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NCVER's international tertiary education research database

USER GUIDE:

VOCEDplus products and services

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About this guide

The aim of this guide is to provide an overview of some of the VOCEDplus products and services. This guide covers:

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The VOCEDplus resources **Glossary of VET**, **Pod Network**, **VET Knowledge Bank**, and **VET Practitioner Resource** have their own separate user guides, which can be downloaded from the VOCEDplus Help page.

Special collections

The Special collections have been compiled by the VOCEDplus team to allow users to quickly access sets of related items from the VOCEDplus database:

Australian government collection
This collection brings together Australian and state/territory government publications that relate to the VET system.

Industry collection
This collection collates industry-based resources, research and policy related to labour market skill needs.

Key conferences
This collection provides access to papers and presentations from past key VET conferences and links to current conferences.

Key research and policy by region
These collections are important tertiary education and training policy and research documents from various regions around the world.

LLND collection
This collection contains current and historical language, literacy, numeracy, and digital literacy/skills (LLND) resources.

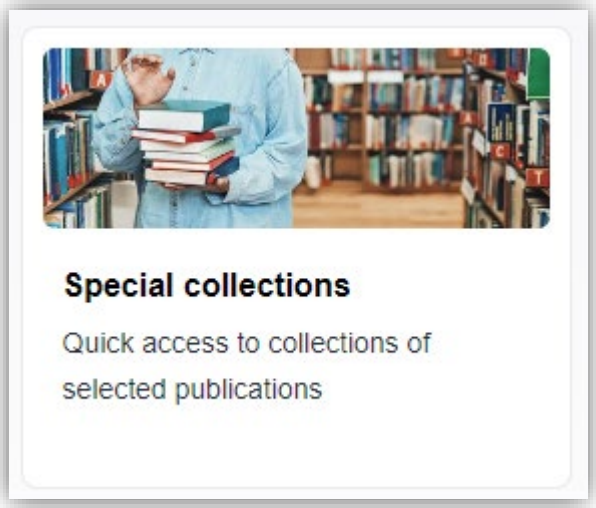
Organisation based collections
These collections feature publications of organisations that have either historical significance or have contributed a substantial body of work to the VET sector.

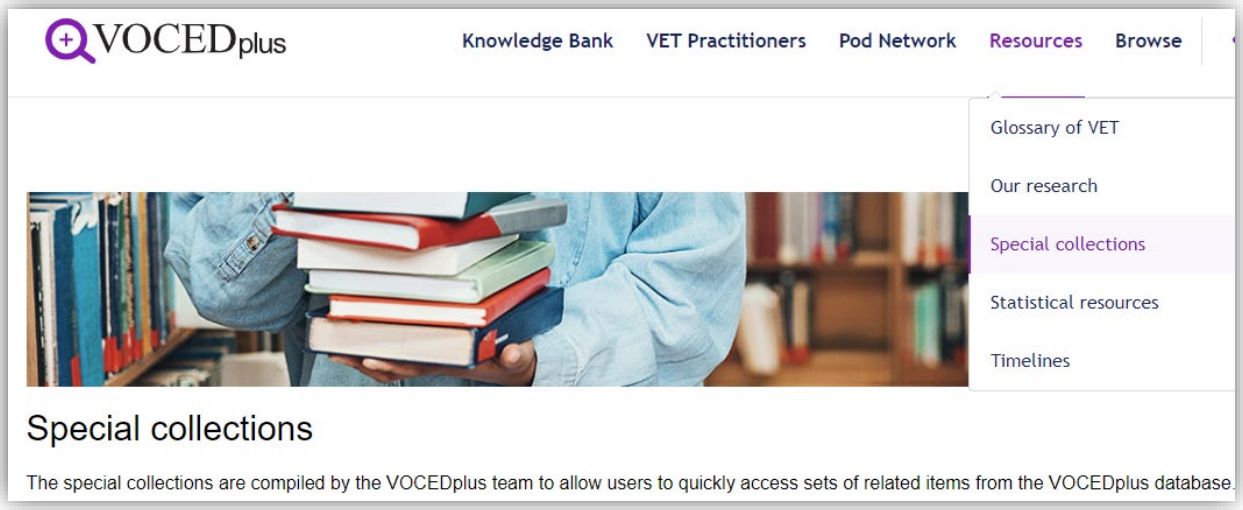
Program based collections
These collections provide access to publications and resources from current and historical programs.

