

QUESTION ON NOTICE

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MR M HEALY ASKED THE MINISTER FOR FINANCE, TRADE, EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING (HON R BATES) —

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise (reported separately by Qualification Name and number of commencements) since 20 January 2026 the total number of commencements in each qualification under the (a) Career Start Program and (b) Career Boost Program?

ANSWER:

The below is a snapshot of commencement of subsidised training reported to the Department of Trade, Employment and Training as at 22/04/2026. Registered Training Organisations participating in government funded training are required to report new commencements for general training pathways within 30 days of the unit of competency enrolment or within 90 days for an apprenticeship or traineeship pathway. Therefore the number of commencements for this time period will increase over time as further activity is reported.

Program	Course Name	Total
Career Boost	Advanced Diploma of Community Sector Management	6
Career Boost	Advanced Diploma of Engineering	4
Career Boost	Advanced Diploma of Engineering Technology - Electrical	1
Career Boost	Assist Clients with Medication Skill Set	43
Career Boost	Battery Electric Vehicle Inspection and Servicing Skill Set	12
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care	19
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care Practice	4
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Accounting and Bookkeeping	256
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Adult Tertiary Preparation	99
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Ageing Support	71
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Allied Health Assistance	87
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Auslan	58
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Child, Youth and Family Intervention	429
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Community Pharmacy	11
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Community Services	38
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Competitive Systems and Practices	8
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Cyber Security	374
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Disability Support	26
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Electrical - Instrumentation	15
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Engineering	4

Program	Course Name	Total
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Engineering Drafting	8
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Entrepreneurship and New Business	16
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Health Administration	154
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Hospital or Health Services Pharmacy Support	3
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Hospitality	279
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Justice Studies	60
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Kitchen Management	5
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Laboratory Techniques	39
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Landscape Construction Management	2
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Leisure and Health	20
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Maritime Operations (Marine Engine Driver Grade 1 Near Coastal)	12
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Meat Safety Inspection	1
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Mental Health	392
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Mental Health Peer Work	49
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Outdoor Leadership	9
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Performing Arts	1
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Plumbing and Services	101
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Residential Drafting	252
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Retail Management	8
Career Boost	Certificate IV in School Based Education Support	97
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Supply Chain Operations	8
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Telecommunications Engineering Technology	2
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Training and Assessment	241
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing	108
Career Boost	Certificate IV in Youth Work	522
Career Boost	Child Protection Skill Set	9
Career Boost	Community Pharmacy Dispensary	9
Career Boost	Course in Skills to Access Learning Pathways	4
Career Boost	Course in Skills to Develop Learning Pathways	2
Career Boost	Diploma of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education	23
Career Boost	Diploma of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care Management	9
Career Boost	Diploma of Accounting	10
Career Boost	Diploma of Agribusiness Management	30
Career Boost	Diploma of Agriculture	5
Career Boost	Diploma of Anaesthetic Technology and Practice	20
Career Boost	Diploma of Apparel, Fashion and Textiles	30
Career Boost	Diploma of Beauty Therapy	223
Career Boost	Diploma of Building Design	43
Career Boost	Diploma of Business	1
Career Boost	Diploma of Child, Youth and Family Intervention	41
Career Boost	Diploma of Community Services	51
Career Boost	Diploma of Dental Technology	16

