

2011 Student Intentions Survey

INTRO. Good morning / afternoon / evening, my name is <SAY NAME> calling from The Social Research Centre on behalf of the National Centre for Vocational Education Research (NCVER), a government funded organisation. Could I please speak to <FIRST NAME> <LASTNAME>?

IF NEW RESPONDENT, REPEAT INTRODUCTION, THEN CONTINUE

We are conducting a survey with people who recently enrolled in some education or training. You should have received a letter outlining the survey recently.

This interview will only take 10 to 15 minutes. Any information you provide will be totally confidential and used for research purposes only.

INTERVIEWER NOTE: We are interested in talking to people regardless of whether they actually started their training or not, have finished it, or are still doing it.

IF NECESSARY: The information collected in this survey will be used to help ensure that, in the future, people get the training and skills they need, and that they are helped to complete their training. All information you provide will remain confidential and only group responses will be reported. Personal details are destroyed at the completion of the survey.

1. Continue (GO TO S1)
2. Make appointment
3. Household refusal (GO TO RR1)
4. Respondent refusal (GO TO RR1)
5. LOTE (No follow up) (GO TO ALOTE)
6. Queried how telephone number was obtained (GO TO ATEL)
7. Back to SMS

*(LOTE)

ALOTE RECORD LANGUAGE

1. Cantonese
2. Mandarin
3. Vietnamese
4. Italian
5. Greek
6. Arabic
7. Serbian
8. Croatian
9. Turkish
10. Indigenous language (ask ATSI question below – then terminate)
11. Other (specify)

*(LOTE IS INDIGENOUS LANGUAGE)

ATSI. Could I just check, are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?

1. No
2. Yes, Aboriginal
3. Yes, Torres Strait Islander
4. Yes, both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
5. Not sure/Don't know

*(QUERIED HOW TELEPHONE NUMBER WAS OBTAINED)

ATEL. Your telephone number was provided by the TAFE or private training provider where you enrolled in the training.

1. Snap back to previous question

*(NAMED RESPONDENT)

S1. Our records indicate that you recently enrolled in some training with <INSERT PROVIDER>. Is this correct?

1. Yes (GO TO S4)
2. Enrolled in training, but not with <PROVIDER> (GO TO S2)
3. Enrolled in training with <PROVIDER>, but not recently (GO TO S3)
4. No, didn't enrol in any training (GO TO S4)

*(ENROLLED IN TRAINING BUT NOT WITH PROVIDER)

S2. Do you know whether the provider, providing the training you enrolled in is known by another name or whether the training has been facilitated by a third party such as an employer, employment agency or funded training program (such as the Productivity Places Program)?

Sometimes the training offered by an employer or organisation, or through funded programs is often actually provided by a registered training organisation such as <INSERT PROVIDER>.

1. Agrees that training provider may be <PROVIDER> (GO TO S4)
2. Insists that <PROVIDER> did not provide training (GO TO S2A)
3. Not sure [PROGRAMMER NOTE: DISPLAY THE WORDS 'TRAINING PROVIDER' WHERE APPLICABLE THROUGHOUT QUESTIONNAIRE] (GO TO S4)

*(ENROLLED IN TRAINING BUT NOT WITH PROVIDER)

S2a. What is the name of the training provider, providing the training you enrolled in?

1. Record name of provider (Specify) [PROGRAMMER NOTE: DISPLAY THIS PROVIDER WHERE APPLICABLE THROUGHOUT QUESTIONNAIRE] (GO TO S4)
2. Not sure/Don't know [PROGRAMMER NOTE: DISPLAY THE WORDS 'TRAINING PROVIDER' WHERE APPLICABLE THROUGHOUT QUESTIONNAIRE] (GO TO S4)

*(ENROLLED IN TRAINING BUT NOT RECENTLY)

S3. When did you enrol in this training?

RECORD MONTH HERE AND YEAR AT NEXT SCREEN

1. January
2. February
3. March
4. April
5. May
6. June
7. July
8. August
9. September
10. October
11. November
12. December
13. Not sure/Don't know

*(CONTINUING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

Q3a. RECORD YEAR

1. 2011
2. 2010 (GO TO TERM 3)
3. 2009 (GO TO TERM 3)
4. 2008 (GO TO TERM 3)
5. 2007 OR EARLIER (GO TO TERM 3)

*(ALL RECENTLY ENROLLED IN TRAINING)

S4. Our records indicate that you enrolled in the <INSERT COURSE>.

(IF ENROLLED IN 1 OR 2 MODULES) This includes the subject/s - <INSERT SUBJECT 1> <AND INSERT SUBJECT 2>.

(IF ENROLLED IN 3 OR MORE MODULES) IF NECESSARY: This may include subjects such as - <INSERT SUBJECT 1> <AND INSERT SUBJECT 2>.

IF YES, CLARIFY WHETHER RESPONDENT THINKS THEY ENROLLED IN THE COURSE OR PARTICULAR SUBJECTS/MODULES THAT ARE PART OF THE COURSE

Is this correct?

1. No, insist didn't enrol in any training (GO TO TERM 1)
2. Enrolled in some other training not mentioned (GO TO S5)
3. Yes, enrolled in <INSERT COURSE> (Course Enrolment - GO TO S6)
4. Yes, enrolled in <SUBJECT/SUBJECTS> (Module Enrolment - GO TO S6)

*(ENROLLED IN OTHER TRAINING)

S5. What training did you enrol in?

INTERVIEWER NOTE: RECORDS SHOW THAT RESPONDENT ENROLLED IN:

COURSE: <INSERT COURSE>.

SOME OF THE SUBJECTS THEY MAY HAVE BEEN ENROLLED IN INCLUDE: <INSERT SUBJECT 1>, <AND INSERT SUBJECT 2>.

1. Respondent's description of course does MATCH the details of one or more corresponding modules of the course (GO TO S6)
2. Respondent's description of course does NOT MATCH the details of one or more corresponding modules of the course (GO TO TERM 2)

*(ALL)

S6. Before we get started, just to let you know that this call may be monitored for training and quality purposes. Is that OK?

1. Monitor
2. Do not monitor

*(ALL)

S7. RECORD GENDER

1. Male
2. Female

YOUR TRAINING

*(ALL)

Q1. Are you CURRENTLY undertaking this training?

1. Yes (GO TO PREQA4)
2. No (GO TO Q2)

*(NOT CURRENTLY UNDERTAKING TRAINING)

Q2. Have you ...?

READ OUT

1. Finished the training (GO TO Q30)
2. Not started the training (GO TO Q3)
3. Started the training but since dropped out or withdrew (GO TO PREQA22)
4. Started the training but have deferred it until later (GO TO PREQA22)

*(NOT STARTED TRAINING)

Q3. Do you intend to start the training?

1. Yes (GO TO PREQA4)
2. No (GO TO Q19)
3. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO Q19)

SECTION A – STUDENTS CONTINUING (Q1=1) OR INTENDING TO START THE TRAINING (Q3=1)

PREQA4 IF S4=4 (MODULE ENROLMENT) OR S5=1 (COURSE NAME DIFFERENT TO THAT IN SAMPLE) CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO Q4

*(CONTINUING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING, POTENTIAL MODULE ENROLMENT, COURSE NAME DIFFERENT TO THAT IN SAMPLE)

QA4. <INSERT SUBJECT/SUBJECTS> is/are part of a broader course of training/qualification, which is the <INSERT COURSE>. Were you aware of this?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know/not sure

*(CONTINUING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

Q4. Is it your intention to ...

INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF ANSWER 'BOTH', ASK FOR THEIR 'MAIN' INTENTION

READ OUT

1. Complete the training required to gain the qualification for the <INSERT COURSE>, or is it your intention to
2. Complete some subjects of the <INSERT COURSE>, (IF S4=4) <SUCH AS INSERT MODULE/S FOR PMES> rather than complete the whole course
3. (DON'T READ) Don't know (specify) (AVOID) (GO TO Q5)

*(KNOWS INTENTION)

Q4A. I am now going to ask you a series of questions about the training you are [(IF Q1=1) undertaking/ (IF Q3=1) intending to undertake], and when I refer to 'the training', I am talking about the ...
- (IF Q4=1) training required to gain the qualification for the <INSERT COURSE>
- (IF Q4=2) subjects of the <INSERT COURSE> (IF S4=4) <SUCH AS INSERT MODULE/S FOR PMES> rather than the whole course of training

1. CONTINUE

*(CONTINUING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

Q5. Are you enrolled in the training full-time or part-time?

