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Membership of external committees

As at 30 June 2016, NCVER staff were members of the following external committees:

- Australian Consortium for Social and Political Research Incorporated: Rebecca Sherman
- Australian Government Statistical Forum: Craig Fowler
- Australian Vocational Education and Training Research Association: organisational membership
- Australian Vocational Education and Training Research Association Executive Committee (Co-opted): Josie Misko
- International Network on Innovative Apprenticeship: Jo Hargreaves
- National Skills Research Agency (South Africa), Editorial Board, Skills at Work Journal: Theory and Practice: Phil Loveder
- Productivity Commission’s Report on Government Services, VET Working Group: Toni Cavallaro
- South Australian Council of Adult Literacy Executive (Co-opted): Josie Misko
- Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization Regional Centre for Vocational and Technical Education (Negara Brunei Darussalam), Editorial Board, Voctech International Journal: Phil Loveder
- Unique Student Identifier Implementation Project, Combined Working Group: Mette Creaser, Alison Anlezark, Katherine McGregor
- United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization—UNEVOC Pacific Network: Phil Loveder
- VET Data Action Group: Sue Fergusson, Alison Anlezark, Katherine McGregor
The following work was published during 2015—16. Superseded publications without links can be found in the VOCEDplus database <www.voced.edu.au>.


• NCVER 2015, Australian vocational education and training statistics: government-funded students and courses — January to June 2015


• NCVER 2015, Australian vocational education and training statistics: government-funded students and courses — January to March 2015

• NCVER 2015, Australian vocational education and training statistics: apprentices and trainees 2015 — June quarter
NCVER 2015, *Australian vocational education and training statistics: apprentices and trainees 2015 — March quarter*


NCVER 2015, *Insight #55*

NCVER 2015, *Insight #56*


NCVER 2016, *Australian vocational education and training statistics: Apprentices and trainees 2015 — September quarter*


NCVER 2016, *Insight #57*


**Longitudinal Surveys of Australian Youth**


Research – work in progress*

Research prospectus program – NCVER research

- Are we all speaking the same language? Understanding ‘quality’ in the VET Sector — Laura Jackson and Tabatha Griffin, NCVER
- Costs and benefits of education and training for the economy, business and the individual — Tabatha Griffin, NCVER
- Defining STEM knowledge and skills for vocational occupations — Gitta Siekmann, Patrick Korbel, NCVER
- Disengagement in young people — how persistent is it? — Peta Skujins and John Stanwick, NCVER
- Establishing an international framework to better measure the ROI in VET (UNESCO - NCVER) — Phil Loveder, NCVER
- Foundation Skills Literature Review Project — Michelle Circelli, NCVER
- Funding and financing of VET - Research program — John Stanwick, NCVER
- Indigenous participation in education and training: understanding the gaps in the evidence base — Georgina Atkinson, NCVER
- Trends in VET: policy and participation — Georgina Atkinson and John Stanwick, NCVER
- VET in Schools: Training and labour market outcomes of VET in Schools students — Josie Misko, NCVER
- What is the current state of apprenticeships in Australia: a comparison of young and adult apprentices — Jo Hargreaves, NCVER
- Work-based learning in VET and work-integrated learning at university: fostering engagement with employers — Georgina Atkinson, NCVER

National Vocational Education and Training Research (NVETR) Program – externally commissioned research

- Skill use at work and future job openings for new entrants — Chandra Shah, Centre for the Economics of Education and Training, Monash University
- The fourth industrial revolution — technological disruption implications for Australian VET — Pi Shen Seet, Flinders University
- Social media and student outcomes: teacher, student and employer views — Victor Callan, Callan Consulting Group
- Revitalising the VET practitioner workforce for a changing world of work (phase 1) — Mark Tyler, Griffith University
- Positioned for the ideas boom: where does the VET workforce fit? — Francesca Beddie, Francesca M Beddie & Associates

* Working titles used.
• Choosing VET: investigating the formation of VET aspirations — Jenny Gore, The University of Newcastle

