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Introduction

This report contains registration information about nurses and midwives registered with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA).

The functions of the NMBA are defined under the [National Law](#), and include:

- Registering nurses, midwives and students of nursing and midwifery
- Determining national registration requirements
- Developing professional codes, standards, guidelines and position statements to guide the practice of nurses and midwives
- Managing notifications, investigations and panel hearings
- Overseeing the assessment of internationally qualified nurses and midwives who wish to register in Australia
- Approving national accreditation standards and accredited programs of study leading to registration and endorsement
- Delegating to state and territory boards and committees of the NMBA, and Ahpra staff, the power to determine individual applications for registration and notification of a nurse's or midwife's health, performance and/or conduct, and a student's health or criminal history

**Co-regulatory models apply in New South Wales (NSW) and Queensland (QLD). In NSW, notifications are managed separately by the Nursing and Midwifery Council of NSW; the NSW Board of the NMBA only manages registration matters. In QLD, notifications are received by the Office of the Health Ombudsman (OHO), who determines which notifications should be managed by the NMBA.*

The NMBA's functions are supported by the [Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency](#) (Ahpra). For information about legislation governing the NMBA and Ahpra, see [Ahpra's Legislation & Publications](#) at www.ahpra.gov.au/Legislation-and-Publications.aspx

Ahpra has analysed the NMBA's registration data and produced a number of statistical tables¹ about registrants to share with the professions and community. This report is updated on a quarterly basis.

For more information on nursing and midwifery registration, please see the NMBA's website:

www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au/Registration-and-Endorsement.aspx

¹ Note that the data for dual registration in the tables and diagrams includes where a nurse or a midwife may be non-practising in one category, for example enrolled nurse (non-practising) & registered nurse (practising) or nurse (non-practising) & midwife (practising).

Principal place of practice

Registration type

Table 1.1 Registration type by principal place of practice*

Profession	Registration types	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Nurse	General	Enrolled Nurse (EN)	843	13,354	379	13,983	8,016	1,896	20,927	6,063	167	65,628
		Registered Nurse (RN)	6,531	103,101	4,095	80,335	28,243	8,568	95,925	39,093	32,748	398,639
		EN & RN	221	2,295	95	2,439	1,155	123	4,440	1,186	32	11,986
	Total General Nurse		7,595	118,750	4,569	96,757	37,414	10,587	121,292	46,342	32,947	476,253
	Non-practising	Enrolled Nurse (EN)	31	484	15	534	267	44	693	189	27	2,284
		Registered Nurse (RN)	155	2,337	49	1,536	521	191	1,810	711	1,138	8,448
		EN & RN		11	1	22	8	1	41	5	4	93
	Total Non-practising Nurse		186	2,832	65	2,092	796	236	2,544	905	1,169	10,825
	Provisional	Enrolled Nurse (EN)	1	15	1	24	15	3	34	10	2	105
		Registered Nurse (RN)	1	46	2	48	12	3	40	16	11	179
		EN & RN							1			1
	Total Provisional Nurse		2	61	3	72	27	6	75	26	13	285
	Total Nurse			7,783	121,643	4,637	98,921	38,237	10,829	123,911	47,273	34,129

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Profession	Registration types	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Nurse and Midwife	General	EN & Midwife	1	20	3	37	10	1	35	9		116
		RN & Midwife	365	6,377	437	5,106	1,364	588	7,431	2,707	229	24,604
		EN & RN & Midwife	2	27	1	11	3	1	46	13		104
	Total General Nurse and Midwife		368	6,424	441	5,154	1,377	590	7,512	2,729	229	24,824
	Non-practising	EN & Midwife				1			1			2
		RN & Midwife	21	245	7	104	58	12	141	56	29	673
		EN & RN & Midwife				1			1			2
	Total Non-practising Nurse and Midwife		21	245	7	106	58	12	143	56	29	677
	Provisional	RN & Midwife		1		1	2					4
	Total Provisional Nurse and Midwife		0	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	4
	Non-practising and Provisional	RN & Midwife										0
	Total Non-practising and Provisional Nurse and Midwife		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Nurse and Midwife			389	6,670	448	5,261	1,437	602	7,655	2,785	258	25,505
Midwife	General		255	2,013	115	1,976	1,010	86	1,760	630	394	8,239
	Non-practising		6	60	2	55	26	1	42	11	26	229
	Provisional					1	1		1	1		4
Total Midwife			261	2,073	117	2,032	1,037	87	1,803	642	420	8,472
Total			8,433	130,386	5,202	106,214	40,711	11,518	133,369	50,700	34,807	521,340

* The Nursing and Midwifery Board introduced Provisional Registration for Nurses and Midwives in September 2015.

