



Value-Added

The Value-Added (VA) report displays information about the learning progress of students in a school relative to similar schools with similar students, by adjusting for student demographic characteristics and other contextual factors.

Value-added measures are currently available for student progress from Years 3-5, 5-7, 7-9 and 9-12.

How will these reports benefit me?

The reports allow directors to quickly view the VA results for all the schools in their network.

Value-added reports are a good way to easily get a reliable and accurate high level view about the impact schools are having on students' learning.

What does the Value-Added report provide?

The report includes 4 tabs – one for each VA measure. Each tab charts the selected schools' VA scores compared to the distribution of scores for all schools.

VA scores are reported with confidence intervals, however, due to the dense nature of this report it's not possible to identify the confidence interval of individual schools. Directors should examine the individual school's VA reports in the School Performance content pack. The school level report also provides trends in a school's VA scores over time.

How can I use the Value-Added report to support my school self assessment?

VA reports are a good starting point for a high level overview of student progress at schools in the network.

VA results are just a starting point for assessing school performance and can highlight where to drill down for more information. It is important to consider VA results in conjunction with other measures of

student performance and growth, such as student attainment, information on SMART, or internal measures within a school.

What should I look for?

- Are there schools in the network among those with the highest VA scores?
- Are there schools in the network among those with the lowest VA scores?
- Are schools in the network predominantly above or below the horizontal line representing the average VA across all schools?

Where does this data come from?

VA measures are derived from matched student scores from available assessments (NAPLAN, and HSC).

How frequently is data updated?

Annually