Some observations in Week 3
CSU Research & Research Training
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CSU Current position and profile
Metrics on which research rankings are currently based

- External research income
- HDR load
- HDR completions
- Weighted DIISR reported publications

*These also apply to ERA*
Total research income

$0,000,000
$2,000,000
$4,000,000
$6,000,000
$8,000,000
$10,000,000
$12,000,000
$14,000,000

2006 2007 2008
Category 3 research income

$\begin{align*}
\text{2006} & : & 1,200,000 \\
\text{2007} & : & 1,200,000 \\
\text{2008} & : & 1,500,000 
\end{align*}$
Category 4 research income

$\text{\$}\quad 0\quad 200,000\quad 400,000\quad 600,000\quad 800,000\quad 1,000,000\quad 1,200,000\quad 1,400,000\quad 1,600,000$

2006 2007 2008
2007 total research income

Institution:
- Notre Dame
- Maritime
- Batchelor
- Bond
- Melb Divinity
- Sunshine
- ACU
- Ballarat
- CQU
- Victoria
- Canberra
- Edith Cowan
- Southern
- Charles Sturt
- Swinburne
- New England
- UWS
- CDU
- Deakin
- James Cook
- RMIT
- UTS
- Wollongong
- Macquarie
- La Trobe
- Murdoch
- Flinders
- UniSA
- Curtin
- Tasmania
- Newcastle
- Adelaide
- ANU
- UWA
- Monash
- UNSW
- Queensland
- Melbourne
- Sydney
2007 category 3 income per academic FTE

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2007 reported publications per academic FTE

Institution: Batchelor, Notre Dame, Bond, USQ, SCU, Sunshine Coast, Murdoch, Ballarat, CDU, La Trobe, Edith Cowan, Swinburne, Tasmania, UWS, Deakin, Canberra, VU, Curtin, CSU, Monash, RMIT, Griffith, QUT, JCU, UNE, UWA, UTS, Flinders, Melbourne, Newcastle, Queensland, Macquarie, UNSW, Sydney, Adelaide, Wollongong, UniSA, ANU.
weighted HDR load per academic FTE

![Graph showing weighted HDR load per academic FTE for various institutions.](chart.png)

- Bond
- ACU
- Sunshine Coast
- La Trobe
- Edith Cowan
- Canberra
- VU
- Deakin
- QUT
- Griffith
- CDU
- Curtin
- JCU
- RMIT
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CSU research income source profile
SCU research income source profile
UC research income source profile
Issues arising in discussions with CSU staff
The big issue

The need for data (income, publications and HDR load/completions) at individual level, discipline and Faculty/Centre level

- To identify stars
- To analyse capacity
- To understand profile (e.g. funding sources etc)
- To understand the impact of changes in government policy
- To assist performance review
Need a nuanced definition of research

• To use internally
• To lobby externally

– Disciplinary/interdisciplinary research
– Research on scholarship of T&L
– Research into professional practice
Other issues

- Systems connections (Research, Finance and HR)
- ERA
- Faculties vs Research Centres
- Strategic Research Professors and Fellowships program
- Internal support programs from DVCR & CRGT
- CRGT role, staffing and processes
- External links with collaborators/partners/agencies
- Science vs other disciplines
- The role of professional practice and practice-based research
- Performance-based funding scheme vs Faculty compacts
- ECR support and development
- The question about the really big things that could make a difference
Apparent frustrations

• Data
• Support
• Systems