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
Midwife	10	77	9	80	14	2	14	10		216
Nurse	68	2,503	144	2,150	394	325	848	561	110	7,103
Nurse and Midwife	7	134	14	87	16	12	46	32	1	349
Percentage of all practitioners	1.0 %	2.1 %	3.2 %	2.2 %	1.0 %	2.9 %	0.7 %	1.2 %	0.3 %	1.5 %

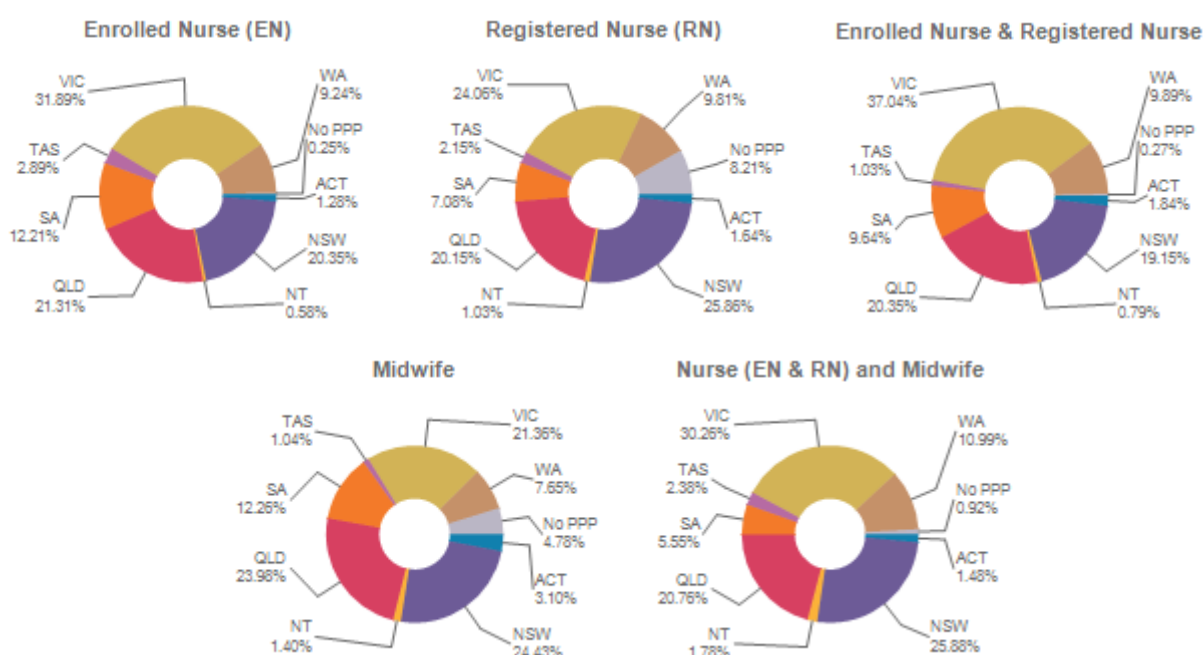
General registration

Table 2.1 Totals for practitioners with general registration as Nurse and/or Midwife

Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Enrolled Nurse (EN)	843	13,354	379	13,983	8,016	1,896	20,927	6,063	167	65,628
Registered Nurse (RN)	6,531	103,101	4,095	80,335	28,243	8,568	95,925	39,093	32,748	398,639
EN & RN	221	2,295	95	2,439	1,155	123	4,440	1,186	32	11,986
Midwife	255	2,013	115	1,976	1,010	86	1,760	630	394	8,239
Nurse (EN & RN) and Midwife*	368	6,424	441	5,154	1,377	590	7,512	2,729	229	24,824

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Table 2.2 Percentage of general registration by principal place of practice