• Employer-supported training: prevalence, enablers and barriers — Chandra Shah, Centre for the Economics of Education and Training, Monash University

• Employer training in a changed environment — Erica Smith, Federation University Australia

• Enhancing training advantage for remote indigenous learners — John Guenther, Flinders University

• Factors enabling entry into and engagement with VET for young early school leavers — Eric Dommers, Brotherhood of St Laurence

• Improving student participation and success in post-school VET — Stephen Lamb, Centre for International Research on Education Systems, Victoria University

• In their words: learner ‘choice’ in fully-contestable training markets — Justin Brown, Australian Council for Educational Research

• Shedding light: private RTOs training for young early school leavers — George Myconos, Brotherhood of St Laurence

• The contribution of the VET student placement process to innovation — Steven Hodge, Griffith University

• The effects of the Victorian training guarantee on up-skilling later in life — Cain Polidano, Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research, University of Melbourne

• What role for VET in the entrepreneurial ecosystem? — Don Scott-Kemmis, Don Scott-Kemmis & Associates

• Young Australian apprentices: structures of support and wellbeing — John Buchanan, Workplace Research Centre, The University of Sydney

**NVETR Program – Building Researcher Capacity Program**

PhD top-up scholarships

In addition to the commissioned research, the NVETR Program continues to support a PhD candidate through the Building Researcher Capacity Program:

• Predicting apprenticeship retention in the construction industry, Tim Powers, Monash University
Consultancy projects

During 2015–16, income from commissioned consultancy activities was $451,348* and new commercial work contracted for the financial year was $401,124. Details of individual commissioned projects follow:

- **COURSE COMPLETION ONLINE SYSTEM SUPPORT - 2015**
  
  Client: Department of Education and Training (Commonwealth)
  
  Outcome: Support and helpdesk services.

- **HOW YOUNG PEOPLE ARE FARING - UNLIMITED POTENTIAL**
  
  Client: Foundation for Young Australians
  
  Outcome: Statistical report and portal information.

- **EVALUATION OF THE JOURNEY TO HIGHER EDUCATION**
  
  Client: The University of Adelaide
  
  Outcome: Evaluation report.

- **EVALUATION OF CHILDRENS UNIVERSITY**
  
  Client: The University of Adelaide
  
  Outcome: Statistical report and portal information.

- **NEW MARKETS AND NEW MODELS OF TRAINING**
  
  Client: Durack Institute of TAFE (Western Australia)
  
  Outcome: Market analysis report.

- **TRACKING SHIFTS IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE TRAINING PROVISION**
  
  Client: TAFE Directors Australia
  
  Outcome: Statistical report and fact sheet.

- **VICTORIAN OVERSUPPLY PROJECT**
  
  Client: Department of Education and Early Child Development (Victoria)
  
  Outcome: Statistical report and portal information.

- **VET FEE-HELP SURVEY**
  
  Client: Department of Education and Training (Commonwealth)
  
  Outcome: Survey report.

*Note that this total does not include management of the following major contracts with the Department of Education and Training: the NVETR Program and the national Statistical Services Contract, or the contract with the Department of Education for the Longitudinal Surveys of Australian Youth Program.*
Presentations

Conference presentations

- Anlezark, A, ‘Connecting with TVA’, National VET conference (VELG), 17–18 September 2015, Adelaide, South Australia
- Anlezark, A, ‘Comprehensive picture of national training activity’, 2016 Virtual VET summit for RTO Managers, 8–9 March 2016, Brisbane, Queensland
- Circelli, M, ‘Who is delivering foundation skills?’ 24th National Vocational Education Research Conference ‘No Frills’, 6–8 July 2015, Sydney, New South Wales
- Creaser, M, ‘The Australian vocational education and training (VET) system: current reforms and the challenges these present for statistical collections, 22 April 2016, Germany
• Fowler, C, ‘Big data, big challenges and big opportunities for VET’, EduTech National Conference and Expo, 31 May 2016, Brisbane, Queensland


• Loveder, P, ‘What are the returns to additional investment in vocational education and training?’ UNESCO Asia Pacific Education and Training conference, 3–5 August 2015, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

