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Today’s HSC results: online and on time

At midday today the state’s HSC students had checked their HSC results almost 84 000 times in total, with more than 70 per cent of these via the web.

As well as in NSW, students have been accessing their HSC results from countries around the world, including: the United States, China, South Korea, Malaysia, Canada, Japan, the Philippines, Turkey, the UK, Austria, Fiji, Germany, India, Pakistan, Lebanon, New Zealand, Singapore, the Solomon Islands and Thailand.

Of the 71 415 HSC students who completed at least one HSC course this year:

- 66 097 – 92 per cent – are eligible to be awarded the NSW Higher School Certificate; that is they have successfully undertaken at least 10 units of study.
- Most of the remaining 5318 students – 7 per cent – will continue their HSC studies as part of accelerated or other learning programs.
- 54 922 students – approximately 83 per cent – will be eligible for an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank or ATAR
- More than 1 in 3 – 24 144 or 37 per cent of students – are eligible to be awarded a HSC as well as completing a Vocational Education and Training or VET course. This has increased from 23,190 students in 2010. Of these, 9472 students – up from 8178 in 2010 – will receive an HSC and a VET Certificate II or above.

"The release of the 2011 HSC results highlights the flexibility of the HSC credential in opening the way to further study and employment," President of the Board of Studies, Tom Alegounarias, said.

"2011 HSC results confirm the high quality of the HSC as the number of students remain stable.

"In particular, when compared to HSC results in 2010, they indicate maintenance of rigorous standards and stability in student achievement," Mr Alegounarias said.

As well, students from across NSW have been honoured in the four 2011 HSC merit lists, published on the Board’s website.

The HSC Results Inquiry Centre also opened today. This hotline offers a valuable opportunity for students to talk with experienced Board staff about any aspect of their results. Call 13 11 12 for 30 cents from a landline.