Table 4.1 Number of candidates sitting the ATAR examination in each course, 2018–2020 \*

|  | Number of candidates sitting in the examinations |       |      |    |        |     |       |         |                |  |
|--|--|-------|------|----|--------|-----|-------|---------|----------------|--|
| Course   |  |       | 2020 |    |        |     |       |         |                |  |
|  | 2018   | 2019  | Male |    | Female |     | Other | Persons | %<br>Change ** |  |
|  |  |       | No.  | %  | No.    | %   | No.   |         |                |  |
| Accounting and Finance - Written                         | 1418   | 1210  | 698  | 55 | 569    | 45  | 0     | 1267    | 4.7            |  |
| Ancient History - Written                                | 133  | 138   | 48   | 39 | 74     | 61  | 0     | 122     | -11.6          |  |
| Animal Production Systems - Written                      | 60   | 45    | 23   | 52 | 21     | 48  | 0     | 44      | -2.2           |  |
| Applied Information Technology - Written                 | 537  | 566   | 306  | 66 | 159    | 34  | 0     | 465     | -17.8          |  |
| Arabic - Written   | 28   | 26    | 11   | 35 | 20     | 65  | 0     | 31      | 19.2           |  |
| Auslan - Written   | 13   | 7     | 1    | 17 | 5      | 83  | 0     | 6       | -14.3          |  |
| Aviation - Practical                                     | 17   | 25    | 21   | 88 | 3      | 12  | 0     | 24      | -4             |  |
| Aviation - Written                                       | 17   | 26    | 21   | 88 | 3      | 12  | 0     | 24      | -7.7           |  |
| Biology - Written  | 1835   | 1769  | 607  | 35 | 1151   | 65  | 0     | 1758    | -0.6           |  |
| Bosnian - Written  | -  | 3     | 0    | 0  | 1      | 100 | 0     | 1       | -66.7          |  |
| Business Management and Enterprise - Written             | 864  | 873   | 462  | 48 | 495    | 52  | 0     | 957     | 9.6            |  |
| Career and Enterprise - Written                          | 162  | 126   | 65   | 34 | 126    | 66  | 0     | 191     | 51.6           |  |
| Chemistry - Written                                      | 4965   | 4547  | 2341 | 52 | 2122   | 48  | 0     | 4463    | -1.8           |  |
| Children, Family and the Community - Written             | 100  | 118   | 2    | 2  | 107    | 98  | 0     | 109     | -7.6           |  |
| Chin Hakha - Written                                     | 1  | 2     | 0    | 0  | 1      | 100 | 0     | 1       | -50            |  |
| Chinese: Background Language - Written                   | 16   | 24    | 18   | 58 | 13     | 42  | 0     | 31      | 29.2           |  |
| Chinese: First Language - Written                        | 111  | 111   | 33   | 43 | 44     | 57  | 0     | 77      | -30.6          |  |
| Chinese: Second Language - Practical                     | 63   | 72    | 31   | 36 | 55     | 64  | 0     | 86      | 19.4           |  |
| Chinese: Second Language - Written                       | 63   | 72    | 32   | 36 | 56     | 64  | 0     | 88      | 22.2           |  |
| Computer Science - Written                               | 469  | 410   | 375  | 88 | 53     | 12  | 0     | 428     | 4.4            |  |
| Croatian - Written                                       | 1  | 2     | -    | -  | -      | -   | -     | -       | -              |  |
| Dance - Practical  | 222  | 162   | 7    | 4  | 155    | 96  | 0     | 162     | 0              |  |
| Dance - Written  | 220  | 164   | 5    | 3  | 160    | 97  | 0     | 165     | 0.6            |  |
| Design - Practical                                       | 369  | 369   | 164  | 44 | 207    | 56  | 0     | 371     | 0.5            |  |
| Design - Written   | 367  | 367   | 164  | 44 | 209    | 56  | 0     | 373     | 1.6            |  |
| Drama - Practical  | 654  | 572   | 169  | 31 | 374    | 69  | 1     | 544     | -4.9           |  |
| Drama - Written  | 669  | 573   | 168  | 31 | 379    | 69  | 1     | 548     | -4.4           |  |
| Dutch - Written  | 2  | 5     | 2    | 67 | 1      | 33  | 0     | 3       | -40            |  |
| Earth and Environmental Science - Written                | 233  | 185   | 87   | 53 | 78     | 47  | 0     | 165     | -10.8          |  |
| Economics - Written                                      | 2077   | 1978  | 1124 | 58 | 798    | 42  | 0     | 1922    | -2.8           |  |
| Engineering Studies - Written                            | 240  | 198   | 213  | 93 | 15     | 7   | 0     | 228     | 15.2           |  |
| English - Written  | 10925  | 10275 | 4555 | 46 | 5267   | 54  | 1     | 9823    | -4.4           |  |
| English as an Additional Language or Dialect - Practical | 1480   | 1279  | 632  | 47 | 706    | 53  | 0     | 1338    | 4.6            |  |

<sup>\*</sup> For examinations with a written component, the 2018 to 2020 numbers relate to candidates who sat for the written component of the ATAR course examination.