1. Full-time
2. Part-time
3. Not sure/Don't know

*(CONTINUING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

Q5a. Is the training part of an apprenticeship or traineeship?

1. Yes, apprenticeship
2. Yes, traineeship
3. No
4. Not sure/Don't know

*(CONTINUING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

Q6. Which of the following best describes the way the training is delivered?

READ OUT

1. Classes at <INSERT TRAINING PROVIDER>
2. Classes at the workplace
3. Classes at both <INSERT TRAINING PROVIDER> and in the workplace
4. External study or self-paced learning (ie not in a classroom)
5. (DON'T READ) Other (specify)
6. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know

*(CONTINUING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

Q8. In what year do you expect to complete the training?

1. Record year (specify)[ALLOWABLE RANGE 2011-2030]
2. Not sure/Don't know

PREQ8A IF Q8 CODE 1=2011, 2012 OR 2013 CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO Q9

*EXPECT TO COMPLETE TRAINING IN 2010, 2011 OR 2012

Q8A. In what month of (DISPLAY YEAR FROM Q8=1) do you expect to complete the training?

1. January
2. February
3. March
4. April
5. May
6. June
7. July
8. August
9. September
10. October
11. November
12. December
13. Not sure/Don't know

*(CONTINUING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

Q9. What are your reasons for doing the training? Any other reasons?

(MULTIPLE RESPONSE, PROBE FULLY)

Employment related - specific

1. Want to work in that type of job/industry
2. To start my own business
3. To develop my existing business
4. Part of my apprenticeship or traineeship
5. It is a requirement of my job/employment
6. To upgrade or gain extra skills for my current job or occupation

Employment related - general

7. Want to get a job/career (of any type)
8. To start a different career or occupation
9. Improved job prospects / opportunity for promotion
10. Improved pay once qualified
11. Recommended/offered by employer

Further study

12. To get into another TAFE course or non-university course
13. To get into a university course
14. Couldn't get into first choice of training

Financial

15. To receive financial assistance from Centrelink (ie Austudy, Abstudy, Youth Allowance, etc)
16. Because the training was paid for through Gov. scheme (such as PPP)
17. Because of training incentives for my employer (Kickstart, etc)

General

18. To gain a recognised qualification or certificate
19. To improve numeracy and literacy skills
20. For personal interest or self-development

Other

21. Other reasons (specify)
22. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO Q11)

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: IF MORE THAN ONE RESPONSE IN Q9, ASK Q10 AND DISPLAY RESPONSES SELECTED IN Q9, ELSE GO TO Q11

*(CONTINUING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

Q10. And of the reasons you have just given me, what would you say is your MAIN reason for doing the training?

Employment related - specific

1. Want to work in that type of job/industry
2. To start my own business
3. To develop my existing business
4. Part of my apprenticeship or traineeship
5. It is a requirement of my job/employment
6. To upgrade or gain extra skills for my current job or occupation

Employment related - general

7. Want to get a job/career (of any type)
8. To start a different career or occupation
9. Improved job prospects / opportunity for promotion
10. Improved pay once qualified
11. Recommended/offered by employer

Further study

12. To get into another TAFE course or non-university course
13. To get into a university course
14. Couldn't get into first choice of training

Financial

15. To receive financial assistance from Centrelink (ie Austudy, Abstudy, Youth Allowance, etc)
16. Because the training was paid for through Gov. scheme (such as PPP)
17. Because of training incentives for my employer (Kickstart, etc)

General

18. To gain a recognised qualification or certificate
19. To improve numeracy and literacy skills
20. For personal interest or self-development

Other

21. Other reasons (specify)
22. Not sure/Don't know

*(CONTINUING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

Q11. At any point< (DISPLAY IF Q1=1) during your training>, have you seriously considered <(IF Q1=1) quitting / (IF Q3=1) not starting>?

1. Yes
2. No, have not considered <(IF Q1=1) quitting / (IF Q3=1) not starting> (GO TO PREQ15)

*(CONTINUING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

Q12. I'm going to read out a list of reasons that describe why people might consider <(IF Q1=1) quitting / (IF Q3=1) not starting> training. Which one best describes the reason why you considered <(IF Q1=1) quitting / (IF Q3=1) not starting>?

1. For reasons to do with course difficulty
2. For reasons to do with course content
3. Satisfaction with the course provider
4. For financial reasons
5. For your own health related or personal reasons
6. For another reason (Please specify)
7. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know

PREQ15 IF Q4=2 (INTEND TO COMPLETE SOME SUBJECTS/MODULES) CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO PREQ17

*(INTEND TO COMPLETE SOME SUBJECTS/MODULES)

Q15. Why do you want to complete some subjects of the <INSERT COURSE> and not the whole course? Any other reasons? (MULTIPLE RESPONSE, PROBE FULLY)

1. Only need certain subject(s) as requirement for my job/employment
2. Only need certain subject(s) to upgrade or gain extra skills for current job/occupation
3. Only need certain subjects to get the job I want
4. Only need certain subjects to get into the study I want
5. It will take too long to do the whole course / time
6. Cost
7. Employer doesn't want me to / only wants me to do certain modules
8. Too many other commitments – work
9. Too many other commitments – family
10. Wasn't aware of the whole course / don't know what would be required
11. Not interested in doing the whole course / never considered it
12. Health / personal reasons
13. Will get 'recognition of prior learning (RPL)' for the rest of the course
14. Other reasons (please specify)
15. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO PREQ15)

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: IF MORE THAN ONE RESPONSE IN Q15, ASK Q16 AND DISPLAY RESPONSES SELECTED IN Q15, ELSE GO TO PREQ17

*(INTEND TO COMPLETE SOME SUBJECTS/MODULES)

Q16. And of those, what would you say is the MAIN reason why you intend to complete some subjects/units rather than complete the whole course?

1. Only need certain subject(s) as requirement for my job/employment
2. Only need certain subject(s) to upgrade or gain extra skills for current job/occupation
3. Only need certain subjects to get the job I want
4. Only need certain subjects to get into the study I want
5. It will take too long to do the whole course / time
6. Cost
7. Employer doesn't want me to / only wants me to do certain modules
8. Too many other commitments – work
9. Too many other commitments – family
10. Wasn't aware of the whole course / don't know what would be required
11. Not interested in doing the whole course / never considered it
12. Health / personal reasons
13. Will get 'recognition of prior learning (RPL)' for the rest of the course
14. Other reasons (please specify)
15. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO Q18A)

PREQ17 IF Q4=1 (INTEND TO COMPLETE TRAINING) CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO Q18A
(INTEND TO COMPLETE TRAINING)

Q17. Sometimes students choose to complete only some subjects of a course and not the whole course. Why do you want to complete the whole course for the <INSERT COURSE> rather than just some subjects/units of it? Any other reasons? (MULTIPLE RESPONSE, PROBE FULLY)

1. Need qualification as requirement for my job/employment
2. Need qualification to upgrade or gain extra skills for current job/occupation
3. Need qualification to get the job I want
4. Need qualification to get into the study I want
5. No point doing part of the course / no benefit doing only some subjects
6. Better value for money to do the whole course
7. Employer wants me to do whole course
8. Have the time to do the whole course now / won't have time later
9. Not interested in doing only some subjects
10. Never considered doing only some subjects
11. Other reasons (please specify)
12. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO Q18A)

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: IF MORE THAN ONE RESPONSE IN Q17, ASK Q18 AND DISPLAY RESPONSES
SELECTED IN Q17, ELSE GO TO Q46

*(INTEND TO COMPLETE TRAINING)

Q18. And of those, what would you say is the MAIN reason why you intend to complete the whole course and not just some subjects/units of it?

1. Need qualification as requirement for my job/employment
2. Need qualification to upgrade or gain extra skills for current job/occupation
3. Need qualification to get the job I want
4. Need qualification to get into the study I want
5. No point doing part of the course / no benefit doing only some subjects
6. Better value for money to do the whole course
7. Employer wants me to do whole course
8. Have the time to do the whole course now / won't have time later
9. Not interested in doing only some subjects
10. Never considered doing only some subjects
11. Other reasons (please specify)
12. Not sure/Don't know

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: IF Q4=3 (DON'T KNOW) DISPLAY Q4=1 IN INSERT 1 THEN Q4=2 IN INSERT 2

*(CONTINUING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

Q18A. Thinking back to when you first enrolled in the training, was it your intention at that point to (INSERT RESPONSE 1 OR 2 SELECTED AT Q4) or did you intend to (INSERT RESPONSE 1 OR 2 NOT SELECTED AT Q4)?

INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF ANSWER 'BOTH', ASK FOR THEIR 'MAIN' INTENTION

READ OUT

1. Complete the training required to gain the qualification for the <INSERT COURSE>(GO TO Q46)
2. Complete some subjects of the <INSERT COURSE>, (IF S4=4) <SUCH AS INSERT MODULE/S FOR PMES> (GO TO Q46)
3. (DON'T READ) Don't know (specify) (AVOID) (GO TO Q46)

SECTION B – STUDENTS NOT INTENDING TO START TRAINING (Q3=2 OR 3)

*(NOT INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

Q19. Why are you [(IF Q3=2) not going to start / (IF Q3=3) unsure if you are going to start] the training? Any other reasons? (MULTIPLE RESPONSE, PROBE FULLY)

Employment-related reasons

1. Wanted to search for a job instead
2. Got offered a job / better job
3. Left job/changed career – training no longer relevant
4. It wouldn't have led to a good job or career
5. Wouldn't have been able to juggle work and study

Training-related reason

6. I don't think I would have enjoyed the training / study
7. Undertaking other training/study
8. Only enrolled in this training in case I didn't get into other training
9. Never really wanted to study

Financial Reasons

10. Couldn't afford the training
11. Training wasn't worth the cost
12. Employer wasn't going to fund the training
13. Government wasn't going to fund the training

Personal Reasons

14. Problems with travelling/transport/access
15. Illness/health reasons
16. Family reasons
17. Lack of time
18. Moved
19. Changed my mind
20. Any other major reason (please specify)
21. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO PREQA21)

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: IF MORE THAN ONE RESPONSE IN Q19, ASK Q20 AND DISPLAY RESPONSES SELECTED IN Q19, ELSE GO TO PREQA21

*(NOT INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

Q20. And of the reasons you have just given me, what would you say is the MAIN reason why [(IF Q3=2) you are not going to start / (IF Q3=3) unsure if you are going to start] the training?

Employment-related reasons

1. Wanted to search for a job instead
2. Got offered a job / better job
3. Left job/changed career – training no longer relevant
4. It wouldn't have led to a good job or career
5. Wouldn't have been able to juggle work and study

Training-related reason

6. I don't think I would have enjoyed the training / study
7. Undertaking other training/study
8. Only enrolled in this training in case I didn't get into other training
9. Never really wanted to study

Financial Reasons

10. Couldn't afford the training
11. Training wasn't worth the cost
12. Employer wasn't going to fund the training
13. Government wasn't going to fund the training

Personal Reasons

14. Problems with travelling/transport/access
15. Illness/health reasons
16. Family reasons
17. Lack of time
18. Moved
19. Changed my mind

20. Any other major reason (please specify)
21. Not sure/Don't know

PREQA21 IF S4=4 (MODULE ENROLMENT) OR S5=1 (COURSE NAME DIFFERENT TO THAT IN SAMPLE) CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO Q21

*(NOT INTENDING TO START TRAINING, POTENTIAL MODULE ENROLMENT, COURSE NAME DIFFERENT TO THAT IN SAMPLE)

QA21. <INSERT SUBJECT/SUBJECTS> is/are part of a broader course of training/qualification, which is the <INSERT COURSE>. Were you aware of this?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know/not sure

*(NOT INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

Q21. Thinking back to when you first enrolled in the training, was it your intention to ...

INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF ANSWER 'BOTH', ASK FOR THEIR 'MAIN' INTENTION

READ OUT

1. Complete the training required to gain the qualification for the <INSERT COURSE>, or was it your intention to
2. Complete some subjects of the <INSERT COURSE>, (IF S4=4) <SUCH AS INSERT MODULE/S FOR PMES> rather than complete the whole course
3. (DON'T READ) Don't know (specify) (AVOID) (GO TO Q48)

*(KNEW INTENTION)

Q21A I am now going to ask you a series of questions about the training you were intending to undertake, and when I refer to 'the training', I am talking about the ...

- (IF Q21=1) training required to gain the qualification for the <INSERT COURSE>

- (IF Q21=2) subjects of the <INSERT COURSE> (IF S4=4) <SUCH AS INSERT MODULE/S FOR PMES> rather than the whole course of training

1. CONTINUE (GO TO Q48)

SECTION C – DROPPED OUT OR DEFERRED (Q2=3 OR 4)

PREQA22 IF S4=4 (MODULE ENROLMENT) OR S5=1 (COURSE NAME DIFFERENT TO THAT IN SAMPLE) CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO Q22

*(WITHDREW/DEFERRED FROM TRAINING, POTENTIAL MODULE ENROLMENT, COURSE NAME DIFFERENT TO THAT IN SAMPLE)

QA22. <INSERT SUBJECT/SUBJECTS> is/are part of a broader course of training/qualification, which is the <INSERT COURSE>. Were you aware of this?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know/not sure

*(WITHDREW/DEFERRED FROM TRAINING)

Q22. Thinking back to when you first enrolled in the training, was it your intention to ...

INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF ANSWER 'BOTH', ASK FOR THEIR 'MAIN' INTENTION

READ OUT

1. Complete the training required to gain the qualification for the <INSERT COURSE>, or was it your intention to
2. Complete some subjects of the <INSERT COURSE>, (IF S4=4) <SUCH AS INSERT MODULE/S FOR PMES> rather than complete the whole course
3. (DON'T READ) Don't know (specify) (AVOID)

*(WITHDREW/DEFERRED FROM TRAINING)

Q22a. And when you first enrolled, what were your reasons for wanting to do the training? Any other reasons? (MULTIPLE RESPONSE, PROBE FULLY)

Employment related - specific

1. Want to work in that type of job/industry
2. To start my own business
3. To develop my existing business
4. Part of my apprenticeship or traineeship
5. It is a requirement of my job/employment
6. To upgrade or gain extra skills for my current job or occupation

Employment related - general

7. Want to get a job/career (of any type)
8. To start a different career or occupation
9. Improved job prospects / opportunity for promotion
10. Improved pay once qualified
11. Recommended/offered by employer

Further study

12. To get into another TAFE course or non-university course
13. To get into a university course
14. Couldn't get into first choice of training

Financial

15. To receive financial assistance from Centrelink (ie Austudy, Abstudy, Youth Allowance, etc)
16. Because the training was paid for through Gov. scheme (such as PPP)
17. Because of training incentives for my employer (Kickstart, etc)

General

18. To gain a recognised qualification or certificate
19. To improve numeracy and literacy skills
20. For personal interest or self-development

Other

21. Other reasons (specify)
22. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO Q23)

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: IF MORE THAN ONE RESPONSE IN Q22a, ASK Q22b AND DISPLAY RESPONSES SELECTED IN Q22a, ELSE GO TO Q23

*(WITHDREW/DEFERRED FROM TRAINING)

Q22b. And of the reasons you have just given me, what would you say was your MAIN reason for wanting to do the training?

Employment related - specific

1. Want to work in that type of job/industry
2. To start my own business
3. To develop my existing business
4. Part of my apprenticeship or traineeship
5. It is a requirement of my job/employment
6. To upgrade or gain extra skills for my current job or occupation

Employment related - general

7. Want to get a job/career (of any type)
8. To start a different career or occupation
9. Improved job prospects / opportunity for promotion
10. Improved pay once qualified
11. Recommended/offered by employer

Further study

12. To get into another TAFE course or non-university course
13. To get into a university course
14. Couldn't get into first choice of training

Financial

15. To receive financial assistance from Centrelink (ie Austudy, Abstudy, Youth Allowance, etc)
16. Because the training was paid for through Gov. scheme (such as PPP)
17. Because of training incentives for my employer (Kickstart, etc)

General

18. To gain a recognised qualification or certificate
19. To improve numeracy and literacy skills
20. For personal interest or self-development

Other

21. Other reasons (specify)
22. Not sure/Don't know

*(WITHDREW/DEFERRED FROM TRAINING)

Q23. What are the reasons you decided not to continue with the training? Any other reasons? (MULTIPLE RESPONSE, PROBE FULLY)

Employment-related reasons

1. Wanted to search for a job instead
2. Got offered a job / better job
3. Left job/changed career
4. It wouldn't have led to a good job or career
5. Wasn't able to juggle work and study

Training-related reason

6. I completed what I needed to / the modules/subjects I needed
7. Unhappy with / didn't enjoy the training
8. Unhappy with the training provider
9. I found the training too difficult / I wasn't doing well
10. Never really wanted to study
11. Undertaking other training/study

Financial Reasons

12. Couldn't afford the training
13. Training wasn't worth the cost
14. Employer wasn't going to fund the training
15. Government wasn't going to fund the training

Personal Reasons

16. Problems with travelling/transport/access
17. Illness/health reasons

18. Family reasons
19. Lack of time
20. Moved
21. Changed my mind
22. Any other major reason (please specify)
23. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO Q25)

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: IF MORE THAN ONE RESPONSE IN Q23, ASK Q24 AND DISPLAY RESPONSES SELECTED IN Q23, ELSE GO TO Q25.

