Psychology Board of Australia Registrant data

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Introduction

The role of the Psychology Board of Australia (the Board) includes:

- registering psychologists and provisional psychologists
- developing standards, codes and guidelines for the psychology profession
- handling notifications, complaints, investigations and disciplinary hearings
- overseeing the assessment of overseas trained psychologists who wish to practise in Australia, and
- approving accreditation standards and accredited courses of study.

The Board's functions are supported by the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (Ahpra). For information about legislation governing our operations see About Ahpra at www.ahpra.gov.au/About-Ahpra/What-We-Do/Legislation.aspx.

The Board has analysed its registration data and produced a number of statistical breakdowns about registrants to share with the profession and community. The Board shares these breakdowns regularly.

For more information on psychology registration, please see the Board's website www.psychologyboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx

Principal place of practice

Principal Place of Practice (PPP) is the address declared by the psychologist to be the address at which they are predominantly practising the profession. If the psychologist is not practising the profession or is not practising predominantly at one address the Principal Place of Practice may be the psychologist's principal place of residence.

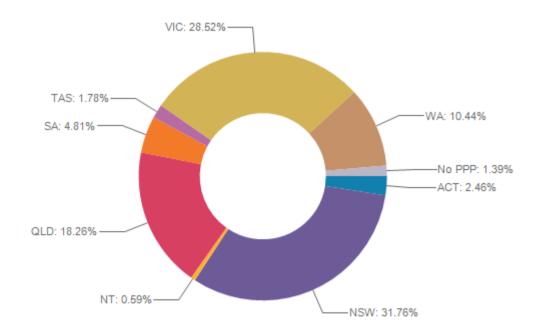
The 'No PPP' column in the tables on the following pages represents psychologists who do not have an Australian Principal Place of Practice recorded on the register usually because they are currently residing overseas or who have not provided a valid PPP.

Registration type

Table 1.1 Registration type by principal place of practice

Registration types	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General	988	12,345	235	7,273	1,894	680	10,904	4,118	422	38,859
Provisional	161	2,410	41	1,233	334	146	2,431	760	44	7,560
Non-practising	40	564	9	301	92	35	421	156	203	1,821
Total	1,189	15,319	285	8,807	2,320	861	13,756	5,034	669	48,240

Table 1.2 Registration by principal place of practice percentages



Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander practitioners

Table 1.3 Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander practitioners by principal place of practice

PPP	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander practitioners	6	135	11	116	15	9	51	29	1	373
Percentage of all practitioners	0.5 %	0.9 %	3.9 %	1.3 %	0.6 %	1.0 %	0.4 %	0.6 %	0.1 %	0.8 %

Endorsements

Area of practice endorsements by PPP

Table 2.1 Area of practice endorsements by state or territory

Area of Practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Clinical neuropsychology	16	220	6	146	35	8	426	65	18	940
Clinical psychology	411	3,756	57	2,166	869	259	3,327	1,438	143	12,426
Community psychology	1	5	1	4			33	8		52
Counselling psychology	10	182		105	20	13	517	202	8	1,057
Educational and developmental psychology	7	160	1	193	31	18	482	66	9	967
Forensic psychology	14	244	8	73	35	10	218	52	5	659
Health psychology	5	63		73	42	11	144	4	1	343
Organisational psychology	16	227		109	61	2	214	72	8	709
Sport and exercise psychology	8	24		39	7	3	21	7		109
Total	488	4,881	73	2,908	1,100	324	5,382	1,914	192	17,262

The figures in the table above show the total number of psychology area of practice endorsements recorded on the National Register. Psychologists who hold more than one endorsement are counted for each endorsement they hold. The number of individual psychologists who hold at least one area of practice endorsement after the close of business on 30 June 2024 was 16,210.

Number of endorsements

Table 2.2 Number of endorsements held

Endorsement	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Number of endorsed psychologists with the corresponding number of endorsements	15,227	925	50	6	1	1	16,210
% of endorsed psychologists who hold the corresponding number of endorsements	93.9%	5.7%	0.3%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	100.0%
Number of psychologists with general registration (endorsed and non-endorsed)							38,859
% of all psychologists with general registration with one or more endorsement	39.2%	2.4%	0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	41.7%

Table 2.3 Psychologists with one endorsement and total number of endorsements - by area of practice

Area of Practice	Psychologists with one endorsement	% of psychologists with one endorsement	Total endorsements	% of total endorsements
Clinical neuropsychology	762	5.0%	940	5.4%
Clinical psychology	11,561	75.9%	12,426	72.0%
Community psychology	32	0.2%	52	0.3%
Counselling psychology	766	5.0%	1,057	6.1%
Educational and developmental psychology	804	5.3%	967	5.6%
Forensic psychology	381	2.5%	659	3.8%
Health psychology	187	1.2%	343	2.0%
Organisational psychology	642	4.2%	709	4.1%
Sport and exercise psychology	92	0.6%	109	0.6%
Total	15,227	100.0%	17,262	100.0%

