



UWA IN BRIEF 2002

Student Enrolments 2002	15,529
Student Load (EFTSU) 2002	12,959
Commencing Students 2002	5,608
Postgraduate Enrolments 2002	3,558
Higher Degree by Research Enrolments 2002	1,677
Total Staff (FTE) 2002	2,559
Academic Staff (FTE) 2002	1,066
Course Completions 2001	3,698
Research Income 2001 (\$'000)	72,486
Weighted Research Publications 2001	1,294
Operating Revenue 2001 (\$'000)	349,631
Operating Expenses 2001 (\$'000)	331,164

Mission

To advance, transmit and sustain knowledge and understanding, through the conduct of teaching, research, and scholarship at the highest international standards, for the benefit of the international and national communities and the State of Western Australia.

Vision

In the 21st Century, The University of Western Australia will be recognised internationally as an excellent research-intensive university and a leading intellectual and creative resource to the communities it serves.

It will provide a broad and balanced coverage of disciplines in the arts, sciences, and the professions at internationally recognised standards. It will be characterised by a strong research and postgraduate emphasis across the full range of its disciplines and it will be noted for concentrations of particular research excellence in selected areas of strength, opportunity and importance.

The University's research and postgraduate strength will be linked to and sustained by a high quality undergraduate programme in which teaching and learning takes place in an atmosphere of research and scholarship. The University will foster an international focus for all its activities and standards as an integral part of its overriding commitment to excellence and high quality. It will be valued above all, for its enduring commitment to improving society through learning and discovery.

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Significant Facts

- The University of Western Australia, the State's first university, was established in 1911 and opened with 184 students in three faculties: Arts, Engineering and Science. Today the University enrolls over 15,000 students, in 8 faculties: Architecture, Landscape and Visual Arts; Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences; Economics and Commerce; Education; Engineering, Computing and Mathematics; Law; Life and Physical Sciences; Medicine and Dentistry; Natural and Agricultural Sciences.
- UWA consistently attracts high calibre students. In 2002, UWA enrolled 84% of the State's top 5% of school-leavers and 73% of the top 10% of school leavers who enrolled at Western Australian universities.
- UWA has proportionally the highest intake of school-leavers nationally. School-leavers represented 73.5% of its local commencing undergraduate students in 2001, whilst the national average was 46.8%.
- In 2001, 11.9% of UWA's enrolments were in higher degree by research compared with a national average of 5.3%. The University's higher degree by research enrolments have increased over the past ten years by more than 43%. The latest national figures show that in 2001, UWA had the second highest proportion of higher degree research enrolments nationally.
- UWA recorded 3.6 higher degree by research completions per 10 academic staff FTE in 2000; significantly higher than the national average of 2.5.
- The quality of the University's teaching and research in higher education has been recognised by the Committee for Quality Assurance that gave UWA top ratings in each of the three quality assurance rounds.
- UWA obtained 7.3% of the National Competitive Grant funds and 6.7% of the total research funds allocated to Australian higher education institutions in 2000. On a per capita basis, these were the nation's first and third highest allocations.
- The 65-hectare Crawley campus is widely acclaimed for the beauty of its setting beside the Swan River and for its grounds and buildings, which are listed in the Register of the Australian National Estate. There are over 200 species of plants and trees whose exotic variety and rich profusion enhance the tranquillity and beauty of the grounds, and support over 55 species of birds.

Comparative Statistics ^(a)

	Total Enrolment 2001 (b)	% Overseas 2001 (c)	% Postgraduate 2001 (d)	% Higher Degree Research 2001 (e)	% Commencing School Leavers 2001 (f)	(\$) Research Income (g) per Acad. FTE 2000 (h)	HD Research Completions per 10 Acad. FTE 2000 (h)
UWA	13,768	11.7%	18.5%	11.9%	73.5%	\$83,080	3.6
Sydney	35,625	12.6%	20.0%	8.9%	66.4%	\$62,461	3.6
UNSW	33,847	21.5%	33.1%	6.8%	58.0%	\$73,278	2.8
Melbourne	34,382	16.1%	26.8%	9.8%	71.0%	\$74,553	4.7
Monash	43,635	23.6%	22.6%	5.8%	51.3%	\$44,511	2.8
Queensland	31,766	11.3%	20.5%	10.7%	60.1%	\$83,320	4.2
Adelaide	13,603	10.9%	19.1%	8.9%	64.9%	\$88,738	3.0
ANU	9,636	13.4%	27.0%	12.9%	61.8%	\$54,488	6.2
Curtin	22,649	20.1%	17.5%	5.2%	47.1%	\$25,004	1.8
Edith Cowan	19,092	12.1%	15.1%	3.7%	28.4%	\$10,105	1.8
Murdoch	10,736	16.8%	16.8%	6.0%	39.4%	\$42,611	2.0
Australia	726,418	15.5%	21.4%	5.3%	46.8%	\$41,995	2.5

