

Dental Board of Australia

Registrant data

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Introduction

The functions of the Dental Board of Australia (the Board) include:

- registering dentists, students, dental specialists, dental therapists, dental hygienists, oral health therapists and dental prosthetists
- developing standards, codes and guidelines for the dental profession
- handling notifications, complaints, investigations and disciplinary hearings
- overseeing the assessment of overseas trained practitioners 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 Ahpra's Legislation & Publications at www.ahpra.gov.au/Publications

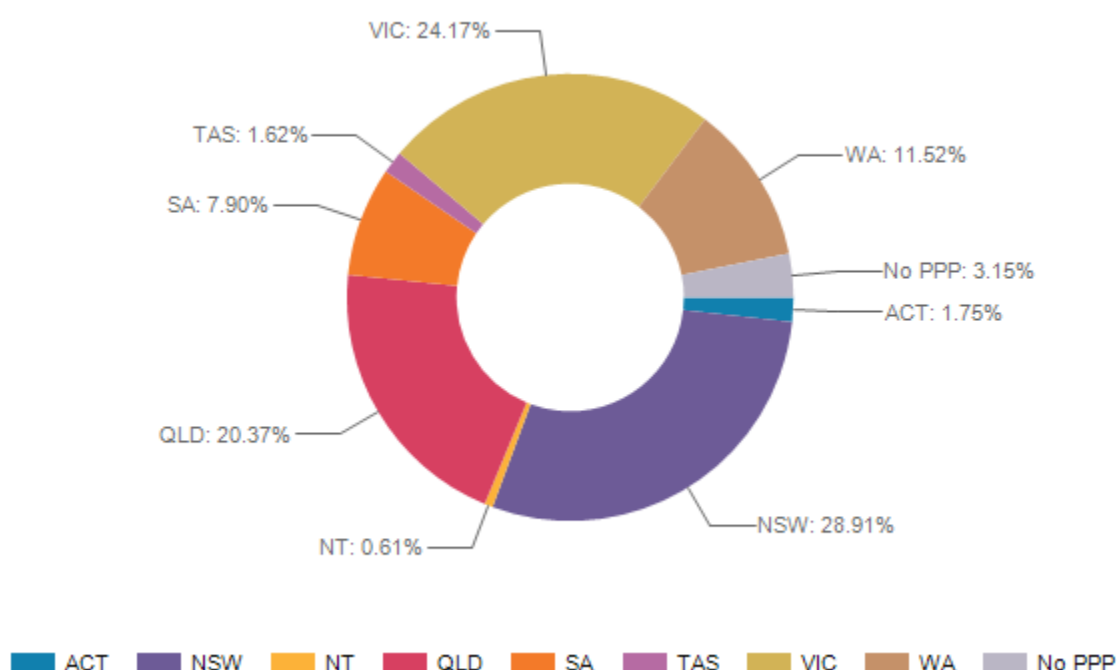
The Board has analysed its registration data and produced a number of statistical breakdowns about registrants to share with the profession and community. The Board shares these breakdowns regularly. For more information on dental registration, please see the Board's website: www.dentalboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx

Registration type

Table 1.1 Dental practitioners - registration type by state or territory

Registration types	Registration subtypes	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General		435	7,423	160	5,266	2,018	423	6,226	2,958	563	25,472
General and Non-practising					1				1		2
General and Specialist		50	567	7	382	154	31	458	217	41	1,907
Specialist		1	17	1	11	4	1	16	12	14	77
Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	1			1	1		7	8		18
	Public interest		1								1
	Teaching or research		9		16	6		3	9	1	44
Non-practising		12	245	6	144	76	9	198	89	282	1,061
Total		499	8,262	174	5,821	2,259	464	6,908	3,294	901	28,582

Table 1.2 Dental practitioners - percentage by principal place of practice



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	3	49	3	50	14	4	17	16	2	158
Percentage of all practitioners	0.6%	0.6%	1.7%	0.9%	0.6%	0.9%	0.2%	0.5%	0.2%	0.6%