• Loveder, P, ‘Why apprentices drop out in Australia and the policy implications’, Innovative Apprenticeships Conference (INAP), 1–2 September 2015, Ballarat, Victoria

• Loveder, P, ‘Working and studying overseas: strategies to increase youth employability’, Global HR Forum, 2–3 November 2015, Seoul, Korea


• McGregor, K, ‘AVETMISS reporting - why does it matter?’, Western Australian Department of Training and Workforce Development, 30 May 2016, Perth, Western Australia


• Misko, J, ‘Quality assuring TVET certifications in Australia’, International Experts Meeting on TVET Certification, UNESCO, 8–9 October 2015, Bangkok, Thailand


• Siekmann, G, ‘Examining the STEM conundrum: myth, crisis or something in-between?’, Australian Vocational Education Training Research Association Annual Conference 2016, 20–22 April 2016, Sydney, New South Wales

• Skurray, P, ‘NCVER national surveys’, Annual AUSTAFE National Conference, 28–30 October 2015, Canberra, Australian Capital Territory


Stakeholder presentations

• Anlezark, A, ‘Data linkages’, Australian Government Statistical Forum, 8 October 2015, Canberra, Australian Capital Territory

• Anlezark, A, ‘TVA & USI’, October VET: Using data to inform policy on education and training, 9 October 2015, Adelaide, South Australia
- Anlezark, A, ‘VET emerging markets and information needs’, Workforce BluePrint - city of entrepreneurs, 28 October 2015, Adelaide, South Australia
- Anlezark, A, & Martin, R, ‘National VET reporting’, TAFE South Australia, 9 November 2015, Adelaide, South Australia
- Anlezark, A, ‘Unique student identifier — making corrections’, USI workshop, 30 May 2016, Adelaide, South Australia
- Anlezark, A, ‘Unique student identifier — making corrections’, USI workshop, 9 & 10 June 2016, Brisbane, Queensland
- Atkinson, G, ‘The history of apprenticeships in Australia’, Centre for Defence & Strategic Studies Australian Defence College, 10 May 2016, Canberra, Australian Capital Territory
- Cavallaro, T & Fowler, C, ‘TVA data attributions and interpretation’, telepresence - total VET activity data release, 2 November 2015, Canberra, Australian Capital Territory
- Cavallaro, T & Creaser, M ‘NCVER data collections and surveys’, PricewaterhouseCoopers, 1 April 2016, Adelaide, South Australia
- Cavallaro, T, ‘NCVER VET data collections and surveys: what data are available?’, Artibus Innovations, 16 May 2016, Adelaide, South Australia
- Cavallaro, T & Creaser, M, ‘Overview of NCVER’s data products and services’, NCVER Data Workshop, 27 June 2016, Melbourne, Victoria
- Creaser, M, ‘Total VET activity’, Australian Council for Private Education and Training Board Meeting, 9 October 2015, Adelaide, South Australia
- Creaser, M, ‘Total VET activity’, Australian Council for Private Education and Training, Western Australia Private Provider Forum, 16 October 2015, Perth, Western Australia
- Creaser, M, ‘Total VET activity’, Skills Senior Officials' Network Meeting, 18 September 2015, Adelaide, South Australia
- Dawe, J & Loveder, P, ‘The national role of NCVER in research’, PricewaterhouseCoopers, 1 April 2016, Adelaide, South Australia
- Dawe, J, ‘Vocations - the NCVER perspective’, LH Martin Institute/NCVER vocations seminar: the link between post-compulsory education and the labour market, 29 July 2015, Melbourne, Victoria
- Dawe, J, ‘NCVER - more than AVETMISS’, VELG Training Members Networking Lunch, 29 January 2016, Melbourne, Victoria
- Dawe, J, ‘NCVER - more than AVETMISS’, VELG Training Members Networking Lunch, 28 January 2016, Sydney, New South Wales
- Dawe, J, ‘NCVER - more than AVETMISS’, VELG Training Members Networking Lunch, 5 February 2016, Brisbane, Queensland
- Fowler, C, ‘The national role of NCVER in research and statistics: supporting the Australian vocational education and training system’, India EU Skills Development Project, 6 November 2015, Canberra, Australian Capital Territory
- Loveder, P, ‘Future VET: emerging markets and the importance of research and information for RTOs’, NSW Health RTO Professional Development Forum, 30 October 2015, Parramatta, NSW
- Loveder, P, ‘TAFEs contribution to total VET activity’, Australian Education Union TAFE Council AGM, 15 April 2016, Melbourne, Victoria
- Loveder, P, ‘The national role of NCVER in research’, Artibus Innovations, 16 May 2016, Adelaide, South Australia
- McGregor, K, ‘Unique student identifier - making corrections’, USI workshop, 1 June 2016, Perth, Western Australia
- Sherman, R, ‘Getting to know NCVER’, Education Services Australia, 15 April 2016, Adelaide, South Australia
- Siekmann, G, ‘STEM skills under the microscope’, Outer East Local Learning & Employment Network AGM, 18 May 2016, Melbourne, Victoria
- Stanwick, J, ‘Aspects of youth transitions: what the data and research tells us’, October VET: using data to inform policy on education and training, 9 October 2015, Adelaide, South Australia
Submissions

