



Aggregate data reported by exempt RTOs in 2022

Under the National VET Data Policy, registered training organisations (RTOs) may apply for exemptions from reporting to the National VET Provider Collection. Two types of exemption exist:

- National security, border protection and policing exemption (section 5.3)
- Delivery of emergency or safety community services exemption (section 5.5).

Where an exemption exists, the RTO must collect and submit annual aggregate competency commencement and completion data. Aggregate submissions do not identify the student, their location, or other fields deemed within the scope of the exemption for each program and subject. The data must be submitted directly to NCVER for all activity covered by the exemption, by the end of March of the year following the year in which the training occurred.

Where a student provides their USI to an RTO for training activity covered by a *Delivery of emergency or safety community services exemption*, their RTO is required to report full AVETMISS data, so the student has a record of their training on their VET Transcript.

Even though an exemption may apply, an RTO may still choose to collect and submit AVETMISS compliant data to the National VET Provider Collection. For further information, refer to <<https://www.dewr.gov.au/national-vet-data/national-vet-data-policy>>.

What data does NCVER collect from exempt RTOs?

The collection is program and subject centric and does not identify students, their location, or other fields deemed within the scope of the exemption for each program and subject.

The collection includes:

- training package qualifications, training package skill sets and accredited courses
- commencements and completions in nationally recognised subjects that are not associated with a program
- nationally recognised training delivered by Australian RTOs to students in Australia.

The collection excludes:

- any activity where a student has provided their USI to the RTO, in which case the exemption does not apply, and the RTO must report AVETMISS compliant data for the National VET Provider Collection
- any activity, although granted an exemption, that has been reported for the National VET Provider Collection
- where the RTO has reported programs or subjects without any commencement or completion activity.

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Given data is submitted to NCVET is aggregate form, it is not possible to determine whether an RTO has submitted the same training activity in both their annual aggregate competency commencement and completion data and to the National VET Provider Collection.

How many RTOs received an exemption?

In 2022, 50 RTOs were granted an exemption from reporting AVETMISS compliant data to the National VET Provider Collection by a VET regulator.

- 26 RTOs submitted annual aggregate competency commencement and completion data. Of these:
 - 11 RTOs submitted annual aggregate data only
 - 15 RTOs submitted annual aggregate data and AVETMISS compliant data to the National VET Provider Collection.
- 24 RTOs granted an exemption from reporting AVETMISS compliant data to the National VET Provider Collection by a VET regulator submitted AVETMISS compliant data to the National VET Provider Collection.

Table 1 Number of RTOs granted exemptions from reporting for the National VET Provider Collection by VET regulator and type of submission, 2021 and 2022.

	2021			2022		
	ASQA	Other regulator	Total	ASQA	Other regulator	Total
Annual aggregate data only	7	3	10	8	3	11
Both annual aggregate data and AVETMISS compliant data	14	1	15	14	1	15
RTOs submitting annual aggregate data	21	4	25	22	4	26
AVETMISS compliant data only	21	2	23	22	2	24
Total number of RTOs granted an exemption	42	6	48	44	6	50

Training activity submitted as annual aggregate data by exempt RTOs

The following summarises the activity of the 26 RTOs that submitted annual aggregate data in 2022.

There were:

- 10 011 program commencements, a 2.9% decrease from 2021. Of these:
 - 33.0% were in Society and culture, followed by 27.7% in Management and commerce
 - 24.6% were at the Diploma level.
- 9 175 program completions, a 6.8% decrease from 2021. Of these:
 - 37.8% were in Society and culture, followed by 25.8% in Management and commerce
 - 29.4% were at the Diploma level.
- 63 232 subject commencements (a 10.9% increase from 2021) and 65 794 subject completions (a 18.4% increase from 2021).

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Table 2 Programs and subjects reported by exempt RTOs as annual aggregate data, 2021 and 2022.

Nationally accredited training	2021		2022	
	Commencements	Completions	Commencements	Completions
Programs				
Training package qualifications	9 889	9 529	8 846	8 441
Training package skill sets	0	0	0	0
Accredited courses	423	317	1 165	734
Total programs	10 312	9 846	10 011	9 175
Subjects				
Units of competency	56 937	55 508	62 477	65 373
Accredited modules	67	66	755	421
Total subjects	57 004	55 574	63 232	65 794

Table 3 Program commencements and completions by field of education reported by exempt RTOs as annual aggregate data, 2021 and 2022.

