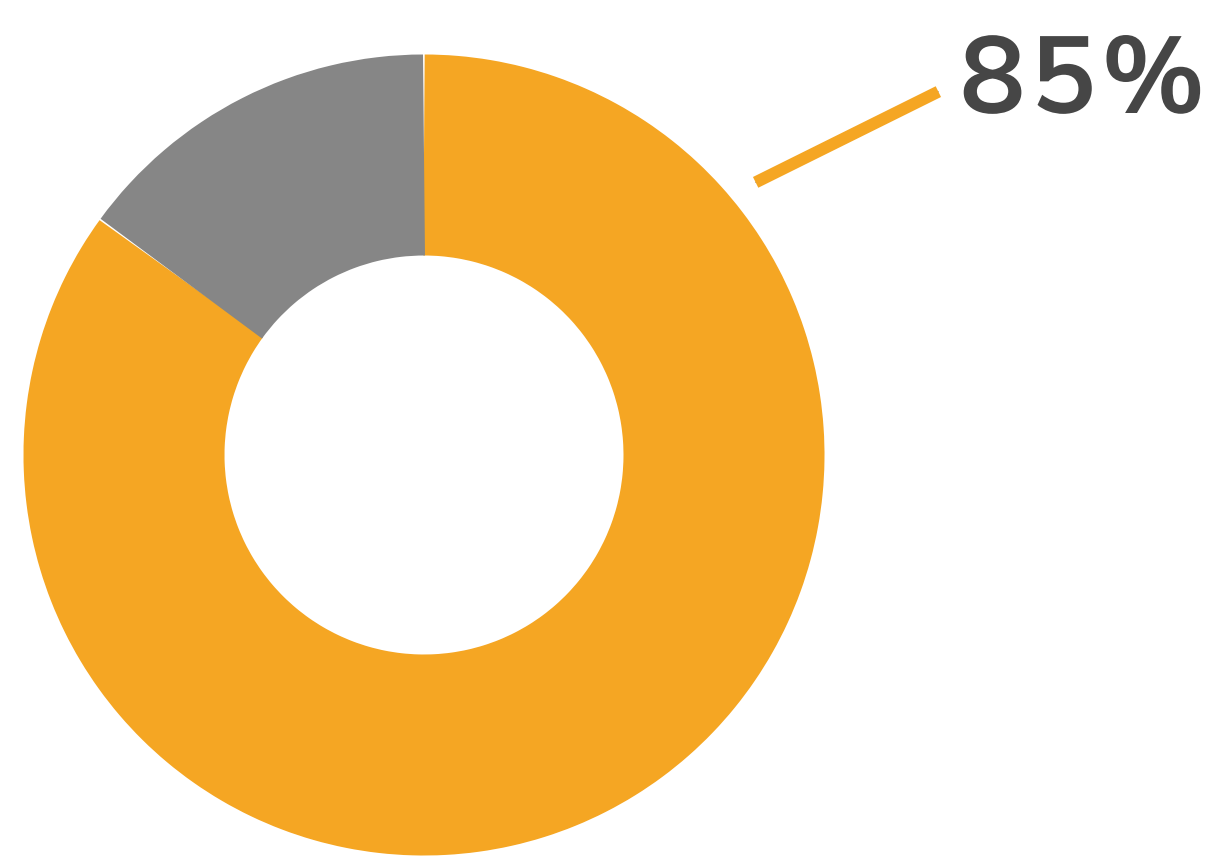


Student motivation in schooling

To mark World Children's Day, UNICEF Australia commissioned a national survey of secondary students* to gather their views about the education system. Here are some of the results.

