



Annual Economic Significance of Independent Schools to MACKAY & WHITSUNDAY

AEC Group, for Independent Schools Queensland, utilised economic modelling, analysing verified school data, financial year ABS, and other agency data, to produce an indicative annual profile of contributions to the Queensland economy and Gross State Product (GSP) for 2017-18. Further modelling was undertaken at the Local Government Area level to assess independent school contributions to Queensland's regional and local economies.

MACKAY & WHITSUNDAY Independent Schools contribute

\$58.6m



**Mackay &
Whitsunday
economy***



= \$29m direct + \$29.6m indirect

MACKAY & WHITSUNDAY Independent Schools support

452



\$38.1m

full-time jobs

(direct + indirect)

**wages
& salaries**



**Every 4.3 students
support 1 full-time job**

MACKAY & WHITSUNDAY Independent Schools provide

**\$14m savings
to taxpayers**



Capital savings
equivalent to
3 new classrooms**

**= \$1m capital savings
(infrastructure)
\$13m recurrent savings**

Recurrent savings
equivalent to
163 beginning teachers**

* Gross State Product

** Sources: ISQ. (2019). *Independent Schools Infrastructure: Planning to Maintain Choice – 2019 Update*; and, Award Rate for beginning state school teacher plus superannuation.

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