

An Analysis of Over-Funding of Private Schools Under the SES Model

National Overview

Save Our Schools

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Key Points

Main finding

- Commonwealth funding of private schools in Australia is incoherent and capricious:
 - The majority of private schools and private school students are over-funded because they are not funded according to their SES score, but are funded under the special funding maintained (FM) or funding guaranteed (FG) arrangements;
 - Many private schools received very high levels of over-funding;
 - The vast bulk of over-funding goes to schools serving some of the wealthiest families in Australia;
 - There are large disparities in over-funding between schools by SES score, religious affiliation and by state.

Extensive over-funding of private schools

- Only 46% of private schools in Australia in 2007 were funded by the Commonwealth Government according to their SES score; 54% were over-funded.
- 64% of all private school students in Australia in 2005-2007 were over-funded:
 - 70% of all Catholic systemic school students were over-funded;
 - 56% of Independent school students were over-funded;
 - There were large differences across Australia in the proportion of private school students who are over-funded – ranging from 90% in the ACT and the NT to 34% in Tasmania.
- Total cumulative over-funding for private schools was \$1.52 billion for 2005-2007 and it increased by 20.6% over the period:
 - Catholic systemic schools received \$1.2 billion in over-funding compared to \$0.32 billion for Independent schools;
 - Total over-funding will exceed \$2.5 billion over 2009-2012.
- The top over-funded schools in Australia received very high levels of over-funding per student in 2005-2007:
 - The top 20 over-funded primary schools received average over-funding of between \$2534 and \$3072 per student per year;
 - The top 20 over-funded secondary schools received average over-funding of between \$2485 and \$3306 per student per year.
- Average over-funding for all FM/FG schools in 2007 was \$703 per primary student and \$851 per secondary student.

High income families receive most over-funding

- Catholic and Independent schools serving the highest income families received the most over-funding per student during 2005-2007 while schools serving the poorest communities received little to no over-funding:

- Catholic FM primary schools in the highest SES score range of 126-134 were over-funded by \$2923 per student;
- Catholic FM secondary schools in the score range of 116-125 were over-funded by \$2738 per student (there were no Catholic systemic secondary schools in the score range of 126-134);
- Independent FM/FG primary schools serving the highest income families were over-funded by \$602 per student;
- Independent secondary FM/FG secondary schools serving the highest income families were over-funded by \$822 per student;
- Catholic and Independent schools serving the poorest families did not receive any over-funding.

Catholic schools are more over-funded than Independent schools

- Average over-funding in FM Catholic primary schools was \$928 per student in 2007 compared to \$199 per Independent school student in a FM/FG school.
- Average over-funding in FM Catholic secondary schools was \$1067 per student in 2007 compared to \$592 per Independent school student in a FM/FG school.

Large variation in over-funding across Australia

- Average over-funding per primary school student in the ACT was \$1437 per student compared to \$703 per student for Australia and \$462 per student in Tasmania.
- Average over-funding per secondary school student in the ACT was \$1979 compared to \$851 per student for Australia and \$498 per student in Tasmania.

Schools on the same SES score received different levels of funding

- There are 9 different levels of funding for schools on the SES score of 116 and 7 different levels of funding for schools on the SES scores of 109, 114 and 118.
- Over-funding levels vary considerably between schools on the same SES score. Some schools have no over-funding while others have \$2000-3000 in over-funding per student.

1. Introduction

This study investigates the extent and distribution of ‘over-funding’ provided to private schools by the Australian Government under the Socio-Economic Status (SES) funding model. It also reports on differences in funding and over-funding for schools with the same SES profile.

The study shows that, far from providing a consistent funding approach based on socio-economic need, current Commonwealth funding of private schools is incoherent and capricious. It delivers more than \$2 billion in over-funding over four years to some of the wealthiest families in Australia, whose children are attending some of the most elite schools in Australia. It provides preferential treatment of schools associated with one religious group, and major disparities in terms of funding by state. In some cases, there are as many as 7 or 9 different funding levels for schools on the same SES score.

1.1 The SES funding model

The SES model uses a measure of the socio-economic status of school communities as the basis for Australian Government funding of private schools. It was introduced in 2001 by the Howard Government, replacing the previous method which was based on a measure of school resources called the Education Resource Index (ERI). Modified arrangements for the SES model were introduced in 2005. The Rudd Government has announced that the current arrangements will continue until 2012.

Under the model, per capita funding rates are set for each point on an SES index with the mean set at 100. The SES of each school is determined by:

- linking student residential addresses to the 2001 Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) national Census data on the socio-economic status of areas known as ‘collection districts’; and
- giving each school an SES score based on the average SES of the collection districts from which students are drawn, weighted according to the number of students from each district.

Some schools are funded according to the per capita rates set for each SES score. However, other schools are funded at higher per capita rates. These schools are subject to special arrangements – a ‘no losers’ guarantee (‘funding maintained’) which has applied since 2001 and the ‘funding guaranteed’ status introduced in 2005 (see below).

The per capita funding rates for all schools except ‘funding guaranteed’ schools are adjusted annually in line with increases in Australian Government Schools Recurrent costs (AGSRC). That is, private school funding increases as government school recurrent costs increase.

In the 2001-2004 funding quadrennium, all Independent schools, including non-systemic Catholic schools, were funded by the Australian Government under the SES funding arrangements. Catholic systemic schools were not formally included. Under an agreement with the Australian Government, funding for Catholic systemic schools was preserved in real terms at their year 2000 entitlements under the old ERI model.

All Catholic systemic schools, except in the ACT, were funded at ERI category 11. ACT Catholic systemic schools were funded at ERI category 10. In effect, this meant that category 11 schools were funded at an SES score of 96 and category 10 schools at a score of 100.

Catholic systemic schools were included in the SES arrangements from 2005. As a result, all Catholic schools were assessed for their SES profile and many qualified for the special 'no losers' guarantee.

