

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

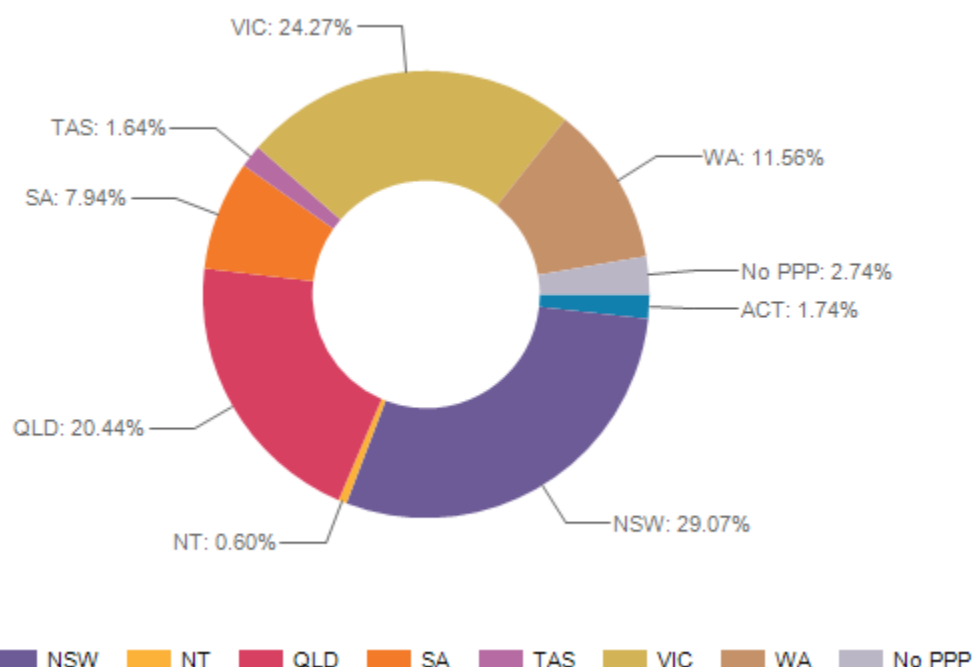
The Board has analysed its registration data and produced a number of statistical breakdowns about registrants to share with the profession and community. The Board shares these breakdowns regularly. For more information on dental registration, please see the Board's website: www.dentalboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx

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		428	7,398	158	5,232	2,007	423	6,184	2,939	440	25,209
General and Non-practising					1				1		2
General and Specialist		50	562	6	378	154	31	456	217	42	1,896
Specialist		1	16	1	11	4	1	16	12	12	74
Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	1			1	1		7	9	1	20
	Teaching or research		8		16	6		3	8		41
Non-practising		12	241	6	143	73	9	199	85	281	1,049
Total		492	8,225	171	5,782	2,245	464	6,865	3,271	776	28,291

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	16	16	2	157
Percentage of all practitioners	0.6 %	0.6 %	1.8 %	0.9 %	0.6 %	0.9 %	0.2 %	0.5 %	0.3 %	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	38	345	13	213	366	18	216	261	15	1,485
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	88	43	4	86	49	3	331
Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Dentist				1						1
Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist		26		14	15	2	36	17	4	114
Dental Hygienist and Dentist		3		3			1			7
Dental Hygienist and Oral Health Therapist		22		4	4		9	9		48
Dental Prosthetist	11	399	4	348	66	42	353	74	5	1,302
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	115	9	86	46	33	95	191	5	586
Dental Therapist and Dentist				1			1			2
Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist		1			1			6		8
Dentist	384	6,234	121	4,427	1,384	323	5,176	2,280	705	21,034
Dentist and Oral Health Therapist		5		4	1		3	1		14
Oral Health Therapist	48	1,024	19	591	319	41	884	383	39	3,348
Total	492	8,225	171	5,782	2,245	464	6,865	3,271	776	28,291

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	36	330	13	203	354	18	210	252	10	1,426
	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	83	39	4	85	48	3	313
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Dentist				1						1
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist		26		14	15	2	36	17	4	114
	Dental Hygienist and Dentist		3		2			1			6
	Dental Hygienist and Oral Health Therapist		22		4	4		9	9		48
	Dental Prosthetist	11	385	4	337	66	42	345	73	3	1,266
	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	100	8	85	46	32	85	181	2	544
	Dental Therapist and Dentist				1			1			2
	Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist		1			1			5		7
	Dentist	324	5,475	110	3,922	1,171	284	4,535	1,976	387	18,184
	Dentist and Oral Health Therapist		5		4	1		3	1		14
	Oral Health Therapist	47	1,007	18	574	310	40	869	377	31	3,273
Sub Total - General		428	7,398	158	5,232	2,007	423	6,184	2,939	440	25,209