Registration divisions

Table 2.1 Dental practitioners - division(s) by state or territory

Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Dental Hygienist	37	348	13	218	367	19	217	261	18	1,498
Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist				1						1
Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist							1			1
Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist	5	49	4	85	44	4	86	49	3	329
Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Dentist				1						1
Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist		27		17	14	1	36	17	7	119
Dental Hygienist and Dentist		3		3			1			7
Dental Hygienist and Oral Health Therapist		22		4	4		9	9		48
Dental Prosthetist	11	401	4	352	66	42	353	74	9	1,312
Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist							1			1
Dental Prosthetist and Dentist							3			3
Dental Prosthetist and Oral Health Therapist		2	1	1		1				5
Dental Therapist	6	114	9	86	46	33	96	191	6	587
Dental Therapist and Dentist				1			1			2
Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist		1			1			6	1	9
Dentist	392	6,256	123	4,453	1,394	325	5,197	2,302	800	21,242
Dentist and Oral Health Therapist		5		4	1		3	1		14
Oral Health Therapist	48	1,034	20	595	322	39	904	384	57	3,403
Total	499	8,262	174	5,821	2,259	464	6,908	3,294	901	28,582

Registration type and divisions

Table 3.1 Dental practitioners - registration type and division by state or territory

Registration types	Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General	Dental Hygienist	35	332	13	208	356	19	211	252	13	1,439
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist				1						1
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist							1			1
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist	5	42	4	80	39	4	85	48	3	310
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Dentist				1						1
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist		27		17	14	1	36	17	7	119
	Dental Hygienist and Dentist		3		2			1			6
	Dental Hygienist and Oral Health Therapist		22		4	4		9	9		48
	Dental Prosthetist	11	387	4	340	66	42	345	73	7	1,275
	Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist							1			1
	Dental Prosthetist and Dentist							3			3
	Dental Prosthetist and Oral Health Therapist		2	1	1		1				5
	Dental Therapist	5	99	8	85	45	32	86	181	3	544
	Dental Therapist and Dentist				1			1			2
	Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist		1			1			5	1	8
	Dentist	332	5,486	111	3,944	1,179	286	4,555	1,996	480	18,369
	Dentist and Oral Health Therapist		5		4	1		3	1		14
	Oral Health Therapist	47	1,017	19	578	313	38	889	376	49	3,326
Sub Total - General		435	7,423	160	5,266	2,018	423	6,226	2,958	563	25,472

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Registration types	Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General and Non-practising	Dental hygienist										0
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist										0
	Dental Hygienist and Dentist				1						1
	Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist								1		1
	Oral health therapist										0
Sub Total - General and Non-practising		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
General and Specialist	Dentist	50	567	7	382	154	31	458	217	41	1,907
Specialist	Dentist	1	17	1	11	4	1	16	12	14	77
Limited	Dentist	1	10		17	7		10	17	1	63
	Oral Health Therapist										0
Sub Total - Limited		1	10	0	17	7	0	10	17	1	63
Non-practising	Dental Hygienist	2	16		10	11		6	9	5	59
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist		7		5	5		1	1		19
	Dental hygienist and Oral health therapist										0
	Dental Prosthetist		14		12			8	1	2	37
	Dental Therapist	1	15	1	1	1	1	10	10	3	43
	Dentist	8	176	4	99	50	7	158	60	264	826
	Oral Health Therapist	1	17	1	17	9	1	15	8	8	77
Sub Total - Non-practising		12	245	6	144	76	9	198	89	282	1,061
Total		499	8,262	174	5,821	2,259	464	6,908	3,294	901	28,582

Dental specialities

Table 4.1 Dental practitioners - dental speciality by state or territory

Speciality	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Dento-maxillofacial radiology		2		7			1	6	1	17
Endodontics	7	60		47	17	5	49	22	6	213
Forensic odontology	2	4	1	2	2	1	1	4		17
Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology		4		2	4	1	2	4		17
Oral and maxillofacial surgery	6	61	2	63	18	5	59	22	6	242
Oral medicine	1	12		5			17	14	1	50
Oral surgery		45		8		1	7	2	7	70
Orthodontics	15	199	4	128	52	7	154	71	15	645
Paediatric dentistry	4	47		33	16	1	50	27	5	183
Periodontics	10	79	1	58	20	7	70	34	7	286
Prosthodontics	6	74		40	25	1	56	24	6	232
Public health dentistry (Community dentistry)		8	1	2	2	1	6	1		21
Special needs dentistry		7		6	3	2	9	1	1	29
Total	51	602	9	401	159	32	481	232	55	2,022