(a) For the Group of Eight leading Australian research universities and Western Australian universities

Source: *DEST Selected Higher Education Statistics*, unless otherwise indicated

(b) DEST total enrolment data exclude exchange students and various other categories

(c) Number of overseas student enrolments as a % of total enrolments

(d) All postgraduate enrolments as a % of total enrolments

(e) Number of Doctorate and Masters by research enrolments as a % of total enrolments

(f) Number of commencing undergraduate school leaver enrolments as a % of commencing undergraduate enrolments, excluding cross-institutional enrolments and overseas students

(g) Source: DEST, unpublished summary of Higher Education Research Data Collection

(h) Full-time equivalence of academic staff, with a level B or above appointment, excluding casual staff

Student Enrolments

(as at 31 March)

	2002	2001	2000
Total Number of Enrolments	15,529	15,166	14,687
Total Student Load (EFTSU)	12,959	12,846	12,390
Commencing Enrolments	5,608	5,813	5,227
Full-Time Enrolments (No.)	12,108	11,814	11,125
% Full-Time (of total)	78%	78%	76%
Postgraduate Enrolments (No.)	3,558	3,299	3,163
% Postgraduate (of total)	23%	22%	22%
Higher Degree Research Enrolments (No.)	1,677	1,661	1,684
% Higher Degree Research (of total)	11%	11%	11%
Fee-Paying Overseas Enrolments (No.)	2,348	2,020	1,779
% Fee-Paying Overseas (of total)	15%	13%	12%
Fee-Paying Local Enrolments (No.)	1,028	879	686
% Fee-Paying Local (of total)	7%	6%	5%
Local Non-Fee Paying Enrolments (No.)	12,093	12,197	12,096
% Local Non-Fee Paying Enrolments (of total)	78%	80%	82%
Female Enrolments (No.)	7,901	7,742	7,478
% Female (of total)	51%	51%	51%

Student Load (EFTSU) by Faculty and Course Type Group, 2002

	Higher Deg Res	Masters Crsework	Other Postgrad	Under- grad	Total
Architect., Ldscp & Vis Arts	20.3		1.1	520.2	541.6
Arts, Humanities & Soc Sc.	184.9	0.8	21.4	1,750.9	1,958.0
Economics & Commerce	113.3	308.8	111.2	1,882.5	2,415.8
Education	107.8	78.3	155.8	36.7	378.6
Engineering, Comp & Maths	185.1	21.7	12.1	2,253.4	2,472.2
Law	13.3	18.0	17.5	839.9	888.6
Life & Physical Sc.	275.2	58.0	50.7	1,934.3	2,318.2
Medicine & Dentistry	187.8	29.1	16.0	778.6	1,011.5
Natural & Agricultural Sc.	246.2	12.6	13.6	620.3	892.7
Indigenous Studies			5.8	45.9	51.7
Other				29.9	29.9
Total (a)	1,333.8	527.2	405.1	10,692.7	12,958.9

(a) Discrepancies between the sums of component items and totals are due to rounding

Course Completions

	2001	2000	1999
Higher Doctorate		2	2
Doctorate	167	175	167
Master's by Research	82	59	66
Master's by Coursework	367	324	313
Higher Degree Qualifying	13	13	15
Postgraduate Diploma	245	257	262
Graduate Certificate	146	121	105
Graduate Entry Bachelor's	132	91	90
Bachelor's Honours	783	750	725
Bachelor's Pass	1,750	1,686	1,754
Diploma	13	21	14
Total	3,698	3,499	3,513

Graduate Destinations

(as at 30 April, for bachelor degrees and undergraduate diplomas completed in previous year)

	2001	2000	1999
Full-time study	37%	38%	40%
Full-time work	40%	43%	40%
Unemployed	4%	4%	4%
Part-time seeking full-time work	5%	5%	5%
Working part-time or seeking part-time work only	11%	5%	6%
Unavailable for full-time study or work	3%	5%	5%