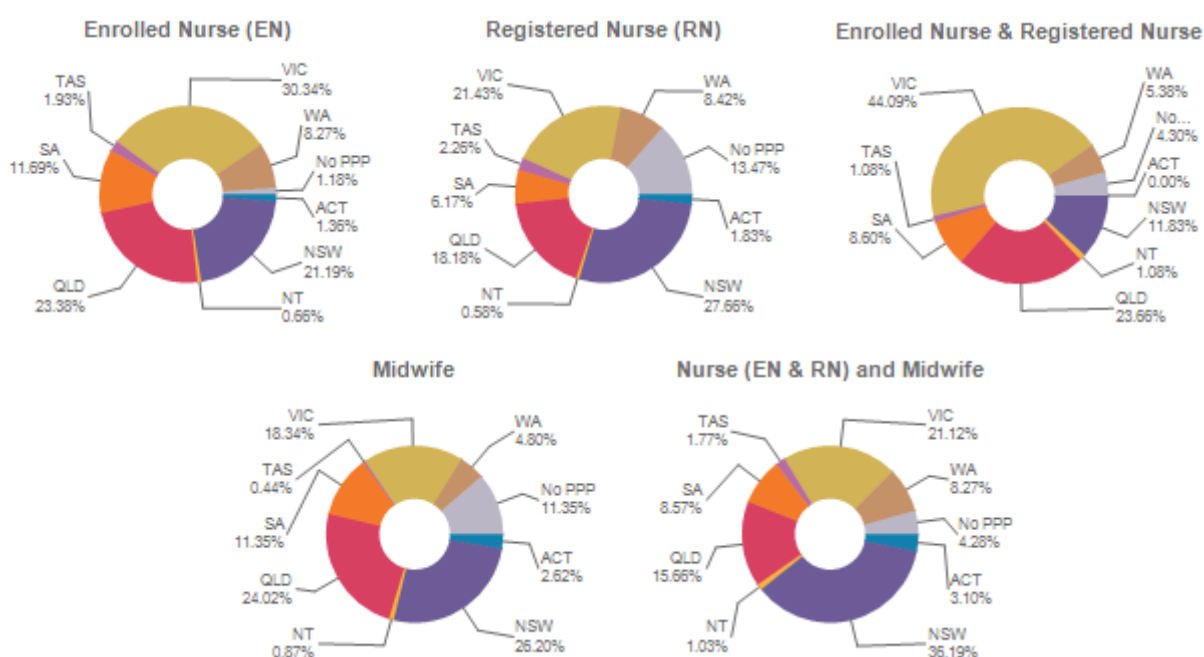
Non-practising registration

Table 3.1 Totals for practitioners with non-practising registration as Nurse and/or Midwife

Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Enrolled Nurse (EN)	31	484	15	534	267	44	693	189	27	2,284
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Table 3.2 Percentage of non-practising registration by principal place of practice



Provisional registration

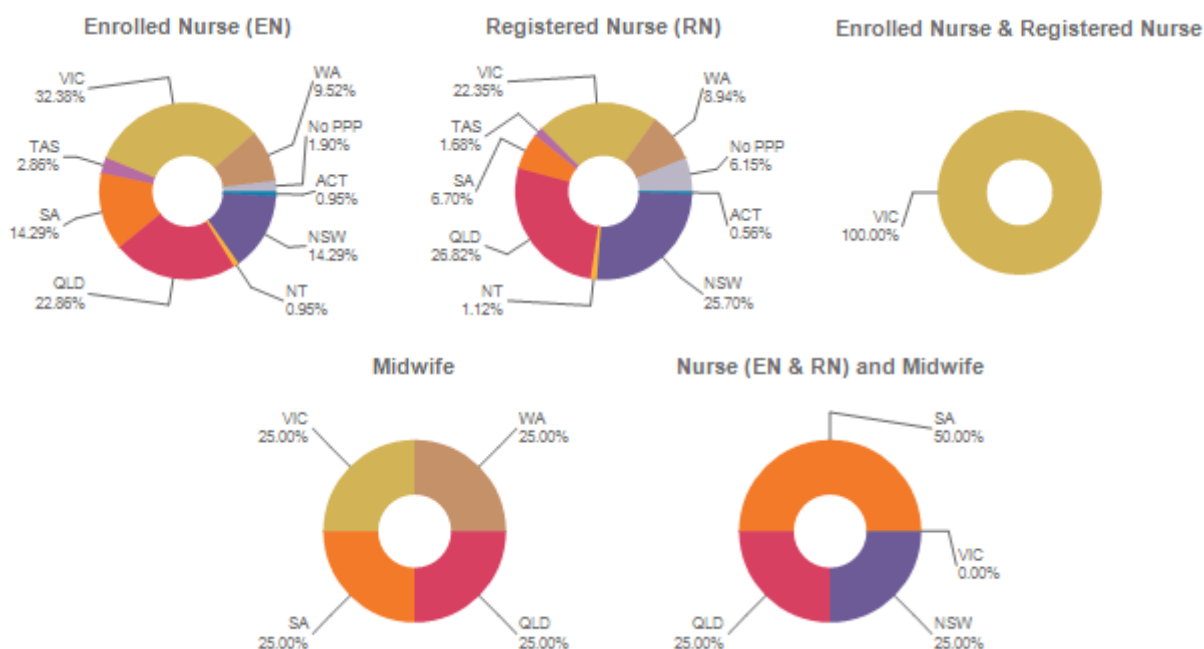
Provisional registration is a registration type used by the NMBA for registered nurses, enrolled nurses and/or midwives who want to return to the register after an absence from practice. Provisional registration enables a registered nurse, enrolled nurse and/or midwife to complete a period of supervised practice or a NMBA-approved re-entry to practice program to be eligible for general registration.