Submissions to parliamentary and other inquiries


NCVER has a modest role in the international arena, the emphasis of which is on information networking and the promotion of a greater understanding of international training models, both here and abroad. It has links with a variety of organisations in Asia and with international VET bodies. Activities undertaken by NCVER in 2015—16:

- NCVER published an international comparative research report undertaken for the Skills Senior Officials Network, ‘Regulating and quality assuring VET: international developments’.

- NCVER published an internationally-focused research report, ‘Developing, approving and maintaining qualifications: selected international approaches’. This was followed up with a subsequent webinar with Nicholas Huntington, Ako Aotearoa: the National Centre for Tertiary Teaching Excellence, NZ, in April 2015, titled: ‘Qualifications: an international approach’.

- NCVER continued its role as the joint UNESCO-UNEVOC coordinating body for the Pacific Island cluster of countries consisting of 15 member nations including Australia. The role mainly related to information exchange and regional intelligence gathering in 2015 and was shared with TAFE Directors’ Australia.

- A research project was commenced with international partners including the UNESCO-UNEVOC International Centre in Germany, the Korean Research Institute for Vocational Education and Training and a collaborator from the University of Sheffield, United Kingdom to identify and highlight key issues in the measurement of the return on investment to training.

- A submission was put to the Department of Education and Training’s Draft National Strategy for International Education. The submission outlined how recent developments such as the introduction of total VET activity (TVA) and the Unique Student Identifier (USI) might affect or expand our knowledge of the extent of international student activity in VET.

- NCVER undertook a further enumeration of offshore VET delivered by public VET training providers for the Australian Government Department of Education and Training.

- The National Manager Statistics and Analytics participated in a three week structured visit with our memorandum of understanding partner, Germany’s Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BiBB), to consider how our Australian VET statistical data systems and approaches to analysis can benefit from exposure to the German experience.

NCVER hosted a range of international fellowship groups, including:

- A significant role in the organisation and successful delegation visit to Australia in late October 2015 of the Director General of the South African Department of Higher Education and Training, Mr Gwebinkunda Qonde and ten senior South African officials. The delegation also met with key officials from the Australian Government Department of Education and Training, Industry Skills Councils and jurisdictional representatives in addition to meetings at NCVER.

- A senior delegation from the People’s Republic of China hosted by the South Australian state government including the Minister-Counsellor for Education, Mr Xu Xia. Phil Loveder presented on VET in Australia and key policy reforms in the tertiary education sector.
- Senior managers' from the Bhutan vocational education and training system sponsored through an Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade - Australia Awards fellowship who were interested in how data and research can support planning and governance.

- A senior delegation from the Industrial Technology Research Institute (ITRI) of Taiwan hosted by TAFE Directors Australia who were interested in understanding NCVER’s role in providing data and research to the VET sector for purposes of policy and sectoral governance.

