

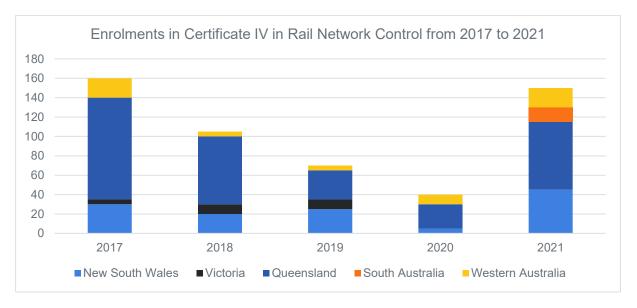
Network Controller—analysis of NCVER data

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Certificate IV in Rail Network Control

The National Rail Skills Hub has analysed National Centre for Vocational Education Research (NCVER) data¹ relating to the Certificate IV in Rail Network Control.²

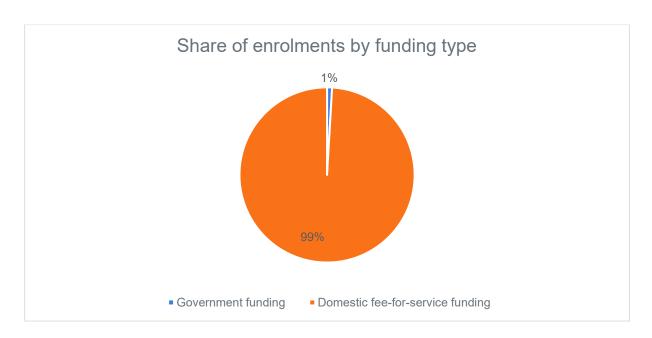
Enrolments in the Certificate IV in Rail Network Control varied significantly across years in the time period analysed, ranging between 160 in 2017 and 40 in 2020, with around 540 enrolments in total nationally over this time period. Around 57% of all enrolments across the time period analysed were in Queensland, and those enrolments were a key determinant of the annual trend nationally. NSW and WA had some enrolments in each year, albeit with some variation, while Victoria only had enrolments from 2017 to 2019 and SA only in 2021.



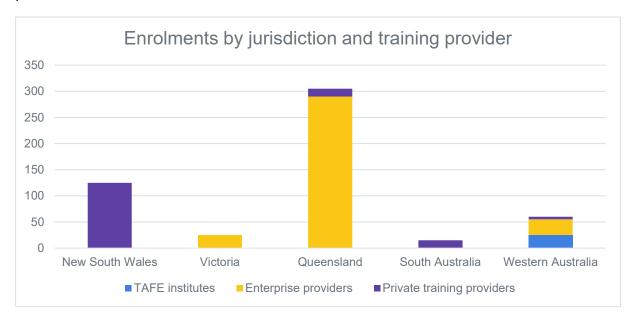
99% of enrolments were funded through domestic fee-for-service funding with 1% government funded.

¹ NCVER, *Total VET students and courses 2021: program enrolments DataBuilder*, 2022, accessed at: https://www.ncver.edu.au/research-and-statistics/data/databuilder.

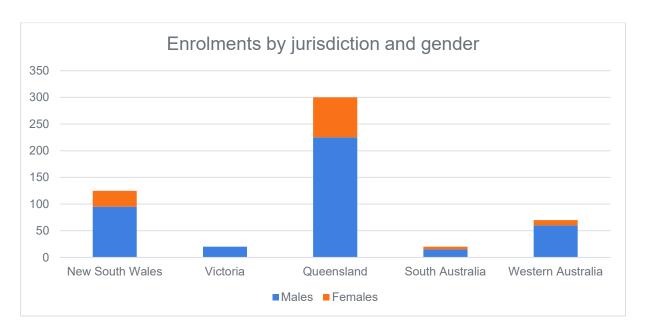
² This includes the TLI42211, TLI42215, and TLI40120 which were the codes for the qualifications relating to Rail Network Control with enrolments during the 2017 to 2021 time period analysed.



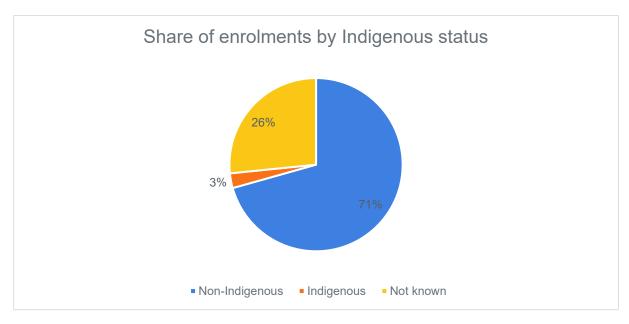
The majority of training was delivered by Enterprise providers (63% of enrolments); around one-third of enrolments were delivered by private training providers and a small amount by TAFEs (5%). TAFE delivery occurred exclusively in WA (primarily during 2017), while private training providers were the only type of RTO used in NSW and SA. Queensland primarily used Enterprise providers.