Table 4.1 Totals for practitioners with provisional registration as Nurse and/or Midwife

Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Enrolled Nurse (EN)	1	15	1	24	15	3	34	10	2	105
Registered Nurse (RN)	1	46	2	48	12	3	40	16	11	179
EN & RN							1			1
Midwife				1	1		1	1		4
Nurse (EN & RN) and Midwife*		1		1	2					4

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Table 4.2 Percentage of provisional registration by principal place of practice



Endorsements by type

The NMBA endorsements for registered nurses are:

- Nurse Practitioner
- Registered Nurse - scheduled medicines (rural and isolated practice)

The NMBA endorsements for midwives are:

- Midwife – scheduled medicines
- Midwife Practitioner – refer [Position-Statement Midwife Practitioners \(7 April 2011\)](#)

Table 5.1 Registered Nurse and Midwife - Endorsements by principal place of practice

Profession	Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Nurse	Nurse Practitioner	73	693	44	785	211	57	707	345	51	2,966
	Scheduled Medicines - Rural and isolated practice	5	57	30	757	9	15	260	28	10	1,171
Midwife	Midwife practitioner		1								1
	Scheduled Medicines*	25	210	24	428	110	23	227	261	115	1,423
Total		103	961	98	1,970	330	95	1,194	634	176	5,561

* The above numbers under 'Midwife - Scheduled Medicines' reflect those midwives who have met the NMBA Registration standard for endorsement for scheduled medicines for midwives.

Notations

Registered nurses with a sole qualification in mental health nursing or paediatric nursing or disability nursing - rather than a qualification in general nursing - are identified on the national register with a notation, which states: Solely qualified in the area of Disability Nursing / Mental Health Nursing / Paediatric Nursing.

Table 6.1 Registered Nurse notations

Notation	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Disability Nursing		79	1	21	4	1	40	37	44	227
Mental Health nursing	5	440	26	279	163	34	536	919	473	2,875
Paediatric Nursing	3	232	5	203	25	2	136	206	263	1,075
Total	8	751	32	503	192	37	712	1,162	780	4,177

Midwife notations

Note: All midwives who held the Eligible Midwife notation either now hold the Midwife Scheduled Medicines endorsement or have determined they no longer require the Eligible Midwife notation.

