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Subject: RE: Indigenous enrolment rates [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

The estimated enrolled NSW Indigenous rate decreased only 1 percentage point from 87% in 2018 to 86% in 2019. This decrease is not statistically significant and falls within an estimation error for these calculations (being this difference actually marginal).

This 1 percentage point difference represents in absolute numbers an increase of the estimated unenrolled NSW Indigenous population of 2,285 Indigenous (from 20,954 to 23,239) which then represents an increase of 10.9 per cent in unenrolled Indigenous when compared to previous year. However, note that this apparent big increase is because the state size (the biggest in the country in relation to enrolment eligible population) where a decrease in 1 percentage point in enrolled indigenous then represents a big number in relation to the total estimated unenrolled indigenous. For example, if the estimated enrolled QLD indigenous population decreased 1 percentage point too from 73% in 2018 to 72% in 2019 (instead of the observed 1 percentage point increase in this period) then this decrease will represent a 6.3 per cent increase (2,362) of the estimated unenrolled QLD Indigenous population from 37,285 to 39,647 Indigenous. In this example, the increase (6.3 per cent) in QLD is lower than the actual increase observed in NSW (10.9 per cent) because the total estimated unenrolled Indigenous population in QLD (37,285 in 2018) is larger than that estimate in NSW (20,954 in 2018) – NSW has the largest estimated enrolled Indigenous rate in the Country at 86 per cent compared to QLD at only 74 per cent.

Regards,

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Guy,

How did the non-enrolled Indigenous population in NSW increase by 11%?

That seems to be the only real outlier to me. In most cases it stayed pretty much the same. I think we will need to be prepared to answer the question about NSW.

Thanks.

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We have the Indigenous enrolment rates for 2019 and we are preparing the paper work (Minute, speaking notes, QTB, draft letters etc.) covering them but hear is some early advice.

National

- There was a small increase nationally from 76.4 per cent to 76.6 per cent, not really significant but better than a reduction. This continues the upward trend over the last few years with the 2017 rate at 74.7 per cent.
- The estimated Indigenous eligible enrolment population (EEP) grew by 13,360 people (or 2.7 per cent) while the estimated number of Indigenous people enrolled grew by 11,455 (3 per cent)
- The estimated unenrolled Indigenous population grew from 118,581 to 120,486 (1.6 per cent increase). This compares unfavourably with the change between 2017 and 2018 where the estimated unenrolled Indigenous population fell from 123,517 to 118,581 (4 per cent decrease).

NSW

- There was a decrease in NSW from 87.3 per cent to 86.2 per cent. While falling over the last two years the rate is up from the 2017 rate of 85.9 per cent.
- The estimated Indigenous EEP for NSW grew by 4,051 people (2.5 per cent) while the estimated number of Indigenous people enrolled in the NSW grew by 1,766 (1.2 per cent)
- The estimated unenrolled NSW Indigenous population grew from 20,954 to 23,239 (10.9 per cent increase). This compares unfavourably with the change between 2017 and 2018 where the estimated unenrolled Indigenous population fell from 22,605 to 20,954 (7.3 per cent decrease).

NT

- There was a small increase in the NT from 67.5 per cent to 68.2 per cent. This continues the upward trend over the last few years with the 2017 rate at 67.1 per cent.
- The estimated Indigenous EEP for NT grew by 1,111 people (or 2.2 per cent) while the estimated number of Indigenous people enrolled in the NT grew by 1,132 (3.3 per cent)
- The estimated unenrolled NT Indigenous population fell from 16,433 to 16,412 (0.1 per cent decrease). This compares favourably with the change between 2017 and 2018 where the estimated unenrolled Indigenous population grew from 16,275 to 16,433 (1 per cent increase).