1.2 Over-funding

In this report, over-funding under the SES model refers to the difference between the actual per capita funding received by many schools and the standard per capita rate applying to their SES score. This over-funding occurs because of two special arrangements of the SES model – the no-losers guarantee applying from 2001 and the funding guaranteed status introduced in 2005. Under these arrangements, many schools are classified as funding maintained (FM) and others are funding guaranteed (FG).

Funding maintained schools

The no-losers guarantee provides that no school is financially disadvantaged by the move to the SES funding system. It applies to private schools which would otherwise have had their funding reduced under a strict application of the SES funding model. These schools are termed 'funding maintained' (FM) schools.

In the first four years of the operation of the SES model from 2001 to 2004, FM schools had their year 2000 per capita funding entitlements maintained, with the year 2000 dollar rates increased annually in line with changes in AGSRC.

Catholic systemic schools also received the 'no losers' guarantee when they entered the scheme in 2005. Any Catholic systemic school that might have received less funding under the SES model had its 2004 funding maintained and increased annually in line with changes in AGSRC.

The inclusion of Catholic systemic schools in the SES model introduced two types of FM schools. A different base is used for annual indexation increases to Catholic and Independent FM schools. Classification of all Catholic systemic schools to ERI category 11 meant that the base for future indexation was set at the per capita rate for this category in 2000, except in the ACT where it was set at the rate for category 10. In contrast, the classification of Independent schools was more diverse with many assessed at below ERI 11, and they therefore received smaller annual increases in funding.

Funding guaranteed schools

The funding guaranteed status provided that schools which were re-assessed at a higher SES score for the 2004-2008 quadrennium did not immediately have their per capita funding reduced to the rate applying to the higher SES score. The adjustment to the new lower level of per capita funding was phased in. These schools were 'funding

guaranteed' (FG) at their 2004 per capita entitlement until AGSRC indexation brings the value of the lower score up to the same level as the new score.¹

FG status only applies to schools already being funded according to their SES score. It does not apply to FM schools as they continue to have their real funding level maintained. FG status does not apply to Catholic systemic schools for the current quadrennium.

1.3 Differences in funding on the same SES score

The different conditions operating under the SES funding arrangements mean that there are four broad types of funding available for schools:

- Strict SES funding;
- Independent FM funding;
- Catholic FM funding; and
- FG funding.

Thus, schools on the same SES score may have at least four different levels of per capita funding, depending on which arrangement applies to individual schools. In practice, schools on the same SES score may have a range of different funding levels because the no losers guarantee maintains previous funding levels determined by the classification of schools to different ERI categories.

1.4 The data

Over-funding for each school is estimated from the formula:

*(FM/FG funding rate minus SES score funding rate for each school)
multiplied by enrolments per school*

The study provides a national overview and a state-by-state breakdown for 2005-2007. Separate figures are provided for Independent and Catholic schools. A more detailed analysis of the data is available in Attachment B.

The estimates are derived from school funding data provided to the Senate Estimates Committee by the Department of Education, Science and Technology in November 2006.² The figures for 2005 and 2006 are final, but the figures for 2007 are estimates provided by the Department.

¹ A similar arrangement existed under the previous ERI funding model for schools placed in less favourable categories as a result of periodic reassessment.

² The data base was provided to the Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Committee in Estimates hearings, November 2006. See answer to Question on Notice E525_07, Attachments A and B. It is available at:
http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/committee/eet_ctte/estimates/sup_0607/dest/index.htm

2. Extent of over-funding

2.1 Proportion of schools and students over-funded

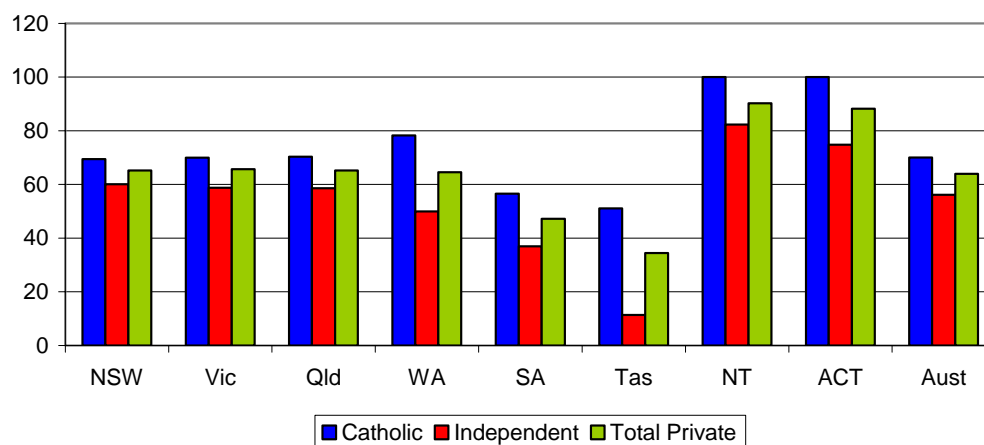
In 2007, less than half of all private schools across Australia were funded according to their SES score:

- 54% of private schools received funding in excess of what they would have been entitled to if each school was funded according to its SES score.

The extent of over-funding was even greater when measured as a proportion of students in schools that are over-funded [Figure 1]:

- 64% of all private school students across Australia were over-funded for 2005-2007;
- 70% of all Catholic systemic school students were over-funded while 56% of Independent school students were over-funded.

Figure 1: Proportion of Private School Students in Over-Funded Schools, 2005-2007 (%)



There were large variations across Australia in the proportion of students in FM/FG schools:

- About 90% of private school students in the ACT and the Northern Territory were enrolled in over-funded schools compared to 34% in Tasmania.