Thesis collection
This collection contains theses relating to the tertiary education sector, organised by topic.

VET/HE pathways
This collection provides access to documents that focus on transition pathways between VET and higher education.

Special collections can be accessed from the **Quick links** section on the home page, and from the **Resources** menu heading:

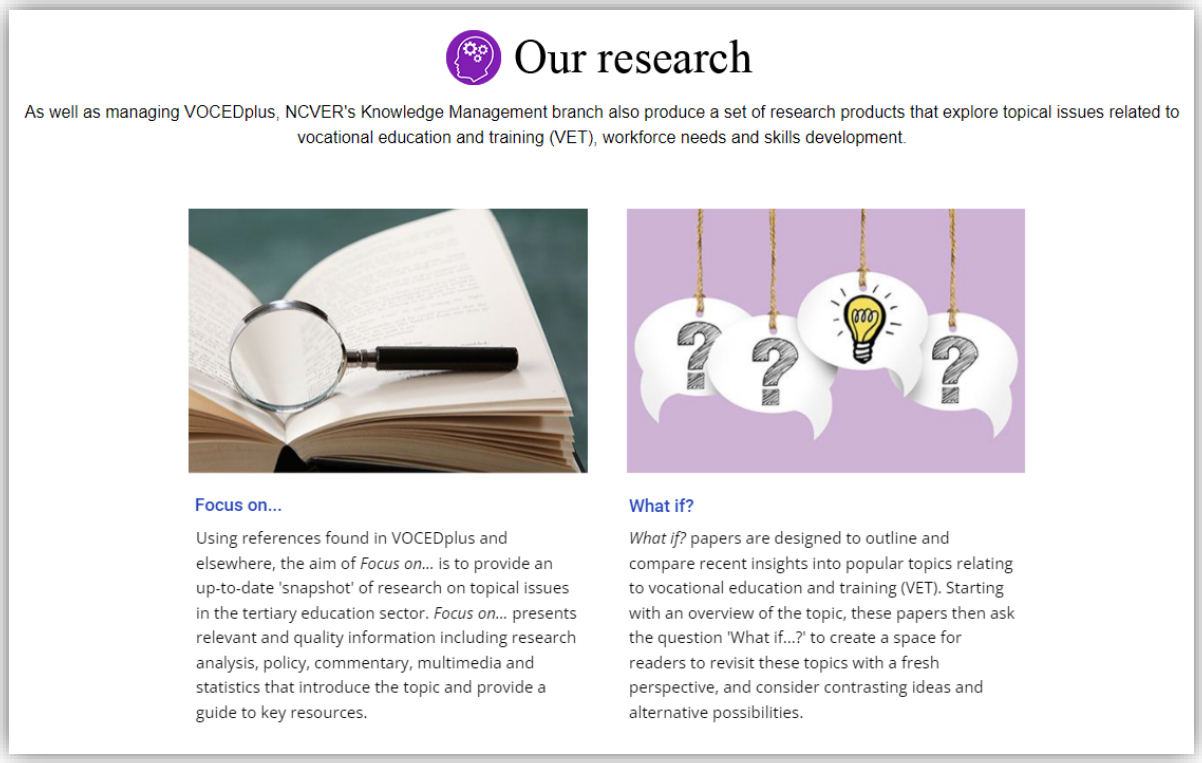




Good to know: Some items may appear in more than one collection. Some collections are 'active' and are periodically updated and others are 'archived', where the organisation or program is no longer active, so the collection is finite.

Our research

As well as managing VOCEDplus, NCVER's Knowledge Management branch also produce a set of research products that explore topical issues related to vocational education and training (VET), workforce needs and skills development. This includes the **Focus on…** and **What if?** research.