For examinations with a practical component, the 2018 to 2020 numbers relate to candidates who sat for the practical component of the ATAR course examination.

Note 1: candidates who sat the examination and received a mark or candidates who sat the examination and applied for sickness/misadventure were included in the statistics.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Percentage change between 2019 and 2020.

Table 4.1 Number of candidates sitting the ATAR examination in each course, 2018–2020 \*

|   | Number of candidates sitting in the examinations |      |      |     |        |     |       |         |                |  |
|---|--|------|------|-----|--------|-----|-------|---------|----------------|--|
| Course  |  |      | 2020 |     |        |     |       |         |                |  |
|   | 2018   | 2019 | Male |     | Female |     | Other | Persons | %<br>Change ** |  |
|   |  |      | No.  | %   | No.    | %   | No.   |         |                |  |
| English as an Additional Language or Dialect -<br>Written | 1485   | 1282 | 639  | 47  | 707    | 53  | 0     | 1346    | 5              |  |
| Filipino - Written  | 13   | 11   | 2    | 40  | 3      | 60  | 0     | 5       | -54.5          |  |
| Food Science and Technology - Written                     | 245  | 202  | 15   | 9   | 156    | 91  | 0     | 171     | -15.3          |  |
| French: Background Language - Practical                   | 9  | 16   | 6    | 40  | 9      | 60  | 0     | 15      | -6.2           |  |
| French: Background Language - Written                     | 9  | 16   | 6    | 43  | 8      | 57  | 0     | 14      | -12.5          |  |
| French: Second Language - Practical                       | 344  | 372  | 84   | 26  | 245    | 74  | 0     | 329     | -11.6          |  |
| French: Second Language - Written                         | 347  | 374  | 85   | 26  | 246    | 74  | 0     | 331     | -11.5          |  |
| Geography - Written                                       | 1692   | 1563 | 634  | 41  | 896    | 59  | 0     | 1530    | -2.1           |  |
| German: Background Language - Practical                   | 8  | 14   | 8    | 53  | 7      | 47  | 0     | 15      | 7.1            |  |
| German: Background Language - Written                     | 8  | 14   | 9    | 56  | 7      | 44  | 0     | 16      | 14.3           |  |
| German: Second Language - Practical                       | 38   | 21   | 4    | 18  | 18     | 82  | 0     | 22      | 4.8            |  |
| German: Second Language - Written                         | 37   | 22   | 4    | 18  | 18     | 82  | 0     | 22      | 0              |  |
| Health Studies - Written                                  | 669  | 653  | 122  | 21  | 460    | 79  | 0     | 582     | -10.9          |  |
| Hebrew - Written  | 5  | 5    | 5    | 83  | 1      | 17  | 0     | 6       | 20             |  |
| Hindi - Written   | 7  | 10   | 1    | 12  | 7      | 88  | 0     | 8       | -20            |  |
| Human Biology - Written                                   | 4962   | 4475 | 1389 | 32  | 2991   | 68  | 0     | 4380    | -2.1           |  |
| Hungarian - Written                                       | 2  | 1    | 1    | 50  | 1      | 50  | 0     | 2       | 100            |  |
| Indonesian: Background Language - Written                 | 3  | 4    | -    | -   | -      | -   | -     | -       | -              |  |
| Indonesian: First Language - Written                      | 3  | 5    | 4    | 36  | 7      | 64  | 0     | 11      | 120            |  |
| Indonesian: Second Language - Practical                   | 58   | 59   | 16   | 27  | 43     | 73  | 0     | 59      | 0              |  |
| Indonesian: Second Language - Written                     | 58   | 59   | 16   | 26  | 46     | 74  | 0     | 62      | 5.1            |  |
| Integrated Science - Written                              | 79   | 68   | 20   | 48  | 22     | 52  | 0     | 42      | -38.2          |  |
| Italian: Background Language - Practical                  | 5  | 10   | 5    | 50  | 5      | 50  | 0     | 10      | 0              |  |
| Italian: Background Language - Written                    | 6  | 10   | 5    | 50  | 5      | 50  | 0     | 10      | 0              |  |
| Italian: Second Language - Practical                      | 228  | 211  | 55   | 26  | 159    | 74  | 0     | 214     | 1.4            |  |
| Italian: Second Language - Written                        | 228  | 213  | 55   | 26  | 159    | 74  | 0     | 214     | 0.5            |  |
| Japanese: Background Language - Written                   | 3  | 2    | 3    | 50  | 3      | 50  | 0     | 6       | 200            |  |
| Japanese: First Language - Written                        | 2  | 5    | 2    | 50  | 2      | 50  | 0     | 4       | -20            |  |
| Japanese: Second Language - Practical                     | 315  | 277  | 98   | 34  | 190    | 66  | 0     | 288     | 4              |  |
| Japanese: Second Language - Written                       | 317  | 279  | 100  | 34  | 193    | 66  | 0     | 293     | 5              |  |
| Karen - Written   | 1  | 2    | 1    | 100 | 0      | 0   | 0     | 1       | -50            |  |
| Khmer - Written   | 2  | _    | 0    | 0   | 1      | 100 | 0     | 1       | -              |  |
| Korean: Background Language - Written                     | 9  | 4    | 7    | 88  | 1      | 12  | 0     | 8       | 100            |  |

