

2026 International TPS Levy

Sector Consultation Feedback on Draft Levy Settings

5 November 2025

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2026 International TPS Levy Setting Process

20 August 2025

TPS Advisory Board provided draft advice to the TPS Director on the 2026 International Levy settings

Sept-Oct 2025

TPS consults the sector on the draft levy settings

19 November 2025

TPS Advisory Board considers the sector's feedback on the draft levy settings then provides final advice to the TPS Director

By 1 January 2026

2026 levy settings finalised in legislative instruments



2026 International TPS Levy Consultation

Consultation sessions for leviable providers included:

- An online session for all providers on 2 September
- Six in-person sessions in Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane and Perth
- An online session for providers registered in SA, NT, ACT and TAS
- An online session for regional providers

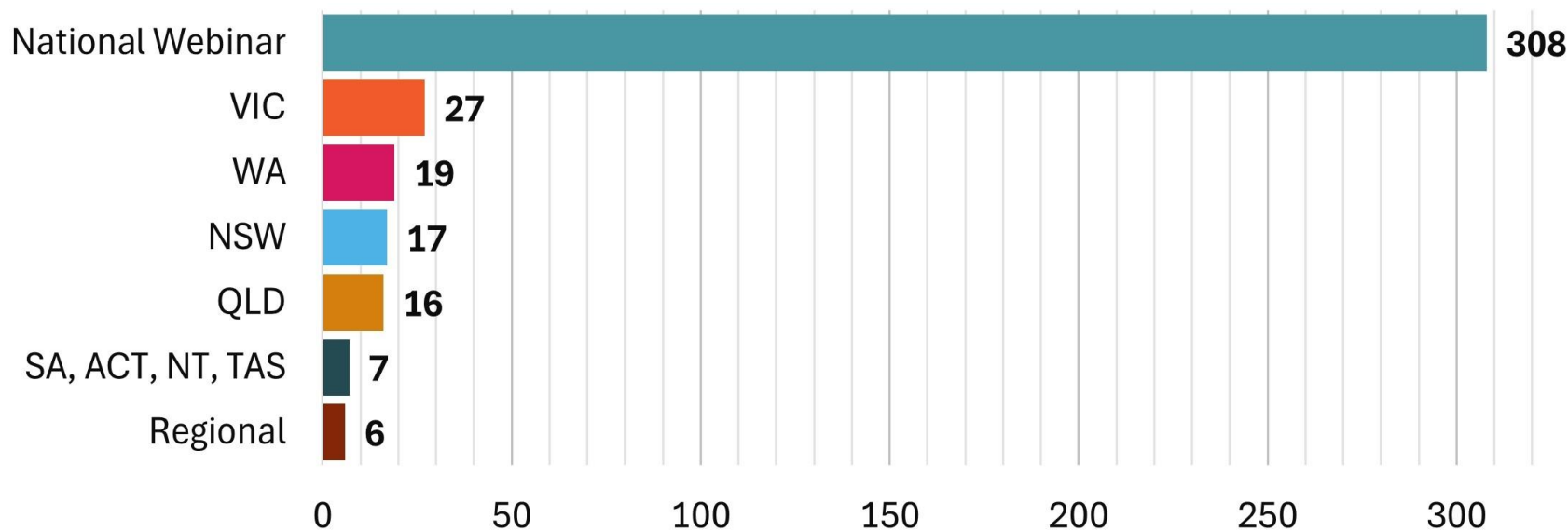
Representatives from peak bodies were also consulted



Consultation Session Attendance

Notices about consultation were sent to contacts in PRISMS for leviable providers

400 individuals attended



Summary of Consultation Feedback

Overall, providers were supportive of the draft 2026 International TPS Levy settings and welcomed holding at the same rates as 2025

Providers were understanding of the need to increase to the target range of the Overseas Students Tuition Fund from \$40-60 million to \$50-70 million, reflecting higher student numbers and higher tuition fee income

Providers were supportive of the proposal to introduce an additional data point to the 'non-compliance' risk factor in 2026 for providers that had at least one student default occur **where the refund amount was paid out by the TPS** in the previous calendar year

Discussions at the in-person sessions focussed on providers' obligations to students where a student visa was refused



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Levy components, draft 2026 settings and timeline



Overseas Students Tuition Fund (OSTF)

International TPS Levy paid into OSTF

AGA recommends target range for OSTF to ensure sufficient funds are available for a large provider closure or multiple provider closures

AGA recommends increasing 2026 target range due to increased international student population and tuition fees charged by providers

Balance: \$50.45 million (30 June 2025)

Target range	Mid-point of target range
Current: \$40-60 million	Current: \$50 million
2026 recommendation: \$50-70 million	2026 recommendation: \$60 million



Draft 2026 International TPS Levy Settings

Component	Draft 2026 Settings
Administrative fee*	\$107.00 per provider + \$0.56 per 2025 overseas student enrolment
Base fee*	\$216.00 per provider + \$1.37 per 2025 overseas student enrolment
Risk rated premium	[0.05% x total risk factor value] x total 2025 overseas student tuition fees
Special tuition protection	0% x total 2025 overseas student tuition fees

*Administrative and base fee figures reflect 2025 values and may be indexed to CPI for 2026

Note: 2026 levy calculated using student enrolment numbers and revenue for 2025 calendar year



2026 International TPS Levy Timeline

August 2025

20 August

- Draft advice on 2026 international levy confirmed at TPS Advisory Board meeting

Late August

- Draft advice letter published on TPS website

Sept – Nov 2025

2 September

- Online consultation session for all providers

September-October

- Consultation sessions in Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane and Perth
- Online sessions for SA, NT, ACT, TAS providers and regional providers
- Meetings with stakeholders

5 November

- Online feedback session for all providers

November 2025

19 November

- TPS Advisory Board considers sector feedback
- Final advice on 2026 International TPS Levy settings confirmed at Board meeting

Mid-November

- Legislative instrument drafted and sent to Treasurer
- Department of Education briefing for Administrative and Base Fee Components sent to Minister for Education

December 2025

31 December

- Legislative instrument must be approved by Treasurer and signed off by TPS Director

Feb – May 2026

February

- Non-exempt providers receive a Request for Information to declare 2025 overseas students tuition fee income and domestic student enrolment figures

March

- 2026 levy invoices sent to providers

April-May

- International levy collected





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