



UNIVERSITY OF
NEWCASTLE

NEWCASTLE YOUTH STUDIES CENTRE

Empowering Youth Through
Research and Engagement

The Newcastle Youth Studies Centre is a collaborative group of researchers who work with young people to understand their lives, and the social, cultural, and economic forces they are living in.

PARTNERSHIP CAPABILITIES

- **Youth Engagement:** Co-designed research with young people
- **Policy Development:** Informing youth policy through evidence
- **Community Collaboration:** Partnerships with local organisations
- **Program evaluation:** Insights into young people's perspectives on programs and initiatives

PROVEN IMPACT

- **Policy impact:** Input into policy and regulations affecting young people's lives
- **Methodological innovations:** Development of new digital methods for better understanding young people's lives
- **Public communication:** Media engagement with national and international outlets to enhance the impact of our research
- **Professional training:** Training Professionals in Youth-Inclusive governance practices

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STRENGTHENING THE REGULATION OF BUY-NOW-PAY-LATER SERVICES

The Centre conducted research with young people (the key user base of buy-now-pay-later services) to gain novel insights into how they used and understood buy-now-pay-later services. Using these insights, we shared our findings with Treasury and engaged in a public awareness campaign, contributing to new buy-now-pay-later regulations that are currently coming into effect.

