Introduction

This page presents a summary of results of the annual Next Step survey for Bundaberg Special School. The Next Step survey, undertaken by the Queensland Government, targets all students who completed Year 12 and gained a Senior Statement in 2016, whether they attended a state, Catholic or independent school, or a TAFE secondary college. The Queensland Government Statistician’s Office conducted the survey between March and June 2017, approximately six months after the young people left school. Responses were collected online and via computer-assisted telephone interviewing.

Statewide and regional reports from the 2017 Next Step survey will be available on the Next Step website from September 2017 at www.education.qld.gov.au/nextstep.

Response rate for Bundaberg Special School

Table 1 below reports the response rate for Bundaberg Special School. It expresses the number of respondents from this school, as a percentage of all Year 12 completers who attended Bundaberg Special School in 2016. It has not been possible to ascertain how representative these responses are of all Year 12 completers from this school.

Table 1: Survey response rate, Bundaberg Special School 2017

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<th>Number of respondents</th>
<th>Number of students who completed Year 12</th>
<th>Response rate (%)</th>
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<td>8</td>
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<td>88.9</td>
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Definitions of post-school pathways

The post-school pathways of Year 12 completers from special schools were categorised into eight main destinations. Year 12 completers from special schools who were in education, training or employment as well as attending a day service were reported in their education, training or employment pathway. A table defining these pathways is shown in Table 2.

Summary of findings

In 2017, seven young people who completed Year 12 at Bundaberg Special School in 2016 continued in a meaningful post-school pathway in the year after they left school.

Work was a pathway for four respondents either in open employment (one), supported employment (two), or undertaking unpaid or volunteer work (one). A further three respondents were attending a day service.

One respondent did not enter a meaningful post-school pathway and was seeking work.

Figure 1: Post-school pathway of Year 12 completers, Bundaberg Special School 2017
Table 2: Post-school pathway categorisation

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<td><strong>Education and Training</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Campus-based study(^a,b)</td>
<td>Studying at Certificate I, II, III, IV, Diploma, Advanced Diploma, Associate Degree or Bachelor Degree level (excluding apprentices and trainees).</td>
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<td>Apprenticeship or traineeship(^b)</td>
<td>Employment-based apprenticeship or traineeship.</td>
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<td><strong>Employment</strong></td>
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<td>Open employment(^b)</td>
<td>Undertaking full or part-time work in a non-supported employment environment and not in an education or training destination.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Supported employment(^b)</td>
<td>Undertaking full or part-time work in a supported employment environment and not in an education or training category.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Unpaid or volunteer work(^b)</td>
<td>Undertaking unpaid work—including vocational placements, internships, work experience and trials—or volunteer work.</td>
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<td><strong>Attending day service</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Attending day service</td>
<td>Attending a day service one or more days per week and not in an education, training or employment category.</td>
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<td><strong>Seeking work or Not in the Labour Force, Education or Training</strong></td>
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<td>Seeking work</td>
<td>Looking for work and not in an education or training destination.</td>
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<td>NILFET</td>
<td>Not in education or training, not working and not seeking work.</td>
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\(^a\) Some respondents may also be in employment or seeking work.

\(^b\) Some respondents may also be attending a day service.