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Accounting and Finance - Written	-	1486	818	53	713	47	1531	3
Accounting and Finance Stage 2 - Written	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Accounting and Finance Stage 3 - Written	1333	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ancient History - Written	-	184	59	39	93	61	152	-17.4
Ancient History Stage 2 - Written	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ancient History Stage 3 - Written	180	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Animal Production Systems - Written	-	53	21	43	28	57	49	-7.5
Animal Production Systems Stage 2 - Written	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Animal Production Systems Stage 3 - Written	59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Applied Information Technology - Written	-	648	442	66	232	34	674	4
Applied Information Technology Stage 2 - Written	60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Applied Information Technology Stage 3 - Written	723	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arabic - Written	-	20	8	32	17	68	25	25
Arabic Stage 3 - Written	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Automotive Engineering and Technology Stage 2 - Written	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aviation - Practical	-	51	16	80	4	20	20	-60.8
Aviation - Written	-	51	16	80	4	20	20	-60.8
Aviation Stage 3 - Practical	46	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aviation Stage 3 - Written	46	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Biological Sciences Stage 3 - Written	1653	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Biology - Written	-	1822	617	34	1193	66	1810	-0.7
Bosnian - Written	-	-	1	50	1	50	2	-
Bosnian Stage 3 - Written	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Business Management and Enterprise - Written	-	930	428	45	518	55	946	1.7
Business Management and Enterprise Stage 2 - Written	128	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Business Management and Enterprise Stage 3 - Written	796	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Career and Enterprise - Written	-	167	46	32	96	68	142	-15
Career and Enterprise Stage 2 - Written	39	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Career and Enterprise Stage 3 - Written	170	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chemistry - Written	-	4996	2632	53	2375	47	5007	0.2
Chemistry Stage 3 - Written	5193	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Children, Family and the Community - Written	-	121	2	1	143	99	145	19.8
Children, Family and the Community Stage 2 - Written	149	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Children, Family and the Community Stage 3 - Written	105	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chinese: Background Language - Written	-	17	3	33	6	67	9	-47.1
Chinese: Background Speaker Stage 3 - Written	99	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chinese: First Language - Written	-	59	45	50	45	50	90	52.5
Chinese: Second Language - Practical	-	65	26	38	42	62	68	4.6
Chinese: Second Language - Written	-	65	26	39	40	61	66	1.5
Chinese: Second Language Stage 3 - Practical	60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chinese: Second Language Stage 3 - Written	60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer Science - Written	-	444	334	86	55	14	389	-12.4
Computer Science Stage 2 - Written	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer Science Stage 3 - Written	386	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Croatian - Written	-	-	3	100	0	0	3	-
Dance - Practical	-	196	5	2	211	98	216	10.2
Dance - Written	-	201	5	2	220	98	225	11.9
Dance Stage 2 - Practical	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dance Stage 2 - Written	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dance Stage 3 - Practical	266	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dance Stage 3 - Written	281	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Design - Practical	-	418	200	53	180	47	380	-9.1
Design - Written	-	414	199	53	180	47	379	-8.5
Design Stage 2 - Practical	35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Design Stage 2 - Written	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Design Stage 3 - Practical	480	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Design Stage 3 - Written	480	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drama - Practical	-	795	215	30	490	70	705	-11.3
Drama - Written	-	802	214	30	491	70	705	-12.1
Drama Stage 2 - Practical	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drama Stage 2 - Written	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drama Stage 3 - Practical	806	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drama Stage 3 - Written	814	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dutch - Written	-	6	0	0	3	100	3	-50

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Dutch Stage 3 - Written	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Earth and Environmental Science - Written	-	272	94	51	90	49	184	-32.4
Earth and Environmental Science Stage 2 - Written	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Earth and Environmental Science Stage 3 - Written	227	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Economics - Written	-	2146	1264	59	878	41	2142	-0.2
Economics Stage 3 - Written	1969	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Engineering Studies - Written	-	232	169	95	9	5	178	-23.3
Engineering Studies Stage 3 - Written	259	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
English - Written	-	11287	5161	46	6000	54	11161	-1.1
English as an Additional Language or Dialect - Practical	-	1465	699	47	790	53	1489	1.6
English as an Additional Language or Dialect - Written	-	1475	699	47	793	53	1492	1.2
English as an Additional Language or Dialect Stage 2 - Practical	206	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
English as an Additional Language or Dialect Stage 2 - Written	209	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