*(WITHDREW/DEFERRED FROM TRAINING)

Q24. And of those, what would you say is the MAIN reason you decided not to continue with the training?

Employment-related reasons

1. Wanted to search for a job instead
2. Got offered a job / better job
3. Left job/changed career
4. It wouldn't have led to a good job or career
5. Wasn't able to juggle work and study

Training-related reason

6. I completed what I needed to / the modules/subjects I needed
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8. Unhappy with the training provider
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10. Never really wanted to study
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Financial Reasons

12. Couldn't afford the training
13. Training wasn't worth the cost
14. Employer wasn't going to fund the training
15. Government wasn't going to fund the training

Personal Reasons

16. Problems with travelling/transport/access
17. Illness/health reasons
18. Family reasons
19. Lack of time
20. Moved
21. Changed my mind
22. Any other major reason (please specify)
23. Not sure/Don't know

*(WITHDREW/DEFERRED FROM TRAINING)

Q25. I am going to read out a list of reasons why people might withdraw from training. For each one please tell me whether it was a factor in your decision to (IF Q2 = 3) withdraw from training / (IF Q2=4) defer training.

(STATEMENTS)

- a. You had problems juggling study and work commitments
- b. You wanted to get a job, apprenticeship or traineeship
- c. Financially, you couldn't afford to continue
- d. You just lost interest
- e. You never really wanted to study
- f. The course turned out to be not what you wanted
- g. It wouldn't have led to a good job or career
- h. You had been getting poor results
- i. The study load was too heavy
- j. Because of problems with access or transport
- k. Because of health or personal reasons

(RESPONSE FRAME)

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not sure/Don't know

*(WITHDREW/DEFERRED FROM TRAINING)

Q26a. Did you

(STATEMENTS)

- a. Complete the subjects that you wanted to
- b. Learn the skills that you needed to

(RESPONSE FRAME)

1. Yes
2. No
3. Partly
4. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know

*(WITHDREW/DEFERRED FROM TRAINING)

Q27. Were you enrolled in the training full-time or part-time?

1. Full-time
2. Part-time
3. Not sure/Don't know

*(WITHDREW/DEFERRED FROM TRAINING)

Q27a. Was the training part of an apprenticeship or traineeship?

1. Yes, apprenticeship
2. Yes, traineeship
3. No
4. Not sure/Don't know

*(WITHDREW/DEFERRED FROM TRAINING)

Q28. Which of the following best describes the way the training was delivered?

READ OUT

1. Classes at <INSERT TRAINING PROVIDER>
2. Classes at the workplace
3. Classes at both <INSERT TRAINING PROVIDER> and in the workplace
4. External study or self-paced learning (ie not in a classroom)
5. (DON'T READ)Other (specify)
6. (DON'T READ)Not sure/Don't know

PREQ29A IF Q22=3 OR 4 (OTHER INTENTION OR DON'T KNOW INTENTION) GO TO Q46, ELSE CONTINUE

*(KNEW INTENTION)

Q29A I am now going to ask you a series of questions about the training you intended to do, and when I refer to 'the training', I am talking about the ...
- (IF Q22=1) training required to gain the qualification for the <INSERT COURSE>
- (IF Q22=2) subjects of the <INSERT COURSE> (IF S4=4) <SUCH AS INSERT MODULE/S FOR PMES> rather than the whole course of training

1. CONTINUE (GO TO Q46)

SECTION D – FINISHED ALL OR SOME TRAINING (Q2=1)

*(FINISHED ALL OR SOME TRAINING)

Q30. What were your reasons for doing the training? (MULTIPLE RESPONSE, PROBE FULLY)

Employment related - specific

1. Want to work in that type of job/industry
2. To start my own business
3. To develop my existing business
4. Part of my apprenticeship or traineeship
5. It is a requirement of my job/employment
6. To upgrade or gain extra skills for my current job or occupation

Employment related - general

7. Want to get a job/career (of any type)
8. To start a different career or occupation
9. Improved job prospects / opportunity for promotion
10. Improved pay once qualified
11. Recommended/offered by employer

Further study

12. To get into another TAFE course or non-university course
13. To get into a university course
14. Couldn't get into first choice of training

Financial

15. To receive financial assistance from Centrelink (ie Austudy, Abstudy, Youth Allowance, etc)
16. Because the training was paid for through Gov. scheme (such as PPP)
17. Because of training incentives for my employer (Kickstart, etc)

General

18. To gain a recognised qualification or certificate
19. To improve numeracy and literacy skills
20. For personal interest or self-development

Other

21. Other reasons (specify)
22. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO PREQ32)

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: IF MORE THAN ONE RESPONSE IN Q30, ASK Q31 AND DISPLAY RESPONSES SELECTED IN Q30, ELSE GO TO PREQ32.

*(FINISHED ALL OR SOME TRAINING)

Q31. And of the reasons you have just given me, what would you say was your MAIN reason for doing the training?

Employment related - specific

1. Want to work in that type of job/industry
2. To start my own business
3. To develop my existing business
4. Part of my apprenticeship or traineeship
5. It is a requirement of my job/employment
6. To upgrade or gain extra skills for my current job or occupation

Employment related - general

7. Want to get a job/career (of any type)
8. To start a different career or occupation
9. Improved job prospects / opportunity for promotion
10. Improved pay once qualified
11. Recommended/offered by employer

Further study

12. To get into another TAFE course or non-university course
13. To get into a university course
14. Couldn't get into first choice of training

Financial

15. To receive financial assistance from Centrelink (ie Austudy, Abstudy, Youth Allowance, etc)
16. Because the training was paid for through Gov. scheme (such as PPP)
17. Because of training incentives for my employer (Kickstart, etc)

General

18. To gain a recognised qualification or certificate
19. To improve numeracy and literacy skills
20. For personal interest or self-development

Other

21. Other reasons (specify)
22. Not sure/Don't know

PREQ32 IF Q31=1 TO 21 (PROVIDED MAIN REASON FOR DOING TRAINING) CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO PREQA33

*(FINISHED ALL OR SOME TRAINING)

Q32. Did the training help you to achieve your main reason, that is, <DISPLAY ANSWER FROM Q31>? Would you say.....

READ OUT

1. Yes
2. No
3. Partly
4. Don't know yet

PREQA33 IF S4=4 (MODULE ENROLMENT) OR COURSE NAME DIFFERENT TO THAT IN SAMPLE (S5=1) CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO Q33

*(FINISHED ALL OR SOME TRAINING, POTENTIAL MODULE ENROLMENT, COURSE NAME DIFFERENT TO THAT IN SAMPLE)

QA33. <INSERT SUBJECT/SUBJECTS> is/are part of a broader course of training/qualification, which is the <INSERT COURSE>. Were you aware of this?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know/not sure

*(FINISHED ALL OR SOME TRAINING)

Q33. Did you ...

READ OUT

1. Complete the training required to gain the qualification for the <INSERT COURSE>, or
2. Complete some subjects of the <INSERT COURSE>, (IF S4=4) <SUCH AS INSERT MODULE/S FOR PMES> rather than complete the whole course
3. (DON'T READ) Don't know (specify) (AVOID) (GO TO Q34)

*(KNEW INTENTION)

Q33A I am now going to ask you a series of questions about the training you completed, and when I refer to 'the training', I am talking about the ...