<sup>\*</sup> For examinations with a written component, the 2018 to 2020 numbers relate to candidates who sat for the written component of the ATAR course examination.

For examinations with a practical component, the 2018 to 2020 numbers relate to candidates who sat for the practical component of the ATAR course examination.

Note 1: candidates who sat the examination and received a mark or candidates who sat the examination and applied for sickness/misadventure were included in the statistics.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Percentage change between 2019 and 2020.

Table 4.1 Number of candidates sitting the ATAR examination in each course, 2018–2020 \*

|   | Number of candidates sitting in the examinations |      |      |     |        |     |       |         |                |  |
|---|--|------|------|-----|--------|-----|-------|---------|----------------|--|
| Course                                      |  |      | 2020 |     |        |     |       |         |                |  |
|   | 2018   | 2019 | Male |     | Female |     | Other | Persons | %<br>Change ** |  |
|   |  |      | No.  | %   | No.    | %   | No.   |         |                |  |
| Literature - Written                        | 1456   | 1461 | 464  | 32  | 989    | 68  | 0     | 1453    | -0.5           |  |
| Macedonian - Written                        | -  | -    | 0    | 0   | 1      | 100 | 0     | 1       | -              |  |
| Malay: Background Speakers - Written        | 3  | 2    | 0    | 0   | 1      | 100 | 0     | 1       | -50            |  |
| Marine and Maritime Studies - Written       | 125  | 108  | 53   | 51  | 50     | 49  | 0     | 103     | -4.6           |  |
| Materials Design and Technology - Practical | 165  | 152  | 51   | 48  | 55     | 52  | 0     | 106     | -30.3          |  |
| Materials Design and Technology - Written   | 165  | 151  | 51   | 48  | 55     | 52  | 0     | 106     | -29.8          |  |
| Mathematics Applications - Written          | 8450   | 8047 | 3453 | 45  | 4160   | 55  | 1     | 7614    | -5.4           |  |
| Mathematics Methods - Written               | 4417   | 4050 | 2365 | 58  | 1732   | 42  | 0     | 4097    | 1.2            |  |
| Mathematics Specialist - Written            | 1546   | 1435 | 1039 | 68  | 487    | 32  | 0     | 1526    | 6.3            |  |
| Media Production and Analysis - Practical   | 680  | 565  | 214  | 46  | 254    | 54  | 1     | 469     | -17            |  |
| Media Production and Analysis - Written     | 668  | 560  | 210  | 46  | 248    | 54  | 1     | 459     | -18            |  |
| Modern Greek - Written                      | -  | 3    | 1    | 100 | 0      | 0   | 0     | 1       | -66.7          |  |
| Modern History - Written                    | 2004   | 1828 | 607  | 35  | 1124   | 65  | 0     | 1731    | -5.3           |  |
| Music - Practical                           | 342  | 308  | 138  | 46  | 159    | 54  | 0     | 297     | -3.6           |  |
| Music - Written                             | 342  | 309  | 135  | 46  | 159    | 54  | 0     | 294     | -4.9           |  |
| Outdoor Education - Written                 | 235  | 215  | 67   | 50  | 66     | 50  | 0     | 133     | -38.1          |  |
| Persian - Written                           | -  | 7    | 3    | 75  | 1      | 25  | 0     | 4       | -42.9          |  |
| Persian: Background Speaker - Written       | 8  | -    | -    | -   | -      | -   | -     | -       | -              |  |
| Philosophy and Ethics - Written             | 209  | 205  | 113  | 54  | 98     | 46  | 0     | 211     | 2.9            |  |
| Physical Education Studies - Practical      | 2107   | 1858 | 902  | 55  | 731    | 45  | 0     | 1633    | -12.1          |  |
| Physical Education Studies - Written        | 2181   | 1940 | 943  | 55  | 770    | 45  | 0     | 1713    | -11.7          |  |
| Physics - Written                           | 3165   | 2770 | 2106 | 74  | 755    | 26  | 0     | 2861    | 3.3            |  |
| Plant Production Systems - Written          | 54   | 39   | 21   | 49  | 22     | 51  | 0     | 43      | 10.3           |  |
| Polish - Written                            | 4  | 5    | -    | -   | -      | -   | -     | -       | -              |  |
| Politics and Law - Written                  | 892  | 840  | 292  | 37  | 502    | 63  | 0     | 794     | -5.5           |  |
| Portuguese - Written                        | 3  | 1    | 0    | 0   | 1      | 100 | 0     | 1       | 0              |  |
| Psychology - Written                        | 2108   | 1949 | 400  | 22  | 1439   | 78  | 0     | 1839    | -5.6           |  |
| Punjabi - Written                           | 1  | 4    | 0    | 0   | 3      | 100 | 0     | 3       | -25            |  |
| Religion and Life - Written                 | 1352   | 1339 | 365  | 31  | 794    | 69  | 0     | 1159    | -13.4          |  |
| Romanian - Written                          | -  | -    | 1    | 50  | 1      | 50  | 0     | 2       | -              |  |
| Russian - Written                           | 4  | 6    | 3    | 38  | 5      | 62  | 0     | 8       | 33.3           |  |
| Serbian - Written                           | 1  | 8    | 2    | 40  | 3      | 60  | 0     | 5       | -37.5          |  |
| Sinhala - Written                           | 9  | 7    | 3    | 23  | 10     | 77  | 0     | 13      | 85.7           |  |

