

Psychology Board of Australia

Registrant data

Reporting period: 01 October 2019 to 31 December 2019



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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 he or she is 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.

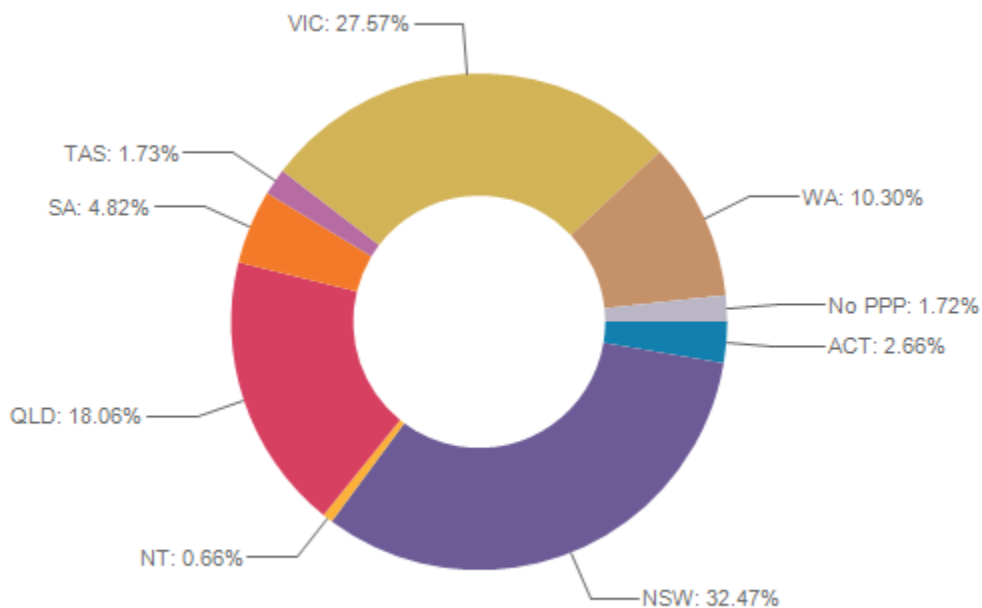
The 'No PPP' column in the tables on the following pages represents psychologists who do not have an Australian Principal Place of Practice recorded on the register usually because they are currently residing overseas or who have not provided a valid PPP.

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	849	10,067	205	5,591	1,526	542	8,643	3,188	415	31,026
Provisional	126	1,686	43	978	216	84	1,478	589	21	5,221
Non-practising	42	641	5	323	98	36	401	154	220	1,920
Total	1,017	12,394	253	6,892	1,840	662	10,522	3,931	656	38,167

Table 1.2 Registration by principal place of practice percentages



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	10	180	4	111	28	6	331	37	12	719
Clinical psychology	302	2,806	38	1,542	695	209	2,420	1,211	130	9,353
Community psychology	2	6	1	3	1		35	9		57
Counselling psychology	10	202		85	14	8	516	160	5	1,000
Educational and developmental psychology	10	154	2	132	35	20	272	69	9	703
Forensic psychology	13	234	7	70	38	5	187	49	8	611
Health psychology	6	67	1	63	30	10	144	5	2	328
Organisational psychology	13	181	1	91	51	2	161	45	8	553
Sport and exercise psychology	6	23		32	8	3	21	6		99
Total	372	3,853	54	2,129	900	263	4,087	1,591	174	13,423

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 31 December 2019 was 12,389.

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	11,431	894	55	7	1	1	12,389
% of endorsed psychologists who hold the corresponding number of endorsements	92.3%	7.2%	0.4%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	100.0%
Number of psychologists with general registration (endorsed and non-endorsed)							31,026
% of all psychologists with general registration with one or more endorsement	36.8%	2.9%	0.2%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	39.9%

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	560	4.9%	719	5.4%
Clinical psychology	8,531	74.6%	9,353	69.7%
Community psychology	31	0.3%	57	0.4%
Counselling psychology	694	6.1%	1,000	7.4%
Educational and developmental psychology	528	4.6%	703	5.2%
Forensic psychology	349	3.1%	611	4.6%
Health psychology	174	1.5%	328	2.4%
Organisational psychology	484	4.2%	553	4.1%
Sport and exercise psychology	80	0.7%	99	0.7%
Total	11,431	100.0%	13,423	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	40	750	14	369	70	19	177	202	4	1,645
5+1 Internship	12	329	6	124	14	29	371	130	2	1,017
Higher Degree program	74	588	22	475	130	35	919	251	7	2,501
Transitional Program		19	1	10	2	1	11	6	8	58
Total	126	1,686	43	978	216	84	1,478	589	21	5,221