English as an Additional Language or Dialect Stage 3 - Practical	1245	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
English as an Additional Language or Dialect Stage 3 - Written	1250	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
English Stage 2 - Written	1337	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
English Stage 3 - Written	10321	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Filipino - Written	-	10	1	20	4	80	5	-50
Filipino Stage 3 - Written	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Science and Technology - Written	-	196	34	16	183	84	217	10.7
Food Science and Technology Stage 2 - Written	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Science and Technology Stage 3 - Written	230	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
French Stage 3 - Practical	506	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
French Stage 3 - Written	513	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
French: Background Language - Practical	-	1	6	60	4	40	10	900
French: Background Language - Written	-	1	5	56	4	44	9	800
French: Second Language - Practical	-	419	87	25	256	75	343	-18.1
French: Second Language - Written	-	420	87	25	258	75	345	-17.9
Geography - Written	-	1913	785	43	1050	57	1835	-4.1
Geography Stage 2 - Written	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Geography Stage 3 - Written	1835	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
German Stage 3 - Practical	67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
German Stage 3 - Written	66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
German: Background Language - Practical	-	5	3	33	6	67	9	80
German: Background Language - Written	-	5	3	33	6	67	9	80
German: Second Language - Practical	-	40	7	24	22	76	29	-27.5
German: Second Language - Written	-	40	7	24	22	76	29	-27.5
Health Studies - Written	-	580	146	23	498	77	644	11
Health Studies Stage 2 - Written	47	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Health Studies Stage 3 - Written	419	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hebrew - Written	-	3	1	14	6	86	7	133.3
Hebrew Stage 3 - Written	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Heritage Chinese Mandarin Stage 3 - Written	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Heritage Japanese Stage 3 - Written	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Heritage Korean Stage 3 - Written	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hindi - Written	-	12	2	12	14	88	16	33.3
Hindi Stage 3 - Written	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Human Biological Science Stage 2 - Written	55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Human Biological Science Stage 3 - Written	4420	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Human Biology - Written	-	4708	1508	31	3353	69	4861	3.2
Hungarian - Written	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hungarian Stage 3 - Written	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Indonesian: Background Language - Written	-	-	1	25	3	75	4	-
Indonesian: Background Speaker Stage 3 - Written	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Indonesian: First Language - Written	-	4	5	50	5	50	10	150
Indonesian: Second Language - Practical	-	77	30	49	31	51	61	-20.8
Indonesian: Second Language - Written	-	77	31	50	31	50	62	-19.5
Indonesian: Second Language Stage 3 - Practical	81	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Indonesian: Second Language Stage 3 - Written	81	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Integrated Science - Written	-	98	47	55	39	45	86	-12.2
Integrated Science Stage 2 - Written	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Integrated Science Stage 3 - Written	94	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Italian Stage 3 - Practical	324	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Italian Stage 3 - Written	326	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Italian: Background Language - Practical	-	2	2	33	4	67	6	200
Italian: Background Language - Written	-	2	2	33	4	67	6	200
Italian: Second Language - Practical	-	266	47	18	217	82	264	-0.8
Italian: Second Language - Written	-	266	47	18	217	82	264	-0.8
Japanese: Background Language - Written	-	1	1	17	5	83	6	500
Japanese: Background Speaker Stage 3 - Written	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Japanese: First Language - Written	-	1	2	50	2	50	4	300
Japanese: Second Language - Practical	-	285	88	35	164	65	252	-11.6
Japanese: Second Language - Written	-	288	88	35	162	65	250	-13.2
Japanese: Second Language Stage 2 - Practical	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Japanese: Second Language Stage 2 - Written	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Japanese: Second Language Stage 3 - Practical	282	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Japanese: Second Language Stage 3 - Written	287	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Korean: Background Language - Written	-	6	4	29	10	71	14	133.3
Literature - Written	-	1606	459	30	1059	70	1518	-5.5
Literature Stage 2 - Written	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Literature Stage 3 - Written	1701	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malay: Background Speaker - Written	-	2	3	60	2	40	5	150
Malay: Background Speaker Stage 3 - Written	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Marine and Maritime Studies - Written	-	62	56	57	42	43	98	58.1
Marine and Maritime Studies Stage 3 - Written	82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Materials Design and Technology - Practical	-	219	117	58	83	42	200	-8.7
Materials Design and Technology - Written	-	213	117	58	83	42	200	-6.1
Materials Design and Technology Stage 2 - Practical	33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Materials Design and Technology Stage 2 - Written	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Materials Design and Technology Stage 3 - Practical	213	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Materials Design and Technology Stage 3 - Written	208	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mathematics Applications - Written	-	8867	4154	46	4837	54	8991	1.4