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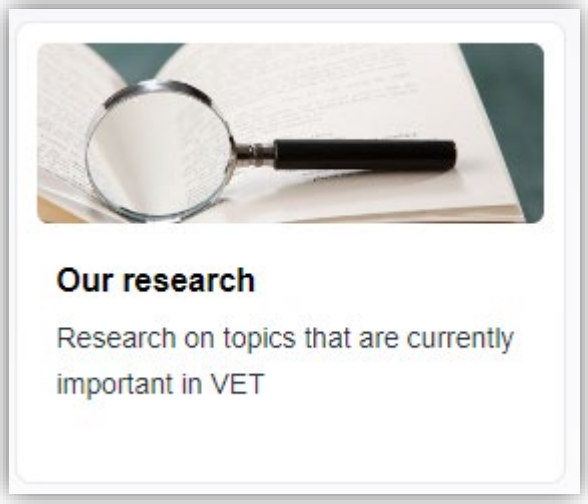
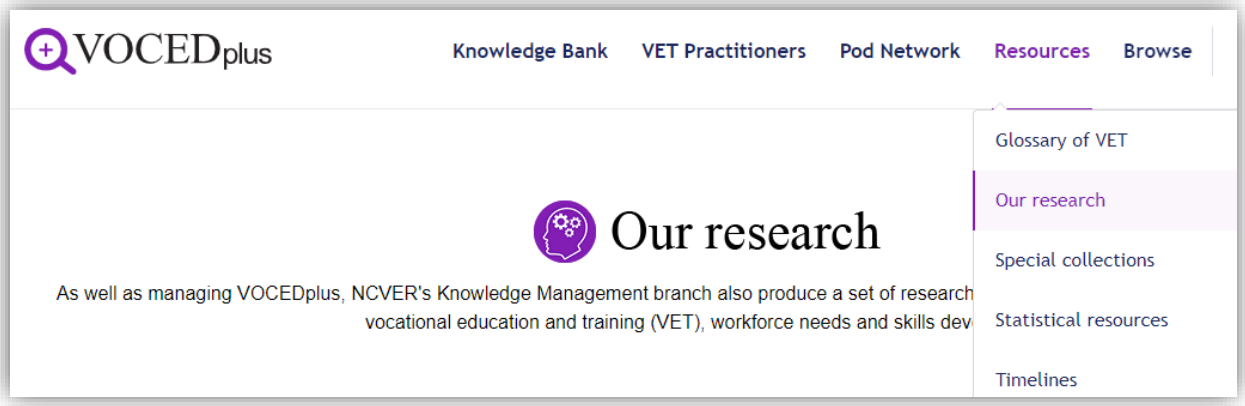
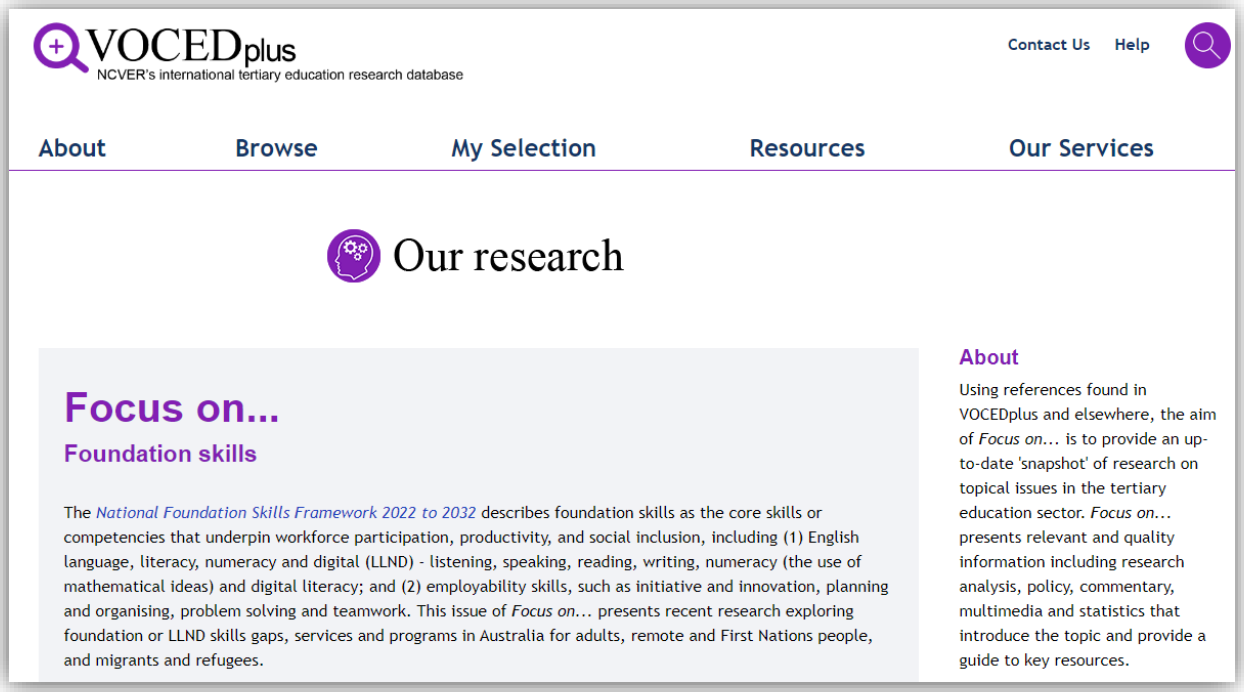




