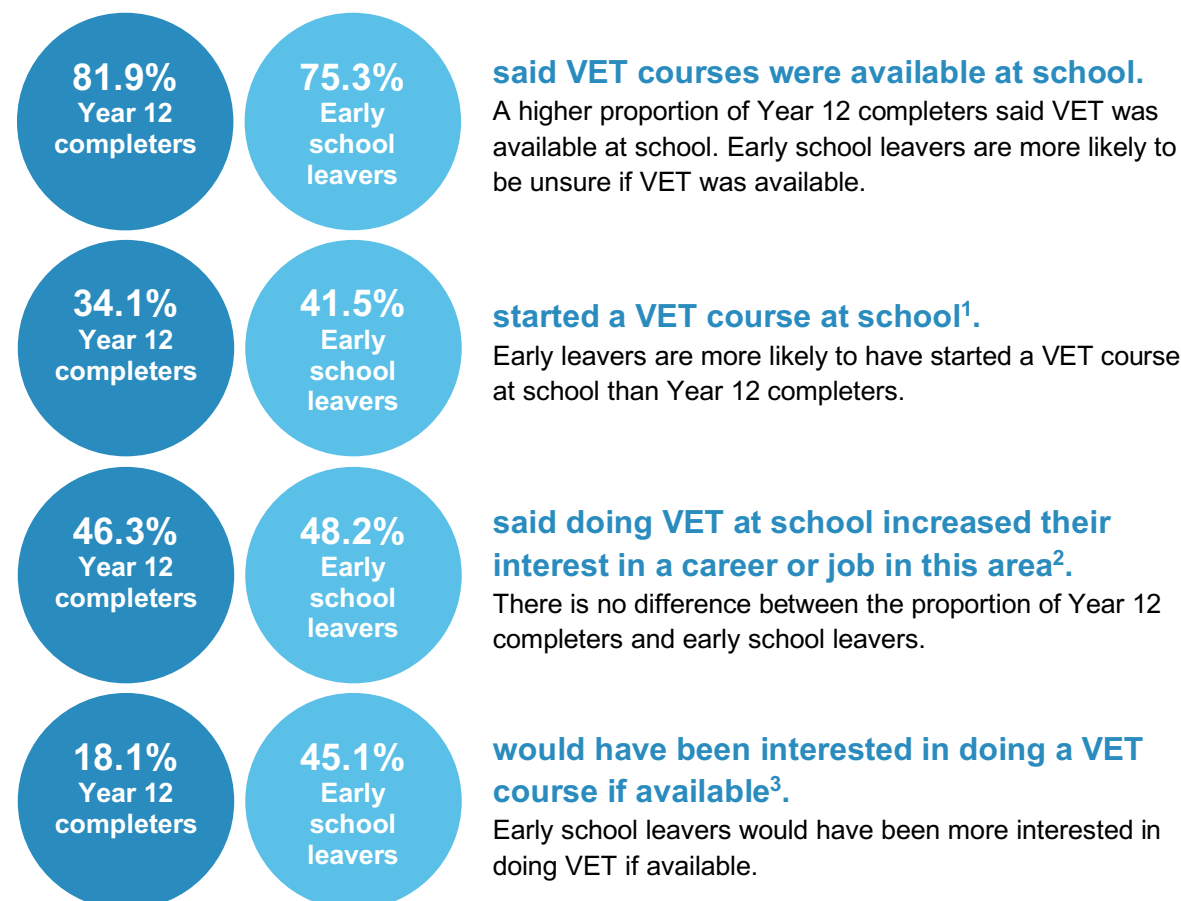


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VET Participation in Schools

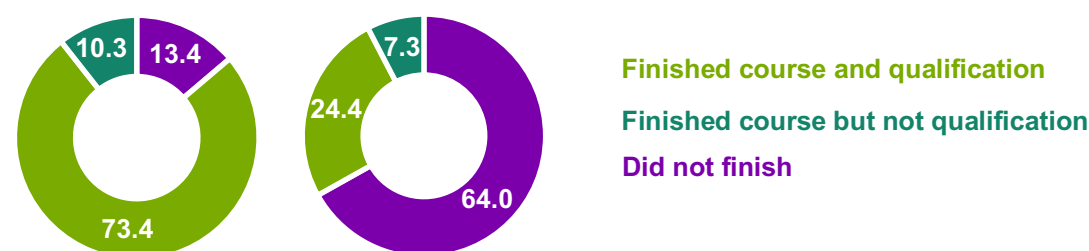
This fact sheet provides a brief overview of findings from the 2018 NSW Secondary Students' Post-School Destinations and Expectations survey relating to Vocational Education and Training (VET) participation in school. One-in-three respondents answered questions about VET participation – 1,160 Year 12 completers and 1,487 early school leavers.

VET courses in school



VET course completion

Most Year 12 completers who started a VET course finished the course and received a qualification. Early school leavers are more likely to not finish the VET course they start at school.



Year 12 completers⁴ **Early school leavers⁵**

¹ Of those where VET was offered at school

² Of those who started a VET course at school

³ Of those where VET was not offered at school or respondent was unsure

⁴ 2.9 per cent of participants indicated that they either did not know if they had finished the course or did not answer the question.

