

## AVETMISS Reporting – 2016 data

### Reporting reminder

The collection window for direct reporting to NCVER of 2016 AVETMISS fee-for-service activity will open on 3 January 2017 and close on 28 February 2017. We encourage all RTOs to validate data and fix any errors before the end of the year, so that you only need to finalise your submission when the window opens. Please note: no reporting extensions will be available for reporting 2016 AVETMISS data.

For those RTOs reporting their fee-for-service data to a State Training Authority (STA), please note that their deadline may be earlier than this. If you are unsure of your individual reporting requirements, please check with your STA in the first instance. You may also wish to review our [Where, when and how do I report my AVETMISS data](#) factsheet.

If you are having difficulties validating or submitting your data, please contact our Client Support team who will be happy to assist. Please ensure you allow sufficient time to meet your reporting deadline because the Client Support team are very busy during the submission period.

### Allow outcome 90

When validating and exporting data for the January to December 2016 period in the AVETMISS Validation Software (AVS) all RTOs will need to tick the checkbox 'Allow outcome 90' which will give you a 'part-validated' status. Note: you will need to remove the tick box in order to **finalise** and **submit** your annual data when the collection window opens.

### Nil Returns

A new process for reporting nil activity has been developed for reporting 2016 AVETMISS data. You will **no longer** need to provide an email or statutory declaration to NCVER, but will instead report your nil activity using the AVETMISS Validation Software (AVS). Please see our [How to submit a Nil Return](#) fact sheet for instructions on how to do this.

### Privacy and your data

To avoid a privacy breach, we recommend that RTOs **do not** email data containing client personal details e.g. NAT files, client names, client addresses and USI numbers to NCVER.

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## AVETMISS support

Our client support team is available to help you between 8.45am and 5pm (ACDT). The team can be contacted in a number of ways:

<b>submit:</b>	<a href="#">contact form</a>
<b>email:</b>	<a href="mailto:support@ncver.edu.au">support@ncver.edu.au</a>
<b>phone:</b>	08 8230 8400
<b>toll free:</b>	1800 649 452

This work has been produced by NCVER on behalf of the Australian Government and state and territory governments, with funding provided through the Department of Education and Training.

## Updates to AVETMISS release 7.0 documents

The sample [AVETMISS Standard Enrolment Form](#) for release 7.0 has recently been updated to allow students to select 'Other' as their sex. The sex data element has also been updated in the [AVETMISS Data element definitions: edition 2.2](#) with information on how to treat an 'Other' response in your AVETMISS data submission.

### AVS validation updates

An AVETMISS validation software (AVS) update is scheduled for the end of November 2016.

For more details, please refer to the [AVS update document](#), accessed from the 'Updates to classifications and validation rules' section once logged in to AVS. The 'September 2016' section of this document contains details of the AVS changes for November 2016, as well as a history of past updates.

### ABS classifications updated

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) has released updated versions of the Standard Australian Classification of Countries (SACC) and Australian Standard Classification of Languages (ASCL). The changes that occurred for SACC were the renaming of 4 countries as shown in Table 1.

Code	SACC 2011, version 2.3	SACC 2016
3206	Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
5101	Myanmar, The Republic of the Union of	Myanmar
8202	Bolivia, Plurinational State of	Bolivia
8216	Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of	Venezuela

The changes that occurred for ASCL were 3 new languages added and 2 renamed languages as shown in Table 2.

Code	ASCL 2011	ASCL 2016
6105	-	Zomi
8965	-	Yugambeh
9262	-	Lingala
9404	Pitcairnese	Norf'k-Pitcairn
9702	Makaton	Key Word Sign Australia

These changes have been updated in AVETMISS and are reflected in the [system files](#) under the headings Country and Main language other than English.

## AVETMISS 8.0 for VET providers

### Publications

The AVETMISS publications, [AVETMISS VET Provider Collection specifications](#) and [AVETMISS data element definitions](#), have been updated for release 8 and are now available. An overview of the changes and a document detailing the specifics of the changes can be found at [AVETMISS 8.0 for VET providers: what's changing from release 7.0](#). RTOs and SMS vendors should refer to these to ensure their systems and processes are ready for the first collection under the new release. Release 8.0 will come into effect for training activity from January 2018. All training activities undertaken prior to the end of 2017 will continue to be reported under release 7.0.

### RTO R8 webinar available online – Get ready for AVETMISS release 8.0

In September 2016, NCVER staff conducted a webinar for RTOs about AVETMISS Release 8.0 changes. Click [here](#) if you would like to view the webinar.

## AVETMISS Compliant Software Register

A reminder for SMS Vendors—under the terms for listing products on the NCVER website, upon the release of a new version of the AVETMISS Standard (i.e. Release 8.0), you will need to reapply to have your product listed on the [AVETMISS Compliant Software Register](#) once your system is Release 8.0 compliant. Only those products which have been re-registered will be listed. Please refer to the [Vendor registration form](#), section 5, *Vendor Agreement*.

## Data Entry Tool

RTOs using the NCVER Data Entry Tool (DET) should check the number of enrolments they have in the system and remove any previously reported enrolments (i.e. previously submitted annual data). We recommend that you save a copy before deleting previous enrolments, as we do not retain this data on our servers.

DET is designed for small RTOs with less than 100 students - if too many subject/unit enrolments are entered problems may occur when trying to export the data for validation in AVS.

## NCVER update

### Results from the 2016 National Student Outcomes Survey

This year, for the first time, Australia's major survey of vocational education and training (VET) students expanded to include all graduates; that is those in receipt of Commonwealth and state funding and those who paid for their training. The results from this national survey will be available in a new publication, *Total VET graduate outcomes*, available from the [NCVER Portal](#) on 1 December 2016.

## Season's greetings from NCVER

NCVER will be closed from close of business on 23 December 2016, reopening on 3 January 2017.

The AVETMISS and Client support teams would like to take this opportunity to wish you a happy holiday season and we look forward to assisting you in the New Year