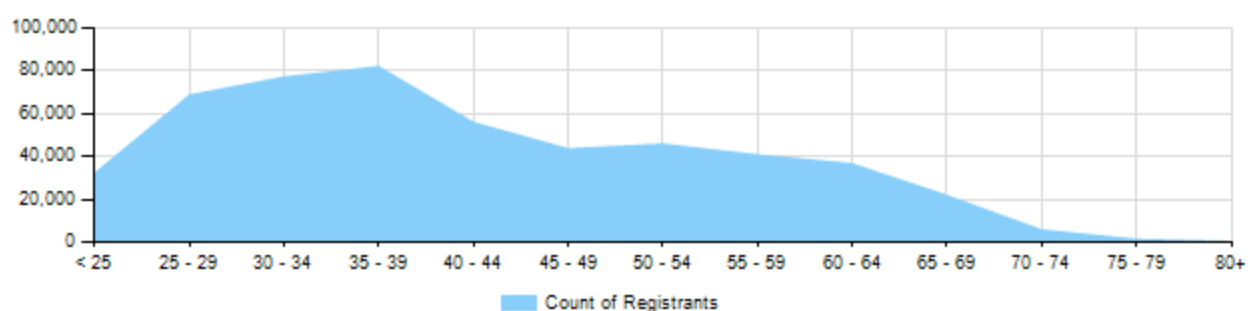
Age group

General registration

Table 7.1 General registration by age group

Age group	Nurse			Nurse and Midwife			Midwife	Total	% age bracket
	EN	RN	EN & RN	EN	RN	EN & RN			
< 25	7,320	22,566	726		772	2	652	32,038	6.3%
25 - 29	8,442	53,633	2,514	11	2,350	12	1,454	68,416	13.4%
30 - 34	8,065	62,753	1,948	27	2,626	27	1,369	76,815	15.1%
35 - 39	6,698	69,143	2,094	19	2,429	22	1,295	81,700	16.0%
40 - 44	5,669	45,273	1,557	16	2,099	14	1,063	55,691	10.9%
45 - 49	4,927	34,558	1,083	15	1,956	8	834	43,381	8.5%
50 - 54	6,013	35,580	831	14	2,465	8	677	45,588	9.0%
55 - 59	6,818	29,625	609	6	2,990	5	471	40,524	8.0%
60 - 64	6,778	25,242	432	7	3,745	5	248	36,457	7.2%
65 - 69	3,920	15,101	157	1	2,334		124	21,637	4.2%
70 - 74	826	4,060	28		660	1	42	5,617	1.1%
75 - 79	132	939	7		148		9	1,235	0.2%
80+	20	166			30		1	217	<0.1%
Total	65,628	398,639	11,986	116	24,604	104	8,239	509,316	100.0%

Table 7.2 General registration by age group

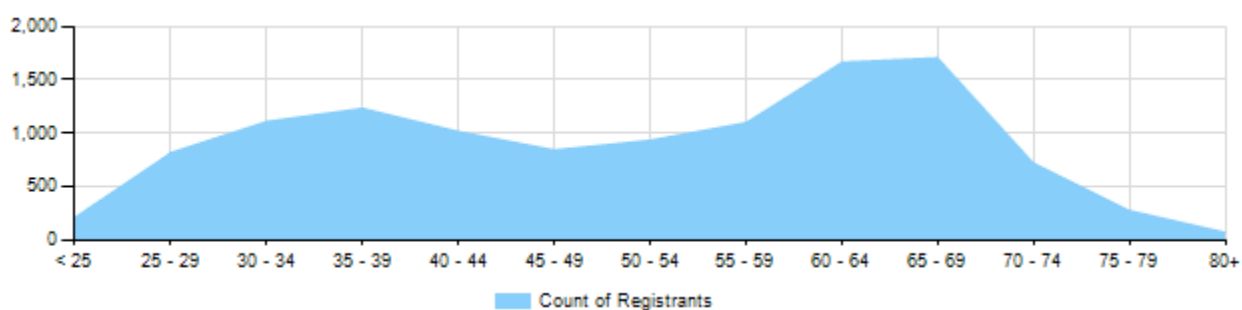


Non-practising registration

Table 8.1 Non-practising registration by age group

Age group	Nurse			Nurse and Midwife			Midwife	Total	% age bracket
	EN	RN	EN & RN	EN	RN	EN & RN			
< 25	131	83	1				2	217	1.8%
25 - 29	231	553	7		7		22	820	7.0%
30 - 34	222	831	10	1	19	1	28	1,112	9.5%
35 - 39	208	938	22	1	40		25	1,234	10.5%
40 - 44	185	770	8		24	1	29	1,017	8.7%
45 - 49	161	641	2		19		22	845	7.2%
50 - 54	205	659	6		52		14	936	8.0%
55 - 59	283	731	9		51		26	1,100	9.4%
60 - 64	333	1,159	12		141		20	1,665	14.2%
65 - 69	245	1,255	12		169		26	1,707	14.6%
70 - 74	61	556	3		93		11	724	6.2%
75 - 79	18	214	1		42		4	279	2.4%
80+	1	58			16			75	0.6%
Total	2,284	8,448	93	2	673	2	229	11,731	100.0%