<sup>\*</sup> For examinations with a written component, the 2018 to 2020 numbers relate to candidates who sat for the written component of the ATAR course examination.

For examinations with a practical component, the 2018 to 2020 numbers relate to candidates who sat for the practical component of the ATAR course examination.

Note 1: candidates who sat the examination and received a mark or candidates who sat the examination and applied for sickness/misadventure were included in the statistics.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Percentage change between 2019 and 2020.

Table 4.1 Number of candidates sitting the ATAR examination in each course, 2018–2020 \*

|  | Number of candidates sitting in the examinations |       |      |    |        |     |       |         |                |  |
|--|--|-------|------|----|--------|-----|-------|---------|----------------|--|
| Course   | 2018   |       | 2020 |    |        |     |       |         |                |  |
|  |  | 2019  | Male |    | Female |     | Other | Persons | %<br>Change ** |  |
|  |  |       | No.  | %  | No.    | %   | No.   |         | J              |  |
| Spanish - Written  | 9  | 9     | 8    | 53 | 7      | 47  | 0     | 15      | 66.7           |  |
| Swedish - Written  | -  | 2     | -    | -  | -      | -   | -     | -       | -              |  |
| Tamil - Written  | 7  | 7     | 0    | 0  | 2      | 100 | 0     | 2       | -71.4          |  |
| Turkish - Written  | 3  | 3     | 3    | 75 | 1      | 25  | 0     | 4       | 33.3           |  |
| Vietnamese - Written   | 6  | 10    | 5    | 42 | 7      | 58  | 0     | 12      | 20             |  |
| Visual Arts - Practical  | 786  | 734   | 107  | 17 | 531    | 83  | 0     | 638     | -13.1          |  |
| Visual Arts - Written  | 777  | 725   | 105  | 17 | 521    | 83  | 0     | 626     | -13.7          |  |
| Total number of students who sat at least one component of an ATAR examination | 15173  | 14278 | 6485 | 46 | 7523   | 54  | 1     | 14009   | -1.9           |  |

For examinations with a practical component, the 2018 to 2020 numbers relate to candidates who sat for the practical component of the ATAR course examination.

Note 1: candidates who sat the examination and received a mark or candidates who sat the examination and applied for sickness/misadventure were included in the statistics.

<sup>\*</sup> For examinations with a written component, the 2018 to 2020 numbers relate to candidates who sat for the written component of the ATAR course examination.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Percentage change between 2019 and 2020.