2.2 Total over-funding

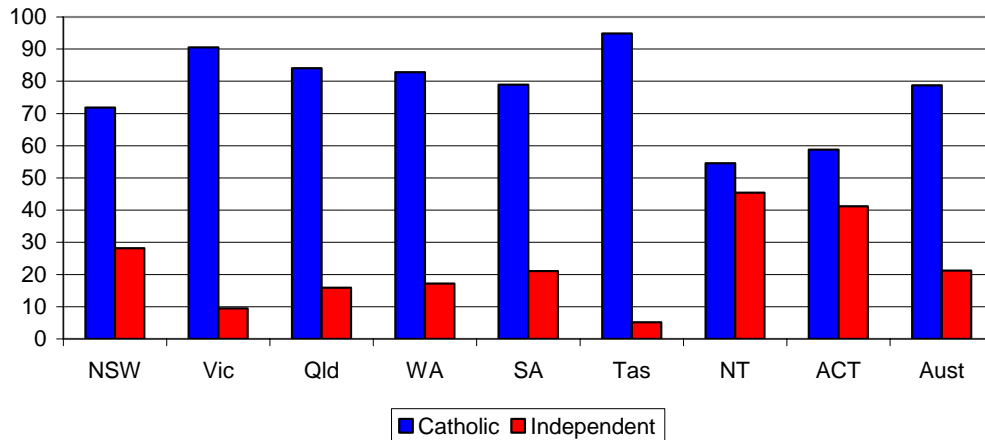
Total over-funding for private schools was \$1.52 billion for the years 2005-2007 so that average annual over-funding is about \$500 million. It increased by 20.6% between 2005 and 2007. On this basis, total over-funding for the quadrennium 2005-2008 can be expected to exceed \$2 billion. It will amount to more than \$2.5 billion over 2009-2012 unless the scheme is modified by the Rudd Government.

The vast bulk of over-funding for 2005-2007 went to Catholic systemic schools [Figure 2]:

- Catholic systemic schools received \$1.2 billion in over-funding compared to \$0.32 billion for Independent schools;
- Catholic systemic schools received 79% of all over-funding for the period and Independent schools accounted for 21%;

- Catholic schools received about 80% or more of over-funding in most states while Independent schools only received a large share of over-funding in the NT and the ACT.

Figure 2: Proportion of Over-Funding Received by Catholic and Independent Schools, 2005-2007 (%)



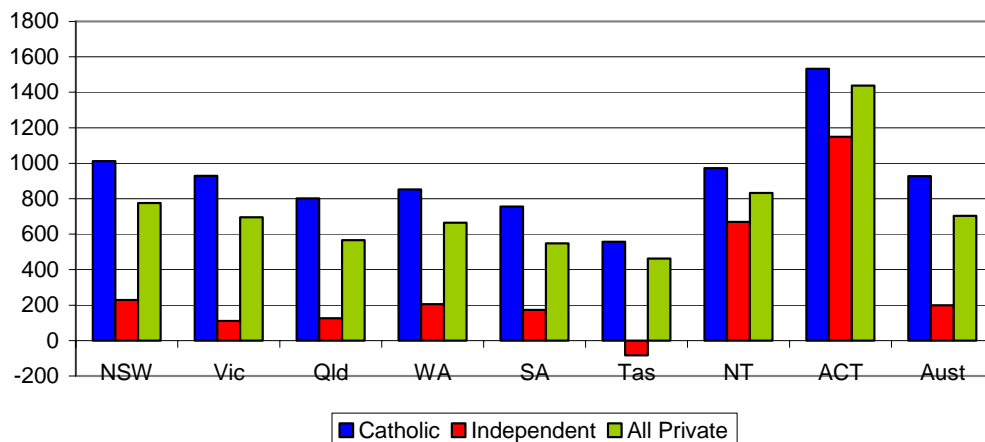
2.3 Average over-funding per student

Primary schools

In 2007, average over-funding for each primary school student in a private school qualifying for FM/FG status was \$703 [Figure 3].

- Average over-funding for each Catholic school student was \$928 compared to \$199 for each Independent school student.

Figure 3: Average Over-Funding in FM/FG Primary Schools, 2007 (\$ per student)



The ACT had the highest level of over-funding of any state/territory in Australia:

- ACT private primary school students in an FM/FG school were over-funded by \$1437 per student compared to \$703 per student for Australia;

- ACT Catholic school students were over-funded by \$1532 each and Independent school students were over-funded by \$1149.

Tasmania had the lowest level of over-funding in Australia:

- Tasmanian students in FM/FG schools were over-funded by \$462 per student, with over-funding of \$557 for each Catholic school student while Independent school students under-funded by \$84 per student.

There was a large disparity in over-funding between Catholic and Independent school students in all states except the NT and the ACT:

- Independent school students in the NT and the ACT received much higher levels of over-funding than their counterparts in the other states.

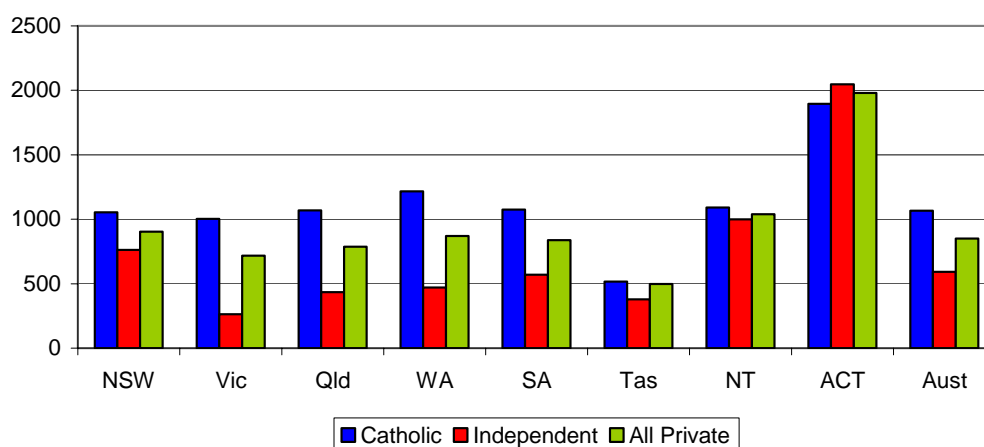
The 20 primary schools across Australia with the highest levels of over-funding received between \$2534 and over \$3072 per student per year in 2005-2007 [Attachment A]. The top 5 over-funded schools in Australia were NSW Catholic schools: Holy Family, Blessed Sacrament, Sacred Heart Mosman, Sacred Heart Pymble and St. Philip Neri. All of the top 20 over-funded primary schools in Australia were Catholic systemic schools.