Table 8.2 Non-practising registration by age group



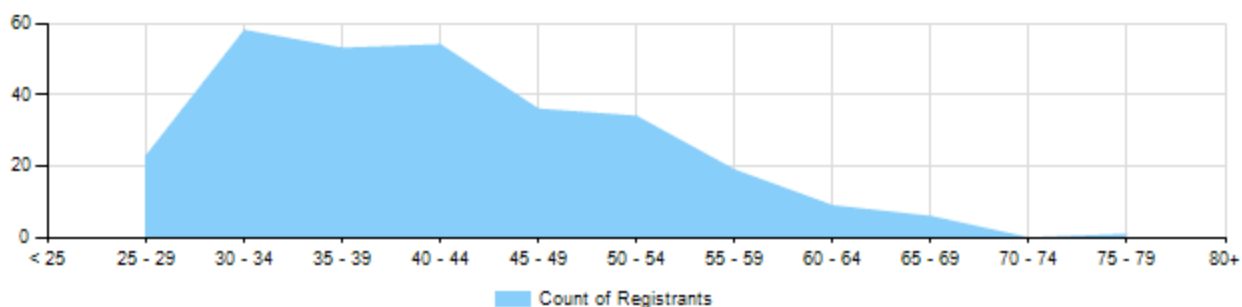
Provisional registration

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Table 9.1 Provisional registration by age group

Age group	Nurse			Nurse and Midwife		Total	% age bracket
	EN	RN	EN & RN	RN	Midwife		
< 25						0	0.0%
25 - 29	18	5				23	7.8%
30 - 34	22	35			1	58	19.8%
35 - 39	24	27		1	1	53	18.1%
40 - 44	17	35		1	1	54	18.4%
45 - 49	5	29	1		1	36	12.3%
50 - 54	10	22		2		34	11.6%
55 - 59	5	14				19	6.5%
60 - 64	4	5				9	3.1%
65 - 69		6				6	2.0%
70 - 74						0	0.0%
75 - 79		1				1	0.3%
80+						0	0.0%
Total	105	179	1	4	4	293	100.0%

Table 9.2 Provisional registration by age group



Gender

General registration

Table 10.1 General registration by gender

Profession	Gender	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Nurse	Female	Enrolled Nurse (EN)	702	11,647	311	12,583	6,920	1,692	18,657	5,483	154	58,149
		Registered Nurse (RN)	5,644	88,946	3,448	70,094	24,587	7,455	83,977	35,022	28,342	347,515
		EN & RN	189	1,974	83	2,107	963	111	3,795	1,052	26	10,300
	Total Female General Nurse		6,535	102,567	3,842	84,784	32,470	9,258	106,429	41,557	28,522	415,964
	Male	Enrolled Nurse (EN)	141	1,704	68	1,399	1,095	204	2,269	578	13	7,471
		Registered Nurse (RN)	886	14,143	645	10,227	3,655	1,111	11,929	4,067	4,404	51,067
		EN & RN	32	321	12	332	192	12	644	134	6	1,685
	Total Male General Nurse		1,059	16,168	725	11,958	4,942	1,327	14,842	4,779	4,423	60,223
	Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	Enrolled Nurse (EN)		3		1	1		1	2		8
		Registered Nurse (RN)	1	12	2	14	1	2	19	4	2	57
		EN & RN							1			1
	Total Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate General Nurse		1	15	2	15	2	2	21	6	2	66
	Total General Nurse			7,595	118,750	4,569	96,757	37,414	10,587	121,292	46,342	32,947
Nurse and Midwife	Female	EN & Midwife	1	20	2	36	10	1	35	9		114
		RN & Midwife	355	6,249	410	5,033	1,347	575	7,374	2,675	228	24,246
		EN & RN & Midwife	2	24	1	11	3	1	46	13		101
	Total Female General Nurse and Midwife		358	6,293	413	5,080	1,360	577	7,455	2,697	228	24,461
	Male	EN & Midwife			1	1						2
		RN & Midwife	10	127	27	73	17	13	56	32	1	356
		EN & RN & Midwife		3								3
	Total Male General Nurse and Midwife		10	130	28	74	17	13	56	32	1	361
	Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	RN & Midwife		1					1			2
Total General Nurse and Midwife			368	6,424	441	5,154	1,377	590	7,512	2,729	229	24,824

Table 10.1 (continued from page 14)

Profession	Gender	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Midwife	Female		254	2,008	115	1,971	1,007	86	1,753	629	394	8,217
	Male		1	5		5	3		6	1		21
	Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate								1			1
Total General Midwife			255	2,013	115	1,976	1,010	86	1,760	630	394	8,239
Total			8,218	127,187	5,125	103,887	39,801	11,263	130,564	49,701	33,570	509,316

* Practitioners with a Nurse and Midwife registration may hold registration as an EN and Midwife, RN and Midwife, or EN and RN and Midwife.