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Registration types	Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General and Non-practising	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist										0
	Dental Hygienist and Dentist				1						1
	Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist								1		1
Sub Total - General and Non-practising		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
General and Specialist	Dentist	50	562	6	378	154	31	456	217	42	1,896
Specialist	Dentist	1	16	1	11	4	1	16	12	12	74
Limited	Dentist	1	8		17	7		10	16	1	60
	Oral Health Therapist								1		1
Sub Total - Limited		1	8	0	17	7	0	10	17	1	61
Non-practising	Dental Hygienist	2	15		10	12		6	9	5	59
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist		7		5	4		1	1		18
	Dental Prosthetist		14		11			8	1	2	36
	Dental Therapist	1	15	1	1		1	10	10	3	42
	Dentist	8	173	4	99	48	7	159	59	263	820
	Oral Health Therapist	1	17	1	17	9	1	15	5	8	74
Sub Total - Non-practising		12	241	6	143	73	9	199	85	281	1,049
Total		492	8,225	171	5,782	2,245	464	6,865	3,271	776	28,291

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		46	17	5	49	22	6	212
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	60	2	62	19	5	58	22	7	241
Oral medicine	1	12		5			17	14	1	50
Oral surgery		44		8		1	7	2	7	69
Orthodontics	15	199	3	126	51	7	153	71	16	641
Paediatric dentistry	4	47		33	16	1	50	26	4	181
Periodontics	10	79	1	58	20	7	70	34	4	283
Prosthodontics	6	71		40	25	1	56	25	7	231
Public health dentistry (Community dentistry)		7	1	2	2	1	6	1		20
Special needs dentistry		7		6	3	2	9	1	1	29
Total	51	596	8	397	159	32	479	232	54	2,008

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		19	2	1	4	14	1	91

Age group

Table 6.1 Dental practitioners - by age group

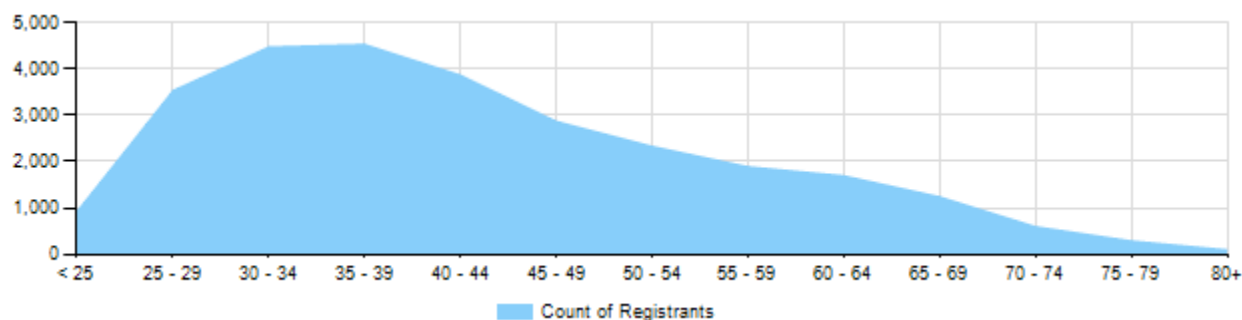


Table 6.2 Dental practitioners - registration type by age group

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	916							7	923
25 - 29	3,460		10		5			59	3,534
30 - 34	4,194		137	5	5		2	132	4,475
35 - 39	4,125	2	249	10	4		10	130	4,530
40 - 44	3,408		312	18	5		11	114	3,868
45 - 49	2,462		307	21			5	72	2,867
50 - 54	2,031		210	7	1		5	73	2,327
55 - 59	1,610		179	10			6	80	1,885
60 - 64	1,384		197	1			1	106	1,689
65 - 69	974		156	2				104	1,236
70 - 74	406		84				1	98	589
75 - 79	194		33					53	280
80+	45		22					21	88
Total	25,209	2	1,896	74	20	0	41	1,049	28,291

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		283	4,118	96	2,970	1,313	229	3,694	1,902	251	14,856
	General and Non-practising					1				1		2
	General and Specialist		15	177	2	108	52	9	172	82	13	630
	Specialist		1	7		4	1		10	4	5	32
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice				1	1		2	5		9
		Teaching or research		2		6	3		1	2		14
	Non-practising		9	120	1	85	46	4	97	50	139	551
Total Female			308	4,424	99	3,175	1,416	242	3,976	2,046	408	16,094
Male	General		145	3,279	62	2,262	694	194	2,490	1,037	189	10,352
	General and Specialist		35	385	4	270	102	22	284	135	29	1,266
	Specialist			9	1	7	3	1	6	8	7	42
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	1						5	3	1	10
		Teaching or research		6		10	2		2	6		26
	Non-practising		3	121	5	58	27	5	102	35	142	498
Total Male			184	3,800	72	2,607	828	222	2,889	1,224	368	12,194
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	General			1								1
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice								1		1
		Teaching or research					1					1
Total												
			492	8,225	171	5,782	2,245	464	6,865	3,271	776	28,291

Table 7.2 Dental practitioners - percentage by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	62.6%	53.8%	57.9%	54.9%	63.1%	52.2%	57.9%	62.5%	52.6%	56.9%
Male	37.4%	46.2%	42.1%	45.1%	36.9%	47.8%	42.1%	37.4%	47.4%	43.1%
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		<0.1%			<0.1%			<0.1%		<0.1%