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Literacy and Numeracy Achievement



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The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) has overall responsibility for improving student literacy and numeracy in government schools. DEECD supports schools and teachers to improve student literacy and numeracy through a range of programs. DEECD and the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) assess and monitor student achievement at selected year levels through statewide testing across all government schools.

The objective of the audit was to determine whether student literacy and numeracy are improving in Victoria's government schools. This primarily involved a detailed analysis of DEECD's and VCAA's statewide student achievement data covering the period 1998 to 2007.

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