

# NEXT STEP 2012 STUDENT DESTINATIONS Emerald State High School



## Introduction

This report is based on the findings of the Queensland Government *Next Step* survey, which targeted all students who completed Year 12 and gained a Senior Statement in 2011, whether they attended a government, Catholic or independent school, or a TAFE secondary college. The Office of the Government Statistician conducted the survey between April and May 2012, approximately six months after the young people left school. Responses were collected via computer-assisted telephone interviewing and an online survey.

The state-wide and regional reports of the *Next Step* survey can be located at the *Next Step* website at [www.education.qld.gov.au/nextstep](http://www.education.qld.gov.au/nextstep)

## Response rate for Emerald State High School

Table 1 below reports the response rate for Emerald State High School. It expresses the number of respondents from this school, as a percentage of all Year 12 completers attending Emerald State High School in 2011.

It has not been possible to ascertain how representative these responses are of all students at this school.

**Table 1** Survey response rate

Number of respondents	Number of students who completed Year 12	Response rate (%)
97	111	87.4

## Definitions of main destinations

The pathways of Year 12 completers were categorised into ten main destinations. Respondents who were both studying and working were reported as studying for their main destination. A table defining these categories can be found in the state-wide report at [www.education.qld.gov.au/nextstep](http://www.education.qld.gov.au/nextstep)

## Summary of findings

In 2012, 43.3 per cent of young people who completed Year 12 at Emerald State High School in 2011 continued in some recognised form of education and training in the year after they left school.

The most common study destination was apprenticeships (18.6 per cent). The combined VET study destinations accounted for 37.1 per cent of respondents, including 8.2 per cent in campus-based VET programs, with 1.0 per cent of Year 12 completers entering programs at Certificate IV level or higher. University also accounted for 6.2 per cent of respondents.

In addition to apprentices, a further 10.3 per cent of respondents commenced employment-based training as trainees.

In addition to the above study destinations, a further 8.2 per cent of respondents from this school deferred a tertiary offer in 2012 (deferrers are shown in Figure 1 in their current destination).

56.7 per cent did not enter post-school education or training, and were either employed (42.3 per cent), seeking work (11.3 per cent) or neither studying nor in the labour force (3.1 per cent).

**Figure 1** Main destinations of Year 12 completers

