

# Occupational Therapy Board of Australia

## Registrant data

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## Introduction

The role of the Occupational Therapy Board of Australia (the Board) includes:

- registering occupational therapists and students
- developing standards, codes and guidelines for the occupational therapy 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 [About Ahpra](#) at <http://www.ahpra.gov.au/About-Ahpra/What-We-Do/Legislation.aspx>

### **Pandemic response sub-register**

In April 2020, Ahpra and National Boards established a temporary pandemic response sub-register for up to 12 months to help fast track the return to the workforce of experienced and qualified health practitioners to assist with the COVID-19 pandemic. In early April 2021, the Commonwealth Health Minister requested that occupational therapists (as well as nurses, midwives, pharmacists, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health practitioners) be added to the sub-register for up to 12 months to help with the COVID-19 response. These occupational therapists are included in these statistics. Please see the [COVID-19](#) page on Ahpra's website for more info.

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 occupational therapy registration, please see the Board's website [www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx](http://www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx)

## Principal place of practice

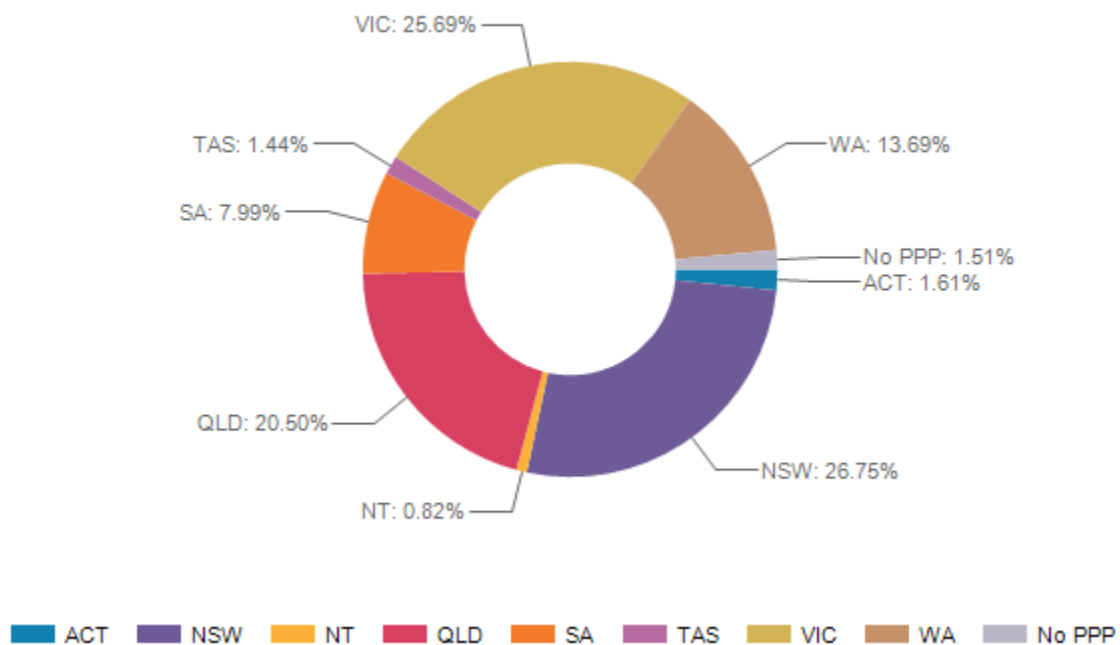
### Registration type

**Table 1.1 Registration type by principal place of practice**

Registration types	Registration subtypes	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General		446	7,610	238	5,860	2,264	412	7,339	3,878	315	<b>28,362</b>
Provisional			1		2			1	1		<b>5</b>
Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	6	62		24	9	5	49	18	16	<b>189</b>
	Teaching or research		1								<b>1</b>
Non-practising		23	210	5	156	81	7	183	137	114	<b>916</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>475</b>	<b>7,884</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>6,042</b>	<b>2,354</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>7,572</b>	<b>4,034</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>29,473*</b>

\* Total figure includes 26 occupational therapists on the Pandemic response sub-register. For more information go to the [COVID-19](#) page on the Ahpra website.