Secondary schools

In 2007, average over-funding for each private secondary school student in a FM/FG school was \$851 [Figure 4].

- Average over-funding for Catholic school students was \$1067 and \$592 for Independent school students.

Figure 4: Average Over-Funding in FM/FG Secondary Schools, 2007 (\$ per student)



The ACT had much higher levels of over-funding per secondary student than elsewhere in Australia:

- The average for ACT secondary school students in FM/FG schools was \$1979 compared to \$851 per student for Australia;
- ACT Catholic students were over-funded by \$1896 per student and each Independent school student was over-funded by \$2048;

- The ACT was the only state where Independent school students received higher levels of over-funding per student than Catholic students;

Tasmania had the lowest level of over-funding per private secondary school student in Australia:

- Average over-funding per secondary school student in FM/FG schools was \$498 per student;

Catholic students in Tasmania had the lowest level of over-funding of all Catholic students across Australia, while Victoria had the lowest level of over-funding for Independent secondary school students.

The disparity in over-funding between Catholic and Independent secondary school students varied across Australia:

- There was a large disparity in over-funding between Catholic and Independent school students in Victoria, Queensland, Western Australia and South Australia;
- The disparity was much smaller in Tasmania, the NT and the ACT.

The disparity in over-funding between Catholic and Independent school students was generally less for secondary students than for primary students.

The 20 secondary schools across Australia with the highest levels of over-funding received between \$2485 and \$3306 per student per year in 2005-2007 [Attachment A]. The top 5 over-funded schools in Australia were: Marist College North Shore (NSW), John XXIII College (WA), Loreto Mandeville Hall (Vic), Adass Israel (Vic) and Genazanno FCJ College (Vic). Twelve of the top 20 over-funded schools in Australia were Catholic systemic schools.

2.4 Over-funding as a proportion of Commonwealth funding of FM/FG schools

Over-funding comprised a significant proportion of total Commonwealth Government funding for schools qualifying for FM/FG status during 2005-2007 [Figure 5]. It was:

- 16.5% of Commonwealth Government funding for all private FM/FG schools;
- 20% of Commonwealth funding for Catholic FM schools;
- 10% of Commonwealth funding for Independent FM/FG schools;
- nearly 40% of Commonwealth Government funding of ACT FM/FG schools compared to less than 10% in Tasmania.

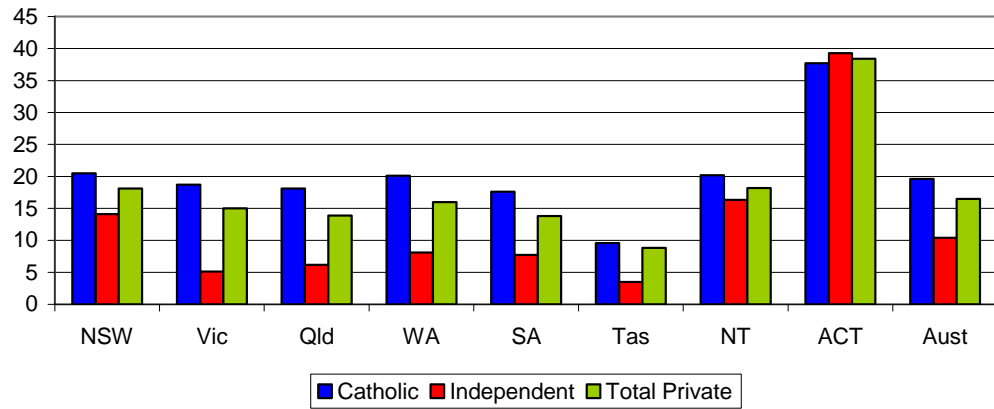
The proportion of over-funding in Catholic schools was higher than in Independent schools in each state, except for the ACT where it was slightly higher for Independent schools than for Catholic schools.

There was greater variation across the states in the proportion of over-funding to Commonwealth Government funding in Independent schools than Catholic schools.

- The over-funding proportion for Independent schools was significantly higher in NSW (14%) and the NT (16%) than for the Independent sector in other states, apart from the ACT;

- The over-funding proportion for Catholic schools was fairly similar in many states, except for Tasmania and the ACT.

Figure 5: Proportion of Over-Funding to Total Commonwealth Government Funding of FM/FG Schools, 2005-2007 (%)

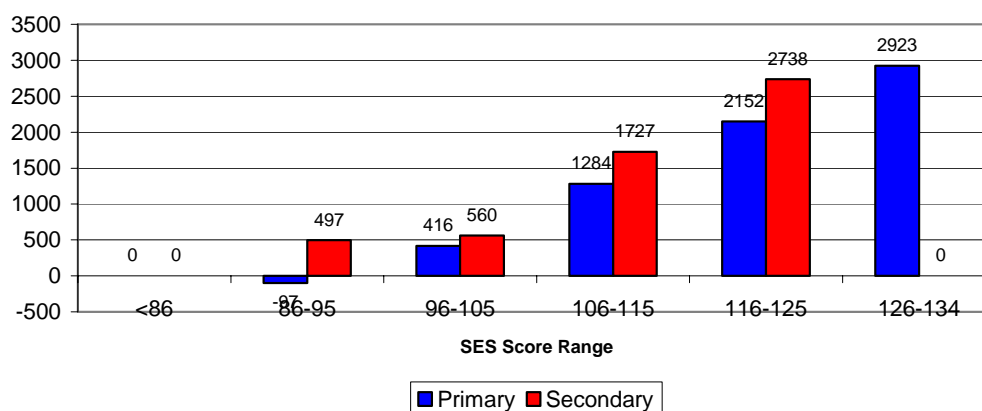


3. Distribution of over-funding by SES score category

Catholic and Independent schools serving the highest income families received the highest amounts of over-funding per student during 2005-2007. Average over-funding per student per year increased with SES scores in both school sectors [Figures 6 & 7].