Focus on

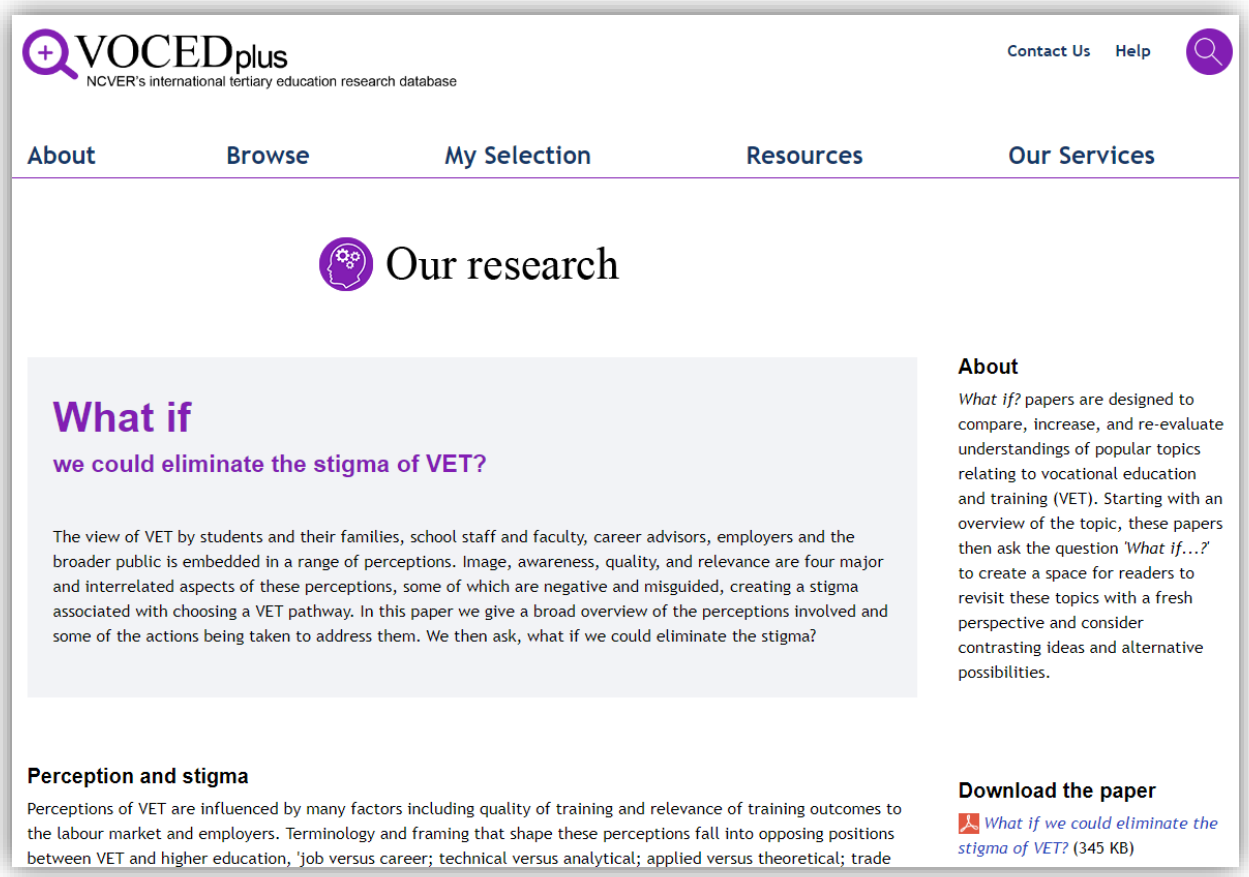
The *Focus on…* page provides information, research and resources on topical issues in VET. Published twice a year, 'Focus on' topics have included *Soft skills, mployability and education*, *Regional skilling*, *Digital disruption*, *Higher apprenticeships*, and *Skilling our future workers*.