Program	Course Name	Total
Career Boost	Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care	347
Career Boost	Diploma of Engineering - Technical	15
Career Boost	Diploma of Event Management	20
Career Boost	Diploma of Graphic Design	28
Career Boost	Diploma of Horticulture Management	1
Career Boost	Diploma of Hospitality Management	18
Career Boost	Diploma of Information Technology	268
Career Boost	Diploma of Interior Design	79
Career Boost	Diploma of Justice Studies	67
Career Boost	Diploma of Leadership and Management	192
Career Boost	Diploma of Music	57
Career Boost	Diploma of Nursing	35
Career Boost	Diploma of Photography and Digital Imaging	20
Career Boost	Diploma of Practice Management	12
Career Boost	Diploma of Project Management	2
Career Boost	Diploma of Retail Leadership	3
Career Boost	Diploma of School Age Education and Care	22
Career Boost	Diploma of Screen and Media	86
Career Boost	Diploma of Travel and Tourism Management	3
Career Boost	Diploma of Visual Arts	56
Career Boost	Farm Business Management Skill Set	14
Career Boost	Individual Support - Ageing	2
Career Boost	Individual Support - Disability	22
Career Boost	Shipboard Safety Skill Set	12
Career Boost	Swimming and Water Safety Teacher	1
Career Start	Certificate I in Conservation and Ecosystem Management	31
Career Start	Certificate I in Construction	58
Career Start	Certificate I in Hospitality	41
Career Start	Certificate I in Retail Services	8
Career Start	Certificate I in Workplace Skills	69
Career Start	Certificate II in Animal Care	4
Career Start	Certificate II in Automotive Accessory Fitting	3
Career Start	Certificate II in Automotive Underbody Technology	1
Career Start	Certificate II in Civil Construction	2
Career Start	Certificate II in Engineering	6
Career Start	Certificate II in Horticulture	2
Career Start	Certificate II in Meat Processing (Abattoirs)	113
Career Start	Certificate II in Water Industry Operations	1
Career Start	Certificate III in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education	11
Career Start	Certificate III in Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care	11
Career Start	Certificate III in Accounts Administration	74
Career Start	Certificate III in Agricultural Mechanical Technology	1
Career Start	Certificate III in Agriculture	3

Program	Course Name	Total
Career Start	Certificate III in Air Conditioning and Refrigeration	4
Career Start	Certificate III in Animal Care Services	235
Career Start	Certificate III in Apparel, Fashion and Textiles	47
Career Start	Certificate III in Arboriculture	2
Career Start	Certificate III in Auslan	2
Career Start	Certificate III in Automotive Body Repair Technology	2
Career Start	Certificate III in Automotive Electric Vehicle Technology	5
Career Start	Certificate III in Automotive Electrical Technology	10
Career Start	Certificate III in Automotive Engine Reconditioning	2
Career Start	Certificate III in Automotive Manufacturing Technical Operations - Bus, Truck and Trailer	4
Career Start	Certificate III in Automotive Refinishing Technology	2
Career Start	Certificate III in Automotive Sales	2
Career Start	Certificate III in Automotive Underbody Technology	1
Career Start	Certificate III in Baking	3
Career Start	Certificate III in Barbering	7
Career Start	Certificate III in Beauty Services	113
Career Start	Certificate III in Bread Baking	4
Career Start	Certificate III in Business	269
Career Start	Certificate III in Cabinet Making and Timber Technology	5
Career Start	Certificate III in Cake and Pastry	1
Career Start	Certificate III in Carpentry	48
Career Start	Certificate III in Civil Construction	29
Career Start	Certificate III in Civil Construction Plant Operations	17
Career Start	Certificate III in Cleaning Operations	38
Career Start	Certificate III in Commercial Cookery	13
Career Start	Certificate III in Community Pharmacy	5
Career Start	Certificate III in Community Services	591
Career Start	Certificate III in Concreting	8
Career Start	Certificate III in Conservation and Ecosystem Management	70
Career Start	Certificate III in Dental Assisting	69
Career Start	Certificate III in Design Fundamentals	35
Career Start	Certificate III in Driving Operations	43
Career Start	Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care	1011
Career Start	Certificate III in Electronics and Communications	4
Career Start	Certificate III in Electrotechnology Electrician	156
Career Start	Certificate III in Engineering - Fabrication Trade	21
Career Start	Certificate III in Engineering - Fixed and Mobile Plant Mechanic	13
Career Start	Certificate III in Engineering - Mechanical Trade	27
Career Start	Certificate III in Engineering - Toolmaking Trade	1
Career Start	Certificate III in Entrepreneurship and New Business	2
Career Start	Certificate III in ESI - Distribution Overhead	30
Career Start	Certificate III in ESI - Distribution Underground	1
Career Start	Certificate III in ESI - Rail Traction	2

