attendance prior to 2020 and pandemic affected years should be treated with care.

Table 1: Attendance rates by year level

Year level	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Prep Year	91.9%	89.8%	90.6%	88.0%	89.5%
Year 1	91.6%	89.2%	90.4%	87.3%	89.1%
Year 2	91.8%	89.8%	90.7%	87.5%	89.3%
Year 3	92.0%	89.9%	90.9%	87.6%	89.5%
Year 4	91.9%	89.9%	90.7%	87.3%	89.2%
Year 5	91.7%	89.7%	90.3%	86.9%	88.9%
Year 6	91.5%	89.8%	90.1%	86.5%	88.5%
Total Primary	91.8%	89.7%	90.5%	87.3%	89.1%
Year 7	90.6%	89.1%	89.0%	86.0%	87.1%
Year 8	88.5%	87.0%	86.4%	83.0%	83.7%
Year 9	87.0%	86.1%	84.9%	81.4%	82.2%
Year 10	87.2%	85.7%	84.7%	81.1%	82.1%
Year 11	88.4%	87.3%	86.3%	83.2%	84.3%
Year 12	89.5%	88.5%	87.7%	84.7%	86.0%
Total Secondary	88.5%	87.3%	86.5%	83.2%	84.2%
Queensland	90.5%	88.7%	88.9%	85.6%	87.1%

Notes:

- Full-time students only.

Table 2: Attendance rates by region

Region	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Central Queensland	90.3%	88.6%	88.3%	84.8%	85.8%
Darling Downs South West	90.2%	89.4%	87.9%	85.1%	86.6%
Far North Queensland	87.2%	85.5%	85.0%	81.3%	82.6%
Metropolitan North	91.5%	90.0%	90.3%	86.9%	88.6%
Metropolitan South	91.4%	89.2%	90.3%	86.9%	88.4%
North Coast	90.5%	88.6%	88.6%	85.6%	87.3%
North Queensland	87.4%	86.4%	86.5%	82.4%	84.0%
South East	90.7%	88.5%	88.6%	85.6%	86.8%
Total	90.5%	88.7%	88.9%	85.6%	87.1%

Notes:

- Full-time students only.
- The Department of Education has eight integrated service-delivery regions across Queensland.

Source: Department of Education, Queensland Government. Corporate Semester 1 Attendance Collection.

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