- A follow-up delegation from several leading Japanese universities sponsored by the Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) visited NCVER to understand Australia’s approach to quality assurance in VET and to discuss potential funded collaboration.

- Two research fellows from Korea: Ms HyunSoo Yang and Mr Doin Pyun from the Korean Ministry of Labour, participated in a Korean government-sponsored research fellowship program with NCVER during 2015–16. The focus of their programs was on the development of national competency standards and understanding Australian VET reforms focussed on the retraining of older workers.
NCVER data advisory groups

Committee members
As at 30 June 2016, the members of the Technical Reference Advisory Committees which advise NCVER on data-related issues are:

- Finance Officers Advisory Committee
  
  Lisa Strohfeldt, Holly Shaw, Wei Yorke-Barber (NT)
  Li Shirley Chenwolpato, Tonella Costa, Niti Dave, Carol Yan (VIC)
  Jason Sowell, Joe Kanizay, Fabiola Solis, Brendan Johnstone, Alison Knowles (TAS)
  James Kalitzky, Vonny Sehonamin, Michael Jackson, Richard Millington, Sean MacIntyre, John Bienkiewicz, Rachelle MacDonald (Commonwealth)
  Christopher Martin, Rebecca Houlihan, Christine Dyet, Nathan Brown, Paul Yong (NSW)
  Allan Pickering, Teresa Barnier, Deb Foley, Stacey Haydok (QLD)
  Peter Podnar, Megan Parker, Michael Kuo (ACT)
  Martin Smith, Ben Carroll, Kay Johnson, Robert Otiende, Susan Sheridan (SA)
  Sandy Kerr, Kathy Zhao, Ben Burges, Robert Buczkowski, Noorhadi Kahamzah (WA)

  Observers:
  Myles Burleigh (Australian Bureau of Statistics [ABS])
  Andrew McDonald (Productivity Commission)

- Survey Network Advisory Committee
  
  Chris Bayer (ACT)
  Bruce Caldwell (ABS)
  Paul Dean (SA)
  Nicholas Birch (Commonwealth)
  Yiannis Dimitriou (TAS)
  Bryan Dinning (NT)
  Serey Thir (VIC)
  Penelope Kennish (WA)
  Michael Lau (NSW)
  Chris Kettle (QLD)
  Andrew McDonald (Productivity Commission)
  Neil Miller (ACPET)
  Catherine Pham (Chamber of Commerce and Industry Queensland)

- Technical Reference Advisory Committee: Apprenticeships
  
  Chris Bayer (ACT)
  Cameron Beveridge (QLD)
  Bryan Dinning (NT)
  Alexander Gerbaz (WA) Jennifer Gibb (Commonwealth)
  Isabel Maurer (SA)
  Catherine McClelland (NSW)
  Richard Millington (Commonwealth)
  Allana Morgan (TAS)
• Technical Reference Advisory Committee: VET Provider

Australian Government and State Training Authorities
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Cameron Beveridge (QLD)
Chris Bayer (ACT)
Daniel Wellesley (VIC)
Deb Cridland
Geoff Robertson (WA)
Janice Zwierzynski (TAFE Directors Australia)
Kathy Hancock (SA)
Michael Lau (NSW)
Richard Millington

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Kristin Hammill, Sarah Topping (NSW)
Mark Elliott, Nicole Gazey (WA)
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Observers:
Andrew McDonald (Productivity Commission)

Committee meetings
During 2015–16 the following committees met on the following dates:
• Finance Officers Advisory Committee: 6 November 2015 (teleconference), 11 February 2016 (teleconference), 14 April 2016 (teleconference), 23 June 2016 (teleconference)
• Survey Network Advisory Committee: 18 February 2016
• Technical Reference Advisory Committee: Apprenticeships: nil (no meeting required)
NVETR Program

On behalf of the Australian and state and territory governments, NCVER manages the National Vocational Education and Training Research (NVETR) Program, with funding provided through the Australian Government Department of Education and Training. The program is guided by NCVER’s research prospectus which can be viewed at <www.ncver.edu.au/researchprospectus.html>. The majority of the program involves the provision of grants via a competitive process.