Program	Course Name	Total
Career Start	Certificate III in ESI - Transmission Overhead	1
Career Start	Certificate III in Fitness	75
Career Start	Certificate III in Flooring Technology	2
Career Start	Certificate III in Floristry	33
Career Start	Certificate III in Food Processing	39
Career Start	Certificate III in Glass and Glazing	2
Career Start	Certificate III in Hairdressing	27
Career Start	Certificate III in Health Administration	188
Career Start	Certificate III in Health Services Assistance	142
Career Start	Certificate III in Heavy Commercial Vehicle Mechanical Technology	29
Career Start	Certificate III in Horticulture	61
Career Start	Certificate III in Hospitality	371
Career Start	Certificate III in Indigenous Cultural Heritage Assessment (Indigenous Archaeological Foundations)	4
Career Start	Certificate III in Individual Support	1812
Career Start	Certificate III in Information Technology	200
Career Start	Certificate III in Instrumentation and Control	1
Career Start	Certificate III in Investigative Services	24
Career Start	Certificate III in Joinery	2
Career Start	Certificate III in Laboratory Skills	48
Career Start	Certificate III in Landscape Construction	43
Career Start	Certificate III in Legal Services	16
Career Start	Certificate III in Library and Information Services	34
Career Start	Certificate III in Light Vehicle Mechanical Technology	14
Career Start	Certificate III in Manufacturing Technology	34
Career Start	Certificate III in Maritime Operations	24
Career Start	Certificate III in Maritime Operations (Integrated Rating)	7
Career Start	Certificate III in Maritime Operations (Marine Engine Driver Grade 2 Near Coastal)	5
Career Start	Certificate III in Meat Processing (Boning Room)	3
Career Start	Certificate III in Meat Processing (Retail Butcher)	5
Career Start	Certificate III in Mobile Plant Technology	9
Career Start	Certificate III in Motorcycle Mechanical Technology	2
Career Start	Certificate III in Music	27
Career Start	Certificate III in Nail Technology	49
Career Start	Certificate III in Nursery Operations	1
Career Start	Certificate III in Outdoor Leadership	4
Career Start	Certificate III in Outside School Hours Care	9
Career Start	Certificate III in Painting and Decorating	8
Career Start	Certificate III in Parks and Gardens	10
Career Start	Certificate III in Pathology Assistance	11
Career Start	Certificate III in Pathology Collection	240
Career Start	Certificate III in Performing Arts	3

Program	Course Name	Total
Career Start	Certificate III in Plumbing	21
Career Start	Certificate III in Polymer Processing	2
Career Start	Certificate III in Process Plant Operations	2
Career Start	Certificate III in Racing (Trackwork Rider)	1
Career Start	Certificate III in Retail	26
Career Start	Certificate III in Rigging	1
Career Start	Certificate III in Roof Plumbing	8
Career Start	Certificate III in Rural Operations	60
Career Start	Certificate III in Scaffolding	6
Career Start	Certificate III in School Based Education Support	373
Career Start	Certificate III in Shopfitting	1
Career Start	Certificate III in Steelfixing	11
Career Start	Certificate III in Sterilisation Services	67
Career Start	Certificate III in Supply Chain Operations	16
Career Start	Certificate III in Surface Extraction Operations	61
Career Start	Certificate III in Telecommunications Technology	10
Career Start	Certificate III in Tourism	17
Career Start	Certificate III in Travel	37
Career Start	Certificate III in Urban Pest Management	2
Career Start	Certificate III in Visual Arts	138
Career Start	Certificate III in Wall and Ceiling Lining	2
Career Start	Certificate III in Wall and Floor Tiling	3
Career Start	Certificate III in Water Industry Operations	3
Career Start	Certificate III in Wildlife and Exhibited Animal Care	13

Data sourced 22/04/2026 for commencements between 20/01/2026 and 22/04/2026.