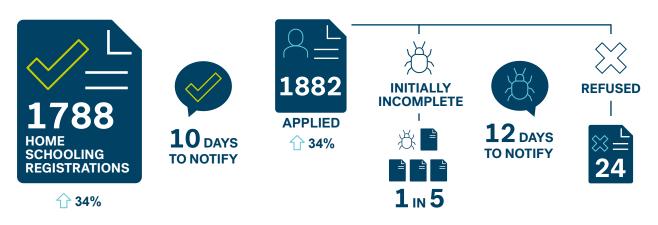


HOME SCHOOLING REGISTRATION ACTIVITY

1 JANUARY - 31 DECEMBER 2019



This year, we registered nearly 1800 children for home schooling, which was 34 per cent more than in 2018. The total number of active registrations increased by six per cent over the 12 month period.

On average, we notified a parent that their child was registered 10 days after receiving their complete application. We took longer this year, partly due to the increased volume of applications.

Incomplete applications miss supporting documents or lack enough detail to demonstrate they meet the requirements. This year, fewer incomplete applications were submitted than in 2018 when one in four applications was incomplete. This highlights the value of the assistance we received from the home schooling community in revising our guidance on applications.

On average, we notified parents about issues with their application in 12 days.

In total, we refused one per cent of applications. Refusals typically occur when the application is incomplete and the parent does not respond to our requests for more information.

We received 262 applications for a learning area exemption this year.

The most common learning area requested for exemption was languages. We did not refuse any exemption applications.

At 31 December we had completed 186 reviews.

Those outstanding were either still being finalised, or the parent had cancelled their child's registration.

Significantly more parents chose a phone review this year.

All reviews found the requirements of registration were being met.