- Schools in the top two SES score ranges received the highest levels of over-funding per student;
- Schools at the bottom range of the SES index did not receive any over-funding;
- Schools below the average SES index score of 100 received much less over-funding than those above.

Figure 6: Average Over-Funding by SES Score Range, Catholic FM Schools, Australia, 2005-2007 (\$ per student per year)



In the Catholic systemic school sector, FM schools serving the wealthiest families were over-funded by an average of nearly \$3000 per student per year over 2005-2007 [Figure 6]:

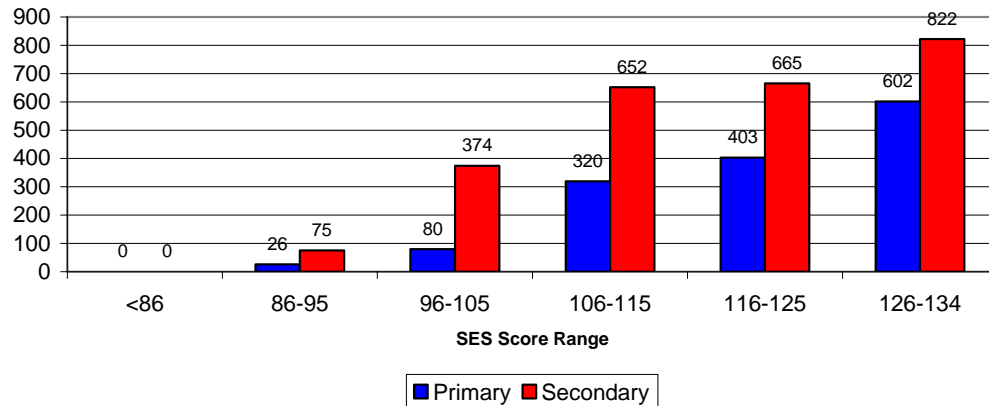
- Catholic primary schools in the SES score range of 126-134 were over-funded by \$2923 per student;
- Secondary schools in the score range of 116-125 were over-funded by \$2738 per student (there were no Catholic systemic secondary schools in the score range of 126-134);
- 55 Catholic primary schools around Australia at or above the high SES score of 120 received average over-funding of \$2000-3000 per student per year for 2005-2007;
- In contrast, schools serving the poorest families did not receive any over-funding.

The difference in over-funding between average SES schools and the high SES schools was also very large. For example:

- Over-funding of primary schools in the SES score range of 126-134 was 7 times higher per student than for schools in the SES score range of 96-105;
- Over-funding of secondary schools in the score range of 116-125 was nearly 5 times higher per student than for schools in the range of 96-105.

In the Independent sector, primary FM/FG schools serving high income families received \$602 in over-funding per student per year and secondary schools received \$822 extra per student compared to no over-funding for the lowest SES schools [Figure 7]. Over-funding for high SES Independent schools was much lower than for Catholic schools and the disparities between high and low SES Independent schools were much less than in the Catholic systemic sector.

Figure 7: Average Over-Funding by SES Score Range, Independent FM/FG Schools, Australia, 2005-2007 (\$ per student per year)



Most of the top 20 over-funded primary and secondary schools in Australia were located in wealthy suburbs in Melbourne and Sydney [Attachment A].

4. Unequal funding of schools on the same SES score

A feature of the SES funding arrangements is that schools on the same SES score can receive unequal levels of funding per student. Therefore there are also unequal levels of over-funding for schools on the same SES score.

Table 1 shows the total level of Commonwealth funding per student in 2007 for a range of schools on the same SES score. It shows that schools on the same SES score have several different levels of funding per student. For example:

- There are 9 different levels of funding for schools on the SES score of 116;
- There are 7 different levels of funding for schools on the SES scores of 109, 114 and 118.

The differences in the level of funding between schools on the same SES score are very large in some cases. For example:

- Melrose Park school in South Australia received \$6187 per student in 2007, \$2297 more per student than any school on the standard funding rate of \$3890 per student for an SES score of 109;
- There were four funding levels for schools qualifying for FM status on the SES score of 109 ranging from \$4839 to \$6187 per student;
- FM schools received much higher levels of funding than the \$3966 per student provided to FG schools on the same SES score.

As a result of these differences, over-funding levels vary considerably between schools on the same SES score. Some schools have no over-funding while others have \$2000-3000 in over-funding per student, and a few even more.

Over-funding for FG schools is generally much less than that for FM schools on the same SES score. For example:

- At the SES score of 122, MLC in Victoria received \$45 per student in over-funding in 2007 compared to \$1979 per student for Brigidine College in NSW.
- At the SES score of 118, Seymour College in South Australia received \$55 per student in over-funding in 2007 compared to \$2911 for the Emmaus School in the ACT.

There is also considerable variation in over-funding between FM schools on the same score. For example:

- Over-funding for schools on an SES score of 113 in 2007 varied from \$136 per student at St. Joseph's College in NSW to \$2169 per student at All Hallows School in Queensland;
- On the SES score of 124, St. Ignatius College in NSW received \$110 per student in over-funding compared to \$3511 for Marist College North Shore.