- (IF Q33=1) training required to gain the qualification for the <INSERT COURSE>
- (IF Q33=2) subjects of the <INSERT COURSE> (IF S4=4) <SUCH AS INSERT MODULE/S FOR PMES> rather than the whole course of training

1. CONTINUE

*(FINISHED ALL OR SOME TRAINING)

Q34. What sort of things did you get out of completing the training? (MULTIPLE RESPONSE, PROBE FULLY)

Employment related - specific

1. Got a job/career in that type of occupation/industry
2. Started my own business
3. Developed my existing business
4. Gained extra skills for my current job or occupation
5. A promotion or increased status at work

Employment related - general

6. Got a job/career (of any type)
7. Started a different career or occupation (unrelated to training)
8. Improved job prospects
9. An increase in earnings

Further study

10. Got into another TAFE course or non-university course
11. Got into a university course

General

12. Gained a recognised qualification or certificate
13. Improved numeracy and literacy skills
14. Self-development (general)
15. Improved general knowledge
16. Improved industry specific knowledge
17. No benefits at all (GO TO Q36 – SINGLE RESPONSE)
18. No benefits yet (GO TO Q36 – SINGLE RESPONSE)
19. Other reasons (please specify)
20. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO Q36)

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: IF MORE THAN ONE RESPONSE IN Q34, ASK Q35 AND DISPLAY RESPONSES SELECTED IN Q34, ELSE GO TO Q36.

*(FINISHED ALL OR SOME TRAINING)

Q35. And of those, what would you say is the MAIN thing that you got out of completing the training?

Employment related - specific

1. Got a job/career in that type of occupation/industry
2. Started my own business
3. Developed my existing business
4. Gained extra skills for my current job or occupation
5. A promotion or increased status at work

Employment related - general

6. Got a job/career (of any type)
7. Started a different career or occupation (unrelated to training)
8. Improved job prospects
9. An increase in earnings

Further study

10. Got into another TAFE course or non-university course
11. Got into a university course

General

12. Gained a recognised qualification or certificate
13. Improved numeracy and literacy skills
14. Self-development (general)
15. Improved general knowledge
16. Improved industry specific knowledge
17. Other reasons (please specify)
18. Not sure/Don't know

*(FINISHED ALL OR SOME TRAINING)

Q36. THINKING BACK to when you FIRST ENROLLED IN THE TRAINING, was it your intention to ...

READ OUT

1. Complete the training required to gain the qualification for the <INSERT COURSE>, or was it your intention to
2. Complete some subjects of the <INSERT COURSE>, such as (IF S4=4) <INSERT MODULE/S FOR PMES> rather than complete the whole course
3. (DON'T READ) Don't know (specify) (AVOID)

PREQ37(1)IF Q33=1 (COMPLETED THE TRAINING TO GAIN QUALIFICATION) GO TO Q39.
PREQ37(2)IF Q33=3 OR 4 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW GO TO Q41, ELSE (COMPLETED SOME SUBJECTS) CONTINUE.

*(COMPLETED SOME SUBJECTS)

Q37. Why did you complete some subjects/units of the <INSERT TRAINING> and not the whole course?
(MULTIPLE RESPONSE, PROBE FULLY)

1. Only need certain subject(s) as requirement for my job/employment
2. Only need certain subject(s) to upgrade or gain extra skills for current job
3. Only need certain subjects to get the job I want
4. Only need certain subjects to get into the study I want
5. It will take too long to do the whole course / time
6. Cost
7. Employer doesn't want me to / only wants me to do certain modules
8. Too many other commitments – work
9. Too many other commitments – family
10. Wasn't aware of the whole course / don't know what would be required
11. Not interested in doing the whole course / never considered it
12. Health / personal reasons
13. Got 'recognition of prior learning (RPL)' for the rest of the course
14. Other reasons (please specify)
15. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO Q41)

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: IF MORE THAN ONE RESPONSE IN Q37, ASK Q38 AND DISPLAY RESPONSES SELECTED IN Q37, ELSE GO TO Q41.

*(COMPLETED SOME SUBJECTS)

Q38. And of those, what would you say is the MAIN reason why you completed some subjects/units rather than complete the whole course?

1. Only need certain subject(s) as requirement for my job/employment (GO TO Q41)
2. Only need certain subject(s) to upgrade or gain extra skills for current job (GO TO Q41)
3. Only need certain subjects to get the job I want (GO TO Q41)
4. Only need certain subjects to get into the study I want (GO TO Q41)
5. It will take too long to do the whole course / time (GO TO Q41)
6. Cost (GO TO Q41)
7. Employer doesn't want me to / only wants me to do certain modules (GO TO Q41)
8. Too many other commitments – work (GO TO Q41)
9. Too many other commitments – family (GO TO Q41)
10. Wasn't aware of the whole course / don't know what would be required (GO TO Q41)
11. Not interested in doing the whole course / never considered it (GO TO Q41)
12. Health / personal reasons (GO TO Q41)
13. Got 'recognition of prior learning (RPL)' for the rest of the course (GO TO Q41)
14. Other reasons (please specify) (GO TO Q41)
15. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO Q41)

*(COMPLETED THE TRAINING TO GAIN QUALIFICATION)

Q39. Sometimes students choose to complete only some subjects of a course and not the whole course. Why did you complete the whole course for the <INSERT TRAINING> and not just some subjects/units of it?
(MULTIPLE RESPONSE, PROBE FULLY)

1. Need qualification as requirement for my job/employment
2. Need qualification to upgrade or gain extra skills for current job
3. Need qualification to get the job I want
4. Need qualification to get into the study I want
5. No point doing part of the course / no benefit doing only some subjects
6. Better value for money to do the whole course
7. Employer wants me to do whole course
8. Have the time to do the whole course now / won't have time later
9. Not interested in doing only some subjects
10. Never considered doing only some subjects

11. Other reasons (please specify)
12. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO Q41)

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: IF MORE THAN ONE RESPONSE IN Q39, ASK Q40 AND DISPLAY RESPONSES SELECTED IN Q39, ELSE GO TO Q41.

*(COMPLETED THE TRAINING TO GAIN QUALIFICATION)

Q40. And of those, what would you say is the MAIN reason why you completed the whole course and not just some subjects/units of it?

1. Need qualification as requirement for my job/employment
2. Need qualification to upgrade or gain extra skills for current job
3. Need qualification to get the job I want
4. Need qualification to get into the study I want
5. No point doing part of the course / no benefit doing only some subjects
6. Better value for money to do the whole course
7. Employer wants me to do whole course
8. Have the time to do the whole course now / won't have time later
9. Not interested in doing only some subjects
10. Never considered doing only some subjects
11. Other reasons (please specify)
12. Not sure/Don't know

*(FINISHED ALL OR SOME TRAINING)

Q41. Did you

(STATEMENTS)

- a. Complete the subjects that you wanted to
- b. Learn the skills that you needed to

(RESPONSE FRAME)

1. Yes
2. No
3. Partly
4. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know

*(FINISHED ALL OR SOME TRAINING)

Q42. Were you enrolled in the training full-time or part-time?

1. Full-time
2. Part-time
3. Not sure/Don't know

*(FINISHED ALL OR SOME TRAINING)

Q42a. Was the training part of an apprenticeship or traineeship?

1. Yes, apprenticeship
2. Yes, traineeship
3. No
4. Not sure/Don't know

*(FINISHED ALL OR SOME TRAINING)

Q43. Which of the following best describes the way the training was delivered?

READ OUT

1. Classes at <INSERT TRAINING PROVIDER>
2. Classes at the workplace
3. Classes at both <INSERT TRAINING PROVIDER> and in the workplace
4. External study or self-paced learning (ie not in a classroom)
5. (DON'T READ)Other (specify)
6. (DON'T READ)Not sure/Don't know

*(FINISHED ALL OR SOME TRAINING)

Q45. In what month did you complete the training?

IF UNSURE, PROBE FOR APPROXIMATE FINISH

RECORD YEAR AT NEXT SCREEN

1. January
2. February
3. March
4. April
5. May
6. June (DISPLAY IF JUNE 2011)
7. July (DISPLAY IF JULY 2011)
8. Not sure/Don't know

SECTION E – ALL, EXCEPT THOSE NOT INTENDING TO START (Q3=2 OR 3)

*PROGRAMMER – REPLACE WITH WORDS IN BRACKETS [/] IF Q2=1, 3 OR 4 (COMPLETED OR WITHDREW FROM TRAINING)

*PROGRAMMER – RANDOMISE STATEMENTS

*(ALL EXCEPT THOSE NOT INTENDING TO START)

Q46. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about your involvement in the training? Could you please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree or strongly disagree with the following statements.