Table 10.2 Total general registration by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	7,147	110,868	4,370	91,835	34,837	9,921	115,637	44,883	29,144	448,642
Male	1,070	16,303	753	12,037	4,962	1,340	14,904	4,812	4,424	60,605
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	1	16	2	15	2	2	23	6	2	69

Table 10.3 Total general registration by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	87.0%	87.2%	85.3%	88.4%	87.5%	88.1%	88.6%	90.3%	86.8%	88.1%
Male	13.0%	12.8%	14.7%	11.6%	12.5%	11.9%	11.4%	9.7%	13.2%	11.9%
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%

Non-practising registration

Table 11.1 Non-practising registration by gender

Profession	Gender	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Nurse	Female	Enrolled Nurse (EN)	29	445	14	484	251	38	639	176	23	2,099
		Registered Nurse (RN)	126	2,088	41	1,374	454	167	1,586	652	943	7,431
		EN & RN		11	1	21	8	1	31	5	4	82
	Total Female Non-practising Nurse		155	2,544	56	1,879	713	206	2,256	833	970	9,612
	Male	Enrolled Nurse (EN)	2	38	1	50	16	6	54	13	4	184
		Registered Nurse (RN)	29	249	8	162	67	24	224	59	195	1,017
		EN & RN				1			10			11
	Total Male Non-practising Nurse		31	287	9	213	83	30	288	72	199	1,212
	Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	Enrolled Nurse (EN)		1								1
Total Non-practising Nurse			186	2,832	65	2,092	796	236	2,544	905	1,169	10,825
Nurse and Midwife	Female	EN & Midwife				1			1			2
		RN & Midwife	21	236	6	102	57	12	138	54	28	654
		EN & RN & Midwife				1			1			2
	Total Female Non-practising Nurse and Midwife		21	236	6	104	57	12	140	54	28	658
	Male	RN & Midwife		9	1	2	1		3	2	1	19
Total Non-practising Nurse and Midwife			21	245	7	106	58	12	143	56	29	677
Midwife	Female		6	60	2	55	26	1	42	11	25	228
	Male										1	1
Total Non-practising Midwife			6	60	2	55	26	1	42	11	26	229
Total			213	3,137	74	2,253	880	249	2,729	972	1,224	11,731

Table 11.2 Total non-practising registration by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	182	2,840	64	2,038	796	219	2,438	898	1,023	10,498
Male	31	296	10	215	84	30	291	74	201	1,232
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		1								1

Table 11.3 Total non-practising registration by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	85.4%	90.5%	86.5%	90.5%	90.5%	88.0%	89.3%	92.4%	83.6%	89.5%
Male	14.6%	9.4%	13.5%	9.5%	9.5%	12.0%	10.7%	7.6%	16.4%	10.5%
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		<0.1%								<0.1%

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Table 12.1 Provisional registration by gender

Profession	Gender	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Nurse	Female	Enrolled Nurse (EN)		14	1	21	12	3	30	7	1	89
		Registered Nurse (RN)		43	2	42	9	3	39	15	10	163
		EN & RN							1			1
	Total Female Provisional Nurse		0	57	3	63	21	6	70	22	11	253
	Male	Enrolled Nurse (EN)	1	1		3	3		4	3	1	16
		Registered Nurse (RN)	1	3		6	3		1	1	1	16
	Total Male Provisional Nurse		2	4	0	9	6	0	5	4	2	32
Total Provisional Nurse			2	61	3	72	27	6	75	26	13	285
Nurse and Midwife	Female	RN & Midwife		1		1	2					4
Total Provisional Nurse and Midwife			0	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	4
Midwife	Female					1	1		1	1		4
Total Provisional Midwife			0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	4
Total			2	62	3	74	30	6	76	27	13	293

Table 12.2 Total provisional registration by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female		58	3	65	24	6	71	23	11	261
Male	2	4		9	6		5	4	2	32

Table 12.3 Total provisional registration by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female		93.5%	100.0%	87.8%	80.0%	100.0%	93.4%	85.2%	84.6%	89.1%
Male	100.0%	6.5%		12.2%	20.0%		6.6%	14.8%	15.4%	10.9%