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# 2006 Adult and Community Education (ACE) Survey



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A State of Learning

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## Why was the survey conducted?

The state's Adult and Community Education (ACE) Policy (2004) states:

This policy recognises the significance of ACE as a pathway to personal, social and economic wellbeing for all Tasmanians. It recognises the capacity of the ACE sector to contribute to the achievement of a community-driven vision for Tasmania, in particular the role and importance of ACE in developing communities in which lifelong learning is valued.

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## What is ACE?

**Non-formal (or non-accredited) education and training.**

### **ACE is delivered in Tasmania by:**

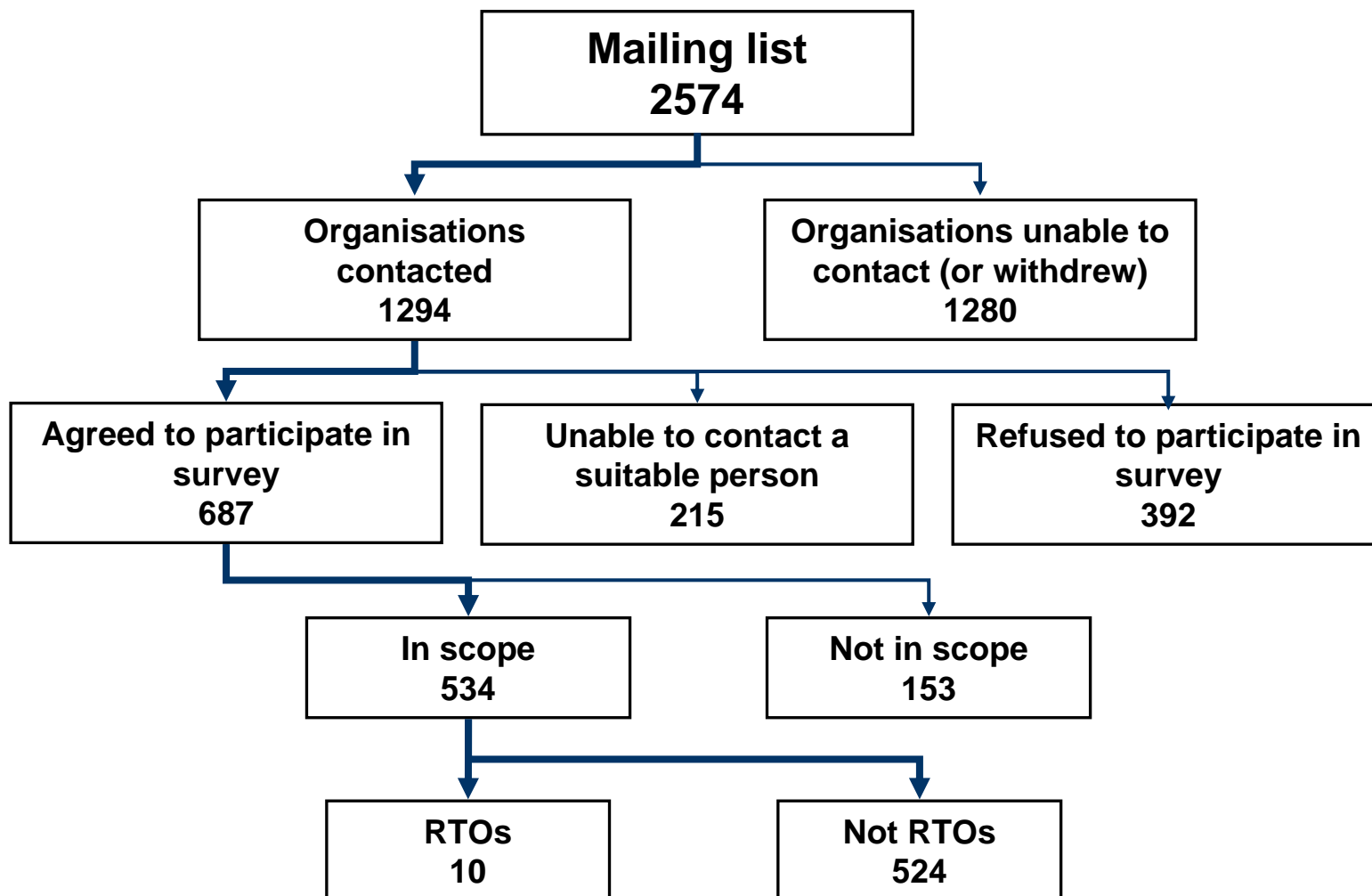
1. Government agencies: eg online access centres and libraries; museums and art galleries, community health services, business enterprise centres, Adult Education Tasmania...
2. Schools, colleges, training providers and universities
3. Businesses
4. **Community groups and organisations**

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## The survey: contacting the community groups and organisations

- Sources:** *Business Affairs Register* of incorporated not-for-profit organisations and *Tasmania's Community Net*
- Result:** 5000 organisations – with contact details 😊
- Problem:** Duplication and currency 😞
- Solution:** Data washing and updating: Sensis Macromatch® (White Pages® listings): 4826 organisation names matched against contact person name, address and/or phone number
- Result:** 2649 (or 55%) matched records
- Checking:** Removed duplicates
- Result:** 2574 contact addresses and phone numbers
- Contact:** Sent PAL and brochure

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## Question 2.11

What is the main area of interest of your group or organisation?