A clear majority of students surveyed were positively motivated in relation to their schooling



65% see school as an opportunity to get into university



63% said they want to do well to make their parents proud



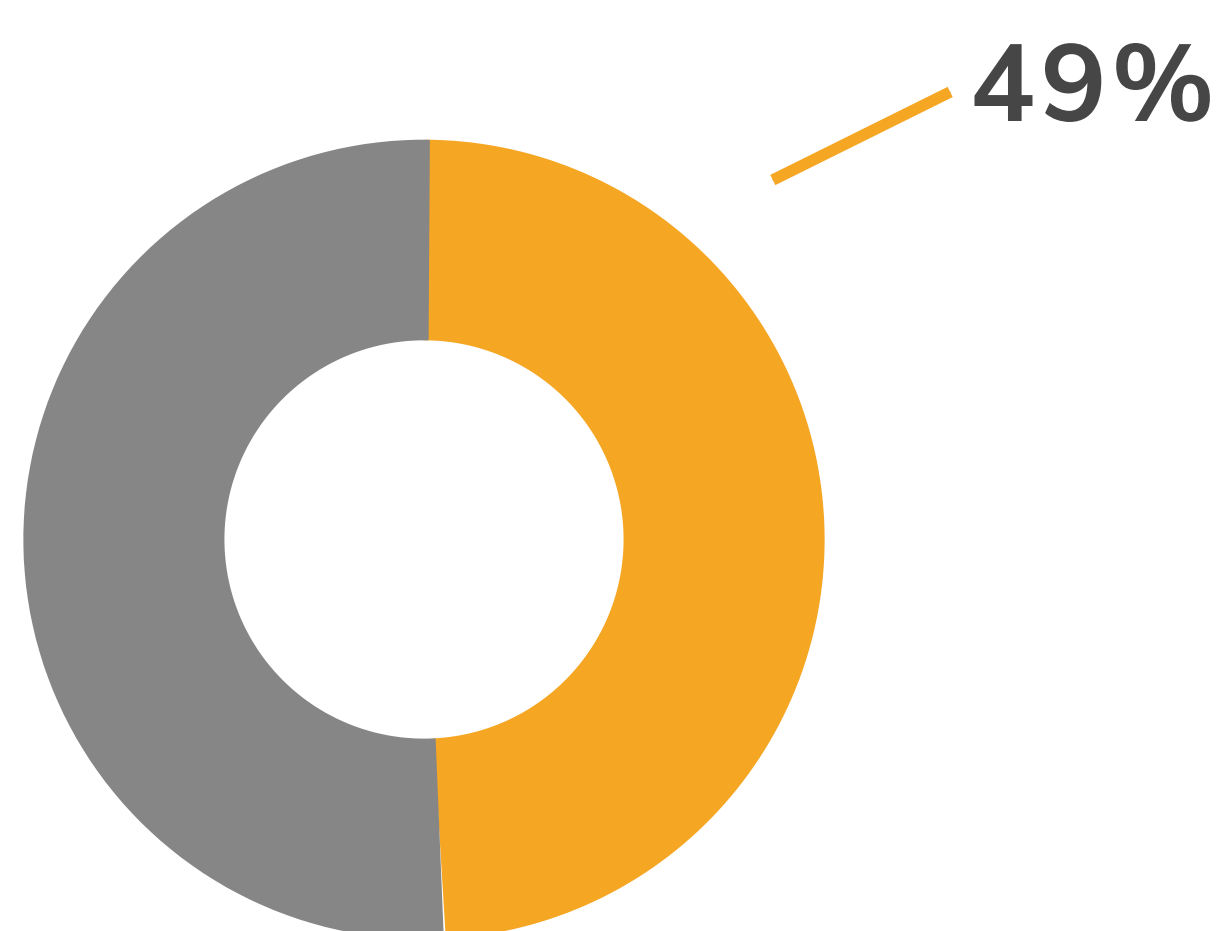
62% see school as being important to getting a good job



