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VOCEDplus products and services
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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Special collections

The Special collections page consists of grouped collections of documents selected by the VOCEdplus team and tagged so that they are automatically gathered together in one place for easy browsing and access:

Australian key documents
This collection comprises important vocational education and training (VET) and higher education (HE) documents such as landmark documents that have influenced the development of Australia’s tertiary education system, key policy documents and reports from the various reviews of the education and training system.

The collection is presented under the following sub-categories:

- National landmark documents
- Other key VET documents
- Key VET documents from states and territories
- Key higher education documents.

ANTA collection
Australian National Training Authority (ANTA) was an Australian government statutory authority from 1992-2005 that provided a national focus for vocational education and training. ANTA resources can be accessed through VOCEdplus.

AQF collection
This collection aims to bring together current and historical publications relating to the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF). This includes all versions of the framework, consultation and research papers, and pertinent articles and reports.

Key conferences
This page lists key conferences in the tertiary education sector with links to conference proceedings and selected papers in VOCEdplus.

Key research and policy by region
This collection consists of international tertiary education policy and research presented by geographic regions.

Literacy and numeracy resources

- ALNARC collection
  The Adult Literacy and Numeracy Australian Research Consortium (ALNARC) was a national collaboration between five university-based research centres that was funded under the ALNP funds.
• **ALNP collection**
  The Adult Literacy National Project (ALNP) had the primary objective of funding and promoting research, resources and projects in the field of adult literacy in Australia. The project is no longer funded.

• **WELL collection**
  The government-funded Workplace English Language and Literacy (WELL) Programme aimed to assist Australian organisations to train workers in English language, literacy and numeracy skills. The programme closed on 30 June 2014.

**NCVER Community of Practice**
This collection brings together the published papers from NCVER's Community of Practice program, Academic Scholarship program, and the Building Researcher Capacity initiative.

**Pathways resources**
This collection is part of practical action to improve transition pathways between VET and higher education.

**Reframing the Future collection**
Reframing the Future (1997-2008) was the major VET workforce development initiative of the Australian, State and Territory Governments.

**Thesis collection**
This collection aims to bring together theses on various topics in tertiary education.

**UNESCO/UNEVOC collection**
Resources published by or on behalf of UNEVOC, UNESCO's International Centre for Technical and Vocational Education and Training.

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

These special collections have been compiled by the VOCEDplus team and allow users to query within collections. Some items can belong to more than one collection. If you have feedback please contact us.

VOCEDplus also plays a key role in the archiving and preservation of research. Historical datasets not previously available in digital form have been digitised and made freely available online with copyright owner.

Australian key documents
- National landmark documents
- National VET reports
- State/Territory VET reports
- National HE reports

NCVER Conferences
This collection brings together the published papers from NCVER’s Community of Practice program, Academic Scholarship program, and the Building Researcher Capacity initiative.

ANTA collection

Pathways resources

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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, employability and education, Regional skilling, Digital disruption, Higher apprenticeships, and Skilling our future workers. The ‘Focus on’ pages can be accessed from the ‘Quick links’ section on the home page, and from the ‘Resources’ menu heading.

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.
Glossary of VET

The Glossary of VET is a compilation of both historical and current terms and acronyms used in Australian vocational education and training.

Two browse pages, each with an alphabetical index at the top, are available:

- ‘Browse all terms and concepts’ provides an alphabetical listing of all terms and concepts on a single page. Each entry opens a new page that provides an explanation of the term or concept.
- ‘Browse all acronyms’ provides an alphabetical listing of all acronyms and other abbreviations on a single page with an explanation of what the abbreviation stands for under it. Links to additional information may also be provided.
The Glossary can be accessed from the ‘Quick links’ section on the home page, and from the ‘Resources’ menu heading. It is also available from the VET Knowledge Bank.

Good to know: The Glossary can also be downloaded as a Word or PDF file.

Good to know: You can use the browser’s Find function [Ctrl + F] to search for terms or acronyms on the page.
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 finance and 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 and VOCSTATS.

The Statistical resource page can be accessed from the ‘Quick links’ section on the home page, and from the ‘Resources’ menu heading.
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 can be accessed from the ‘Stay informed’ page link in the ‘Quick links’ section on the home page:
You can also subscribe to **VOCEDplus Highlights** via an RSS feed by using the ‘Subscribe’ button on the **VOCEDplus Highlights** page:

For further information on how to subscribe to this feed, follow the instructions provided in the section on RSS feeds in the **VOCEDplus search results** user guide.
VOCEDplus News

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

VOCEDplus News can be accessed from the ‘Stay informed’ page link in the ‘Quick links’ section on the home page.
You can also subscribe to *VOCEDplus News* by selecting the ‘Subscribe to VOCEDplus News and other NCVER newsletters’ link on the *VOCEDplus News* page:

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://www.worldcat.org/](https://www.worldcat.org/)

By clicking on the ‘Request from NCVER’ link 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.
VOCEDplus Ask a Librarian research services

Need help finding information or need a librarian to do your literature search?

Contact the VO Cedplus 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 VO Cedplus 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 (located in the ‘Our services’ menu heading):

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