Program field of education	2021		2022	
	Commencements	Completions	Commencements	Completions
Natural and physical sciences	4	0	13	6
Information technology	0	0	0	0
Engineering and related technologies	1 854	1 296	1 548	1 002
Architecture and building	0	0	0	0
Agriculture, environmental and related studies	0	0	0	0
Health	2 454	2 422	2 201	2 201
Education	0	0	0	0
Management and commerce	2 206	2 206	2 771	2 371
Society and culture	3 584	3 903	3 303	3 465
Creative arts	0	0	0	0
Food, hospitality, and personal services	0	0	0	0
Mixed field programmes	0	0	0	0
Not assigned	210	19	175	130
Total	10 312	9 846	10 011	9 175

Table 4 Program commencements and completions by level of education reported by exempt RTOs as annual aggregate data, 2021 and 2022.

Program level of education	2021		2022	
	Commencements	Completions	Commencements	Completions
Graduate certificate	85	35	67	56
Advanced diploma	754	646	630	542
Diploma	2 595	2 749	2 461	2 699
Certificate IV	1 966	2 064	2 188	1 736
Certificate III	1 831	1 487	1 242	1 119
Certificate II	2 630	2 500	2 210	2 206
Certificate I	151	65	115	109
Statement of attainment	300	300	1 098	708
Total	10 312	9 846	10 011	9 175

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Table 5 Program commencements by level of education and type of accreditation reported by exempt RTOs as annual aggregate data, 2022.

Program level of education	Training package qualifications	Training package skill sets	Accredited courses	Total
Graduate certificate	67	0	0	67
Advanced diploma	581	0	49	630
Diploma	2 461	0	0	2 461
Certificate IV	2 170	0	18	2 188
Certificate III	1 242	0	0	1 242
Certificate II	2 210	0	0	2 210
Certificate I	115	0	0	115
Statement of attainment	0	0	1 098	1 098
Total	8 846	0	1 165	10 011

Table 6 Program completions by level of education and type of accreditation reported by exempt RTOs as annual aggregate data, 2022.

Program level of education	Training package qualifications	Training package skill sets	Accredited courses	Total
Graduate certificate	56	0	0	56
Advanced diploma	533	0	9	542
Diploma	2 699	0	0	2 699
Certificate IV	1 719	0	17	1 736
Certificate III	1 119	0	0	1 119
Certificate II	2 206	0	0	2 206
Certificate I	109	0	0	109
Statement of attainment	0	0	708	708
Total	8 441	0	734	9 175

Table 7 Subject commencements and completions by field of education reported by exempt RTOs as annual aggregate data, 2021 and 2022.

Subject field of education	2021		2022	
	Commencements	Completions	Commencements	Completions
Natural and physical sciences	9	9	79	85
Information technology	0	0	0	0
Engineering and related technologies	9 372	9 155	18 359	21 918
Architecture and building	0	0	23	16
Agriculture, environmental and related studies	800	800	191	283
Health	34 972	34 433	32 553	32 098
Education	285	285	204	176
Management and commerce	4 836	4 498	4 040	3 688
Society and culture	2 416	2 356	3 192	2 870
Creative arts	119	115	105	138
Food, hospitality, and personal services	0	0	0	0
Mixed field programmes	4 073	3 802	4 427	4 464
Not assigned	122	121	59	58
Total	57 004	55 574	63 232	65 794

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Table 8 Program and subject commencements and completions by type of exemption reported by exempt RTOs as annual aggregate data, 2021 and 2022.

Nationally accredited training	2021		2022	
	Commencements	Completions	Commencements	Completions
Programs				
National security, border protection and policing exemption (5.3)	6 935	6 608	6 794	6 357
Delivery of emergency or safety community services exemption (5.5)	3 377	3 238	3 217	2 818
Total	10 312	9 846	10 011	9 175
Subjects				
National security, border protection and policing exemption (5.3)	13 503	13 387	25 942	30 786
Delivery of emergency or safety community services exemption (5.5)	43 501	42 187	37 290	35 008
Total	57 004	55 574	63 232	65 794