

Psychology Board of Australia

Registrant data

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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.

Pandemic response sub-register

On 22 September 2021, Ahpra and National Boards established the 2021 sub-register, enabling practitioners (including psychologists) to return to practice for up to 12 months to work to the full scope of their registration (subject to any notations). These psychologists are included in these statistics. Please see the [COVID-19](#) page on Ahpra's website for more info.

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.

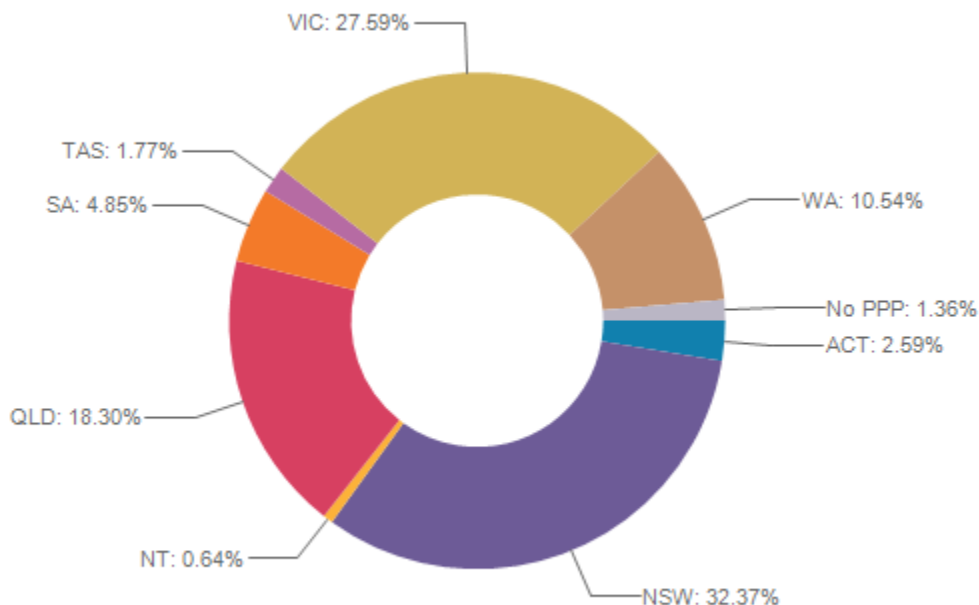
Registration type

Table 1.1 Registration type by principal place of practice

Registration types	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General	928	11,350	225	6,449	1,743	624	9,858	3,691	407	35,275
Provisional	187	2,632	58	1,489	343	136	2,191	902	4	7,942
Non-practising	48	557	5	281	91	33	345	141	199	1,700
Total	1,163	14,539	288	8,219	2,177	793	12,394	4,734	610	44,917*

* Total figure includes 376 psychologists on the 2021 Pandemic response sub-register. For more information go to the [COVID-19](#) page on the Ahpra website.

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	14	201	6	128	31	9	377	52	13	831
Clinical psychology	374	3,359	43	1,865	793	254	2,894	1,353	137	11,072
Community psychology	2	6	1	3	1		32	10		55
Counselling psychology	8	198		99	18	13	531	188	9	1,064
Educational and developmental psychology	11	163	3	172	36	17	360	67	7	836
Forensic psychology	16	240	10	71	37	8	211	56	6	655
Health psychology	5	69	1	67	36	10	142	4	2	336
Organisational psychology	16	213	1	101	59	2	182	58	6	638
Sport and exercise psychology	7	23		38	6	3	24	6		107
Total	453	4,472	65	2,544	1,017	316	4,753	1,794	180	15,594

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 30 June 2022 was 14,541.

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	13,558	924	51	6	1	1	14,541
% of endorsed psychologists who hold the corresponding number of endorsements	93.2%	6.4%	0.4%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	100.0%
Number of psychologists with general registration (endorsed and non-endorsed)							35,275
% of all psychologists with general registration with one or more endorsement	38.4%	2.6%	0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	41.2%

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	661	4.9%	831	5.3%
Clinical psychology	10,222	75.4%	11,072	71.0%
Community psychology	33	0.2%	55	0.4%
Counselling psychology	766	5.6%	1,064	6.8%
Educational and developmental psychology	659	4.9%	836	5.4%
Forensic psychology	381	2.8%	655	4.2%
Health psychology	179	1.3%	336	2.2%
Organisational psychology	569	4.2%	638	4.1%
Sport and exercise psychology	88	0.6%	107	0.7%
Total	13,558	100.0%	15,594	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	65	1,331	24	803	156	56	475	458	2	3,370
5+1 Internship	42	561	8	183	28	44	685	256		1,807
Higher Degree program	79	727	26	495	156	35	1,024	183	2	2,727
Transitional Program	1	13		8	3	1	7	5		38
Total	187	2,632	58	1,489	343	136	2,191	902	4	7,942