Table 1: Comparison of Commonwealth funding per student by SES score, 2007

School	Sector	SES	ERI	SES Status	Actual Fund Rate (\$)	SES Fund Rate (\$)	Over-Fund (\$)
Marcellin College NSW	Catholic	109	11	FM	5573	3890	1683
St. Patrick's Marist NSW	Catholic	109	11	FM	5573	3890	1683
Canon Hill Anglican Qld	Independent	109	9	FM	4839	3890	949
Redeemer Baptist School NSW	Independent	109	10	FM	5255	3890	1365
Nhulunbuy Christian NT	Independent	109	11	FM	5702	3890	1812
Melrose Park SA	Independent	109	12	FM	6187	3890	2297
Moreton Bay College Qld	Independent	109	6	FG	3966	3890	76
St. Paul's International NSW	Independent	109	New	FG	3966	3890	76
St. Francis Xavier ACT	Catholic	113	10	FM	5077	3404	1673
All Hallows Qld	Catholic	113	11	FM	5573	3404	2169
Whitefriars College Vic	Catholic	113	11	FM	5573	3404	2169
St. Joseph's NSW	Independent	113	6	FM	3540	3404	136
Trinity Grammar NSW	Independent	113	1	FG	3471	3404	67
Clayfield Coll Qld	Independent	113	4	FG	3471	3404	67
Marist Coll NSW	Catholic	114	11	FM	5573	3277	2296
Marcellin Coll Vic	Catholic	114	11	FM	5573	3277	2296
St. Vincent's NSW	Independent	114	7	FM	3877	3277	600
Trinity Christian ACT	Independent	114	8	FM	4284	3277	1007
St. Augustine's NSW	Independent	114	9	FM	4839	3277	1562
Sholem Aleichem College Vic	Independent	114	9	FM	4839	3277	1562
Concordia College SA	Independent	114	10	FM	5255	3277	1978
The McDonald College NSW	Independent	114	5	FG	3342	3277	65
Anglican Church Grammar Qld	Independent	114	3	FG	3342	3277	65
Geelong Grammar Vic	Independent	114	1	FG	3342	3277	65
Merici College ACT	Catholic	116	10	FM	5077	3034	2043
Marist College Qld	Catholic	116	11	FM	5573	3034	2539
St. Edmund's College ACT	Independent	116	10	FM	5255	3034	2221
Waverly College NSW	Independent	116	9	FM	4839	3034	1805
Inaburra NSW	Independent	116	7	FM	3877	3034	843
St. John's Grammar SA	Independent	116	8	FM	4284	3034	1250

PLC NSW	Independent	116	2	FG	3094	3034	60
Brisbane Grammar Qld	Independent	116	3	FG	3094	3034	60
Caulfield Grammar Vic	Independent	116	1	FG	3094	3034	60
Sowilo Community WA	Independent	116	New	FG	6941	3034	3907
St. Clare's College ACT	Catholic	118	10	FM	5077	2791	2286
Gilroy College NSW	Catholic	118	11	FM	5573	2791	2782
Burgmann Anglican ACT	Independent	118	10	FM	5255	2791	2464
Emmaus Christian ACT	Independent	118	11	FM	5702	2791	2911
Brisbane Independent Qld	Independent	118	9	FM	4839	2791	2048
St. Catherine's NSW	Independent	118	3	FG	2846	2791	55
Seymour College SA	Independent	118	1	FG	2846	2791	55
Shelford Girl's Grammar Vic	Independent	118	4	FG	2846	2791	55
Radford College ACT	Independent	122	6	FM	3540	2305	1235
Brigidine College NSW	Independent	122	8	FM	4284	2305	1979
St. Andrew's Cathedral NSW	Independent	122	1	FG	2364	2305	59
Melbourne Girls Grammar Vic	Independent	122	1	FG	2364	2305	59
Melbourne Grammar	Independent	122	1	FG	2350	2305	45
MLC Vic	Independent	122	2	FG	2350	2305	45
Marist College North Shore NSW	Catholic	124	11	FM	5573	2062	3511
St. Ignatius College NSW	Independent	124	3	FM	2172	2062	110
The Scots College NSW	Independent	124	1	FG	2102	2062	40

Attachment A

Top Overfunded Schools

Top 20 Overfunded Primary Schools Across Australia, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
Holy Family Catholic Primary School	C	Lindfield	NSW	\$3,072
Blessed Sacrament School	C	Clifton Gardens	NSW	\$3,071
Sacred Heart School	C	Mosman	NSW	\$3,070
Sacred Heart Catholic School	C	Pymble	NSW	\$2,986
St Philip Neri Catholic Primary School	C	Northbridge	NSW	\$2,978
Fr John Therry Catholic Primary School	C	Balmain	NSW	\$2,902
St Mary's Preparatory School	C	North Sydney	NSW	\$2,896
St Michael's School	C	Lane Cove	NSW	\$2,891
Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School	C	St Ives	NSW	\$2,883
Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Catholic Primary	C	Pymble West	NSW	\$2,808
St Cecilia's Parish School	C	Glen Iris	VIC	\$2,721
Prouille Catholic Primary School	C	Wahroonga	NSW	\$2,713
Our Lady of Victories Parish School	C	Camberwell	VIC	\$2,704
St Joseph's School	C	Hawthorn	VIC	\$2,624
Holy Spirit School	C	City Beach	WA	\$2,622
McAuley Primary School	C	Rose Bay	NSW	\$2,621
Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish School	C	Deepdene	VIC	\$2,621
Sacred Heart Parish School	C	Kew	VIC	\$2,621
Our Lady of the Rosary School	C	Kenmore	QLD	\$2,538
St Dominic's School	C	Camberwell East	VIC	\$2,534

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School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
Marist College North Shore	C	North Sydney	NSW	\$3,306
John XXIII College	C	Mount Claremont	WA	\$3,186
Loreto, Mandeville Hall	C	Toorak	VIC	\$3,186
Adass Israel School	I	Elsternwick	VIC	\$3,069
Genazzano Fcj College	C	Kew	VIC	\$2,844
Sowilo Community High School	I	Cannington	WA	\$2,833
Emmaus Christian School	I	Dickson	ACT	\$2,729
St Kevin's College	C	Toorak	VIC	\$2,722
Stuartholme School	C	Toowong	QLD	\$2,721
Sacre Coeur	C	Glen Iris	VIC	\$2,719
St Leo's Catholic College	C	Wahroonga	NSW	\$2,717
Mercy Catholic College	C	Chatswood	NSW	\$2,717
Northern Beaches Christian School	I	Terrey Hills	NSW	\$2,653
Mount St Benedict College (Pennant Hills)	I	Pennant Hills	NSW	\$2,652
Kesser Torah College	I	Dover Heights	NSW	\$2,635
Gilroy College	C	Castle Hill	NSW	\$2,606
Brindabella Christian College	I	Lyneham	ACT	\$2,602
Loreto Kirribilli	I	Kirribilli	NSW	\$2,550
St Joseph's College	C	Brisbane	QLD	\$2,486
Siena College	C	Camberwell	VIC	\$2,485

