

Public Accounts and Estimates Committee Inquiry into the 2019-20 Budget Estimates

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Transforming the training system

- Government is delivering a higher quality system with improved outcomes.
- This year's Budget provides **\$231.1 million** to continue to build on our reforms by:



Strengthening
training quality

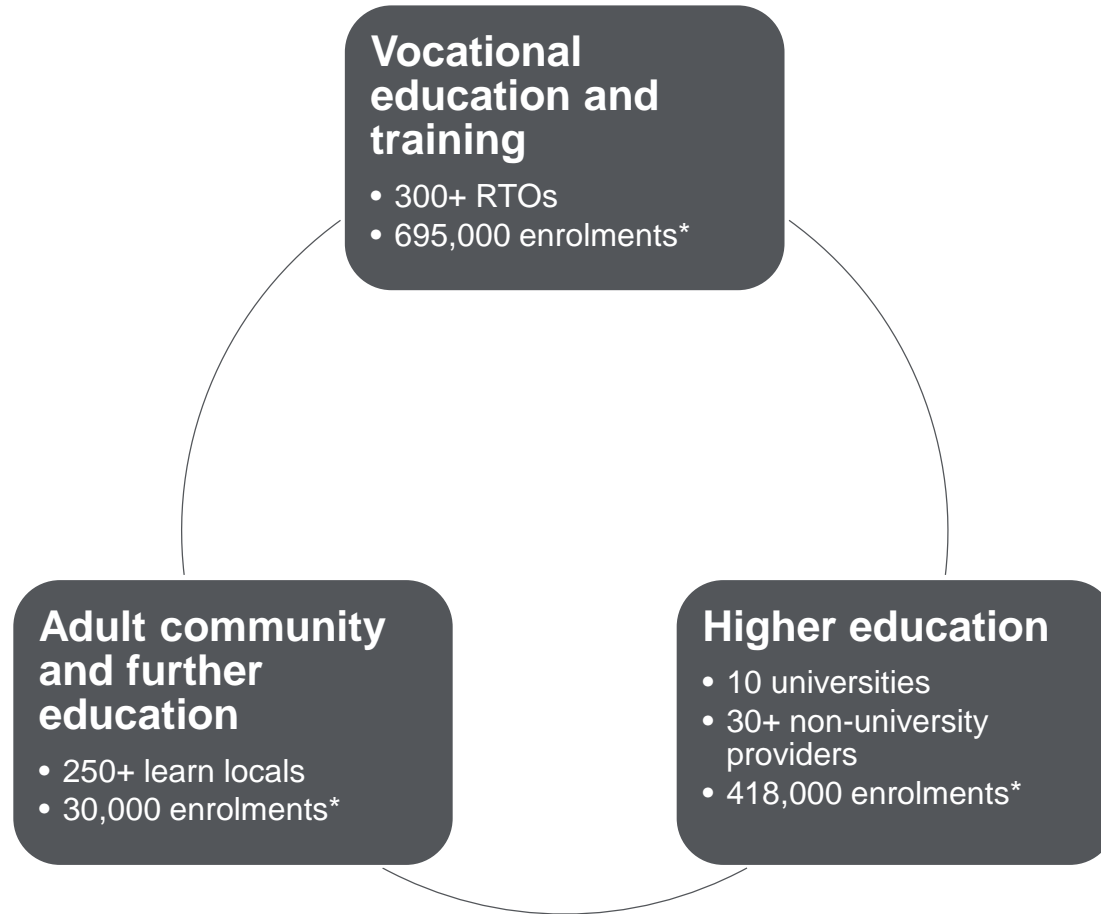


Building more world
class facilities



Growing Victoria's pool
of skilled workers.

