



# New South Wales



## Did you know?

New South Wales is also called the “First State” because it was the first area of white settlement in Australia.

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<b>Capital City:</b>	Sydney
<b>Population:</b>	8,434,800
<b>Land Size:</b>	801,150 km <sup>2</sup>
<b>Iconic Places:</b>	The Sydney Harbor Bridge, Opera House, Blue Mountains

## Facts about New South Wales

- New South Wales is the third largest state in Australia and spans an area of 801,150 square kilometres that includes a 2,137 km long coastline, the mountainous Great Dividing Range, and the expansive Western Plains area.
- As of December 2023, New South Wales is home to over 8.4 million residents with a diverse population and a majority living in the Greater Sydney region.
- The state is renowned for the iconic Sydney Opera House, natural attractions like the stunning beaches of Byron Bay, the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Blue Mountains National Park and the historic sites of Norfolk Island.
- The education sector in New South Wales is robust, with a total of 3,125 schools as of 2023, comprising a mix of Government (68.9%), Catholic (19.1%), and Independent (12.0%) institutions.

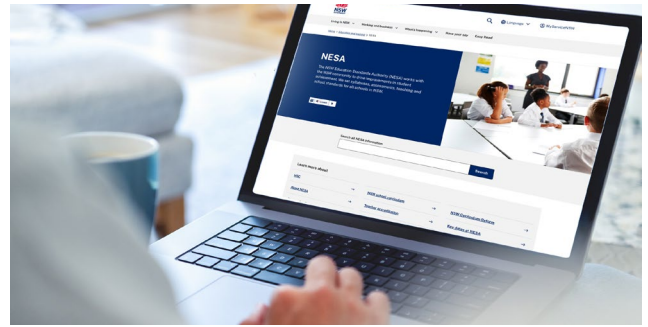
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## Teacher Registration in NSW

To work in Australia as a teacher, individuals must register with the teacher regulatory authority in the state or territory they intend to work in. The teacher regulatory authority (TRA) in New South Wales is New South Wales Education Standards Authority (NESA). For more information about NSW Teacher Registration eligibility and the application process click [here](#).



## Employment in NSW

Government Schools

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/teach-nsw>

Catholic Schools

<https://ncec.catholic.edu.au/educators/employment/>

Independent Schools

<https://isa.edu.au/our-sector/about-independent-schools/careers-at-independent-schools/>



## Useful links

[NSW Department of Education](#)

[National Catholic Education Commission](#)

[Independent Schools Australia](#)

[Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership – Migrate to Australia](#)

[Department of Home Affairs – Immigration and Citizenship](#)

[Department of Home Affairs – Immigration and Citizenship – Check Visa Details and Conditions](#)

[Migration Department in NSW](#)

