

# Medical Board of Australia

## Registrant data

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## Introduction

The role of the Medical Board of Australia (the Board) is to:

- register medical practitioners and medical students
- develop standards, codes and guidelines for the medical profession
- investigate notifications and complaints about medical practitioners
- where necessary, conduct panel hearings and refer serious matters to Tribunal hearings
- oversee the assessment of overseas trained practitioners who wish to practise in Australia, and
- approve 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>.

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 quarterly.

For more information on medical registration, please see the Board's website: <http://www.medicalboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx>

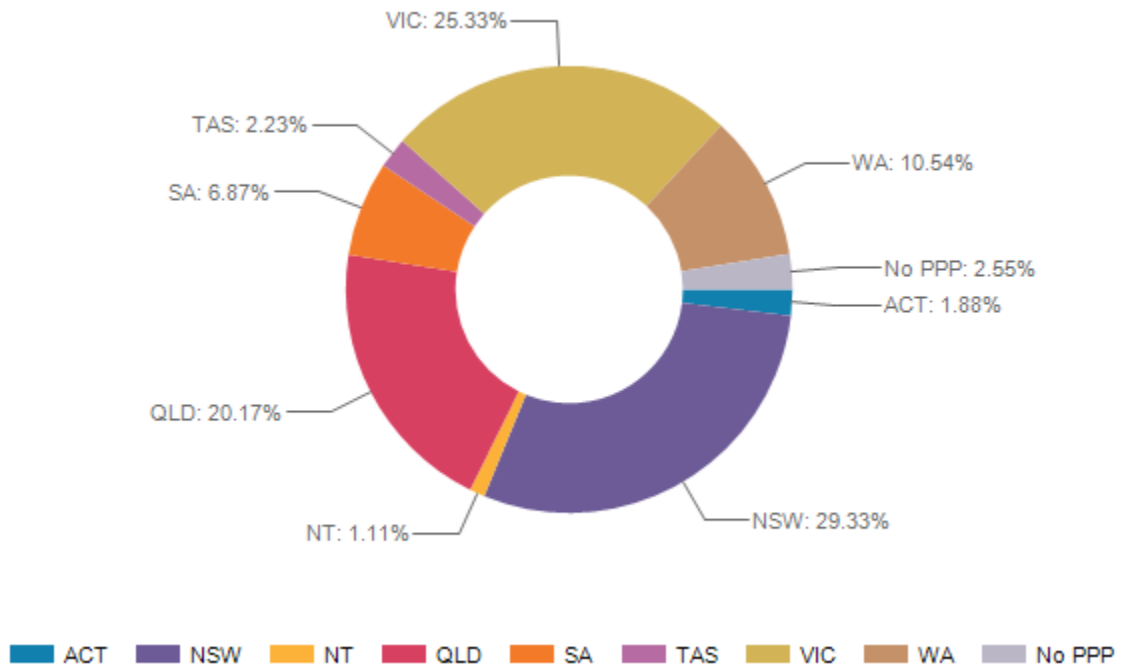
## Medical practitioners by state and territory

### Registration type

**Table 1.1 Medical practitioners - registration type by state or territory**

Registration types	Registration subtypes	Pathway	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General			745	12,206	568	8,585	2,675	799	10,435	4,543	779	<b>41,335</b>
General (Teaching and Assessing)				11		10	3	2	4	3		<b>33</b>
General (Teaching and Assessing) and Specialist												<b>0</b>
General and Specialist			1,330	21,936	644	13,701	5,049	1,567	18,088	6,373	741	<b>69,429</b>
Specialist			237	2,446	128	2,811	704	285	2,636	1,741	525	<b>11,513</b>
Provisional		Australian or New Zealand medical graduate	81	1,131	53	882	332	102	955	429	22	<b>3,987</b>
		IMGs – Competent Authority Pathway	34	306	18	446	92	16	617	595	85	<b>2,209</b>
		IMGs – Standard Pathway	8	93	17	93	25	5	129	28	6	<b>404</b>
Limited	Area of need			37	9	57	9	2	117	39	4	<b>274</b>
	Postgraduate training or supervised practice		68	1,088	61	607	318	191	1,053	445	46	<b>3,877</b>
	Public interest			1								<b>1</b>
	Teaching or research		1	10		2		1	5	4	3	<b>26</b>
Non-practising			98	1,244	31	660	282	106	945	359	1,314	<b>5,039</b>
<b>Total</b>			<b>2,602</b>	<b>40,509</b>	<b>1,529</b>	<b>27,854</b>	<b>9,489</b>	<b>3,076</b>	<b>34,984</b>	<b>14,559</b>	<b>3,525</b>	<b>138,127</b>