Staff ^(a)

(Full-time equivalence of staff, excluding casual staff as at 31 March)

	2002		2001	2000
	FTE	%	FTE	FTE
Academic				
Teaching & Research	749	29%	756	741
Research Only	317	12%	292	303
Total	1,066	42%	1,048	1,045
Non-Academic				
Research Only	199	8%	208	183
Other	1,295	50%	1,191	1,175
Total	1,493	58%	1,399	1,358
Total Staff	2,559	100%	2,447	2,403
% Female Academic (of total Acad.)		32%	31%	30%
% Female Non-Academic (of total Non-Acad.)		60%	58%	58%

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Research Activity

Research Income \$'000		National Competitive Grants	Other Public Sector Funding	Industry & Other Funding	Co- operative Research Centres	Total
Architecture, Landscape & Visual Arts	2004	108	104	100		311
	2003	126				126
Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences	2004	1,245	254	311		1,810
	2003	1,088	229	250		1,567
Economics & Commerce	2004	770	530	116		1,416
	2003	762	568	92		1,422
Education	2004	98	57	5		160
	2003	111	124	257		492
Engineering, Computing & Mathematics	2004	5,291	3,623	5,594	895	15,403
	2003	4,128	3,092	3,403	1,160	11,783
Law	2004		560			560
	2003		386	20		406
Life & Physical Sciences	2004	8,060	1,578	1,963	219	11,820
	2003	7,148	1,608	2,282	10	11,048
Medicine & Dentistry	2004	21,519	8,423	9,282	376	39,599
	2003	20,476	8,389	6,625	301	35,791
Natural & Agricultural Sciences	2004	14,718	2,223	2,618	5,452	25,012
	2003	15,937	2,242	2,266	3,369	23,814
Total (a) (b)	2004	52,743	17,458	24,824	6,942	101,967
	2003	49,811	16,638	18,019	4,839	89,306

Source: *DEST Higher Education Research Data Collection*

(a) Total includes research income not allocated to faculties

(b) Discrepancies between the sums of component items and totals are due to rounding

Research Publications (a)	2001	2000	1999
Books – Authored Research	20	22	16
Book Chapters	133	121	128
Articles in Scholarly Refereed Journals	919	988	1,023
Full Written Conference Paper – Refereed Proceedings	219	168	219
Patents	1		
Major Original Creative Works	3		
Weighted Total (b)	1,376	1,389	1,449

(a) As reported in the DEST Financial & Publications Research Data Collection

(b) Weighted using a ratio of 5:1:1:1:2:1

Finance (\$'000) (a)

	2001	2000	1999
Operating Revenue			
Commonwealth Government Grants	125,115	120,927	120,254
Higher Education Contribution Scheme	42,697	39,651	37,589
Western Australian Government Grants	29,454	24,827	9,002
Other Research Grants & Contracts	41,872	33,966	33,665
Scholarships & Prizes (b)	-	-	166
Donations, Bequests & Other Grants (b)	15,604	11,360	13,758
Investment Revenue	29,000	33,581	38,542
Fees & Charges	43,481	39,402	34,092
Other	22,408	30,852	20,265
Total Operating Revenue	349,631	334,566	307,333
Operating Expenses			
Academic Activities	225,239	207,092	189,194
Libraries	13,829	13,673	14,342
Other Academic Support Services	4,272	3,323	2,545
Student Services	14,651	15,654	17,404
Public Services	14,250	15,927	11,379
Admin. & Other General Institutional Services	37,930	38,266	38,532
Buildings & Grounds	18,690	14,519	14,817
Other	2,303	2,063	1,743
Total Operating Expenses	331,164	310,517	289,956
Assets			
Current Assets	52,850	43,580	45,514
Non Current Assets	1,164,315	1,134,393	1,106,181
Total Assets	1,217,165	1,177,973	1,151,695
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities	67,162	57,120	58,426
Non Current Liabilities	17,284	20,225	20,589
Total Liabilities	84,446	77,345	79,015
Net Assets	1,132,719	1,100,628	1,072,680

(a) Figures from 1999 to 2001 Annual Reports.

(b) From 2000 onwards Scholarships and Prizes have been included with Donations, Bequests and Other Grants.