58% said they are prepared to work hard to get better grades

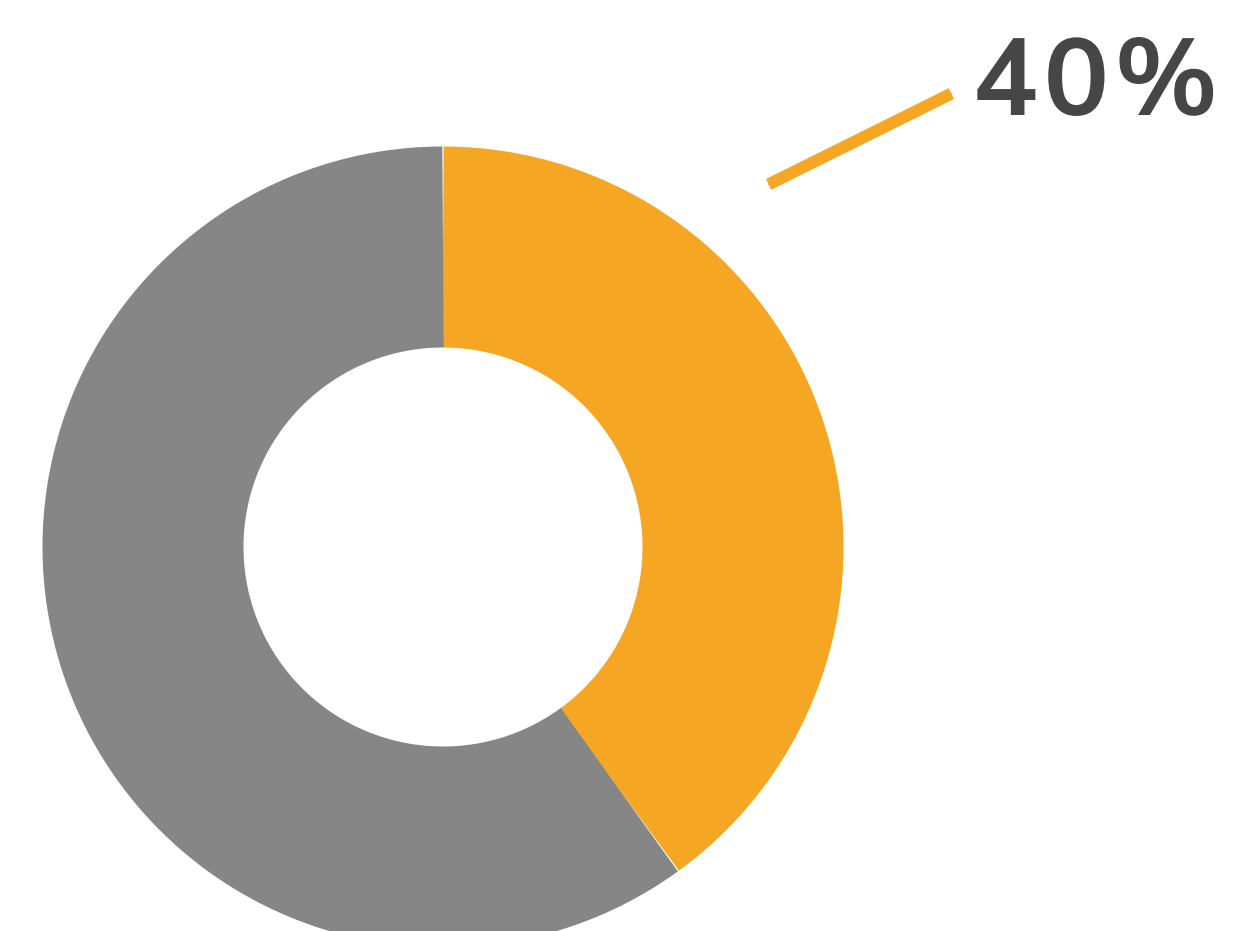
Extracurricular factors

Almost half the students surveyed said they felt positively about school because of their friends



This view was more common among students attending non-government schools (58%) than government schools (46%).

Additional activities offered, like sport, music and acting, had positive motivation for four in 10



This view was more common among students attending non-government schools (47%) than government schools (38%), and by more students in capital cities (45%) than regions (33%).

*YouGov Galaxy national survey of 1001 students aged 14-16.

Source: UNICEF (2018) Fact Sheet. 'National survey: Student views on the quality of education they receive in Australia.' Retrieved from www.unicef.org.au, December 2018.