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Suburban University Study Hubs (SUSH) Key Facts

Reporting Period 1 2026 (1 January - 30 June)



OVER
3,500
STUDENTS

were supported by 15 Suburban University Study Hubs, an eightfold increase in the past year.

OVER
4,200
STUDENTS

have been supported by Suburban University Study Hubs since the program's establishment.

Suburban University Study Hubs

43%

of students supported by SUSH identified **first in family to undertake Tertiary Education**

3%

of students supported by SUSH identified as **First Nations**

1 in 5

students (20%) supported by SUSH have **parent or carer responsibilities**

34%

of students supported by SUSH live in a **low SES area**¹

11%

of students supported by SUSH identified as **having a disability**

More than
1 in 4

students supported by SUSH **speak a main language at home other than English**, with 40+ languages represented



Hub students value **local study** places in the outer suburbs:

- 59% are enrolled in on-campus courses
- 68% plan to use their local Hub regularly²



79%

of students supported by SUSH were studying courses at the **Bachelor level or above**

The **most popular fields of education** among students supported by SUSH were:



Health
(36%)



Society and Culture
(16%)



Education
(10%)



Engineering and related technologies
(9%)

More information about the Suburban University Study Hubs program can be found at www.education.gov.au/suburban-university-study-hubs.

For questions or inquiries, please contact us at suburban@education.gov.au

¹ Defined as Deciles 1-3 of ABS SEIFA IRSAD and derived from student postcodes.

² Defined as 1-5 visits weekly.