Managed research

The NCVER selection panel assists with the selection and monitoring of research projects contracted under the NVETR Program.

Selection panel

- Jodieann Dawe, National Centre for Vocational Education Research, Adelaide (Chair)
- Chrissie Berryman, Skills Tasmania, Tasmania
- Nicholas Birch (until February 2016), Department of Education and Training, Canberra
- Gerald Burke, Monash University, Melbourne
- Ian Curry, Australian Manufacturing Workers Union, Adelaide (Australian Council of Trade Unions nominee)
- Dominique Fisher, VET Advisory Board Member, Victoria
- Craig Fowler (until February 2016), National Centre for Vocational Education Research, Adelaide
- Helen Garnett, National Centre for Vocational Education Research Board, Northern Territory
- Sean MacIntyre (from February 2016), Department of Education and Training, Canberra
- Graeme Plato (from February 2016), NSW Department of Industry, Skills and Regional Development, Sydney
- Martin Powell, VET Development Centre, Victoria
NCVER Editorial Board

The NCVER Editorial Board review work commissioned or undertaken by NCVER as required, and conducts research quality assessments for NCVER’s impact studies. The Board was responsible for reviewing research for publication in the NCVER monograph series, which ran from 2007 to 2012.

The NCVER Editorial Board comprises:

- Craig Fowler, Managing Director, National Centre for Vocational Education Research (Chair)
- Jodieann Dawe, National Manager Research, National Centre for Vocational Education Research
- Gerald Burke, Adjunct Professor, Faculty of Education, Monash University
- Lorraine Dearden, Professor of Economics, Institute of Education, University of London; Research Fellow, Institute for Fiscal Studies; Deputy Director, Centre for the Economics of Education
- David Finegold, Chief Executive Officer, American Honors Organisation
- Tom Karmel, Adjunct Professor, National Institute of Labour Studies, Flinders University
- Kwong Lee Dow, AO, Emeritus Professor, University of Melbourne
- Barry McGaw, AO, Honorary Professorial Fellow, Melbourne Graduate School of Education, University of Melbourne
- Robin Ryan, Adjunct Lecturer, Graduate Program in Educational Leadership and Management, School of Education, Flinders University
Longitudinal Survey of Australian Youth

On behalf of the Department of Education and Training, NCVER manages the Longitudinal Surveys of Australian Youth (LSAY) research program, along with the management and preparation of the LSAY datasets for provision to the Australian Data Archive for publishing.

The original LSAY funding period was from June 2007 until June 2010. In 2010 the contract was extended for a further three years. In 2013, a new contract that covered the 18 month period from July 2013 to December 2014 was agreed. The contract was then extended for six months to June 2015. In June 2015, the contract was extended further to cover the four year period from July 2015 to June 2019.

In July 2015, NCVER was commissioned to undertake technical work relating to the development of the 2015 LSAY cohort, including development of a new LSAY questionnaire for Y15. In April 2016, NCVER was selected as the preferred tenderer in relation to management of fieldwork and data processing services for the new LSAY 2015 cohort for a three year period until June 2019.
NCVER has established memoranda of understanding with Australian vocational and education research centres and a number of international organisations. These arrangements relate to the exchange of materials and information and the development of cooperative research links to facilitate a broader understanding of trends and practices.

- Australian Council for Educational Research Ltd, Melbourne
- The Federal Institute for Vocational Training (BiBB), Germany
- Central Institute for Vocational and Technical Education, People's Republic of China
- Colombo Plan Staff College for Technician Education, Philippines
- Education Services Australia Ltd (formerly Education.au and Curriculum Corporation)
- European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training, European Union, Greece
- Institute for Adult Learning, Singapore
- Korea Research Institute for Vocational Education and Training, Republic of Korea
- National Council for Education Research and Training, India
- Overseas Vocational Training Association, Japan
- Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization Regional Centre for Vocational and Technical Education, Brunei, Darussalam
- United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, France