The sum of individual proportions may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Provisional Registration

Provisional registrants by pathway

Table 3.1 Provisional registrants by pathway

Pathway	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
4+2 Internship	26	654	11	377	72	22	251	240	1	1,654
5+1 Internship	53	908	8	372	85	68	952	347	9	2,802
Higher Degree program	80	818	22	467	171	54	1,193	165	14	2,984
Transitional Program	2	30		17	6	2	35	8	20	120
Total	161	2,410	41	1,233	334	146	2,431	760	44	7,560

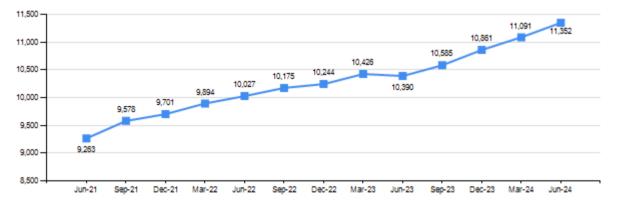
Supervisors

Board-approved supervisors

Table 4.1 Approved supervisors by PPP

PPP	Number of approved supervisors	% of general registrants
ACT	351	29.5%
NSW	3,718	24.3%
NT	64	22.5%
QLD	2,103	23.9%
SA	607	26.2%
TAS	227	26.4%
VIC	3,042	22.1%
WA	1,179	23.4%
No PPP	61	9.1%
Total	11,352	23.5%

Table 4.2 Change in the number of approved supervisors



Registrar program supervisors

Table 4.3 Registrar program principal supervisors

Area of practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Clinical neuropsychology	10	121	3	86	21	5	243	35	5	529
Clinical psychology	209	1,637	28	970	385	121	1,506	617	32	5,505
Community psychology	1	1	1	1			16			20
Counselling psychology	1	50		44	9	2	182	80	2	370
Educational and developmental psychology	3	79		94	19	8	159	33	1	396
Forensic psychology	9	137	6	35	18	3	122	24	3	357
Health psychology	3	24		42	19	3	72			163
Organisational psychology	7	91		60	25	2	92	23		300
Sport and exercise psychology	2	10		15	2	2	9			40
Total	245	2,150	38	1,347	498	146	2,401	812	43	7,680

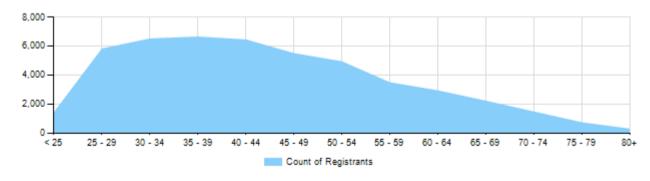
Age group

Registration type

Table 5.1 Registration type by age group

Age group	General	Provisional	Non-practising	Total
< 25	149	1,262		1,411
25 - 29	3,382	2,396	32	5,810
30 - 34	5,084	1,271	149	6,504
35 - 39	5,512	904	224	6,640
40 - 44	5,590	646	200	6,436
45 - 49	4,876	460	151	5,487
50 - 54	4,428	350	149	4,927
55 - 59	3,162	172	141	3,475
60 - 64	2,663	72	183	2,918
65 - 69	1,968	21	211	2,200
70 - 74	1,233	5	217	1,455
75 - 79	599	1	111	711
80+	213		53	266
Total	38,859	7,560	1,821	48,240

Table 5.2 Registrants by age group



Gender

Registration type

Table 6.1 Psychology registrants by gender, by state and territory and by registration type

Gender	Registration types	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
	General	809	9,977	188	5,865	1,487	569	8,801	3,331	332	31,359
Female	Provisional	120	1,905	31	948	270	116	1,927	618	33	5,968
	Non-practising	28	428	7	245	70	25	346	136	163	1,448
Total female		957	12,310	226	7,058	1,827	710	11,074	4,085	528	38,775
	General	179	2,366	47	1,407	407	111	2,100	784	90	7,491
Male	Provisional	41	505	10	284	64	30	497	139	11	1,581
	Non-practising	12	136	2	56	22	10	75	20	40	373
Total male		232	3,007	59	1,747	493	151	2,672	943	141	9,445
Not stated or Intersex or	General		2		1			3	3		9
Indeterminate	Provisional				1			7	3		11
Total Not state Indeterminate	ed or Intersex or	0	2	0	2	0	0	10	6	0	20
Total		1,189	15,319	285	8,807	2,320	861	13,756	5,034	669	48,240

Percentage

Table 6.2 Registrants by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	80.5%	80.4%	79.3%	80.1%	78.8%	82.5%	80.5%	81.1%	78.9%	80.4%
Male	19.5%	19.6%	20.7%	19.8%	21.3%	17.5%	19.4%	18.7%	21.1%	19.6%
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		<0.1%		<0.1%			<0.1%	0.1%		<0.1%