The **Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services** industry covers sectors engaged in the provision of electricity, gas through mains systems, water, drainage and sewage services.

In 2014, there were 1,019 enrolments in Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services related courses. The highest proportion of enrolments were in the Certificate III and Certificate IV qualification levels (67 per cent in total). The largest number of enrolments were in Certificate III in ESI - Power Systems - Distribution Overhead (247 enrolments) and Certificate III in ESI - Distribution (111 enrolments). Approximately 75 per cent of Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services training was related to specialised or in shortage occupations, equating to 766 enrolments.

The following three tables outline Victorian vocational training activity in 2014:

**Table 1: Vocational training in Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services by qualification level (government subsidised),**

**2013 and 2014**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Qualification level** | **2013 enrolments** | **2014 enrolments** |
| Certificate I | 0 | 0 |
| Certificate II | 43 | 133 |
| Certificate III | 436 | 536 |
| Certificate IV | 93 | 146 |
| Diploma | 53 | 67 |
| Advanced Diploma | 148 | 137 |
| **Total** | **772** | **1,019** |

**Table 2: Vocational training in Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services, top courses (government subsidised),**

**2013 and 2014**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Course name** | **2013 enrolments** | **2014 enrolments** |
| Certificate III in ESI - Power Systems - Distribution Overhead | 92 | 247 |
| Certificate III in ESI - Distribution | 187 | 111 |
| Certificate IV in Gas Supply Industry Operations | 14 | 104 |
| Advanced Diploma of Engineering Technology - Electrical | 97 | 102 |
| Certificate III in Gas Supply Industry Operations | <5 | 99 |
| Certificate II in Gas Supply Industry Operations | 0 | 65 |
| Certificate II in ESI - Powerline Vegetation Control | 0 | 50 |
| Advanced Diploma of ESI - Power Systems | 41 | 35 |
| Diploma of ESI - Power Systems | 38 | 31 |
| Certificate III in ESI - Power Systems - Distribution Cable Jointing | 7 | 31 |
| Diploma of Electrical Project Management | 6 | 30 |
| Certificate III in Water Operations | 23 | 18 |
| Certificate IV in Waste Management | 17 | 17 |
| Certificate III in ESI - Cable Jointing | 25 | 16 |
| Certificate IV in ESI - Substation | 31 | 12 |
| Certificate II in ESI - Asset Inspection | 0 | 10 |
| Certificate IV in Asset Maintenance (Waste Management) | 22 | 6 |
| Certificate IV in ESI Generation - Operations | 0 | 5 |
| Certificate II in Gas Industry Pipeline Operations | 13 | 5 |
| Certificate III in ESI - Transmission | 13 | 5 |

**Table 3: Vocational training in Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services qualifications aligned to specialised or in shortage occupations (government subsidised), 2013 and 2014**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Specialised or in shortage status** | **2013 enrolments** | **2014 enrolments** |
| In Shortage or Specialised Qualifications | 524 | 766 |
| Other Accredited Industry-Specific Qualifications | 248 | 253 |
| **Total** | **772** | **1,019** |

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**Data notes:**

All figures are government subsidised enrolments, accredited (state or national) qualifications only (excludes foundation training).

Yearly data is based on preliminary data extracted from SVTS system as at 25 February 2015. Figures may be revised prior to the year-end submission to National Centre for Vocational Education and Research (NCVER).

Industry classifications are defined by the Australian Bureau of Statistics’ Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classifications (ANZSIC). Where a qualification is considered relevant across more than one industry, enrolments have been proportionally allocated across most relevant industries using employment data as a guide.

Specialised occupations are defined by the Australian Workforce and Productivity Agency’s 2014 list of specialised occupations. Skills shortage occupations are informed by DET’s list of *Victorian Skills Shortages 2014*.