Good to know: 'Focus on' pages do not get updated once they've been published. The publication date appears at the bottom of each 'Focus on' page.

What if?

What if? papers are designed to outline and compare recent insights into popular topics relating to vocational education and training (VET). Starting with an overview of the topic, these papers then ask the question 'What if...?' to create a space for readers to revisit these topics with a fresh perspective, and consider contrasting ideas and alternative possibilities.



Statistical resources

The Statistical resources page provides access to the current and archived information from NCVER's statistical collections and surveys, as well as the tools designed to help manage and interrogate this data. The statistical collections include Apprentices and trainees, Students and courses, VET funding, and VET in schools. The surveys include the Employer's use and views of the VET system, LSAY, and Student outcomes. Data tools and visualisations include AVETMISS, DataBuilder and VOCSTATS.

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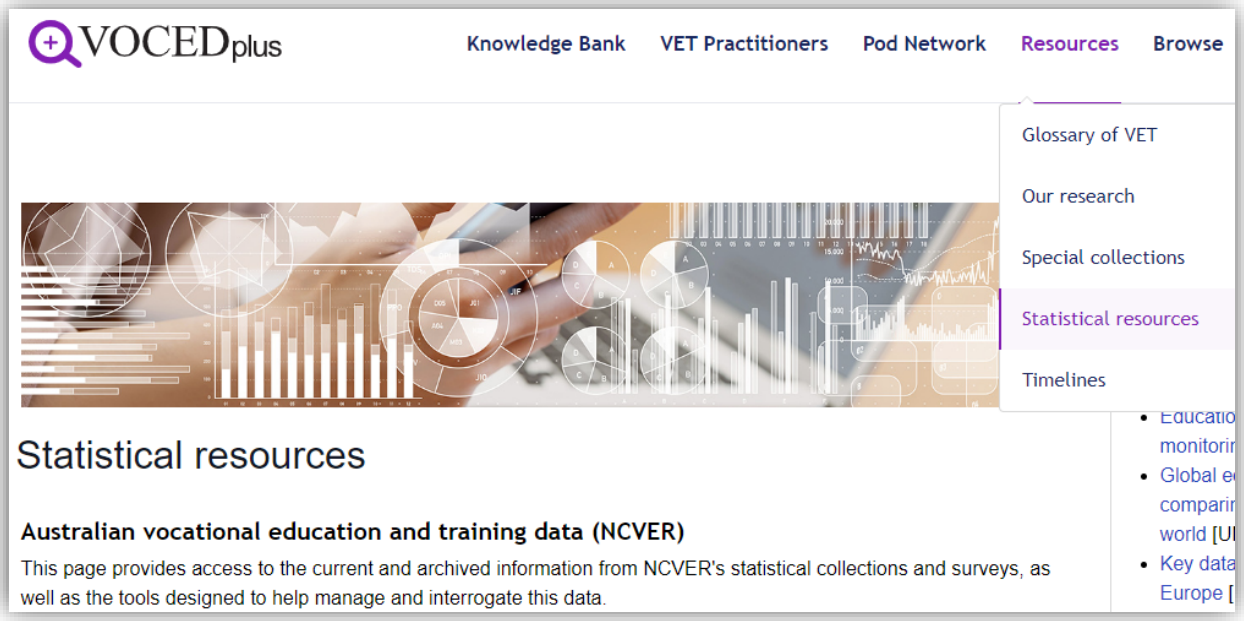