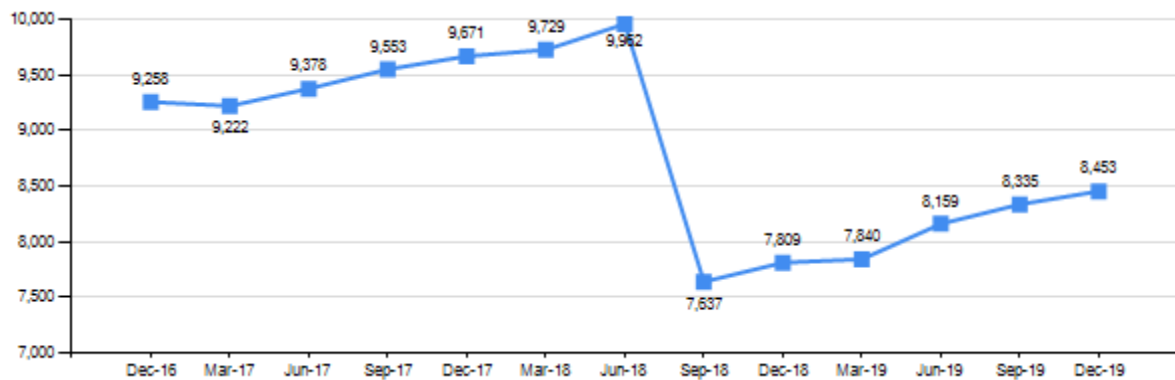
Supervisors

Board-approved supervisors

Table 4.1 Approved supervisors by PPP

PPP	Number of approved supervisors	% of general registrants
ACT	273	26.8%
NSW	2,834	22.9%
NT	61	24.1%
QLD	1,526	22.1%
SA	458	24.9%
TAS	185	27.9%
VIC	2,116	20.1%
WA	952	24.2%
No PPP	48	7.3%
Total	8,453	22.1%

Table 4.2 Change in the number of approved supervisors



8,500 psychologists were approved, under transitional arrangements in 2013, to provide supervision until 30 June 2018. 2,900 did not renew their supervision approvals, accounting for the decline in total approved supervisors in September 2018.

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	7	92	2	63	15	4	199	24	3	409
Clinical psychology	134	1,147	23	649	277	88	1,004	519	19	3,860
Community psychology	1	2		1			20	1		25
Counselling psychology	4	44		37	5	1	175	66		332
Educational and developmental psychology	2	62		66	16	7	102	22		277
Forensic psychology	9	124	6	32	22	3	91	26	5	318
Health psychology	4	23		29	13	3	62		1	135
Organisational psychology	5	64	1	41	18	2	72	14	2	219
Sport and exercise psychology	1	3		11	2		2	1		20
Total	167	1,561	32	929	368	108	1,727	673	30	5,595

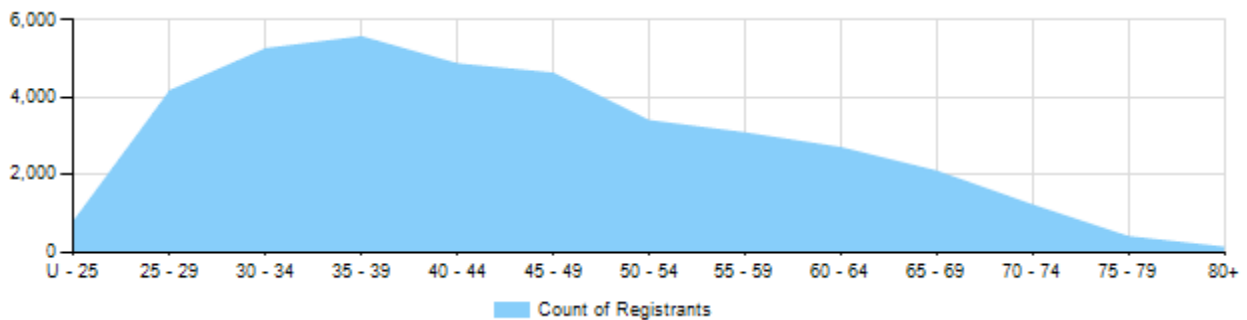
Age group

Registration type

Table 5.1 Registration type by age group

Age group	General	Provisional	Non-practising	Total
U - 25	45	755		800
25 - 29	2,182	1,918	61	4,161
30 - 34	4,073	912	264	5,249
35 - 39	4,712	560	286	5,558
40 - 44	4,276	393	186	4,855
45 - 49	4,129	314	172	4,615
50 - 54	3,049	197	143	3,389
55 - 59	2,822	108	138	3,068
60 - 64	2,439	51	199	2,689
65 - 69	1,854	7	219	2,080
70 - 74	1,034	4	168	1,206
75 - 79	318	2	65	385
80+	93		19	112
Total	31,026	5,221	1,920	38,167

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
Female	General	692	8,041	154	4,494	1,179	450	6,942	2,556	316	24,824
	Provisional	100	1,339	34	760	168	71	1,220	489	16	4,197
	Non-practising	30	492	4	266	75	27	324	131	176	1,525
Total female		822	9,872	192	5,520	1,422	548	8,486	3,176	508	30,546
Male	General	157	2,024	51	1,096	347	92	1,701	632	99	6,199
	Provisional	26	347	9	218	48	13	255	100	5	1,021
	Non-practising	12	149	1	57	23	9	77	23	44	395
Total male		195	2,520	61	1,371	418	114	2,033	755	148	7,615
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	General		2		1						3
	Provisional							3			3
Total Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		0	2	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	6
Total		1,017	12,394	253	6,892	1,840	662	10,522	3,931	656	38,167

Percentage

Table 6.2 Registrants by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	80.8%	79.7%	75.9%	80.1%	77.3%	82.8%	80.7%	80.8%	77.4%	80.0%
Male	19.2%	20.3%	24.1%	19.9%	22.7%	17.2%	19.3%	19.2%	22.6%	20.0%
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		<0.1%		<0.1%			<0.1%			<0.1%