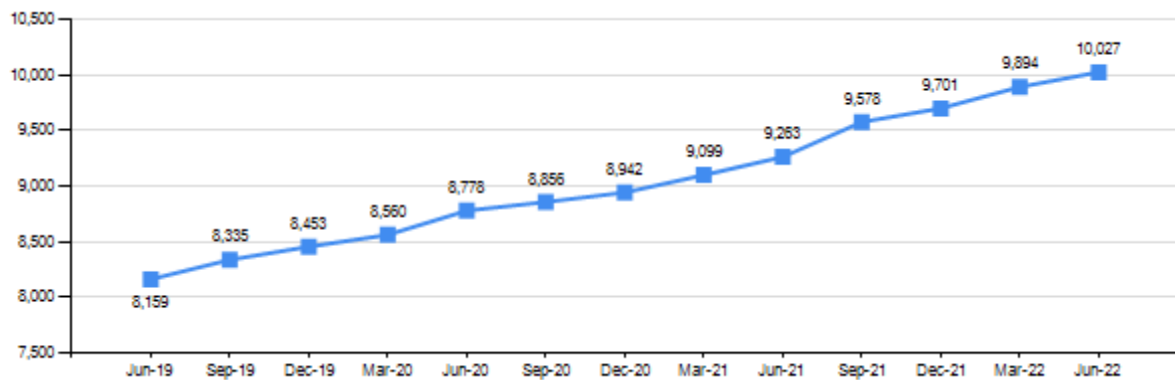
Supervisors

Board-approved supervisors

Table 4.1 Approved supervisors by PPP

PPP	Number of approved supervisors	% of general registrants
ACT	312	26.8%
NSW	3,330	22.9%
NT	64	22.2%
QLD	1,859	22.6%
SA	529	24.3%
TAS	215	27.1%
VIC	2,572	20.8%
WA	1,089	23.0%
No PPP	57	9.3%
Total	10,027	22.3%

Table 4.2 Change in the number of approved supervisors



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	8	111	2	70	20	6	221	29	3	470
Clinical psychology	172	1,403	21	807	333	109	1,208	574	29	4,656
Community psychology	1	1	1	1			18	1		23
Counselling psychology	2	45		43	9	2	175	80		356
Educational and developmental psychology	2	64	1	81	17	10	131	27		333
Forensic psychology	7	125	4	35	18	5	109	24	4	331
Health psychology	3	26		38	18	3	62		1	151
Organisational psychology	5	81	1	52	20	2	84	22		267
Sport and exercise psychology	1	6		12	2		8	1		30
Total	201	1,862	30	1,139	437	137	2,016	758	37	6,617

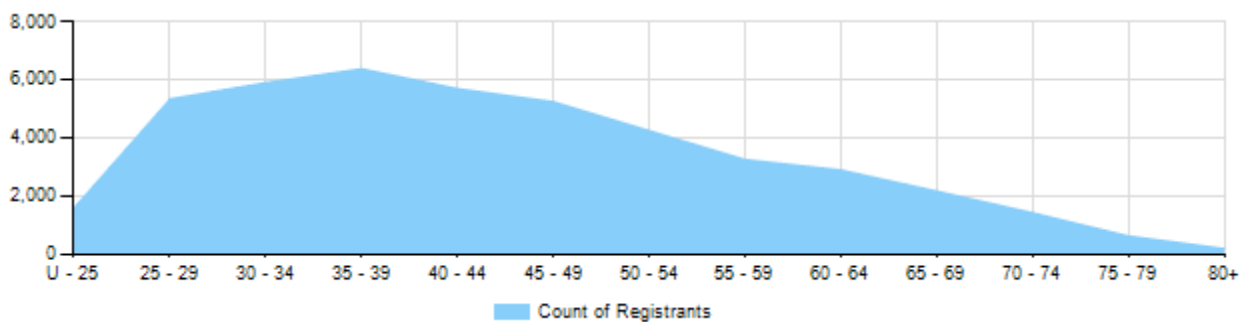
Age group

Registration type

Table 5.1 Registration type by age group

Age group	General	Provisional	Non-practising	Total
U - 25	96	1,495		1,591
25 - 29	2,739	2,581	23	5,343
30 - 34	4,451	1,281	170	5,902
35 - 39	5,301	853	228	6,382
40 - 44	4,863	666	167	5,696
45 - 49	4,608	490	148	5,246
50 - 54	3,758	340	149	4,247
55 - 59	2,959	155	136	3,250
60 - 64	2,667	58	165	2,890
65 - 69	1,935	17	209	2,161
70 - 74	1,232	3	183	1,418
75 - 79	519	3	90	612
80+	147		32	179
Total	35,275	7,942	1,700	44,917

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	754	9,130	174	5,175	1,347	523	7,967	2,988	318	28,376
	Provisional	159	2,121	54	1,180	274	114	1,756	735	3	6,396
	Non-practising	33	422	3	227	70	23	275	127	158	1,338
Total female		946	11,673	231	6,582	1,691	660	9,998	3,850	479	36,110
Male	General	174	2,218	51	1,273	396	101	1,890	703	89	6,895
	Provisional	28	511	4	309	69	22	430	164		1,537
	Non-practising	15	135	2	54	21	10	70	14	41	362
Total male		217	2,864	57	1,636	486	133	2,390	881	130	8,794
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	General		2		1			1			4
	Provisional							5	3	1	9
Total Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		0	2	0	1	0	0	6	3	1	13
Total		1,163	14,539	288	8,219	2,177	793	12,394	4,734	610	44,917

Percentage

Table 6.2 Registrants by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	81.3%	80.3%	80.2%	80.1%	77.7%	83.2%	80.7%	81.3%	78.5%	80.4%
Male	18.7%	19.7%	19.8%	19.9%	22.3%	16.8%	19.3%	18.6%	21.3%	19.6%
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		<0.1%		<0.1%			<0.1%	<0.1%	0.2%	<0.1%