

Skilled. Thriving. Connected.

Our policy direction for skills in South Australia

VISION

We will have highly adaptable skilled people that contribute to a thriving South Australia and are supported by a connected skills system.

OUTCOMES

South Australians have the skills they need to engage in valued work and the community.

South Australia has a highly skilled workforce that is adaptable and responsive to current and emerging economic opportunities.



Skilled people

Learners make informed choices, progress skills development, gain meaningful work and can access tailored supports.

FOCUS AREAS

Career and course information and guidance	Assessing learner needs	Foundation skills
Learner wellbeing	Closing the gap	



Connected skills system

Learners access quality training providers, improve training delivery through flexible and responsive models that meet skills needs

FOCUS AREAS

Purchasing training	Access to subsidised training	Quality training	Building TAFE and the training sector	Flexible and responsive training
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Thriving South Australia

Employers and industry actively engage and partner to build an adaptable workforce, informed by need and evidence.

FOCUS AREAS

Planning for economic and social priorities	Partnership approach
Supporting employers and industry to engage in skills development	Place-based approach
VET data and evidence	

Driving change for learners, community, training providers and industry

A stronger focus on learner wellbeing and completions, rather than only focusing solely on commencements, ensuring we can support more people to gain secure, well-paid jobs.

Moving to a managed training system with greater government direction on investment in courses aligned to need.

Establishing TAFE SA at the centre of the skills system to support delivery of government priorities and ensure all South Australians have access to a high quality, accessible, and inclusive public provider.

A greater emphasis on ensuring the quality and integrity of training providers and employers.

Requiring employers, unions, and industry to actively engage and be embedded in the training system.



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1 Jobs and Skills Outlook

The Skills Outlook is a 5-year forecast of the demand for skilled workers within all industry sectors in South Australia with sectors in focus highlighted (updated annually).

- Qualification Demand Modelling
- Workforce Planning (DIIS)
- Industry Insights (SASC)

2 Policy Direction

Our Policy Direction is a long-term strategic direction to achieve population and system outcomes. It identifies focus areas, sets the policy framework & defines roles of key agencies in delivery.

- National Skills Agreement (NSA)
- NSA Policy Initiatives
- Government Priorities

3 Investment Plan

The investment plan is a 5-year outline of government approach to purchasing skills through TAFE and the training sector - training profile, initiative and reforms (updated annually).

- NSA Flexible and PI Funding
- Government Priorities
- Skills Outlook

Our key partners in delivery

South Australian Skills Commission

provides independent, industry-led advice to Government on workforce development priorities, provides oversight of the skills system, and promotes career pathways and lifelong learning.

Skills SA

(Department for Education)

is the steward of the training system to drive outcomes for people, the economy and community. Skills SA provides policy leadership for the South Australian VET sector, invests in training based, and supports training providers to meet industry and learner needs.

TAFE SA

is the public and primary provider of VET in South Australia, at the centre of VET delivery, complemented by not-for-profit and industry owned training providers and private training providers.

Student Pathways and Careers

(Department for Education)

provides policy direction, programs and support for VET delivered in government schools, ensuring school students engage in quality, industry-endorsed VET as part of the South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE).

Construction Industry Training Board

is a whole-of-industry led organisation that provides support to attract, train and retain South Australian building and construction workers.



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