

Table A2 Distributions of 2016 HSC marks by course

- Notes: (i) The **Number** column shows the number of students who completed the course in 2016.
(ii) The **Median HSC mark** column shows the median HSC mark per course.
(iii) The **Median Band** column indicates the Performance Band in which the median HSC mark lies.
(iv) The **Percentage of Students in Performance Band** columns show the percentage of a course candidature in each of the Performance Bands 6 to 2. Extension courses show only Bands 4 to 2 as they have four Bands only: E1 to E4.
(v) This table excludes courses with less than 10 students.

Course	Number	Median HSC mark	Median Band	Percentage students in Performance Band				
				6	5	4	3	2
Aboriginal Studies	496	68	3	9	15	21	29	17
Agriculture	1,395	73	4	7	24	28	24	13
Ancient History	9,909	73	4	8	23	28	24	12
Biology	17,735	75	4	9	27	30	25	8
Business Studies	17,130	74	4	9	26	29	23	10
Chemistry	10,554	77	4	10	31	32	21	4
Community & Family Studies	7,944	74	4	5	26	34	20	10
Dance	878	79	4	9	39	30	18	3
Design & Technology	3,200	77	4	13	28	36	19	4
Drama	4,723	78	4	14	28	41	15	2
Earth & Environmental Science	1,592	76	4	7	28	34	20	7
Economics	5,196	78	4	14	31	29	20	4
Engineering Studies	2,006	76	4	11	27	34	23	4
English Standard	31,290	69	3	1	13	36	38	10
English Advanced	26,080	82	5	15	47	29	8	1
English Extension 1	4,354	43	E3			35	60	5
English Extension 2	1,619	39	E3			18	61	20
ESL	2,327	72	4	5	23	32	25	9
Food Technology	3,535	73	4	7	23	30	23	15
Geography	4,283	77	4	8	33	30	19	8
Industrial Technology	5,575	71	4	7	19	27	24	15
Information Processes & Technology	2,778	74	4	7	21	36	19	12
Legal Studies	10,293	77	4	12	31	29	18	7
Mathematics General 2	31,758	70	4	5	21	26	24	16
Mathematics	16,139	81	5	23	29	24	16	4
Mathematics Extension 1	8,671	42	E3			33	46	18
Mathematics Extension 2	3,251	84	E3			32	53	13
Modern History	10,785	77	4	9	32	32	14	9
History Extension	1,862	40	E3			22	59	18
Music 1	4,677	83	5	18	45	26	9	1
Music 2	717	88	5	34	55	10	<1	
Music Extension	453	45	E4			52	42	6
PDH&PE	15,498	74	4	11	24	28	21	10
Physics	9,156	74	4	8	22	36	22	8
Senior Science	6,656	75	4	6	23	40	23	6
Society & Culture	4,630	79	4	14	35	31	15	4

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Software Design & Development	1,842	75	4	11	23	35	24	6
Studies of Religion I	8,926	40	5	14	37	26	19	4
Studies of Religion II	6,280	79	4	9	39	23	19	7
Textiles & Design	1,515	79	4	15	31	31	16	5
Visual Arts	8,913	81	5	14	40	33	10	2
Arabic Continuers	213	81	5	11	42	31	12	2
Arabic Extension	66	40	E3			20	58	23
Armenian	16	78	4	13	31	50	6	
Chinese Beginners	32	75	4	34	13	13	16	16
Chinese Continuers	98	88	5	45	38	12	2	1
Chinese Extension	25	46	E4			84	16	
Chinese Background Speakers	672	82	5	14	52	30	3	<1
Heritage Chinese (Mandarin)	84	88	5	43	44	11	2	
Classical Greek Continuers	16	93	6	75	6	13	6	
Classical Greek Extension	12	47	E4			92		8
Classical Hebrew Continuers	34	86	5	26	56	15	3	
Classical Hebrew Extension	19	46	E4			74	26	
Filipino	14	87	5	21	57	14	7	
French Beginners	616	78	4	22	25	25	14	10
French Continuers	779	84	5	30	36	24	8	3
French Extension	187	43	E3			39	50	11
German Beginners	113	83	5	34	27	18	17	2
German Continuers	249	81	5	23	31	24	17	4
German Extension	49	44	E3			39	57	4
Hindi	20	88	5	40	45	15		
Indonesian Beginners	29	84	5	31	28	17	17	3
Indonesian Continuers	80	79	4	20	28	38	13	3
Indonesian Extension	15	40	E3			7	73	20
Indonesian Background Speakers	62	74	4	3	6	84	6	
Italian Beginners	445	74	4	15	21	22	21	13
Italian Continuers	273	81	5	21	37	25	11	3
Italian Extension	57	44	E3			40	58	2
Japanese Beginners	665	77	4	18	26	22	16	14
Japanese Continuers	640	82	5	23	33	23	14	5
Japanese Extension	179	42	E3			36	54	8
Japanese Background Speakers	22	88	5	36	50	14		
Heritage Japanese	31	87	5	32	48	19		
Korean Continuers	20	90	6	50	40	5	5	
Korean Background Speakers	55	81	5	13	40	20	16	9
Heritage Korean	54	91	6	65	31	4		
Latin Continuers	164	89	5	49	32	15	4	1
Latin Extension	114	47	E4			70	28	2

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Macedonian	25	86	5	36	36	24	4	
Modern Greek Beginners	69	87	5	46	19	14	10	9
Modern Greek Continuers	97	85	5	30	38	30	2	
Modern Greek Extension	51	45	E4			53	43	2
Modern Hebrew	46	91	6	65	33	2		
Persian	30	88	5	47	33	13	7	
Polish	20	94	6	70	20	10		
Portuguese	13	82	5	23	38	23	15	
Punjabi	22	79	4	14	36	14	14	23
Russian	41	90	6	54	32	10	2	2
Serbian	19	86	5	32	63	5		
Spanish Beginners	147	77	4	12	32	33	18	5
Spanish Continuers	147	79	4	7	41	31	16	4
Spanish Extension	42	41	E3			12	76	10
Tamil	25	89	5	36	52	12		
Turkish	63	85	5	19	44	22	14	
Vietnamese	125	80	5	3	50	34	10	2
Automotive Exam	333	71	4	3	12	41	32	11
Business Services Exam	1,021	73	4	4	26	30	29	9
Construction Exam	1,491	74	4	1	18	49	27	5
Electrotechnology Exam	264	71	4	1	10	47	33	9
Entertainment Industry Exam	846	77	4	7	32	42	10	9
Financial Services Exam	111	73	4	5	24	39	23	8
Hospitality Exam	4,916	74	4	4	28	33	24	7
Human Services Exam	654	72	4	1	18	41	32	7
Information & Digital Technology Exam	806	74	4	1	18	52	23	5
Metal & Engineering Exam	492	69	3		13	36	37	12
Primary Industries Exam	556	74	4	3	22	44	27	3
Retail Services Exam	899	74	4	<1	21	47	25	5
Tourism Travel & Events Exam	355	71	4	1	14	41	30	12