**Table 1.2 Medical practitioners - percentage by state or territory**



## Specialist registration

**Table 2.1 Medical practitioners - by area of specialist practice**

Speciality name	Field of speciality practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Addiction medicine		3	89	4	34	19	4	31	16	2	202
Anaesthesia		105	1,729	46	1,271	418	146	1,440	659	139	5,953
Dermatology		4	235	1	121	53	6	174	57	5	656
Emergency medicine	Paediatric emergency medicine	2	10		18	4	1	10	3		48
	No sub-specialty	66	883	63	785	181	92	785	361	78	3,294
<b>Subtotal - Emergency medicine</b>		<b>68</b>	<b>893</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>803</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>3,342</b>
General practice		699	10,399	380	7,594	2,512	898	8,610	3,699	259	35,050
Intensive care medicine	Paediatric intensive care medicine		10		11	1	1	9	3		35
	No sub-specialty	28	332	14	240	75	21	283	109	36	1,138
<b>Subtotal - Intensive care medicine</b>		<b>28</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>1,173</b>
Medical administration		12	103	1	92	12	10	76	28	8	342
Obstetrics and gynaecology	Gynaecological oncology		17		15	3	1	11	6		53
	Maternal-fetal medicine	1	14	1	15	2		9	4	2	48
	Obstetrics and gynaecological ultrasound		11		4	2		35	3	1	56
	Reproductive endocrinology and infertility		22		4	6	1	14	2		49
	Urogynaecology		13		8	1		10	5		37
	No sub-specialty	38	585	21	414	146	45	552	203	41	2,045
<b>Subtotal - Obstetrics and gynaecology</b>		<b>39</b>	<b>662</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>631</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>2,288</b>
Occupational and environmental medicine		13	87	3	40	27	8	59	50	9	296
Ophthalmology		18	391	8	196	75	25	268	91	18	1,090

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Speciality name	Field of speciality practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Paediatrics and child health	Clinical genetics		27		7	4		18	4	1	61
	Community child health	2	53	1	25	4	3	30	11	2	131
	General paediatrics	44	810	33	463	149	49	611	263	37	2,459
	Neonatal and perinatal medicine	8	73	4	53	25	5	85	45	5	303
	Paediatric cardiology	1	19	1	14	2		17	7	5	66
	Paediatric clinical pharmacology		1		1			1		1	4
	Paediatric emergency medicine	1	24	1	34	12	1	25	17	5	120
	Paediatric endocrinology	3	23	1	15	4	1	9	7		63
	Paediatric gastroenterology and hepatology	2	11		7	4	1	15	7	1	48
	Paediatric haematology		8		7	1		7	5		28
	Paediatric immunology and allergy	1	19		9	10		15	6		60
	Paediatric infectious diseases		9	3	7	4		14	10	2	49
	Paediatric intensive care medicine		4		1			2		1	8
	Paediatric medical oncology	1	20		16	6		20	13	6	82
	Paediatric nephrology		10		3	4		6	2	2	27
	Paediatric neurology		24		10	3	1	19	7	2	66
	Paediatric nuclear medicine		1								1
	Paediatric palliative medicine		1		2			2	1	1	7
	Paediatric rehabilitation medicine		6		4	1	1	2	2		16
	Paediatric respiratory and sleep medicine	2	25		16	5		10	10		68
Paediatric rheumatology		4		7	2		6	3		22	
No sub-specialty	2	45	5	23	12	4	60	15	9	175	
<b>Subtotal - Paediatrics and child health</b>		<b>67</b>	<b>1,217</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>974</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>3,864</b>