(STATEMENTS)

- a. I [/am /was] confident that I [/have /had] the ability to complete the training
- b. Friends and family [/will encourage /encouraged] me to complete the training
- c. Completing the training [/will not /did not] fit in with my family and other commitments
- d. Undertaking the training [/will be /was] financially challenging
- e. Completing the training [/will be /was] personally rewarding
- f. I [/need /needed] to complete the training to get into the kind of job I want
- g. I [/need /needed] to complete the training to get into the further study I want to do
- h. The training is highly valued amongst employers

(RESPONSE FRAME)

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree
6. (DON'T READ) Don't know

PREQ47 IF Q4=2 (STUDENTS CONTINUING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING ONLY INTENDING TO COMPLETE SOME SUBJECTS) OR Q22=2 (DROP OUTS ONLY INTENDED TO COMPLETE SOME SUBJECTS) OR Q33=2 (COMPLETERS ONLY COMPLETED SOME SUBJECTS) CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO PREQ47X.

*PROGRAMMER – REPLACE WITH WORDS IN BRACKETS [/] IF Q2=1, 3 OR 4 (COMPLETED OR WITHDREW OR DEFERRED FROM TRAINING)

*PROGRAMMER – RANDOMISE STATEMENTS

*(STUDENTS CONTINUING/INTENDING, DROP OUTS AND COMPLETERS WHO ONLY INTENDED TO COMPLETED SOME SUBJECTS)

Q47. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about your involvement in the training you [(IF Q1=1 OR Q3=1) are undertaking / (IF Q2=1 OR Q2=3 OR 4) undertook]? Could you please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree or strongly disagree with the following statements.

(STATEMENTS)

- a. I [/have never /never] considered completing the whole course for the <INSERT COURSE>
- b. It [/would not benefit /would not have benefitted] me to [/complete /have completed] the whole course for the <INSERT COURSE>

(RESPONSE FRAME)

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree
6. (DON'T READ) Don't know

PREQ47X IF Q4=1 (STUDENTS CONTINUING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING INTENDING TO COMPLETE COURSE) OR Q22=1 (DROP OUTS INTENDED TO COMPLETE COURSE) OR Q33=1 (COMPLETERS COMPLETED COURSE) CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO Q48.

*PROGRAMMER – REPLACE WITH WORDS IN BRACKETS[/] IF Q2=1 OR 3 OR 4 (COMPLETED OR WITHDREW OR DEFERRED FROM TRAINING

*PROGRAMMER – RANDOMISE STATEMENTS

*(STUDENTS CONTINUING/INTENDING, DROP OUTS AND COMPLETERS WHO INTENDED TO COMPLETED COURSE)

Q47X.(IF Q2=2 (NOT STARTED TRAINING) DO NOT DISPLAY) At any point during your training), have you [did you] seriously considered [/consider] not completing the whole course and just completing a subject or subjects of the training?

1. Yes
2. No, have not considered part-completing (GO TO Q48)

*[SERIOUSLY CONSIDERED NOT COMPLETING WHOLE COURSE]

Q47XX. I'm going to read out a list of reasons that describe why people might consider not completing the whole course. Which one best describes the reason why you considered not completing the whole course?

1. For convenience or practical reasons
2. To improve career prospects
3. For financial reasons or to reduce study costs
4. For reasons to do with course content or course difficulty
5. To obtain better quality education
6. For another reasons (Please specify)
7. (DON'T READ)Not sure/Don't know

SECTION F - ASK ALL

*PROGRAMMER – RANDOMISE STATEMENTS

*(ALL)

Q48. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the training? Could you please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree or strongly disagree with the following statements.

(STATEMENTS)

- a. It was easy to find out about the training
- b. (Before I started,) I understood the time and effort involved in doing the training (DO NOT DISPLAY TEXT IN BRACKETS IF Q2=2, NOT STARTED TRAINING)
- c. I had a clear idea of the career I wanted when I chose the training
- d. I chose the right training for me

(RESPONSE FRAME)

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree
6. (DON'T READ) Not Applicable
7. (DON'T READ) Don't know

PREQ48A Q3=2 OR 3 (NOT INTENDING TO START TRAINING) GO TO Q50, ELSE CONTINUE

*PROGRAMMER – REPLACE WITH WORDS IN BRACKETS [/] IF Q2=1, 3 OR 4 (COMPLETED OR WITHDREW OR DEFERRED FROM TRAINING) [/] IF Q3=1 (INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

*PROGRAMMER – RANDOMISE STATEMENTS

*(ALL EXCEPT THOSE NOT INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

Q48A.

(STATEMENTS)

- a. I [am gaining /gained /will gain] the skills I [want /wanted] to learn from the training
- b. My training [is /was /will be] relevant to the occupation I want to work in

- c. I [have /had /will have] access to the equipment necessary for my training (e.g. computers, tools, etc)

(RESPONSE FRAME)

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree
6. (DON'T READ) Not Applicable
7. (DON'T READ) Don't know

*PROGRAMMER – REPLACE WITH WORDS IN BRACKETS IF Q1=1 (CURRENTLY TRAINING)/ IF Q2=1 OR 3 OR 4 (COMPLETED OR WITHDREW OR DEFERRED FROM TRAINING)

PREQ49 Q2=2 (HAVEN'T STARTED TRAINING) GO TO Q50, ELSE CONTINUE

*(STARTED TRAINING)

Q49. Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the training [you're receiving /you received]? Are you ...
(read out)

1. Very satisfied
2. Satisfied
3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
4. Dissatisfied
5. Very dissatisfied
6. (DON'T READ) Not applicable
7. (DON'T READ) Can't say/don't know/haven't done enough training to say

*(ALL)

Q50. Thinking back to when you enrolled in the training, who or what influenced you to undertake this training in the first place? Anything or anyone else? (MULTIPLE RESPONSE)

1. Family / Parents
2. School career counsellors
3. School teachers
4. Friends
5. Employer encouraged me to do it
6. Employer told me I had to do it
7. Employer paid for it
8. Work colleagues / work mates
9. Lecturers
10. College / Institute career advisors
11. Employment agency / Career advisory service
12. Personal financial benefits received (eg Centrelink)
13. Training funded through Government schemes (PPP, etc)
14. Wanted to try something different
15. Always wanted to study / train in this field
16. Nothing at all (GO TO Q52)
17. Any other major reason (please specify)
18. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO Q52)

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: IF MORE THAN ONE RESPONSE IN Q50, ASK Q51 AND DISPLAY RESPONSES SELECTED IN Q50, ELSE GO TO Q52.

*(ALL)

Q51. Of these things that you have just mentioned, which was the GREATEST INFLUENCE on your decision to undertake this training?

1. Family / Parents
2. School career counsellors
3. School teachers
4. Friends
5. Employer encouraged me to do it
6. Employer told me I had to do it

7. Employer paid for it
8. Work colleagues / work mates
9. Lecturers
10. College / Institute career advisors
11. Employment agency / Career advisory service
12. Personal financial benefits received (eg Centrelink)
13. Training funded through Government schemes (PPP, etc)
14. Wanted to try something different
15. Always wanted to study / train in this field
16. Nothing at all
17. Any other major reason (please specify)
18. Not sure/Don't know

*(ALL)

Q52. And when you first enrolled in the training, why did you choose to do it through <TRAINING PROVIDER>?
(MULTIPLE RESPONSE)

1. Good reputation / highly regarded
2. Good location / easy to get to
3. Low cost / cheap
4. The only one offering the course/subjects I wanted
5. Recommended by friends/family
6. Recommended by career advisor
7. Recommended by employer
8. Recommended by government
9. Had done training through this provider before
10. Friends/people you know undertake training with this provider
11. No choice – employer organised
12. Any other major reason (please specify)
13. Not sure/Don't know

EMPLOYMENT AND STUDY SECTIONS – ASK ALL

*(ALL)

Q53. Which of the following best describes your current employment status? Are you ...

INTERVIEWER NOTE: If you had more than one job, please report for your main job, i.e. the job in which you usually worked the most hours.

INTERVIEWER NOTE: Employed means any type of work including full-time, casual, temporary or part-time work, if it was for one hour or more over a two-week period.

IF UNSURE:

PERMANENT EMPLOYEES usually work for a fixed number of hours each week or fortnight with an expectation of ongoing employment. Permanent employees are entitled to sick leave and annual leave.

CASUAL EMPLOYEES are usually employed on an irregular 'as needs' basis. Casual employees are usually employed by the hour and do not receive annual or sick leave.