WA

- There was a small increase in the WA from 63.8 per cent to 65 per cent. This continues the upward trend over the last few years with the 2017 rate at 62.8 per cent.
- The estimated Indigenous EEP for WA grew by 1,790 people (or 2.8 per cent) while the estimated number of Indigenous people enrolled in WA grew by 1,905 (4.6 per cent)
- The estimated unenrolled WA Indigenous population fell from 23,363 to 23,248 (0.1 per cent decrease). This compares favourably with the change between 2017 and 2018 where the estimated unenrolled Indigenous population fell from 23,367 to 23,363 (0.02 per cent decrease).

Qld

- There was a small increase in the Qld from 72.5 per cent to 73.7 per cent. This continues the upward trend over the last few years with the 2017 rate at 70 per cent.
- The estimated Indigenous EEP for Qld grew by 1,790 people (or 2.8 per cent) while the estimated number of Indigenous people enrolled in Qld grew by 1,905 (4.6 per cent)

- The estimated unenrolled Qld Indigenous population fell from 37,285 to 36,625 (1.8 per cent decrease). This compares unfavourably with the change between 2017 and 2018 where the estimated unenrolled Indigenous population fell from 39,571 to 37,285 (5.8 per cent decrease).

SA

- There was a small increase in the SA from 70.2 per cent to 70.3 per cent. This continues the upward trend over the last few years with the 2017 rate at 67.9 per cent.
- The estimated Indigenous EEP for SA grew by 685 people (or 2.6 per cent) while the estimated number of Indigenous people enrolled in SA grew by 498 (2.7 per cent)
- The estimated unenrolled SA Indigenous population grew from 7,900 to 8,087 (2.4 per cent Increase). This compares unfavourably with the change between 2017 and 2018 where the estimated unenrolled Indigenous population fell from 8,276 to 7,900 (4.5 per cent decrease).

Vic

- There enrolment rate for Vic remained at 76 per cent. While stable over the last two years the rate is up from the 2017 rate of 73.6 per cent.
- The estimated Indigenous EEP for Vic grew by 1,301 people (or 3.6 per cent) while the estimated number of Indigenous people enrolled in Vic grew by 989 (3.6 per cent)
- The estimated unenrolled Vic Indigenous population grew from 8,763 to 9,075 (3.6 per cent increase). This compares unfavourably with the change between 2017 and 2018 where the estimated unenrolled Indigenous population fell from 9,341 to 8,763 (6.2 per cent decrease).

Tas

- There was a small increase in Tas from 84.1 per cent to 85 per cent. This continues the upward trend over the last few years with the 2017 rate at 83.3 per cent.
- The estimated Indigenous EEP for Tas grew by 485 people (or 2.7 per cent) while the estimated number of Indigenous people enrolled in Tas grew by 563 (3.7 per cent)
- The estimated unenrolled Tas Indigenous population fell from 2,854 to 2,776 (3.6 per cent decrease). This compares favourably with the change between 2017 and 2018 where the estimated unenrolled Indigenous population fell from 2,934 to 2,854 (2.7 per cent decrease).

ACT

- There was a small increase in the ACT from 79.4 per cent to 80.6 per cent. This continues the upward trend over the last few years with the 2017 rate at 76.2 per cent.
- The estimated Indigenous EEP for the ACT grew by 273 people (or 5.5 per cent) while the estimated number of Indigenous people enrolled in the ACT grew by 278 (7 per cent)
- The estimated unenrolled ACT Indigenous population fell from 1,029 to 1,024 (0.5 per cent decrease). This compares unfavourably with the change between 2017 and 2018 where the estimated unenrolled Indigenous population fell from 1,148 to 1,029 (10.4 per cent decrease).

State	Estimated Indigenous voting age population	Estimated Indigenous enrolled	Estimated Indigenous non-enrolled	Enrolment Rate
NSW	168,896	145,657	23,239	86.2%
VIC	37,839	28,764	9,075	76.0%
QLD	139,306	102,681	36,625	73.7%
WA	66,335	43,087	23,248	65.0%
SA	27,207	19,120	8,087	70.3%
TAS	18,489	15,713	2,776	85.0%
ACT	5,273	4,249	1,024	80.6%
NT	51,674	35,262	16,412	68.2%
National	515,019	394,533	120,486	76.6%

regards

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