Endorsements

Table 5.1 Dental practitioners - endorsement by state or territory

Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Conscious sedation	6	44		18	2	1	4	14	1	90

Age group

Table 6.1 Dental practitioners - by age group

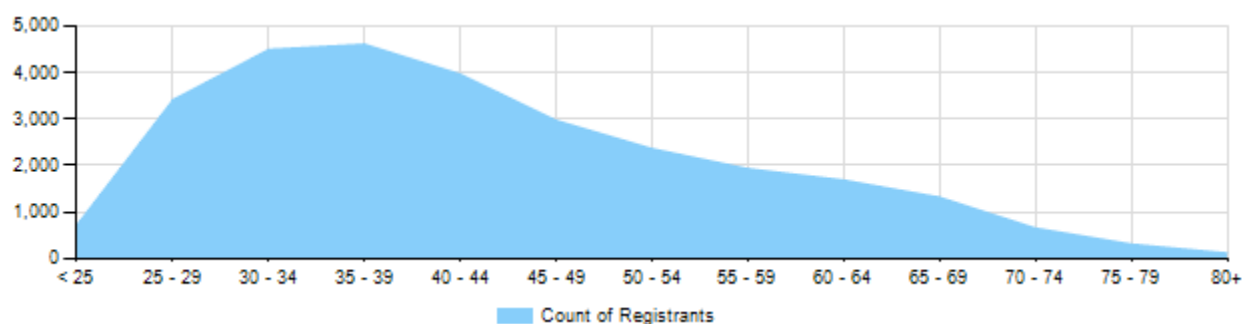


Table 6.2 Dental practitioners - registration type by age group

Age group	General	General and Non-practising	General and Specialist	Specialist	Limited			Non-practising	Total
					Postgraduate training or supervised practice	Public interest	Teaching or research		
< 25	717							5	722
25 - 29	3,361		7		3			54	3,425
30 - 34	4,248		126	3	7		3	123	4,510
35 - 39	4,223	1	235	13	4		8	140	4,624
40 - 44	3,517	1	308	17	3		16	114	3,976
45 - 49	2,551		325	23			4	73	2,976
50 - 54	2,059		217	7	1		5	76	2,365
55 - 59	1,659		178	11			5	79	1,932
60 - 64	1,374		201	1		1	2	106	1,685
65 - 69	1,046		159	2				107	1,314
70 - 74	460		90				1	96	647
75 - 79	202		37					61	300
80+	55		24					27	106
Total	25,472	2	1,907	77	18	1	44	1,061	28,582

Gender

Table 7.1 Dental practitioners - registration type by gender

Gender	Registration types	Registration subtypes	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	General		286	4,142	98	3,003	1,319	229	3,731	1,910	333	15,051
	General and Non-practising					1				1		2
	General and Specialist		15	177	2	110	52	9	173	83	14	635
	Specialist		1	7		4	1		10	4	6	33
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice				1	1		2	4		8
		Teaching or research		1		8	3		1	2	1	16
	Non-practising		9	121	1	85	48	4	97	52	139	556
Total Female			311	4,448	101	3,212	1,424	242	4,014	2,056	493	16,301
Male	General		149	3,280	62	2,263	699	194	2,494	1,048	230	10,419
	General and Specialist		35	390	5	272	102	22	285	134	27	1,272
	Specialist			10	1	7	3	1	6	8	8	44
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	1						5	3		9
		Public interest		1								1
		Teaching or research		8		8	2		2	7		27
	Non-practising		3	124	5	59	28	5	101	37	143	505
Total Male			188	3,813	73	2,609	834	222	2,893	1,237	408	12,277
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	General			1					1			2
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice								1		1
		Teaching or research					1					1
Total			499	8,262	174	5,821	2,259	464	6,908	3,294	901	28,582

Table 7.2 Dental practitioners - percentage by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	62.3%	53.8%	58.0%	55.2%	63.0%	52.2%	58.1%	62.4%	54.7%	57.0%
Male	37.7%	46.2%	42.0%	44.8%	36.9%	47.8%	41.9%	37.6%	45.3%	43.0%
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		<0.1%			<0.1%		<0.1%	<0.1%		<0.1%