

E-learning investments prove positive

The use of e-learning doubled in the vocational and technical education (VTE) system in 2006, according to a national survey conducted by the Australian Flexible Learning Framework. E-learning also seems to be valuable in increasing the skills and employment prospects of students. The survey measured the use, impact and uptake of e-learning within VTE. The survey revealed that 17 per cent of vocational and technical education now involves some form of e-learning. The overwhelming majority (85 per cent) of teachers and trainers use e-learning in some form. Teachers are now starting to use four or five different types of e-learning tools, not just one or two. ✨



To view the full 2006 e-learning survey visit: http://e-learningindicators.flexiblelearning.net.au/pdf/benchmarking_report2006.pdf

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'We are just statistics, born to consume resources.'
Horace 65-8 BC: Epistles

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) is letting us reverse Horace's remark about the purpose of our existence: we can now consume statistics, as last November the ABS made a banquet of over 4000 more titles freely available on its website.

The material is mainly historical, and includes all national and regional titles released 1994–1997. Year Books for Australia and the states are now available on-line from 1994 to the present. It took four years to prepare all the material and convert old scanned images into pdf files, but the result is an amazing array of data for anyone working in social or economic history. ✨

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