

International Students: Bachelors & Doctors

Levels & Fields of Education 2023

The Australian Department of Education data for 2023 on international student numbers, released in September 2024, enabled analysis of levels of education and fields of education of the 454,396 international students in the 42 Australian universities.

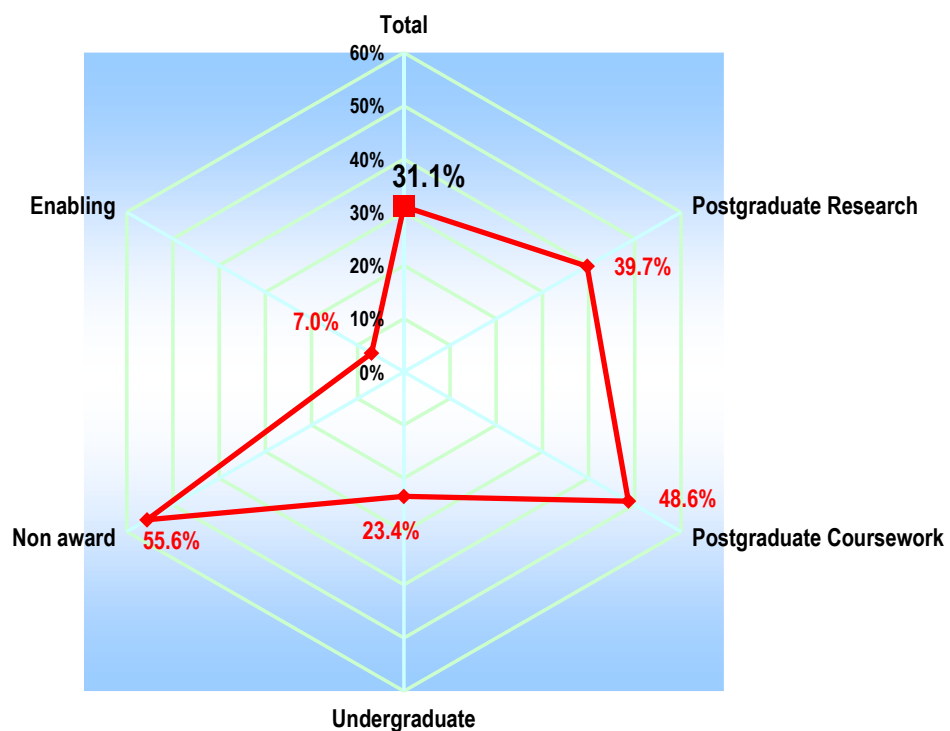
The data by level and field of education included all students, onshore and offshore

In the 42 Australian universities in the boom year 2023, there were 454,396 international students, up 15% from 393,988 from 2022. These 454,396 international students made up 31.1% of the 1,462,079 students in Australian universities.

Levels of Education

In total, 31.1% of students at all levels of education in Australian universities in 2023 were international. 39.7% of postgraduate research students were international, 48.6% of postgraduate coursework students were international and 23.4% of undergraduate students were international, as in the chart

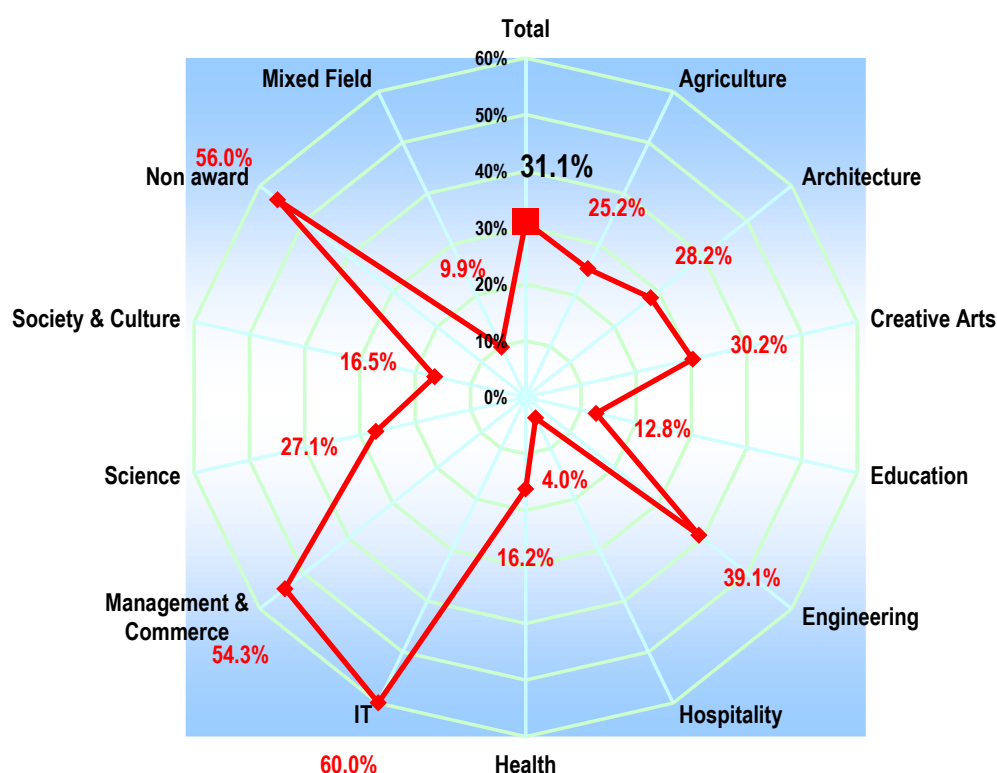
Levels of Education: Proportion of International Students



Fields of Education

In total, 31.1% of students in all fields of education in 2023 were international. 60% of students in IT were international, 54% of students in Business were international and 39% of students in Engineering were international, with proportions in other fields as in the chart.

Fields of Education: Proportion of International Students



This release covers **2023**, the boom year ahead of the third perfect storm.

The Department of Education **Selected Higher Education Statistics – 2023 Student data**, released in September 2024, are at <https://www.education.gov.au/higher-education-statistics/student-data/selected-higher-education-statistics-2023-student-data>

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