

Physiotherapy Board of Australia

Registrant data

Reporting period: 01 April 2023 to 30 June 2023



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Introduction

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

- registering physiotherapists and students
- developing standards, codes and guidelines for the physiotherapy profession
- handling notifications, complaints, investigations and disciplinary hearings
- overseeing the assessment of overseas trained physiotherapists 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 physiotherapy registration, please see the Board's website www.physiotherapyboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx

Pandemic response sub-register

Ahpra and the National Boards supported the COVID-19 response by helping provide access to a potential surge workforce when the healthcare system was experiencing changing demands due to outbreaks of COVID-19 variants.

Temporary Pandemic response sub-registers were first established in April 2020 to help fast track the return to the workforce of experienced and qualified health practitioners.

On 8 June 2023, the Pandemic response sub-registers were closed and all practitioners registered on them were transitioned to the public register. For more information see the [COVID-19 page](#) on Ahpra's website.

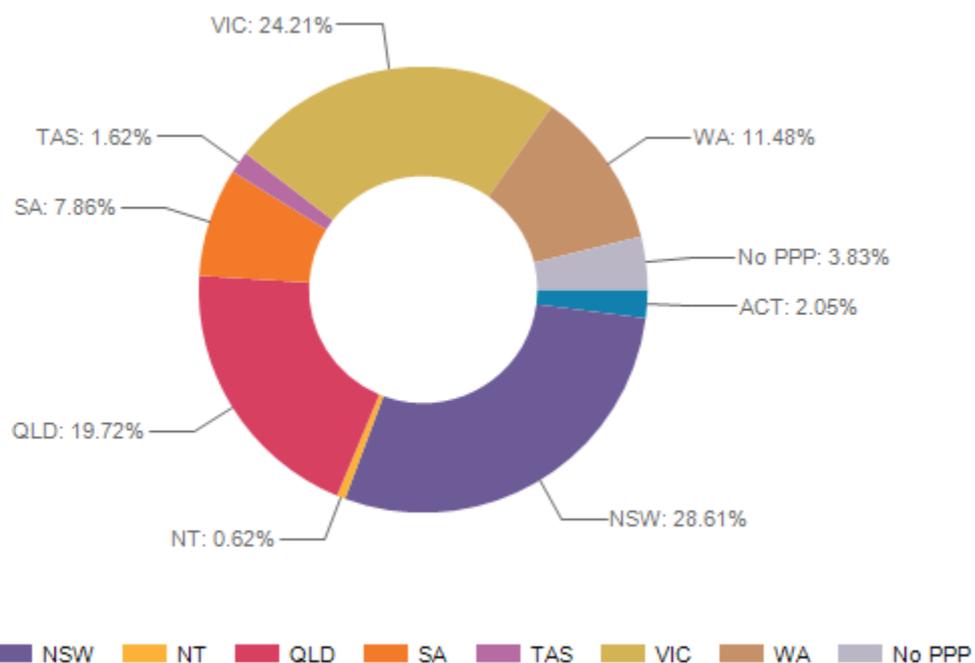
Principal place of practice

Registration type

Table 1.1 Registration type and subtype by principal place of practice

Registration types	Registration subtypes	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General		829	11,345	248	7,852	3,127	634	9,426	4,559	1,271	39,291
Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	11	311	6	206	99	30	456	102	15	1,236
	Teaching or research		5		6			2			13
Non-practising		23	385	5	239	85	16	308	170	327	1,558
Total		863	12,046	259	8,303	3,311	680	10,192	4,831	1,613	42,098

Table 1.2 Registrations by principal place of practice percentages



Endorsements by type

Table 1.3 Endorsements

Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Acupuncture							6			6

The Physiotherapy Board does not have an approved program or pathway for acupuncture endorsement. There are currently practitioners with an acupuncture endorsement as a result of Victoria having different legislation before the start of the National Scheme.

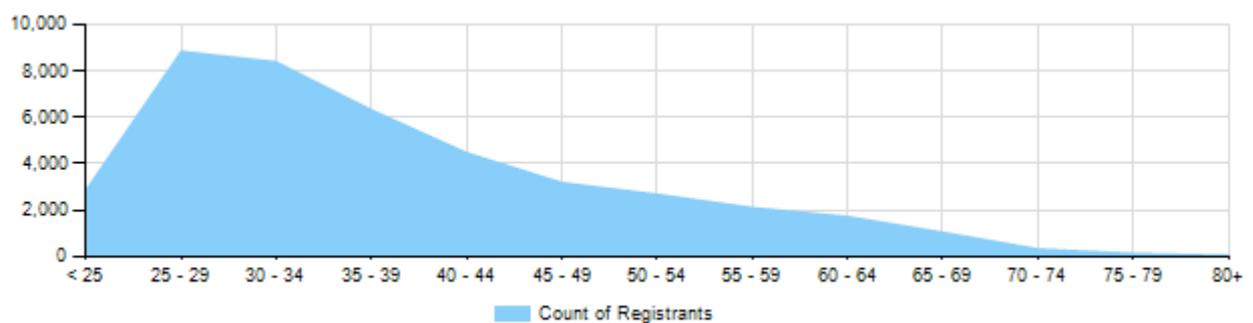
Age group

Registration type and subtype

Table 2.1 Registration by age group

Age group	General	Limited		Non-practising	Total
		Postgraduate training or supervised practice	Teaching or research		
< 25	2,848	8		2	2,858
25 - 29	8,354	395		125	8,874
30 - 34	7,718	458	1	240	8,417
35 - 39	5,841	262	2	231	6,336
40 - 44	4,192	91	3	188	4,474
45 - 49	2,996	20	2	164	3,182
50 - 54	2,532	1	2	140	2,675
55 - 59	1,985	1	2	106	2,094
60 - 64	1,561		1	150	1,712
65 - 69	901			129	1,030
70 - 74	259			48	307
75 - 79	84			26	110
80+	20			9	29
Total	39,291	1,236	13	1,558	42,098

Table 2.2 Registration by age group



Gender

Registration type

Table 3.1 Gender by state and territory by registration type

Gender	Registration types	Registration subtypes	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	General		533	6,990	171	4,871	1,897	427	6,124	3,142	831	24,986
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	10	211	5	128	75	16	307	59	9	820
		Teaching or research		3		5						8
	Non-practising		20	280	4	164	62	9	234	123	233	1,129
Total Female			563	7,484	180	5,168	2,034	452	6,665	3,324	1,073	26,943
Male	General		296	4,355	77	2,981	1,229	207	3,302	1,417	440	14,304
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	1	100	1	78	24	14	149	43	6	416
		Teaching or research		2		1			2			5
	Non-practising		3	105	1	75	23	7	74	47	94	429
Total Male			300	4,562	79	3,135	1,276	228	3,527	1,507	540	15,154
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	General						1					1
Total			863	12,046	259	8,303	3,311	680	10,192	4,831	1,613	42,098

Percentage

Table 3.2 Registrants by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	65.2%	62.1%	69.5%	62.2%	61.4%	66.5%	65.4%	68.8%	66.5%	64.0%
Male	34.8%	37.9%	30.5%	37.8%	38.5%	33.5%	34.6%	31.2%	33.5%	36.0%
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate					<0.1%					<0.1%