VOCEDplus Highlights

VOCEDplus Highlights presents an edited selection from the latest additions to the VOCEDplus database. Its aim is to highlight some of the issues appearing in tertiary education research internationally.

VOCEDplus HIGHLIGHTS

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A snapshot of a selection of items added to VOCEDplus

DECEMBER 2023 / JANUARY 2024

The full list of new additions to VOCEDplus is available at www.voced.edu.au

At a minimum Australia will need 445,000 more technology skilled workers by 2030 to keep pace with international economies - this equates to an additional 60,000 technology workers each year

Building technology skills in Australia

ACS Australia's digital pulse: a new approach to building technology skills / Deloitte Access Economics.

Sydney, New South Wales: Australian Computer Society, 2023. 84 pages.

Critical technologies including artificial intelligence (AI), robotics and advanced data analytics are crucial to our prosperity, social cohesiveness, and national security. They will also dramatically disrupt the workforce. Almost 11.2 million workers will be affected as tasks are increasingly accomplished with the assistance of AI, robotics, advanced data analytics, virtual worlds, additive manufacturing, and advanced communications. A totally new approach will be needed to ensure Australia's workforce adjusts and embraces this next wave of digital disruption. This report provides a

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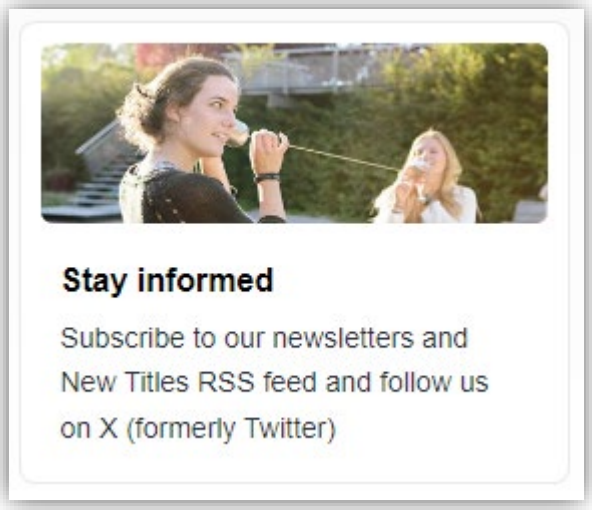
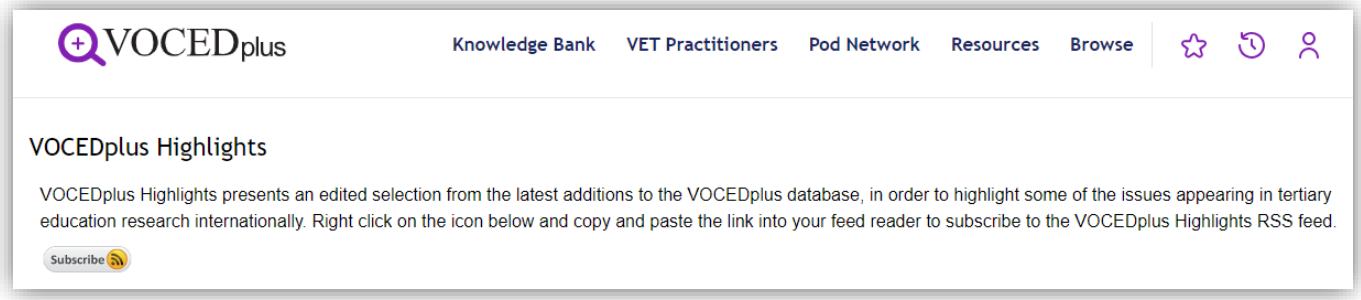