Top 10 Overfunded ACT Primary Schools, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
St Thomas More's Primary School	C	Campbell	ACT	\$2,261
St Bede's Primary School	C	Red Hill	ACT	\$2,258
Holy Trinity Primary School	C	Curtin	ACT	\$1,993
Sts Peter and Paul's Primary School	C	Garran	ACT	\$1,992
St Vincent's Primary School	C	Aranda	ACT	\$1,895
Sacred Heart Primary School	C	Pearce	ACT	\$1,811
Holy Spirit Primary School	C	Nicholls	ACT	\$1,811
St Joseph's Primary School	C	O'Connor	ACT	\$1,722
Emmaus Christian School	I	Dickson	ACT	\$1,659
St Jude's Primary School	C	Holder	ACT	\$1,635

Top 10 Overfunded ACT Secondary Schools, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
Emmaus Christian School	I	Dickson	ACT	\$2,729
Brindabella Christian College	I	Lyneham	ACT	\$2,602
Orana School	I	Weston	ACT	\$2,419
Burgmann Anglican School	I	Gungahlin	ACT	\$2,321
Marist College Canberra	I	Pearce	ACT	\$2,305
Daramalan College	I	Dickson	ACT	\$2,183
St Clare's College	C	Griffith	ACT	\$2,136
St Edmund's College	I	Griffith	ACT	\$2,071
Merici College	C	Braddon	ACT	\$1,901
St Francis Xavier College	C	Florey	ACT	\$1,547
Mackillop Catholic College	C	Isabella Plains	ACT	\$1,547

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Top 10 Overfunded NSW Primary Schools, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
Holy Family Catholic Primary School	C	Lindfield	NSW	\$3,072
Blessed Sacrament School	C	Clifton Gardens	NSW	\$3,071
Sacred Heart School	C	Mosman	NSW	\$3,070
Sacred Heart Catholic School	C	Pymble	NSW	\$2,986
St Philip Neri Catholic Primary School	C	Northbridge	NSW	\$2,978
Fr John Therry Catholic Primary School	C	Balmain	NSW	\$2,902
St Mary's Preparatory School	C	North Sydney	NSW	\$2,896
St Michael's School	C	Lane Cove	NSW	\$2,891
Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School	C	St Ives	NSW	\$2,883
Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Catholic Primary	C	Pymble West	NSW	\$2,808

Top 10 Overfunded NSW Secondary Schools, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
Marist College North Shore	C	North Sydney	NSW	\$3,306
St Leo's Catholic College	C	Wahroonga	NSW	\$2,717
Mercy Catholic College	C	Chatswood	NSW	\$2,717
Northern Beaches Christian School	I	Terrey Hills	NSW	\$2,653
Mount St Benedict College (Pennant Hills)	I	Pennant Hills	NSW	\$2,652
Kesser Torah College	I	Dover Heights	NSW	\$2,635
Gilroy College	C	Castle Hill	NSW	\$2,606
Loreto Kirribilli	I	Kirribilli	NSW	\$2,550
Marian College	C	Kenthurst	NSW	\$2,373
Aquinas College	C	Menai	NSW	\$2,371

Top 10 Overfunded NT Primary Schools, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
St Mary's Primary School	C	Darwin	NT	\$1,452
The Alice Springs Steiner School	I	Alice Springs	NT	\$1,262
St Paul's Primary School	C	Nightcliff	NT	\$1,098
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College	C	Alice Springs	NT	\$1,094
Holy Spirit Primary School	C	Wanguri	NT	\$1,093
The Essington School Darwin	I	Nightcliff	NT	\$1,031
Araluen Christian School	I	Larapinta	NT	\$856
Nhulunbuy Christian School	I	Nhulunbuy	NT	\$853
Holy Family Primary School	C	Karama	NT	\$732
St Andrew Lutheran School	I	Leanyer	NT	\$644

Top 10 Overfunded NT Secondary Schools, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
The Essington School Darwin	I	Nightcliff	NT	\$1,905
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College	C	Alice Springs	NT	\$1,435
St Philip's College	I	Alice Springs	NT	\$1,013
O'Loughlin Catholic College	C	Sanderson	NT	\$971
Kormilda College	I	Berrimah	NT	\$851
Palmerston Christian School	I	Marlow Lagoon	NT	\$740
St Joseph's College	C	Katherine	NT	\$734
Marrara Christian School	I	Marrara	NT	\$626
St John's College	C	Stuart Park	NT	\$497
Northern Territory Christian College	I	Marrara	NT	\$267

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Top 10 Overfunded QLD Primary Schools, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
Our Lady of the Rosary School	C	Kenmore	QLD	\$2,538
Nudgee Junior College	C	Indooroopilly	QLD	\$2,357
St Joseph's School	C	Bardon	QLD	\$2,269
St Ignatius School	C	Toowong	QLD	\$2,265
Holy Family Primary School	C	Indooroopilly	QLD	\$2,180
Mater Dei Parochial School	C	St Johns Wood	QLD	\$2,176
St Finbarr's School	C	Ashgrove	QLD	\$1,991
St Peter Chanel Primary School	C	The Gap	QLD	\$1,990
St Agatha's Primary School	C	Clayfield	QLD	\$1,902
St Joseph's College	C	Brisbane	QLD	\$1,900

Top 10 Overfunded QLD Secondary Schools, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
Stuartholme School	C	Toowong	QLD	\$2,721
St Joseph's College	C	Brisbane	QLD	\$2,486
Marist College Ashgrove	C	Ashgrove	QLD	\$2,375
St Peter's Lutheran College	I	Indooroopilly	QLD	\$2,260
Mount St Michael's College	C	Ashgrove	QLD	\$2,254
All Hallows School	C	Brisbane	QLD	\$2,019
Hillbrook Anglican School	I	Enoggera	QLD	\$1,951
Villanova College	C	Coorparoo	QLD	\$1,785
Brigidine College	C	Indooroopilly	QLD	\$1,673
Loreto College	C	Coorparoo	QLD	\$1,673

