How well prepared are graduate teachers for the classroom?

The 2013 Staff in Australia's Schools survey includes data on Principals' perceptions of the preparation of recent teacher graduates. Below are the percentages of Principals who said that, in their experience, graduates were "very well prepared" or "well prepared" for:

### Top 3 areas

- **Making effective use of ICT**
  - Primary: 70.4%
  - Secondary: 76.1%

- **Meeting their professional and ethical responsibilities**
  - Primary: 48.5%
  - Secondary: 60%

- **Subject content knowledge**
  - Primary: 40.1%
  - Secondary: 62.2%

### Bottom 3 areas

- **Dealing with difficult student behaviour**
  - Primary: 11.8%
  - Secondary: 11.2%

- **Supporting students with disabilities**
  - Primary: 5.6%
  - Secondary: 14.5%

- **Teaching Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students**
  - Primary: 7.5%
  - Secondary: 11.8%

Source: McKenzie, Phillip; Weldon, Paul R.; Rowley, Glenn; Murphy, Martin; and McMillan, Julie, "Staff in Australia's Schools 2013: Main report on the survey" (2014).
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