

LICENCE FEES FROM SCHOOLS: JUNE 2023 DISTRIBUTION

BACKGROUND

In 2022, Copyright Agency reached agreement with the Copyright Advisory Group (CAG) for the school sector (CAG), for the three-year period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2025, with an option to renew for a further year. The agreement sets a flat rate of \$13 per student each year.

Surveys in schools ceased in March 2020 due to the pandemic. CAG and Copyright Agency agreed in 2017 to work together, from 2018, on new methods of data collection using modern technologies that, among other things, reduce teacher burden. The parties agreed that if new methods were not finalised by September 2020, either party could apply to the Copyright Tribunal for assistance. Copyright Agency applied to the Copyright Tribunal in May 2021, and the parties are continuing to work with the Tribunal to get new methods of data collection in place.

CHANGES SINCE THE 2022 DISTRIBUTION

The dataset for the distribution will include:

- survey data from schools from 2016 rather than 2015 (to March 2020)
- titles from a questionnaire completed by teachers in 2022 (as well as titles from 2021)
- updated data from Nielsen BookScan, for titles published from 2020
- titles from the Educational Lending Right Scheme

Funds for distribution

		\$m			
		Gross	Admin 17.4%	Cultural Fund 1.5%	Net
Amount (approx.)	Licence fees invoiced for January to December 2023	52.28	(9.10)	(0.78)	42.40
	Unpaid allocations rolled over	0.39	–	–	0.39
	Total				42.79
Licence type	Statutory				

Distribution pools

	%	\$m
Publications (publishers of books, journals, newspapers, websites and writers/illustrators with book shares)	89%	38.08
AMCOS	2%	0.86
Annual Artists Distribution	6%	2.57
Annual Writers Distribution (principally writers in periodicals, collected works)	3%	1.28
Total	100%	42.79

POOL PROPORTIONS

The pools for the annual distributions for artists and writers, and for AMCOS, are based on analysis of past copying and allocations, including copying for which teachers provided insufficient information for identification of a rightsholder.

SOURCES OF DATA FOR DISTRIBUTION

- survey data from schools from 2016 to March 2020
- titles from questionnaires completed by teachers in 2021 and 2022
- titles from Nielsen BookScan published from 2020
- titles from the Educational Lending Right Scheme