

Every person who completed Year 12 or equivalent in Queensland in 2009 is being invited to participate in this survey. This is your chance to provide information that will benefit future students and put you in the running to win one of **25 iPod touches**.

The survey asks what you are doing now in terms of study, employment or other life choices. This will provide useful information to educators and government on the preparedness of students for taking up opportunities after finishing school.

We respect your privacy and your answers are strictly confidential. No information identifying you will be passed on to any other organisation. Statewide, regional and school reports will only contain summarised information.

The information is being collected by the Office of the Government Statistician and is protected by the *Statistical Returns Act 1996*, which means that legal penalties apply to anyone who releases your responses in a way that would identify you.

If you would like to know more about the survey, visit www.education.qld.gov.au/nextstep or freecall 1800 068 587.

Please fill out the survey by writing in the boxes provided or ticking the box next to your answers, for example:

Are you a full-time student?

Then simply return the completed survey in the enclosed reply-paid envelope no later than **Friday 16 April 2010**.

Alternatively, you can complete this survey by telephone on freecall 1800 068 587.

Please complete the following details to be eligible to win an iPod touch, or if we need to follow up on any answers.

Family Name:

Given Name(s):

School Name in 2009:

Phone: Mobile:

Email:

Office use only:

Q. 1 Do you currently have a paid job?

- Yes
 No → **Go to Question 9**

Q. 2 Do you have more than one job?

- Yes
 No

IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN ONE JOB, PLEASE ANSWER THE NEXT QUESTIONS THINKING ABOUT YOUR MAIN JOB.

Q. 3 Which of the following best describes your job? (Please tick one only)

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sales Assistant | <input type="checkbox"/> Automotive Worker |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food Handler | <input type="checkbox"/> Labourer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clerk, Receptionist and Secretary | <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical and Electronics Trade |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Waiter | <input type="checkbox"/> Factory and Machine Worker |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Building and Construction Skilled Worker | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering and Science Related Worker |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Storeperson | <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaner |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Care and Education-Related Worker | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing and Sales Representative |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health, Fitness, Hair and Beauty Worker | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gardener, Farmer and Animal Worker | <input type="text"/> |
| | <input type="text"/> |

Q. 4 Are you an apprentice or trainee?

- Yes, apprentice
 Yes, trainee
 No

Q. 5 Which of the following best describes the industry you work in?

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retail Trade | <input type="checkbox"/> Transport, Postal and Warehousing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Accommodation and Food Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial and Insurance Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction | <input type="checkbox"/> Wholesale Trade |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Administration and Safety |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health Care and Social Assistance | <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative and Support Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing | <input type="checkbox"/> Mining |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education and Training | <input type="checkbox"/> Arts and Recreation Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional, Scientific and Technical Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Information Media and Telecommunications | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) |
| | <input type="text"/> |
| | <input type="text"/> |

Q. 6 Is your job a casual job?

- Yes
 No
 Don't know

Q. 7 On average, how many hours do you work each week in your job?

Hours per week

IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN ONE JOB:

Q. 8 On average, how many hours do you work each week in all your jobs?

Hours per week

Go to Question 12

Q. 9 If you don't currently have a paid job, are you:

- looking for full-time work (35 hours per week or more)
- looking for part-time work (less than 35 hours per week)
- not looking for work

→ Go to Question 12

Q. 10 What are the reasons you are currently not looking for work? (please tick those boxes that apply to you)

- My study commitments
- My family commitments
- I have accepted a job that will commence at a later date
- I have no financial need to undertake paid employment
- Transport difficulties
- I would have to move away from home to undertake paid employment
- I have been unsuccessful in finding a job
- I don't feel ready for paid employment
- I do not wish to work
- Other (please specify) _____

Q. 11 Of the reasons you ticked in Question 10, please indicate which is the most influential by circling it.

Q. 12 Are you currently studying? (Note: if you are an apprentice or trainee we are interested in any current or future study component of your apprenticeship or traineeship)

- Yes, full-time
- Yes, part-time
- No, not studying → Go to Question 17

Q. 13 Where are you currently studying?

- University
- TAFE
- Private Training College
- School
- Other (please specify) _____

Q. 14 What is the level of this program?

- Degree
- Diploma
- Advanced Diploma
- Certificate – level IV
- Certificate – level III
- Certificate – level II
- Certificate – level I
- Certificate – (not known)
- Year 12
- Don't Know
- Other (please specify) _____

Q. 15 What is the name of the program you are enrolled in? (for example, Bachelor of Business or Diploma of Hospitality Management)

Q. 16 What is the name of the institution and campus in which you are enrolled? (for example, Queensland University of Technology, Kelvin Grove Campus or Barrier Reef Institute of TAFE, Townsville)

Institution _____

Campus _____

Go to Question 22

Q. 17 Did you apply for a university place through QTAC or interstate tertiary admissions centre?

- Yes
- No → Go to Question 20

Q. 18 Did you receive an offer of a university place?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know → Go to Question 20

Q. 19 If you did receive an offer of a university place, did you:

- defer the offer
- decline the offer / not respond to the offer
- withdraw from the course
- Other (please specify) _____

Q. 20 Which of the following are reasons you are not currently studying? (please tick those boxes that apply to you)

- My work commitments
- My family commitments
- I am working to qualify for Independent Youth Allowance
- I am working in order to finance further study
- I want a break from study (e.g. travel)
- I don't feel ready for more study at the moment
- The course fees and other costs are a barrier
- I don't meet the entry criteria for the program I want to do
- There is too much travel involved
- I would need to move away from home
- I am not interested in further study
- Other (please specify) _____

Q. 21 Of the reasons you ticked in Question 20, please indicate which is the most influential by circling it.

Q. 22 We may wish to contact you next year to see how your plans are working out. Would you agree to be contacted to answer a few brief questions next year?

- Yes
- No

If you have any additional questions regarding this survey you can telephone or freecall 1800 068 587.

Your voluntary participation in this important survey contributes valuable information that will benefit future students and put you in the running to win an iPod touch. Winners will be notified by mail in June 2010.

Thank you for your valuable time. Your answers will be treated confidentially.

Please return this survey by Friday 16 April 2010 in the reply-paid envelope or alternatively post to PO Box 15037, CITY EAST QLD 4002.