READ OUT

1. A permanent employee, part-time or full-time
2. A casual employee, part-time or full-time
3. Self employed
4. Employed as an unpaid worker in a family business
5. Not employed but actively looking for work
6. Not employed and not actively looking for work
7. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know

PREQ53A IF Q53=1 TO 4 (EMPLOYED) CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO PREQ54(1)

*(ALL)

Q53A. Do you work....

READ OUT

1. Less than 35 hours per week, or
2. 35 hours per week or more
3. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know

PREQ54(1) IF Q53=1 TO 4 (EMPLOYED) CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO PREQ55

PREQ54(2) IF Q3=2 OR 3 (NOT INTENDING OR NOT SURE IF WILL START TRAINING) GO TO Q58, ELSE CONTINUE

PREQ54(3) IF Q2=3 OR 4 (WITHDREW OR DEFERRED FROM TRAINING) GO TO PREQ55

*(EMPLOYED, EXCLUDING THOSE WHO WITHDREW FROM TRAINING OR NOT INTENDING/NOT SURE IF WILL START TRAINING)

Q54. How relevant is the training to your current job? Is it ...

READ OUT

1. Highly relevant
2. Of some relevance
3. Of very little relevance
4. Not at all relevant
5. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: IF Q53=1 TO 4 (EMPLOYED), DISPLAY TEXT IN BRACKETS.

PREQ55 IF Q2=1 (COMPLETED TRAINING) OR Q2=3 OR 4 (WITHDREW OR DEFERRED TRAINING) CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO PREQ56

*(COMPLETED TRAINING, WITHDREW FROM TRAINING)

Q55. Were you employed (in this same job, with the same conditions and hours) while you were undertaking the training?

1. Yes, same job (DO NOT DISPLAY IF Q53=5, 6 OR 7)
2. Employed but different job/conditions/hours (DISPLAY IF Q53=1 TO 4)
3. Yes, employed (DISPLAY IF Q53=5, 6 OR 7)
4. No, not employed during training

5. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO PREQ57)

PREQ55A IF Q55=2, 3 OR 4 (NOT EMPLOYED IN SAME JOB DURING TRAINING) CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO PREQ56

Q55A. Which of the following best describes your employment status DURING YOUR TRAINING?

WERE you ...

INTERVIEWER NOTE: If you had more than one job, please report for your main job, i.e. the job in which you usually worked the most hours.

INTERVIEWER NOTE: Employed means any type of work including full-time, casual, temporary or part-time work, if it was for one hour or more over a two-week period.

IF UNSURE:

PERMANENT EMPLOYEES usually work for a fixed number of hours each week or fortnight with an expectation of ongoing employment. Permanent employees are entitled to sick leave and annual leave.

CASUAL EMPLOYEES are usually employed on an irregular 'as needs' basis. Casual employees are usually employed by the hour and do not receive annual or sick leave.

READ OUT

1. A permanent employee, part-time or full-time [DO NOT DISPLAY IF Q55=4]
2. A casual employee, part-time or full-time [DO NOT DISPLAY IF Q55=4]
3. Self employed [DO NOT DISPLAY IF Q55=4]
4. Employed as an unpaid worker in a family business [DO NOT DISPLAY IF Q55=4]
5. Not employed but actively looking for work [DO NOT DISPLAY IF Q55= 2 OR 3]
6. Not employed and not actively looking for work [DO NOT DISPLAY IF Q55= 2 OR 3]
7. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know

PREQ55B IF Q55A=1 TO 4 (EMPLOYED DURING TRAINING) CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO PREQ56

*(ALL)

Q55B. During your training, did you work....

READ OUT

1. Less than 35 hours per week, or
2. 35 hours per week or more
3. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: RANDOMISE STATEMENTS 1 TO 5, THEN 6 AND 7

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: IF Q2=1 (COMPLETED TRAINING) OR Q2=3 OR 4 (WITHDREW OR DEFERRED FROM TRAINING) AND Q55=1, 2 OR 3 (EMPLOYED WHILE UNDERTAKING TRAINING) DISPLAY QUESTION TEXT IN BRACKETS.

PREQ56 IF Q1=1 OR Q3=1 (CONTINUING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING) AND Q53=5 TO 7 (NOT EMPLOYED) GO TO PREQ57, ELSE CONTINUE.

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: IF Q3=1 (INTEND TO START THE TRAINING) DISPLAY CODE TEXT IN BRACKETS

*(EMPLOYED DURING TRAINING, EXCLUDING THOSE NOT INTENDING/NOT SURE IF WILL START TRAINING)

Q56. (Thinking about the job you were in when you were undertaking the training), Could you please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree or strongly disagree with the following statements.

(STATEMENTS)

- a. My employer is [was /will be] supportive while [I undertake /I undertook] the training (DO NOT DISPLAY IF Q53=3 OR Q55A=3, SELF EMPLOYED)
- b. It is [was /will be] difficult for me to combine work and study
- c. It is [was] in my employer's interests that I [complete /completed] the training (DO NOT DISPLAY IF Q53=3 OR Q55A=3, SELF EMPLOYED)
- d. Work commitments will make it [made it] difficult to complete the training
- e. Completing the training is [was] more important to me than keeping my [job /job at the time]
- f. I would give up [would have given up] work in order to complete the training
- g. I may have to give up the training to focus on work (ONLY DISPLAY IF Q1=1 OR Q3=1, CURRENTLY UNDERTAKING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

(RESPONSE FRAME)

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree
6. (DON'T READ) Not applicable
7. (DON'T READ) Don't know

PREQ57 IF Q53=5, 6 OR 7 (NOT EMPLOYED) AND Q1=1(CURRENTLY UNDERTAKING TRAINING) OR Q3=1 (INTENDING TO START TRAINING) CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO Q58

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: RANDOMISE STATEMENTS

*(NOT EMPLOYED, CURRENTLY UNDERTAKING OR INTENDING TO START TRAINING)

Q57. Could you please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree or strongly disagree with the following statements.

(STATEMENTS)

- a. I will need to find a job before I complete the training
- b. Completing the training is more important to me at the moment than finding a job
- c. I may have to give up training so that I can find a job

(RESPONSE FRAME)

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree
6. (DON'T READ) Don't know

UNDERSTANDING AND ATTITUDES TOWARDS VET

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: RANDOMISE STATEMENTS

*(ALL)

Q58. Vocational Education and Training, or VET, is training that provides people with occupational or work-related knowledge and skills. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about vocational education and training (VET) in general? Could you please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree or strongly disagree with the following statements

(STATEMENTS)

- a. VET can be used as a stepping stone to other types of study or training
- b. VET qualifications are as highly regarded as University degrees
- c. I understand what I'd need to do to get a VET qualification
- d. It is better to complete a full VET qualification than only specific parts of training
- e. VET qualifications are recognised all around Australia
- f. When it comes to VET, gaining skills is more important than gaining a qualification

(RESPONSE FRAME)

1. Strongly agree
2. Agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Disagree
5. Strongly disagree
6. (DON'T READ) Don't know

OTHER STUDY SECTION - ASK ALL

*(ALL)

PREQ59. The following questions are about other study that you may have done or are going to do.

1. CONTINUE

*PROGRAMMER NOTE: DISPLAY TEXT IN BRACKETS IF Q1=1 OR Q3=1 (CURRENTLY/INTENDING TO UNDERTAKE TRAINING)

*(ALL)

Q59. Are you currently enrolled in other study (besides the <(IF S4=3)INSERT COURSE/(IF S4=4) INSERT MODULE(S)>)?

1. Yes
2. No (GO TO Q63)
3. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO Q63)

*(ENROLLED IN OTHER STUDY)

Q60. What level of qualification will this other study lead to? PROBE FULLY.

Interviewer Note: If you are enrolled in more than one course, please report the course that you think is most important.

Interviewer Note: If 'certificate', probe for certificate level – I, II, III, IV.

1. Bachelor degree or higher
2. Advanced diploma or associate degree
3. Diploma or associate diploma
4. Certificate IV (or advanced certificate/technician)
5. Certificate III (or trade certificate eg. apprenticeship)
6. Certificate II
7. Certificate I
8. Other certificate
9. Secondary school qualification (e.g. mature age, night school)
10. Statement of attainment
11. Other course (please specify)
12. Not sure/Don't know

*(ENROLLED IN OTHER STUDY)

Q61. Where are you enrolled in this study?