Top 10 Overfunded SA Primary Schools, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
St Joseph's School	C	Kingswood	SA	\$1,817
Mercedes College	C	Springfield	SA	\$1,816
St Catherine's Parish School	C	Stirling	SA	\$1,812
St Raphael's School	C	Parkside	SA	\$1,812
Loreto College	C	Marryatville	SA	\$1,542
St Thomas School	C	Goodwood	SA	\$1,453
St Ignatius College	C	Athelstone	SA	\$1,273
St Joseph's Memorial School	C	Norwood	SA	\$1,270
St John's Lutheran School	I	Highgate	SA	\$1,187
Melrose Park School	I	St Marys	SA	\$1,185

Top 10 Overfunded SA Secondary Schools, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
Mercedes College	C	Springfield	SA	\$2,374
Melrose Park School	I	St Marys	SA	\$2,140
Loreto College	C	Marryatville	SA	\$2,016
Concordia College	I	Highgate	SA	\$1,839
St Ignatius College	C	Athelstone	SA	\$1,672
Rostrevor College	C	Woodforde	SA	\$1,316
Cabra Dominican College	C	Cumberland Park	SA	\$1,205
St John's Grammar School	I	Belair	SA	\$1,151
Sacred Heart College Middle School	C	Mitchell Park	SA	\$971
Marymount College	C	Hove	SA	\$970

Top 10 Overfunded TAS Primary Schools, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
Mount Carmel College	C	Sandy Bay	TAS	\$1,274
St Aloysius' School	C	Kingston Beach	TAS	\$820
Corpus Christi School	C	Bellerive	TAS	\$640
Trinity College	I	Poatina	TAS	\$572
St Anthony's School	C	Riverside	TAS	\$554
St Cuthbert's School	C	Lindisfarne	TAS	\$374
St Thomas More's School	C	Newstead	TAS	\$373
St Virgil's College	C	Austins Ferry	TAS	\$373
Immaculate Heart of Mary School	C	Lenah Valley	TAS	\$279
Sacred Heart College	C	New Town	TAS	\$279

Top 10 Overfunded TAS Secondary Schools, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
Mount Carmel College	C	Sandy Bay	TAS	\$1,675
Trinity College	I	Poatina	TAS	\$793
Mackillop College	C	Mornington	TAS	\$617
St Virgil's College	C	Austins Ferry	TAS	\$504
Guilford Young College	C	Glenorchy	TAS	\$383
Sacred Heart College	C	New Town	TAS	\$383
St Mary's College	I	Hobart	TAS	\$315
Kingston Christian School	I	Kingston	TAS	\$308
Seabrook Christian School	I	Somerset	TAS	\$236
St Patrick's College	C	Prospect Vale	TAS	\$37

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Top 10 Overfunded VIC Primary Schools, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
St Cecilia's Parish School	C	Glen Iris	VIC	\$2,721
Our Lady of Victories Parish School	C	Camberwell	VIC	\$2,704
St Joseph's School	C	Hawthorn	VIC	\$2,624
Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish School	C	Deepdene	VIC	\$2,621
Sacred Heart Parish School	C	Kew	VIC	\$2,621
St Dominic's School	C	Camberwell East	VIC	\$2,534
St Joan of Arc School	C	Brighton	VIC	\$2,442
Loreto, Mandeville Hall	C	Toorak	VIC	\$2,437
St Roch's Parish School	C	Glen Iris	VIC	\$2,359
St Columba's School	C	Elwood	VIC	\$2,358

Top 10 Overfunded VIC Secondary Schools, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
Loreto, Mandeville Hall	C	Toorak	VIC	\$3,186
Adass Israel School	I	Elsternwick	VIC	\$3,069
Genazzano Fcj College	C	Kew	VIC	\$2,844
St Kevin's College	C	Toorak	VIC	\$2,722
Sacre Coeur	C	Glen Iris	VIC	\$2,719
Siena College	C	Camberwell	VIC	\$2,485
Yeshivah and Beth Rivkah Colleges	I	St Kilda East	VIC	\$2,414
De La Salle College	C	Malvern	VIC	\$2,252
Star of the Sea College	C	Gardenvale	VIC	\$2,252
Marcellin College	C	Bulleen	VIC	\$2,141

Top 10 Overfunded WA Primary Schools, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
Holy Spirit School	C	City Beach	WA	\$2,622
St Thomas' School	C	Claremont	WA	\$2,442
John XXIII College	C	Mount Claremont	WA	\$2,440
St Columba's School	C	South Perth	WA	\$1,815
St Benedict's School	C	Ardross	WA	\$1,814
St Paul's Primary School	C	Mount Lawley	WA	\$1,814
Mel Maria Catholic Primary School	C	Attadale	WA	\$1,723
Newman College	C	Churchlands	WA	\$1,721
Yidarra Catholic Primary School	C	Bateman	WA	\$1,634
Our Lady of Grace School	C	North Beach	WA	\$1,634

Top 10 Overfunded WA Secondary Schools, 2005-2007

School Name	Catholic/ Independent	Suburb	State	Average Overfunding per student per year, 2005-2007
John XXIII College	C	Mount Claremont	WA	\$3,186
Sowilo Community High School	I	Cannington	WA	\$2,833
Newman College	C	Churchlands	WA	\$2,251
Aquinas College	C	Manning	WA	\$2,019
Corpus Christi College	C	Bateman	WA	\$1,906
Sacred Heart College	C	Sorrento	WA	\$1,906
St Mark's Anglican Community School	I	Hillarys	WA	\$1,839
Iona Presentation College	C	Mosman Park	WA	\$1,672
Trinity College	C	East Perth	WA	\$1,551
St Luke's College	C	Karratha	WA	\$1,207

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