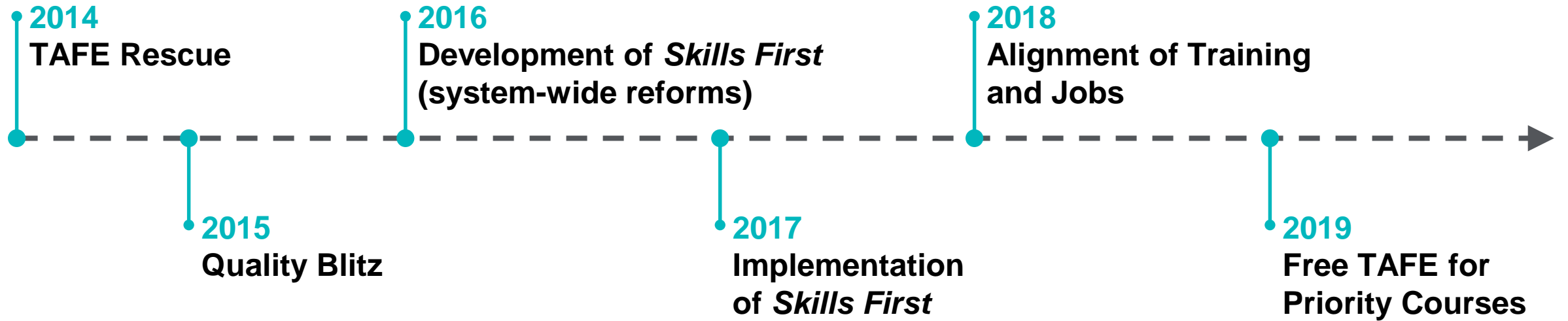
Victoria's post-secondary system



* Enrolments include fee-for-service and government subsidised training



Key developments since 2014



High volume training
Tick and flick

High quality training
Real skills for real jobs

Skills for growth

Victoria is driving Australia's economic growth, creating more than **450,000** jobs

Government major projects and priorities continue to drive job growth across a number of areas including:

- Major infrastructure projects



- Preventing family violence



- Roll-out of the NDIS



- Upcoming Royal Commissions into Mental Health and Aged Care



- 3 Year Old Kinder



Helping more Victorians get good, skilled jobs

\$82.7 million 

through TAFEs, Learn Locals and other training organisations for priority workforces

\$41.2 million 

to continue rolling out **Free TAFE for Priority Courses**

\$28.5 million 

to add two Early Childhood courses to the Free TAFE list

\$7.2 million 

investment in facilities and training delivery in agriculture

\$2.2 million 

for Sir John Monash Victorian Government Scholarships

Strengthening apprenticeships and traineeships

\$5.6 million 

for Victoria's Big Build and Social Services Higher Apprenticeship Program with opportunities to 'earn while they learn'

\$4.7 million 

for Apprentice Support Officers to ensure apprentices have the support they need to stick with their training and get a job

Building on investment from 2018-19 of **\$43.8 million** for:



Reintroduction of Trade Papers



Updated & modernised learning materials



Independent assessments

Building Better TAFEs

- Last year, the Government invested **\$120 million** in the **TAFE Facilities Modernisation Program**.
- This Budget invests an additional **\$56.5 million** to build:
 - a Centre for Sustainable Construction at the Box Hill Institute (\$10.2 million)
 - a new Library and Learning Hub for South West TAFE (\$20.3 million, including a \$3.1m contribution from Warrnambool City Council)
 - a Health and Community Services Training facility at GOTAFE (\$2.5 million)
 - an upgraded Culinary School at the Gordon Institute (\$23.5 million)
- Melbourne Polytechnic and Chisholm Institute will also share in **\$500,000** to plan for upgrades



Reinvigorating TAFE

- **Delivering TAFE/industry partnerships for major projects**
 - Wodonga TAFE with the Australian Defence Force
 - Victoria University with John Holland (West Gate Tunnel)
 - Holmesglen with the Cross Yarra Partnership (Metro Tunnel)
- **Providing innovation in training delivery**
 - The Civil Construction Federation, Lend Lease and The Gordon partner to deliver skills for Victoria's major infrastructure projects
 - Grampians Health Work Readiness Program
- **Improving TAFE sustainability**
 - TAFE share of government funded training is growing
 - Improved financial performance