**Table 1.2 Principal place of practice percentages**



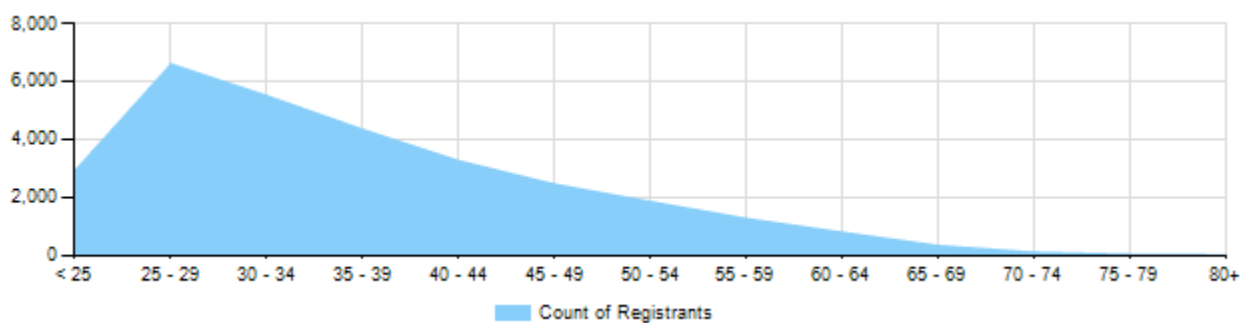
## Age group

### Registration type and subtype

**Table 2.1 Registration by age group**

Age group	General	Provisional	Limited		Non-practising	Total
			Postgraduate training or supervised practice	Teaching or research		
< 25	2,921		4		5	2,930
25 - 29	6,424	1	78		109	6,612
30 - 34	5,252	3	54		206	5,515
35 - 39	4,125	1	24		199	4,349
40 - 44	3,138		14	1	110	3,263
45 - 49	2,360		9		86	2,455
50 - 54	1,796		1		51	1,848
55 - 59	1,213		3		48	1,264
60 - 64	730		2		55	787
65 - 69	298				29	327
70 - 74	84				14	98
75 - 79	19				4	23
80+	2					2
<b>Total</b>	<b>28,362</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>916</b>	<b>29,473</b>

**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		401	6,811	217	5,268	1,965	364	6,580	3,525	280	<b>25,411</b>
	Provisional			1					1	1		<b>3</b>
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	3	52		21	7	4	40	17	12	<b>156</b>
	Non-practising		22	196	5	145	72	7	167	125	100	<b>839</b>
<b>Total Female</b>			<b>426</b>	<b>7,060</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>5,434</b>	<b>2,044</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>6,788</b>	<b>3,668</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>26,409</b>
Male	General		45	799	21	590	299	48	759	351	35	<b>2,947</b>
	Provisional					2						<b>2</b>
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	3	10		3	2	1	9	1	4	<b>33</b>
		Teaching or research		1								<b>1</b>
Non-practising		1	14		11	9		16	12	14	<b>77</b>	
<b>Total Male</b>			<b>49</b>	<b>824</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>3,060</b>
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	General					2				2		<b>4</b>
<b>Total</b>			<b>475</b>	<b>7,884</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>6,042</b>	<b>2,354</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>7,572</b>	<b>4,034</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>29,473</b>

### Percentage

**Table 3.2 Registrants by gender percentages**

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	89.7%	89.5%	91.4%	89.9%	86.8%	88.4%	89.6%	90.9%	88.1%	<b>89.6%</b>
Male	10.3%	10.5%	8.6%	10.0%	13.2%	11.6%	10.4%	9.0%	11.9%	<b>10.4%</b>
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate				<0.1%				<0.1%		<b>&lt;0.1%</b>