

Do you know how prevalent contract cheating is?

- As many as 1 in 7 recent graduates may have paid someone to undertake an assignment for them.
- This represents 31 million students world-wide.

Source: Newton, 2018.







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- 7% of students in the US report having purchased an assignment.
- 23% of students in the US report knowing a peer who has purchased an assignment.

Source: Turnitin White Paper, 2013.

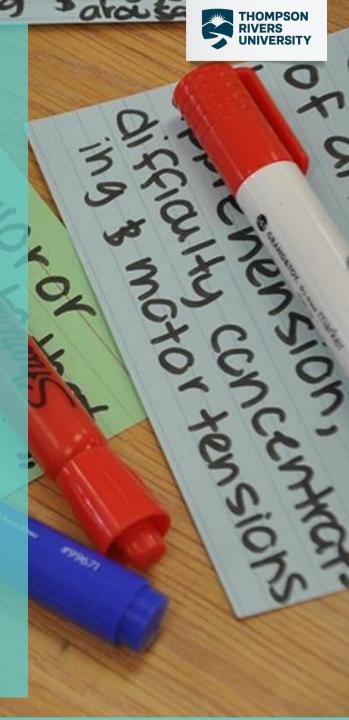
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- 6% of Australian students admit to cheating; 27% acknowledge they have given an assignment to a peer.
- 21% of students globally have visited contract cheating sites.

Source: Bretag et. al, 2108; Awdry & Králíková, 2018.







Students don't get what they pay for.

- More than half of contracted assignments receive failing grades.
- 16% of contracted assignments are received by students after the assignment deadline.

Source: Sunderland-Smith & Dullaghan, 2019.

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 Students who engage with contract cheating sites place themselves at risk of theft of personal information, blackmail, and extortion.

Source: Králíková, 2017.







International action is underway.

- In the UK, 46 vice-chancellors and heads of universities have called for a ban on essay mills.
- The Australian government has moved to make contract cheating illegal, with purveyors subject to jail and fines.
- Contract cheating is already illegal in New Zealand.

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