

Re-thinking Economics Education

The Reserve Bank of Australia is concerned that people, especially females are not seeking a career in economics. Enrolments in economics in schools is declining, we want to know why. These questions will help point us in the right direction to find out why people are walking away from economics.

But first, what is Economics?



<http://youtube.com/watch?v=ct-L27SIRmk>

Let's find out a little about you.

These demographic features just help understand the different way people from different groups make choices.

1. Are you ...?

Mark only one oval.

- Female
- Male
- Prefer not to say

Where are you now?

2. What current year group are you in?

Mark only one oval.

- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10
- 11
- 12

3. What subjects are you currently enrolled in or are considering for your senior package?

Tick all that apply.

- Art
- Business Studies
- Careers
- Commerce
- Computer Studies
- Construction
- Consumer Education
- Dance
- Design & Technology
- Drama
- Economics
- English
- Geography
- History
- Industrial Technology
- Information & Communications Technology
- Legal Studies
- Mathematics
- Music
- Textiles
- Sciences: Physics, Chemistry, Biology or any other
- Sports Studies
- Hospitality
- Childcare
- Other: _____

What factors influence which subjects you have chosen or will choose for your senior package?

These questions refer to your elective choices, not compulsory subjects.

4. You enjoyed it in Years 7-10

Mark only one oval.

	1	2	3	4	5	
Doesn't influence my choice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Really influences what I choose

5. The teacher*Mark only one oval.*

	1	2	3	4	5	
Doesn't influence my choice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Really influences what I choose

6. Career choices*Mark only one oval.*

	1	2	3	4	5	
Doesn't influence my choice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Really influences what I choose

7. Parents' advice*Mark only one oval.*

	1	2	3	4	5	
Doesn't influence my choice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Really influences what I choose

8. Personal interest*Mark only one oval.*

	1	2	3	4	5	
Doesn't influence my choice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Really influences what I choose

9. Friends*Mark only one oval.*

	1	2	3	4	5	
Doesn't influence my choice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Really influences what I choose

10. Easy to study*Mark only one oval.*

	1	2	3	4	5	
Doesn't influence my choice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Really influences what I choose

11. Interesting subject*Mark only one oval.*

	1	2	3	4	5	
Doesn't influence my choice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Really influences what I choose

12. Class size*Mark only one oval.*

	1	2	3	4	5	
Doesn't influence my choice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Really influences what I choose

13. Mathematics related subject*Mark only one oval.*

	1	2	3	4	5	
Doesn't influence my choice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Really influences what I choose

14. English related subject*Mark only one oval.*

	1	2	3	4	5	
Doesn't influence my choice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Really influences what I choose

Where are you going?**15. Are you studying or considering Economics for your senior package?***Mark only one oval.*

- Yes
- Maybe
- No

16. If you answered "No", explain why.

17. If you answered "Yes", explain why.

18. If you answered "Maybe", what would influence you to choose economics?

Tell me what we can do.

19. What words would you use to describe "Economics"?

20. How important do you think studying economics is?

Mark only one oval.

	1	2	3	4	5	
Not very important	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Extremely important

21. Can you give a reason for your answer?

22. How would you like to study economics? Describe how we can make economics interesting and relevant for you.

Thank you for your thoughts.

More to say? Use the Twitter handle #RethinkEcoEd to speak up!