Mathematics Methods - Written	-	4539	2457	57	1871	43	4328	-4.6
Mathematics Specialist - Written	-	1427	989	68	474	32	1463	2.5

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Mathematics Specialist Stage 3AB - Written	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mathematics Specialist Stage 3CD - Written	1546	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mathematics Stage 2AB - Written	140	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mathematics Stage 2CD - Written	3620	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mathematics Stage 3AB - Written	5372	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mathematics Stage 3CD - Written	3937	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media Production and Analysis - Practical	-	799	260	40	387	60	647	-19
Media Production and Analysis - Written	-	788	253	40	386	60	639	-18.9
Media Production and Analysis Stage 2 - Practical	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media Production and Analysis Stage 2 - Written	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media Production and Analysis Stage 3 - Practical	726	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media Production and Analysis Stage 3 - Written	714	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Modern Greek - Written	-	4	2	67	1	33	3	-25
Modern Greek Stage 3 - Written	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Modern History - Written	-	2295	728	33	1450	67	2178	-5.1
Modern History Stage 3 - Written	2575	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Music - Practical	-	371	142	39	218	61	360	-3
Music - Written	-	374	142	39	218	61	360	-3.7
Music Stage 2 - Practical	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Music Stage 2 - Written	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Music Stage 3 - Practical	382	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Music Stage 3 - Written	383	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Outdoor Education - Written	-	328	143	45	176	55	319	-2.7
Outdoor Education Stage 2 - Written	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Outdoor Education Stage 3 - Written	327	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Persian: Background Speaker - Written	-	5	3	43	4	57	7	40
Persian: Background Speaker Stage 3 - Written	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Philosophy and Ethics - Written	-	195	94	48	102	52	196	0.5
Philosophy and Ethics Stage 3 - Written	171	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Physical Education Studies - Practical	2336	2303	1176	54	1015	46	2191	-4.9
Physical Education Studies - Written	-	2406	1221	54	1054	46	2275	-5.4
Physical Education Studies Stage 2 - Written	35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Physical Education Studies Stage 3 - Written	2398	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Physics - Written	-	3492	2376	72	928	28	3304	-5.4
Physics Stage 2 - Written	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Physics Stage 3 - Written	3802	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plant Production Systems - Written	-	46	23	43	30	57	53	15.2
Plant Production Systems Stage 3 - Written	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Polish - Written	-	5	0	0	1	100	1	-80
Polish Stage 3 - Written	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Politics and Law - Written	-	903	313	36	554	64	867	-4
Politics and Law Stage 2 - Written	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Politics and Law Stage 3 - Written	824	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Portuguese - Written	-	1	1	100	0	0	1	0
Portuguese Stage 3 - Written	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Psychology - Written	-	1721	448	23	1468	77	1916	11.3
Psychology Stage 2 - Written	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Psychology Stage 3 - Written	1389	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Punjabi - Written	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Religion and Life - Written	-	1995	596	34	1151	66	1747	-12.4
Religion and Life Stage 2 - Written	85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Religion and Life Stage 3 - Written	1888	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Romanian - Written	-	1	1	100	0	0	1	0
Romanian Stage 3 - Written	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Russian (continuers) - Written	-	4	2	40	3	60	5	25
Russian (continuers) Stage 3 - Written	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Serbian - Written	-	8	2	100	0	0	2	-75
Serbian Stage 3 - Written	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sinhala - Written	-	5	1	14	6	86	7	40
Sinhala Stage 3 - Written	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spanish - Written	-	9	7	47	8	53	15	66.7
Spanish Stage 3 - Written	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Swedish - Written	-	-	0	0	1	100	1	-
Swedish Stage 3 - Written	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tamil - Written	-	7	1	17	5	83	6	-14.3
Tamil Stage 3 - Written	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Turkish - Written	-	5	2	50	2	50	4	-20

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Turkish Stage 3 - Written	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vietnamese - Written	-	5	8	50	8	50	16	220
Vietnamese Stage 3 - Written	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Visual Arts - Practical	-	856	150	18	702	82	852	-0.5
Visual Arts - Written	-	846	145	17	691	83	836	-1.2
Visual Arts Stage 2 - Practical	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Visual Arts Stage 2 - Written	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Visual Arts Stage 3 - Practical	1006	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Visual Arts Stage 3 - Written	990	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total number of students who sat at least one component of a WACE/ATAR examination	15349	15567	7123	46	8326	54	15449	-0.8

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