

## Global Catholic Education Report 2020: Country Profiles

Country: **Australia**

Data: Statistical yearbooks of the Church

**Table 1: Trends in the Number of Students (Thousand) and Schools, 1975-2017**

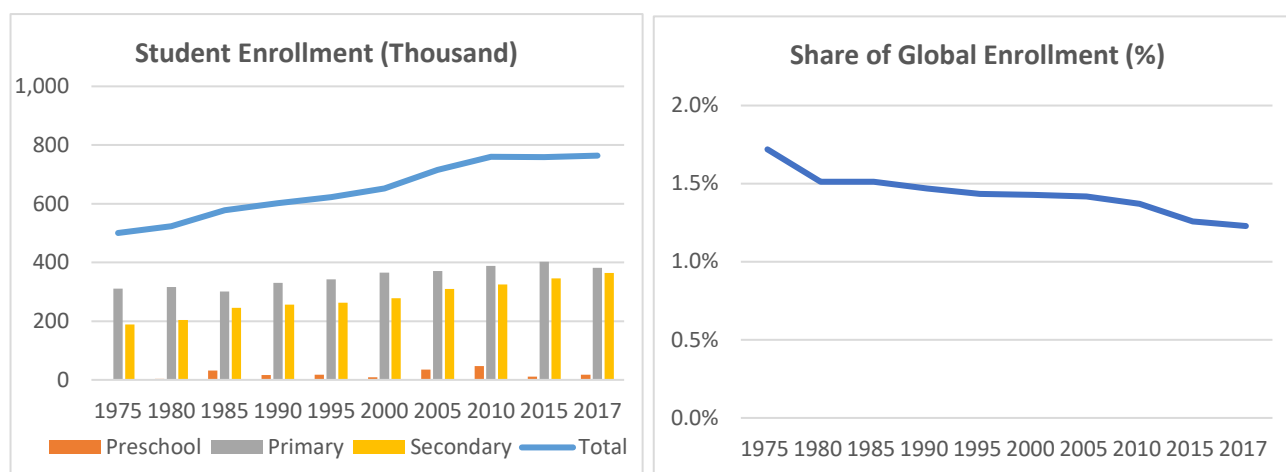
	1975	1980	1985	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2017
<b>Students</b>										
Preschool	-	3	32	16	18	9	35	47	11	18
Primary	311	316	301	330	342	365	370	388	403	382
Secondary	189	204	245	256	263	278	310	325	345	364
Total	500	523	578	602	623	652	716	760	759	764
<b>Schools</b>										
Preschool	-	100	212	223	267	267	203	301	473	237
Primary	1,353	1,336	1,245	1,257	1,284	1,284	1,307	1,290	1,322	1,338
Secondary	502	480	465	452	449	449	420	445	456	446
Total	1,855	1,916	1,922	1,932	2,108	2,000	1,930	2,036	2,251	2,021

Note: No data for preschools in 1975.

**Table 2: Annual Growth Rates in the Number of Students and Schools, Various Periods (%)**

	Students					Schools				
	1980s	1990s	2000s	2010s	2015-17	1980s	1990s	2000s	2010s	2015-17
Preschool	17.7%	-5.5%	17.9%	-13.2%	25.4%	8.4%	1.8%	1.2%	-3.4%	-29.2%
Primary	0.4%	1.0%	0.6%	-0.2%	-2.6%	-0.6%	0.2%	0.0%	0.5%	0.6%
Secondary	2.3%	0.8%	1.6%	1.6%	2.7%	-0.6%	-0.1%	-0.1%	0.0%	-1.1%
Total	1.4%	0.8%	1.5%	0.1%	0.3%	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%	-0.1%	-5.2%

Note: Compounded growth rates for 10 years by decade (e.g., 1980 to 1990) except last two periods



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