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Speciality name	Field of speciality practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Pain medicine		6	131	1	78	33	12	98	47	2	408
Palliative medicine		7	167	3	83	35	15	114	48	7	479
Pathology	Anatomical pathology (including cytopathology)	21	342	3	197	65	25	207	110	13	983
	Chemical pathology	4	29	1	18	7	1	22	16	4	102
	Forensic pathology		17	1	16	5	3	17	8	2	69
	General pathology	1	32	1	19	2	4	12	3	1	75
	Haematology	13	218	4	111	44	16	184	62	16	668
	Immunology	5	54		13	8	1	23	22	2	128
	Microbiology	7	103	1	53	17	7	50	39	2	279
	No sub-specialty	3	19		10	4	1	11	8	4	60
<b>Subtotal - Pathology</b>		<b>54</b>	<b>814</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>2,364</b>
Physician	Cardiology	25	552	6	331	129	32	439	117	52	1,683
	Clinical genetics		37		11	9	1	23	4	2	87
	Clinical pharmacology		16		14	19		11	5	2	67
	Endocrinology	17	301	8	161	50	19	277	68	13	914
	Gastroenterology and hepatology	26	335	6	230	78	17	322	98	20	1,132
	General medicine	30	409	31	514	246	48	630	226	41	2,175
	Geriatric medicine	21	364	4	161	91	21	373	133	11	1,179
	Haematology	14	227	5	137	50	20	234	58	22	767
	Immunology and allergy	7	81	1	22	13	4	40	30	6	204
	Infectious diseases	14	154	22	98	37	16	229	55	12	637
	Medical oncology	15	292	5	134	65	21	313	73	21	939
	Nephrology	16	225	18	120	33	11	221	54	15	713
	Neurology	12	295	3	113	52	14	270	63	22	844
	Nuclear medicine	7	105	1	32	26	4	66	26	2	269
	Respiratory and sleep medicine	17	289	5	184	71	18	232	96	13	925
	Rheumatology	12	146	3	78	43	12	141	38	8	481
No sub-specialty	5	79	3	21	3	9	44	39	7	210	
<b>Subtotal - Physician</b>		<b>238</b>	<b>3,907</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>2,361</b>	<b>1,015</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>3,865</b>	<b>1,183</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>13,226</b>

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Speciality name	Field of speciality practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Psychiatry		86	1,299	35	962	337	94	1,286	431	69	4,599
Public health medicine		31	146	18	71	26	11	87	49	9	448
Radiation Oncology		15	167	1	100	24	10	118	28	12	475
Radiology	Diagnostic radiology	54	804	4	542	210	49	715	319	158	2,855
	Diagnostic ultrasound				1			3			4
	Nuclear medicine	5	53		60	13	3	66	13	1	214
	No sub-specialty		1								1
<b>Subtotal - Radiology</b>		<b>59</b>	<b>858</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>603</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>3,074</b>
Rehabilitation medicine		9	262	3	99	52	14	164	19	8	630
Sexual health medicine		3	64	1	20	7	4	24	10	1	134
Sport and exercise medicine		13	55	2	20	5	1	52	17		165
Surgery	Cardio-thoracic surgery	4	58		42	12	3	67	16	11	213
	General surgery	34	742	21	412	173	39	603	183	38	2,245
	Neurosurgery	8	96	3	58	19	7	80	22	5	298
	Oral and maxillofacial surgery	5	45	2	51	17	2	45	15	6	188
	Orthopaedic surgery	29	493	8	367	128	30	364	145	18	1,582
	Otolaryngology - head and neck surgery	8	178	4	110	47	7	139	52	9	554
	Paediatric surgery	4	36		18	8	3	27	7	2	105
	Plastic surgery	4	146	4	87	48	12	166	55	1	523
	Urology	9	151	1	110	37	12	146	44	4	514
	Vascular surgery	5	83	1	54	22	6	67	24	1	263
No sub-specialty	1	16	1					8	1	1	28
<b>Subtotal - Surgery</b>		<b>111</b>	<b>2,044</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>1,309</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>1,712</b>	<b>564</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>6,513</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,688</b>	<b>26,061</b>	<b>836</b>	<b>17,729</b>	<b>6,209</b>	<b>1,984</b>	<b>22,180</b>	<b>8,730</b>	<b>1,354</b>	<b>86,771</b>

