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TEQSA RELEASES THIRD STATISTICS REPORT ON HIGHER EDUCATION PROVIDERS

The Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA) has released its third statistics report on registered higher education providers, giving a whole-of-sector overview of higher education in Australia.

This is the third annual release of this kind from TEQSA, focused on 2014 and presenting selected data sourced from the Agency's annual Provider Information Request (PIR) and the information held on the National Register of Higher Education Providers.

TEQSA Chief Executive Officer Mr Anthony McClaran said that the report gave an overview of the whole of Australia's diverse higher education sector, using the same point-in-time information as the previous reports.

"The third statistics report is the latest of a valuable series of snapshots of the key statistics from the sector. TEQSA recently published an overview of key financial metrics in higher education providers and after consultation, we will be releasing more analysis during 2016," said Mr McClaran.

The statistics report gives an insight into the sector's providers, students, staff and finances information from 2014, providing comparisons to 2013.

For example, in 2014, there was a 6% increase in overseas students studying Australian awards, with an increase of 10% in those studying postgraduate-level courses. There was also an overall increase in academic staff, including a 12% increase of academic staff employed on a full-time basis.

The report outlines key statistics on the Australian higher education sector and is drawn from information TEQSA holds as part of its regulatory activities. TEQSA's information is combined with the Australian Government of Department of Education and Training's data collections, giving an overview of the whole Australian higher education sector.

The report is available for download from TEQSA's website at

www.teqsa.gov.au/news-publications/publications.

TEQSA is Australia's independent national higher education quality assurance and regulation Agency.

TEQSA aims to ensure students receive a high quality education at any Australian higher education provider.