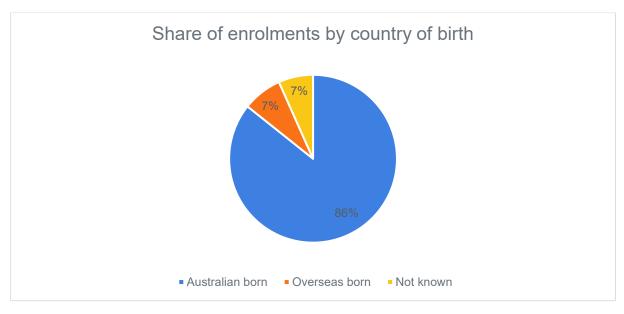
Around 78% of enrolments were by males and 22% by females nationally. This gender share was broadly in line with those of three of the jurisdictions: Queensland, NSW and South Australia.

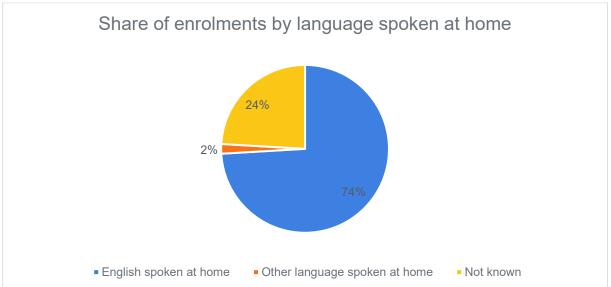


At least 3% of enrolments were by Indigenous students, although there was also a relatively high share of more than a quarter of enrolments where the Indigenous status was not known.

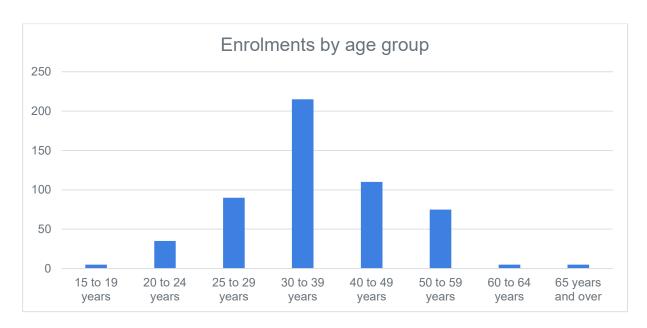


86% of people enrolling were born in Australia, while the shares born overseas and not known were each 7%. Just 2% of people enrolling spoke a language other than English at home, although this information was not known for almost a quarter of enrolments.

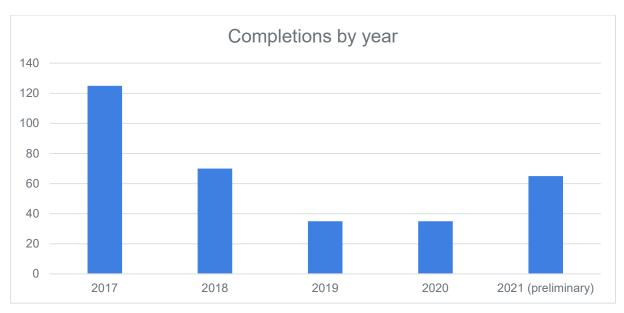


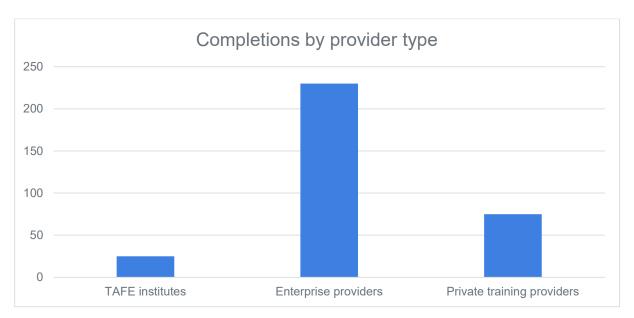


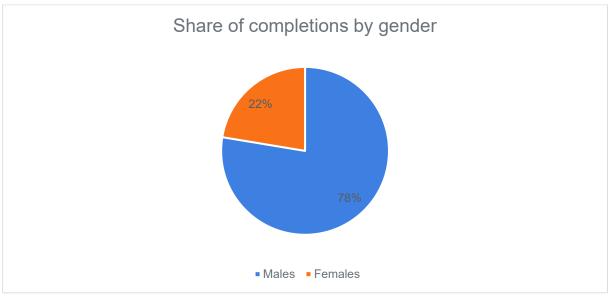
The most common age range for people enrolling in the qualification was people in their 30s, with 40% of all enrolments in this age range. The adjoining age ranges of people in their 40s or late 20s were the next most common; however, people over 50 still represented over 15% of all enrolments.



There were 330 completions of the qualification over the time period analysed, noting that the 2021 data is preliminary. 70% of completions were at Enterprise providers, a slightly higher share than Enterprise providers' share of enrolments. 23% of completions were at private training providers, slightly below their share of enrolments. The share of completions by gender aligned with the share of enrolments, with 78% of completions by males and 22% by females.









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