You can also subscribe to *VOCEDplus Highlights* via an RSS feed by using the 'Subscribe' button on the *VOCEDplus Highlights* page. Right click on the Subscribe button and copy and paste the link into your feed reader to subscribe to the VOCEDplus Highlights RSS feed:



VOCEDplus News

VOCEDplus News is a free quarterly newsletter that provides the latest news and information about VOCEDplus.

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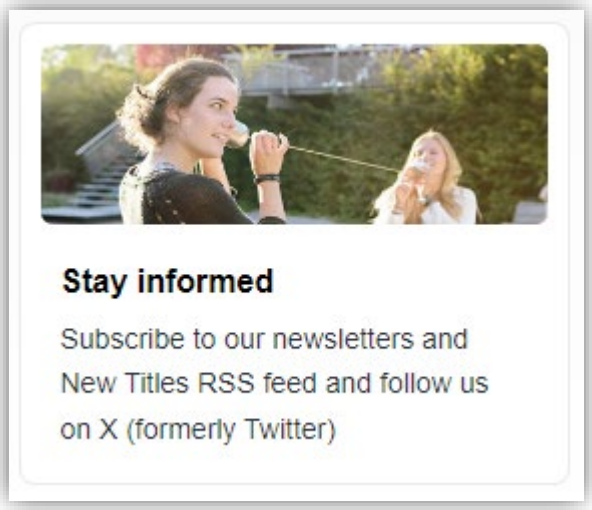

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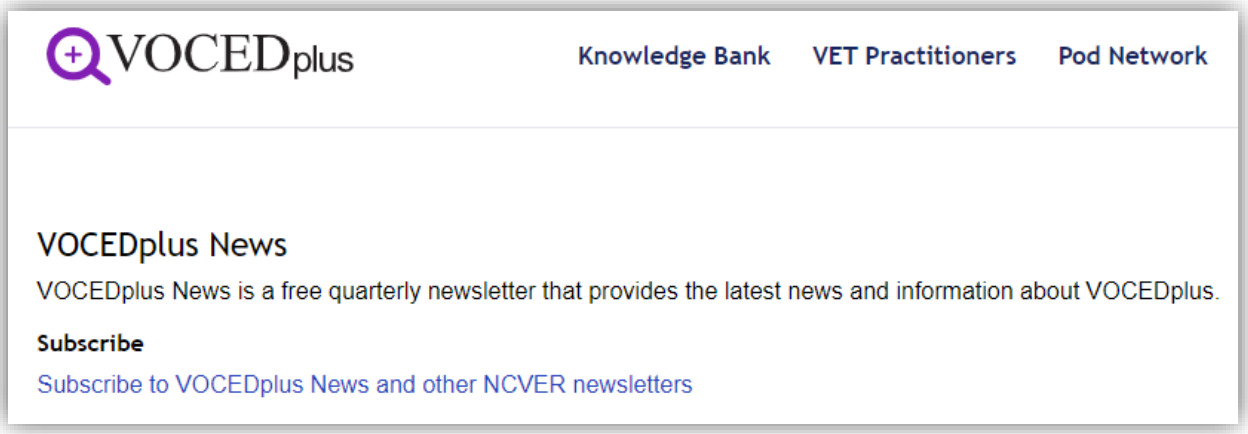


Select **VOCEDplus News** and complete the form on the NCVER **Subscription** page:

