



How are Non-Government (private) Schools funded?

- Under the *Schools Assistance Act 2008* recurrent funding for non-government schools is based on the socioeconomic status (SES) of the school community.
- The SES funding model links student residential addresses to Australian Bureau of Statistics Census of Population and Housing data to obtain a socioeconomic profile of the school community and measure its capacity to support the school.
- Under the SES model, funding ranges from 70 per cent of Average Government School Recurrent Costs (AGSRC ie the cost of educating a child in a government school) for non-government schools serving the poorest communities—to 13.7 per cent of AGSRC for schools serving the wealthiest communities.
- In 2010 the AGSRC amounts are \$9070 for primary students and \$11 393 for secondary students. The AGSRC is adjusted each year in line with changes in state/territory expenditure on education.

Socioeconomic Status (SES) funding continuum