READ OUT

1. <INSERT TRAINING PROVIDER> (GO TO Q62)
2. A different training provider
3. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know (GO TO Q62)

*(ENROLLED IN OTHER STUDY WITH A DIFFERENT TRAINING PROVIDER)

Q61a. And is that a

INTERVIEWER NOTE: If you are doing external study, please report the organisation you are studying with e.g. university, TAFE institute.

INTERVIEWER NOTE: If you enrolled in more than one course, please report the course that you think is most important.

INTERVIEWER NOTE: For Tasmania respondents note that "Academy" means "Secondary School"

READ OUT

1. University
2. TAFE institute (IF TAS OR WA RECORD DISPLAY AS: TAFE Institute, Skills Institute or Polytechnic)
3. TAFE division of a university
4. Private Training Provider
5. Adult and Community Education Provider
6. Secondary School, or
7. Somewhere else (specify)
8. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know

*(ENROLLED IN OTHER STUDY)

Q62. Do you consider this to be in ... ?

READ OUT

1. A similar area of study as the <(IF S4=3)INSERT COURSE/(IF S4=4) INSERT MODULE(S)>
2. A different area of study as the <(IF S4=3)INSERT COURSE/(IF S4=4) INSERT MODULE(S)>
3. (DON'T READ) Other (specify)
4. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know

*(ALL)

Q63. Now thinking back to before you enrolled in the <(IF S4=3)INSERT COURSE/(IF S4=4) INSERT MODULE(S)>, had you previously received any qualifications? PROBE FULLY. (MULTIPLE RESPONSE)
INTERVIEWER NOTE: If 'certificate', probe for certificate level – I, II, III, IV.

1. Bachelor degree or higher
2. Advanced diploma or associate degree
3. Diploma or associate diploma
4. Certificate IV (or advanced certificate/technician)
5. Certificate III (or trade certificate eg. apprenticeship)
6. Certificate II
7. Certificate I
8. Other certificate
9. Secondary school qualification (including mature age, night school)
10. Statement of attainment
11. No prior formal qualifications (GO TO Q65)
12. Other course (please specify)
13. Not sure/Don't know

*(HAD FORMAL QUALIFICATIONS PRIOR TO ENROLLING IN TRAINING)

Q64. [(IF Q63=ONE RESPONSE) Was this qualification / (IF Q63=MORE THAN ONE RESPONSE) Were any of these qualifications] in a similar area of study to the <INSERT COURSE/MODULE(S)>?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not sure/Don't know

*(ALL)

Q65. Do you intend to enrol in any other study in the next 2 years?

IF YES, ASK: Do you intend to enrol in study in a similar area to the <INSERT COURSE/MODULE(S)> or a different area?

1. Yes, I intend to enrol in further study in a similar area
2. Yes, I intend to enrol in further study but in a different area
3. No, I do not intend to enrol in any further study
4. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know

ABOUT YOU SECTION

*(ALL)

Q66. Finally, just a few questions about you. Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?

6. No
7. Yes, Aboriginal
8. Yes, Torres Strait Islander
9. Yes, both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
10. Not sure/Don't know

*(ALL)

Q67. Were you born in Australia or another country?

1. Australia
2. Other country
3. Not sure/Don't know

*(ALL)

Q68. Do you speak a language other than English at home?

1. Yes
2. No (Go TO Q70)
3. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO Q70)

*(SPEAK A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH AT HOME)

Q69. How well would you say you speak English? Would you say...

READ OUT

1. Very well
2. Well
3. Not well
4. Not at all
5. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know

*(ALL)

Q70. Do you consider yourself to have a disability, impairment or long-term condition?

1. Yes
2. No (GO TO Q72)
3. Not sure/Don't know (GO TO Q72)

*(HAS A DISABILITY, IMPAIRMENT OR LONG TERM CONDITION)

Q71. What sort of disability, impairment or longer-term condition do you have? (MULTIPLE RESPONSE)

1. Hearing
2. Physical
3. Intellectual
4. Learning
5. Mental illness
6. Acquired brain impairment
7. Vision
8. Other (specify)
9. Not sure/Don't know

*(ALL)

Q72. What is the highest level of schooling you have completed?

1. Year 12
2. Year 11
3. Year 10

4. Year 9
5. Year 8 or below
6. Did not go to school
7. Not sure/Don't know

*(ALL)

Q73. Which of the following best describes your current living arrangement?

READ OUT

1. Living by yourself
2. Living with friends or in a share house
3. Living with parents or guardians
4. Living with a partner or children
5. (DON'T READ) Other (specify)
6. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know

*(ALL)

Q73A. What is your current main activity?

(ONLY DISPLAY IF Q72=NOT 1) INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF STUDENT PROBE FOR SECONDARY OR TERTIARY

READ OUT IF NECESSARY

1. Employed
2. Home duties
3. Student – Tertiary
4. Student – Secondary (DISPLAY IF Q72=NOT 1)
5. Retired
6. Unemployed / Looking for work
7. Voluntary work
8. Unable to work
9. (Don't Know / Can't Say)
10. (Refused)

PREQ73B IF AGED 25 YEARS AND UNDER FROM SAMPLE CONTINUE, ELSE GO TO Q74

*(AGED 25 YEARS AND UNDER)

Q73B. Have any of your parents or guardians ever ...?

(MULTIPLES ACCEPTED)

READ OUT

1. Completed a university degree
2. Completed a TAFE qualification
3. Finished year 12
4. Finished year 10 (DON'T READ IF 'Finished year 12')
5. (DON'T READ) None of the above
6. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know

*(ALL)

Q74. To finish off, I'm going to ask some questions about how you deal with problems. Could you please tell me whether the following statements are exactly true, moderately true, hardly true or not at all true - as a statement about you.

(STATEMENTS)

- a. I can always manage to solve difficult problems if I try hard enough
- b. If someone opposes me, I can find the means and ways to get what I want
- c. It is easy for me to stick to my aims and accomplish my goals
- d. I am confident that I could deal efficiently with unexpected events
- e. Thanks to my resourcefulness, I know how to handle unforeseen situations
- f. I can solve most problems if I invest the necessary effort
- g. I can remain calm when facing difficulties because I can rely on my coping abilities
- h. When I am confronted with a problem, I can usually find several solutions

- i. If I am in trouble, I can usually think of a solution
- j. I can usually handle whatever comes my way

(RESPONSE FRAME)

- 1. Exactly true
- 2. Moderately true
- 3. Hardly true
- 4. Not at all true
- 5. (DON'T READ) Not sure/Don't know

*(ALL)

QREC. Thanks for that. It's possible that the National Centre for Vocational Education Research (NCVER) will be undertaking further research relating to this topic and it may be important to talk to people who have already participated in this interview. Would you be willing to be contacted to participate in future studies of this nature?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

*(ALL)

CLOSE That was my last question. Just in case you missed it, my name is (.....) calling on behalf of the NCVER from The Social Research Centre. If you have any queries about the survey, please call us on 1800 023 040. Thanks again for your time.

*(REFUSED)

RR1 OK, that's fine, could you please tell me the main reason you do not want to participate, because that's important information for us?

- 1. No comment / just hung up
- 2. Too busy
- 3. Not interested
- 4. Too personal / intrusive
- 5. Don't like subject matter
- 6. Don't believe surveys are confidential / privacy concerns
- 7. Silent number
- 8. Don't trust surveys / government
- 9. Never do surveys
- 10. 10 to 15 minutes is too long
- 11. Get too many calls for surveys / telemarketing
- 12. Too old / frail / deaf / unable to do survey
- 13. Not a residential number (business, etc)
- 14. Language difficulty
- 15. Going away / moving house
- 16. Other (Specify_____)
- 17. Asked to be taken off list

*(REFUSED)

RR2 RECORD RE-CONTACT TYPE

- 1. Definitely don't call back
- 2. Possible conversion

TERMINATION SCRIPTS

TERM1 Thanks anyway, but we need to talk to people who recently enrolled in training

TERM2 Thanks anyway, but we need to speak to people who recently enrolled in particular types of training

TERM3 Thanks anyway, but we need to speak to people who enrolled in training in 2011.

ALLTERM

- 1 Intro=3 - Phone answerer / household refusal
- 2 Intro=4 - Name sample member refusal
- 3 Term1 - Claims not to have enrolled in training
- 4 Term2 - Claims to have enrolled in other training
- 5 Term3 - Enrolled in training prior to 2011