⁵ 4.3 per cent of participants indicated that they either did not know if they had finished the course or did not answer the question

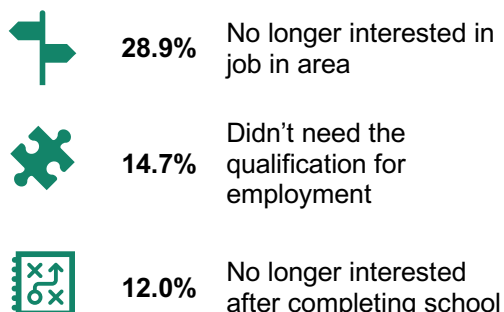


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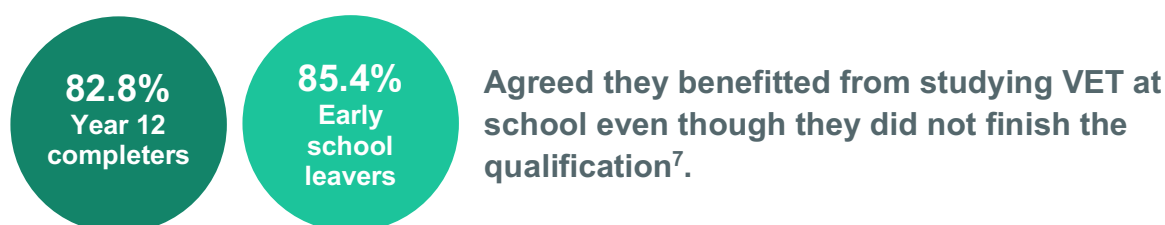
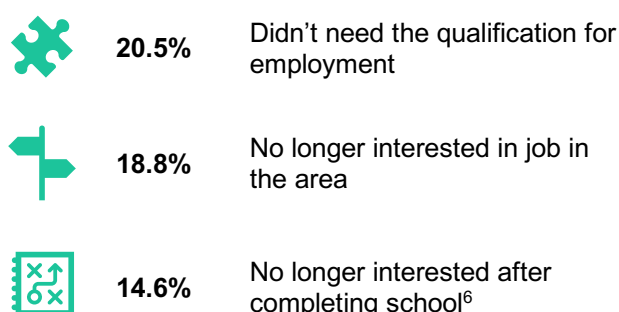
Finished course, but not qualification

Most common reasons for not completing the VET qualification, despite completing the course, included no longer being interested in a job in the area and not needing the qualification for employment.

Year 12 completers



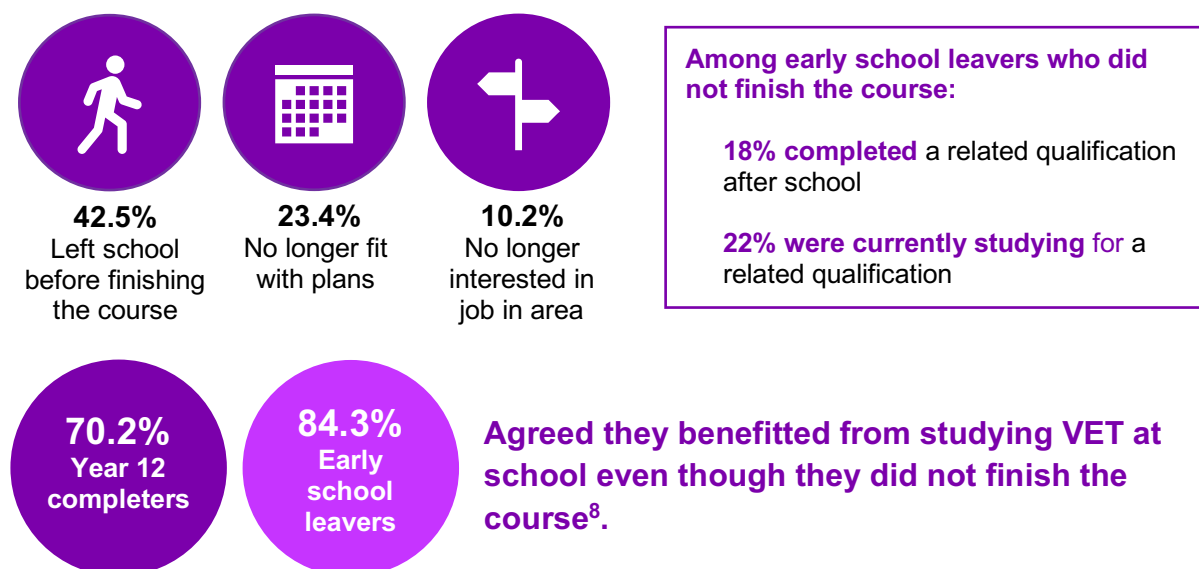
Early school leavers



Did not finish VET course

Almost two-thirds (64.0%) of early school leavers who started a VET course did not finish the course at school. Female early school leavers are more likely not to finish the course than male early school leavers (70.1% vs. 61.0%). Students often left school before they could complete the course.

Early school leavers main reason for not finishing course



⁶ Males (18.8%) more likely to report this reason than females (7.6%)

⁷ Of those who finished the course but not the qualification

⁸ Of those who did not finish the course