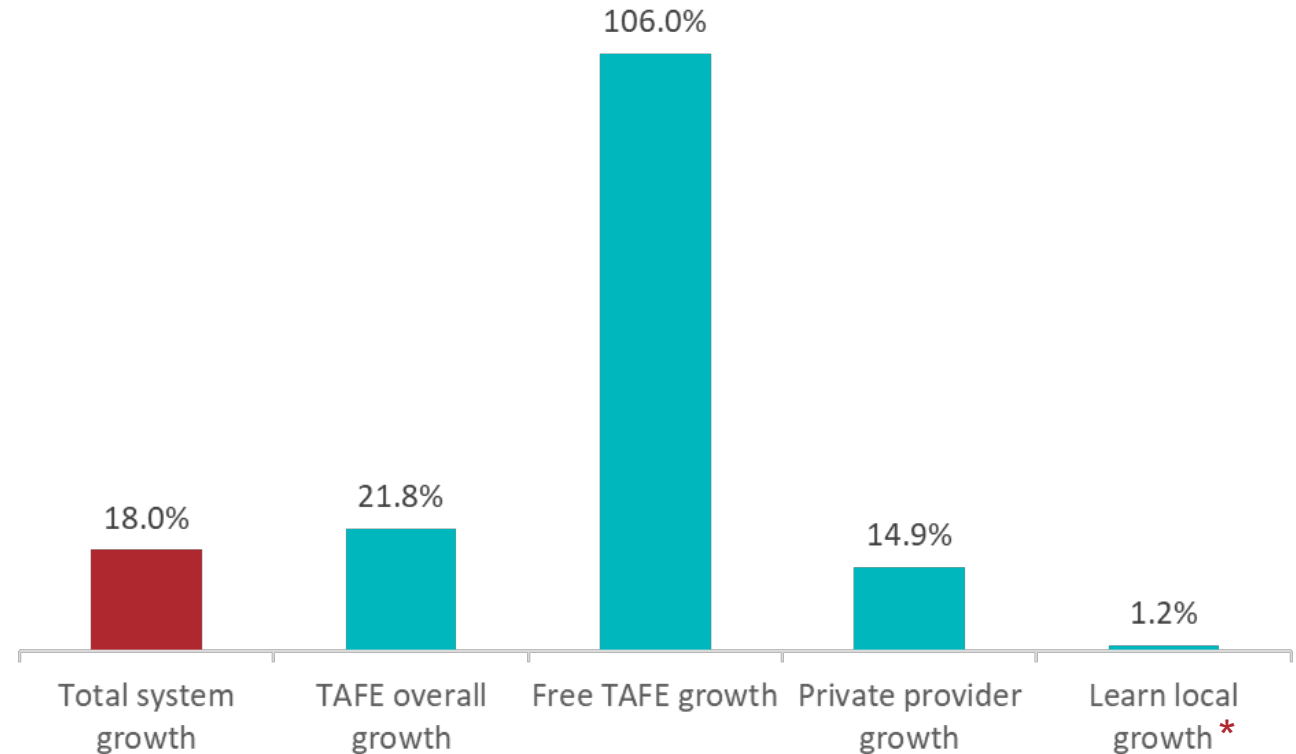
Free TAFE is being successfully implemented

Free TAFE has had a positive effect on the VET sector as a whole.

In the first quarter of 2019, compared to the same time in 2018 enrolments have grown:

- **18%** in government-subsidised VET
- by **21.8%** at TAFE
- in all TAFE institutes
- in Learn Local providers and private providers.

Growth in commencements by provider
Q1 2019 v Q1 2018



* Figure reflects growth in accredited training enrolments.
Pre-accredited training enrolment growth for same period is 30%

Free TAFE is changing lives

The link between studying a Free TAFE course and getting a job has resonated with many Victorians

From January to March 2019,
68% of Free TAFE students commenced study to improve their current job or get a new one

More women are studying Free TAFE courses

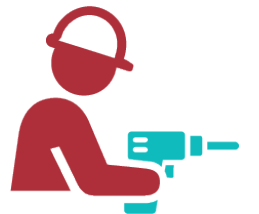
59% of all Free TAFE students were female compared with 51 per cent in March last year

More students are studying in regional Victoria

26% of Free TAFE students study in regional Victoria

Students are choosing courses that will get them a job and make them 'job ready'

Construction, cyber security, nursing, education support, mental health and accounting







Free TAFE for Early Childhood

- Children across Victoria will be able to attend universal Three-year-old Kindergarten programs.
- It creates more than **6,000 jobs** in the sector over the next **11 years**
- From **2020** the Free TAFE initiative will now include:
 - Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care
 - Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care
- **\$28.5 million** over the next four years to cover course fees.



Conclusion

The 2019-20 Budget provides an additional **\$231.1 million** to continue the Victorian Government's transformation of our training sector and keep the momentum going:

- Expanding Free TAFE 
- Apprenticeships 
- Priority growth industries (early childhood and agriculture) 
- TAFE infrastructure 

We are giving people the skills they need to take advantage of Victoria's jobs growth.



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