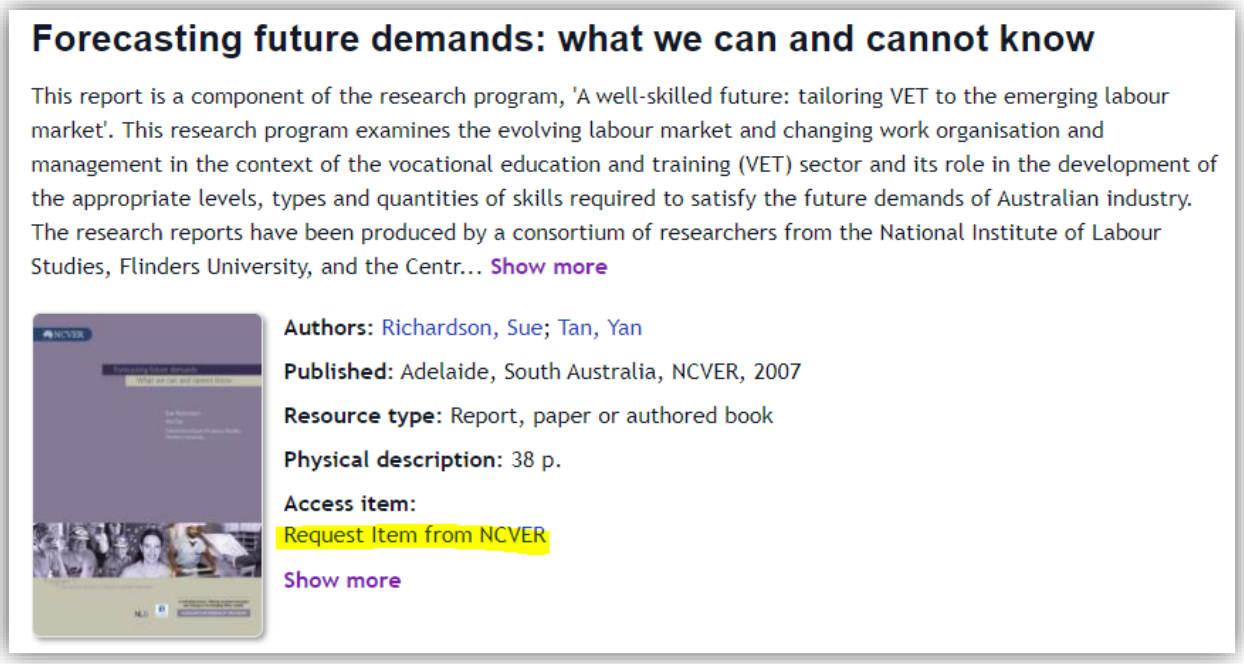
Document delivery service

The document delivery service is a method of obtaining the full-text of an item held in the VOCEDplus collection but not available electronically. This may consist of receiving a copy of an article or paper by email or for loans of physical items (i.e. items that cannot be supplied in digital format). For some loan requests, users may be advised to contact their local library to request an interlibrary loan from NCVER. See the Conditions of Use page for more information on document delivery.

Good to know: you can search Trove (for Australian libraries) or WorldCat (catalogues of libraries from all over the world) to see if a copy is available in a library near you:

- https://trove.nla.gov.au/
- https://search.worldcat.org/

By clicking on the **Request Item from NCVER** link under **Access item** on an item record, you simply need to complete the online form which has already been pre-populated with the item's details. Our staff will endeavour to action your request within five working days. The first 10 items requested per week are free. For more information about completing a document delivery request form, view the **VOCEDplus search results** user guide on the Help page.



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VOCEDplus Ask a Librarian research services

Need help finding information or need a librarian to do your literature search? Contact the VOCEDplus team for basic questions or assistance using the '**Ask a Librarian**' link on the Help page or send an email to voced@ncver.edu.au.

For complex research assistance, the VOCEDplus team also offer a range of fee-based services drawing on the expertise of the NCVER Knowledge Management branch members. These range from foundation-level services, including literature searches and citation analysis through to advanced- and customised-level services such as research reviews and topic reading lists. For more information, visit our Ask a Librarian Research Services page, from the **How we can help you page**, which can be found under the **Our Services** heading in the footer of each webpage.