

VET PROVIDER MARKET STRUCTURES

– PERCEPTIONS VS REALITY

Increasing competition in the Australian vocational education and training (VET) sector over the last two decades means it is timely to understand how this has changed the structure of the VET market. Based on findings from the report *VET provider market structures: history, growth and change* by Patrick Korbel and Josie Misko, this infographic addresses some common perceptions of the VET market structure.

For a more complete picture, the full report is available at <http://www.ncver.edu.au/publications/2871.html>.

Perceptions



TAFE institutes are large.



Private providers are small.



The number of providers entering the VET market keeps increasing.



New providers dominate VET FEE-HELP (VFH).

Reality (what the data show)

	TAFE institutes	Private providers
Number of providers with up to 1000 students	1	2102
Number of providers with 1 000 to 10 000 students	19	431
Number of providers with 10 000+ students	37	24

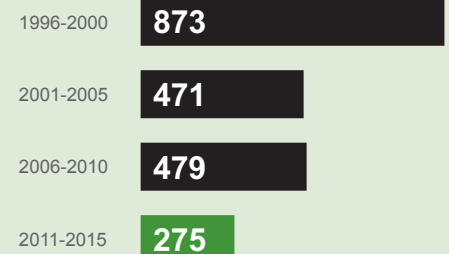
Source: National VET Provider Collection, 2014, NCVER, Adelaide.

While the majority of private providers are small...
...there are **a number of large** private providers too.



Fewer new providers entered the market between 2011-2015 than in previous years.

Five year summaries: average number of initial provider registrations per year



Source: Based on data request from the Department of Education and Training. Department of Education and Training, 2016, 'All RTOs grouped by initial registration year(s)', data requested January 2016.

Top 20 = 76.1%
VET FEE-HELP providers in 2014 of all 2014 VET FEE-HELP activity.



In the top 20, **only one VFH** provider registered after the introduction of the scheme.

Please note: Top 20 providers in 2014 are determined by the total amount of loans.

Source: Based on 2014 VET FEE-HELP Statistical Report and data request from the Department of Education and Training. Department of Education and Training, 2015, '2014 VET FEE-HELP statistical report – provider tables', viewed March 2016, <https://docs.education.gov.au/node/38381>. Department of Education and Training, 2016, 'All RTOs grouped by initial registration year(s)', data requested January 2016.