A recent survey* asked for people’s views on education in Australia and how they thought it was preparing students for the future workplace. Below are the responses to some of the survey questions.

**How concerned are you about how well today’s children are being educated for the future workplace?**

- 20.3% are extremely concerned
- 47.1% are somewhat concerned
- 26.1% are marginally concerned
- 6.5% are not concerned at all

**Do you think the current school curriculum is equipping children well with all the skills they will need to thrive in a professional working environment?**

- 13.8% said yes
- 42.4% said no
- 43.8% are not sure

**What areas do you think the current curriculum is lacking in?**

*Top five responses:*

- 23.2% Basic literacy (writing, reading, arithmetic)
- 13.7% Life skills
- 12.3% Soft skills (social, communication and people skills)
- 7.3% Real-world skills
- 7.1% Practical knowledge

**How confident are you that most of today’s children are getting the kind of education they need to be able to work the jobs of the future?**

- 3.2% are extremely confident
- 28.3% are somewhat confident
- 39.1% are marginally confident
- 29.4% are not confident at all

*1000 Australian adults were surveyed during June 2018.