

Physiotherapy Board of Australia

Registrant data

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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.

Ahpra and the Board established a short-term pandemic response sub-register for up to 12 months (or less if the pandemic subsides) to help with fast tracking the return to the workforce of experienced and qualified health practitioners. The pandemic response sub-register came into effect on 6 April 2020. Eligible physiotherapists were added to the pandemic response sub-register on 20 April 2020. These practitioners are included in these statistics. Please see the [COVID-19](#) page on AHPRA's website for more info.

For more information on physiotherapy registration, please see the Board's website www.physiotherapyboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx

Principal place of practice

Registration type

Table 1.1 Registration type and subtype by principal place of practice

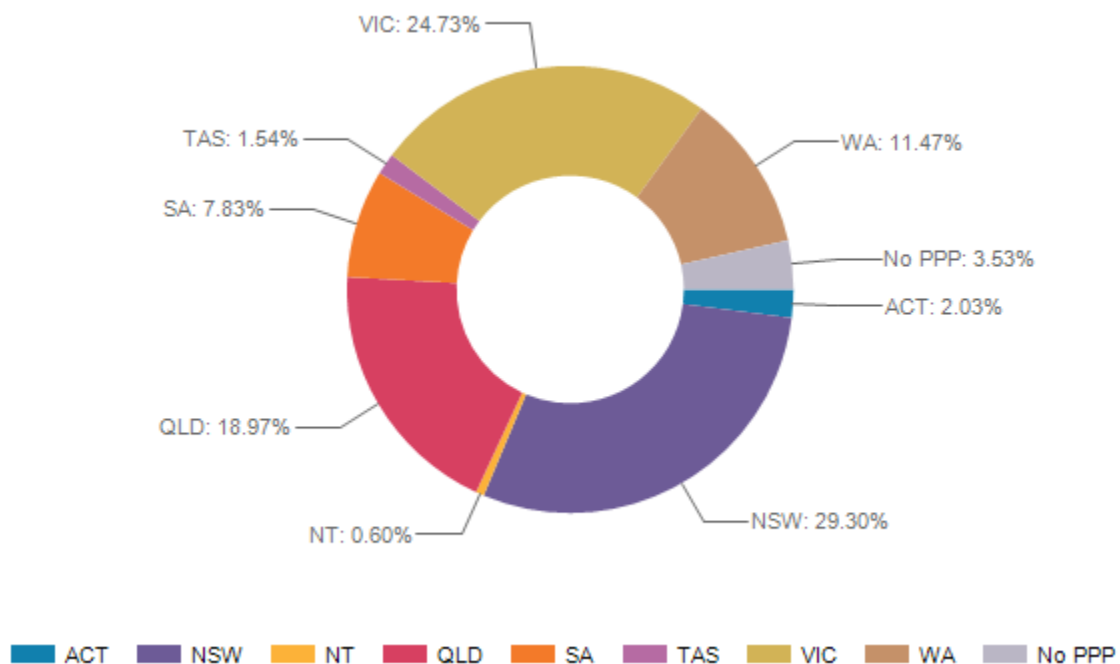
Registration types	Registration subtypes	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General		743	10,575	219	6,855	2,837	557	8,788	4,175	1,012	35,761
Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	7	170	3	104	59	15	288	48	5	699
	Teaching or research		7		7			1		1	16
Non-practising		8	182	1	111	25	4	152	58	299	840
Total		758	10,934	223	7,077	2,921	576	9,229	4,281	1,317	37,316*

* 2,058 eligible physiotherapists that are part of the short-term pandemic response sub-register are included in the above table.

Table 1.2 Registered practitioners for pandemic response by principal place of practice

Profession	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Physiotherapist	34	650	15	375	151	34	509	285	5	2,058

Table 1.3 Registrations by principal place of practice percentages



Endorsements by type

Table 1.4 Endorsements

Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Acupuncture							7			7

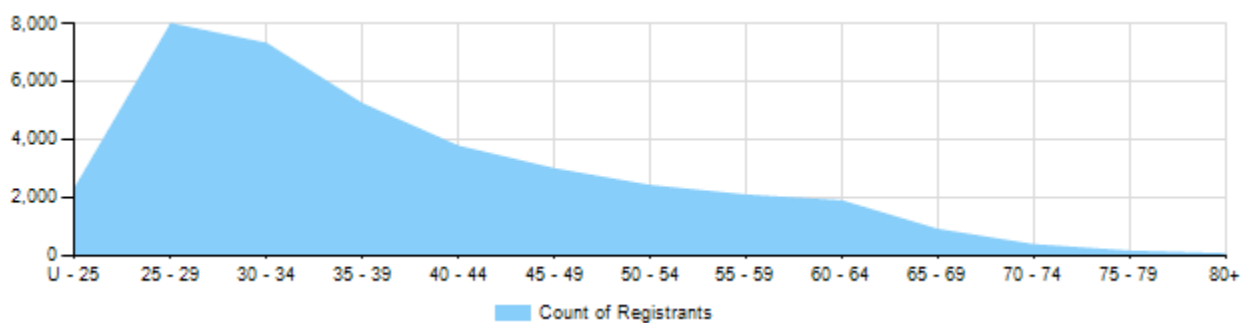
Age group

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		
U - 25	2,299	14		9	2,322
25 - 29	7,690	250		57	7,997
30 - 34	6,928	264	1	116	7,309
35 - 39	4,984	113	2	125	5,224
40 - 44	3,586	48	4	122	3,760
45 - 49	2,860	7	3	107	2,977
50 - 54	2,318	2	3	73	2,396
55 - 59	1,997		3	68	2,068
60 - 64	1,802	1		65	1,868
65 - 69	837			40	877
70 - 74	313			37	350
75 - 79	119			10	129
80+	28			11	39
Total	35,761	699	16	840	37,316

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		491	6,709	153	4,376	1,790	399	5,818	2,920	668	23,324
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	5	114	2	68	48	9	190	33	4	473
		Teaching or research		2		6					1	9
	Non-practising			7	144	1	82	20	3	119	42	222
Total Female			503	6,969	156	4,532	1,858	411	6,127	2,995	895	24,446
Male	General		252	3,866	66	2,479	1,047	158	2,970	1,255	344	12,437
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	2	56	1	36	11	6	98	15	1	226
		Teaching or research		5		1			1			7
	Non-practising			1	38		29	5	1	33	16	77
Total Male			255	3,965	67	2,545	1,063	165	3,102	1,286	422	12,870
Total			758	10,934	223	7,077	2,921	576	9,229	4,281	1,317	37,316

Percentage

Table 3.2 Registrants by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	66.4%	63.7%	70.0%	64.0%	63.6%	71.4%	66.4%	70.0%	68.0%	65.5%
Male	33.6%	36.3%	30.0%	36.0%	36.4%	28.6%	33.6%	30.0%	32.0%	34.5%