	Responses	%
Community development or welfare	173	32
Sport and recreation	158	30
Health and wellbeing	54	10
Art, craft, design or the performing arts	54	10
Religion and spirituality	35	7
Work, employment or professional development	30	6
The environment	18	3
History/heritage	9	2
Other	3	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>100</b>

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## Question 3.1

Do you provide mainly:

	Responses	%
information	65	12
education	18	3
training	64	12
fairly even mix of 2 or 3 of these	380	71
don't know	7	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>100</b>



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## Question 3.4 and 3.5 Is the learning scheduled?

	Responses	%
Yes	354	71
No	142	28
Not sure	3	1
Total	499	100

## Question 3.6 In 2005, approximately how many weeks did you provide scheduled learning opportunities?

	Weeks
Mean	29
Median	30
Responses	316



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## Question 3.7

In 2005 what was the average number of hours per week that you did this (schedule learning)?

	Hours
Mean	9
Median	4
Responses	308

## Question 3.8

In 2005, approximately how many individual learners participated in these programs?

	Participants
Mean	135
Median	30
Responses	472

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## Question 3.13

Where do you deliver most of your learning programs?

	Responses	%
No physical location	13	2
In your group or organisation's own premises	257	48
In other buildings*	153	29
Outdoors*	81	15
In private homes	30	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>100</b>

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\* Of those who selected “*in other buildings*” these buildings were:

	Responses	%
local schools	21	14
public libraries	13	8
online access centres	3	2
neighbourhood houses or community centres	61	40
other type of building**	55	36
<b>total</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>100</b>

\*\*main “other type of building”: churches and other church facilities

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\* Of those who selected “*Outdoors*” the areas were:

	Responses	%
natural areas including national parks	13	16
farms	4	5
gardens (private and public)	6	7
sports grounds	37	46
other outdoor areas**	21	26
<b>Total</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>100</b>

\*\*main "other outdoor areas": water/swimming pool

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## Question 3.16

Does your organisation provide this learning state-wide, across a region, or mainly in one particular local council area?

		Responses	%
<b>State-wide</b>		<b>90</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>South:</b>	Across region	29	6
	Local areas	168	32
<b>North-West:</b>	Across region	42	8
	Local areas	75	14
<b>North:</b>	Across region	39	7
	Local areas	78	15
<b>Total</b>		<b>521</b>	<b>100</b>

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## Question 3.18

Who does your organisation provide these learning opportunities to?

	Responses	%
Your own members	140	26
The public	67	13
Both	327	61
<b>Total</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>100</b>

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## Question 3.19

Who mainly participates in the learning options you provide?

	Responses	%
Women	340	64
Men	313	59
Seniors (people over 55)	256	48
Young adults (15-24 years)	217	41
People from rural and remote areas	202	38
Unemployed people	166	31
People with a disability	138	26
People from a culturally and linguistically diverse background	120	23
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people	99	19
All	65	12
Other/Don't know	48	9
<b>Total*</b>	<b>529</b>	<b>371</b>

\*Percentage exceeds 100 as respondents could choose more than one option



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## Question 3.20

Some organisations particularly target their programs to certain groups. Please answer 'yes' if you particularly target any of the following groups.

	Responses	%
No particular target group	318	60
Women	79	15
Young adults (15-24 years)	69	13
Men	66	12
Seniors (people over 55)	63	12
People from rural and remote areas	35	7
People with a disability	29	5
Unemployed people	29	5
People from a culturally and linguistically diverse background	24	5
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people	18	3
Other / don't know	52	10
<b>Total*</b>	<b>529</b>	<b>148</b>

\*Percentage exceeds 100 as respondents could choose more than one option

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## Questions 3.19 and 3.20 compared (%)

	Participants	Target group
Women	64	15
Men	59	12
Seniors (people over 55)	48	12
Young adults (15-24 years)	41	13
People from rural and remote areas	38	7
Unemployed people	31	5
People with a disability	26	5
People from a culturally & linguistically diverse background	23	5
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people	19	3
All/no particular target group	12	60
Other/don't know	9	10
<b>Total*</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>148</b>

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## Question 3.21

How does your organisation fund this learning provision?

	Responses	%
Participant fees or contributions	348	65
Fundraising	257	48
Donations and sponsorship	207	39
State government grants	164	31
Local government grants	96	18
Federal government grants	64	12
Commercial/commercial type operations	15	3
Other sources	39	7
Don't know	10	2
<b>Total*</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>225</b>

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**Analysis**

**Report**

**More research?**

**A state plan for ACE?**