More people are choosing to educate their children in Independent schools

The South Australian Independent school sector is experiencing strong growth in enrolments.

- Between 1997 and 2004 there has been an enrolment increase of 6,399 students in the South Australian Independent sector
- In excess of 37,000 students are attending South Australian Independent schools in 2004
- Growth has been most significant in primary enrolments and Years 11 and 12 in secondary enrolments (Source: ABS 2002)
- The increase in Government funding to Independent schools is directly linked to increases in enrolments.

Growth in the number of students in South Australian Independent schools between 1992-2004

Retention Rates
Students in Independent schools stay longer. In 2003 the South Australian Independent school sector had a retention rate of 93% (Note: Apparent Retention Rate, Source: Advisory Committee on Non-Government Schools in South Australia 2003).