## Endorsements by type

**Table 2.2 Medical practitioners - endorsements by state or territory**

Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Acupuncture	9	196	2	120	35	16	242	38	1	659

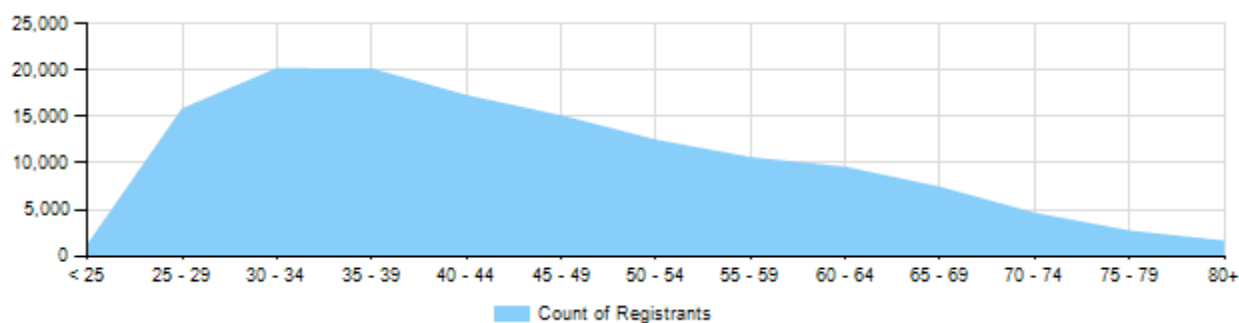
## Medical practitioners by age group

### Age by registration type

**Table 3.1 Medical practitioners - registration type by age group**

Age	General	General (TA)	General and Specialist	General (TA) and Specialist	Specialist	Provisional	Limited	Non-practising	Total
< 25	257					919			1,176
25 - 29	11,272		224			3,944	226	149	15,815
30 - 34	13,491		4,143		84	936	1,037	458	20,149
35 - 39	7,019	3	10,198		697	465	1,333	395	20,110
40 - 44	3,191		11,064		1,623	179	873	308	17,238
45 - 49	1,770	1	10,112		2,412	86	414	251	15,046
50 - 54	1,182	3	8,357		2,352	45	193	298	12,430
55 - 59	978	3	7,183		1,991	12	63	322	10,552
60 - 64	855	4	6,848		1,283	9	22	491	9,512
65 - 69	587	8	5,382		674	4	15	686	7,356
70 - 74	379	8	3,243		273	1	2	642	4,548
75 - 79	188	1	1,799		103			545	2,636
80+	166	2	876		21			494	1,559
<b>Total</b>	<b>41,335</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>69,429</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11,513</b>	<b>6,600</b>	<b>4,178</b>	<b>5,039</b>	<b>138,127</b>

**Table 3.2 Medical practitioners - by age group**



**Table 3.3 Medical practitioners - limited registration by age group**

Age group	Limited				Total
	Area of need	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	Public interest	Teaching or research	
< 25					0
25 - 29		226			226
30 - 34	19	1,014		4	1,037
35 - 39	58	1,272		3	1,333
40 - 44	63	806		4	873
45 - 49	65	344		5	414
50 - 54	41	147		5	193
55 - 59	14	46		3	63
60 - 64	8	14			22
65 - 69	5	7	1	2	15
70 - 74	1	1			2
75 - 79					0
80+					0
<b>Total</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>3,877</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>4,178</b>

## Medical practitioners by gender

### Gender by registration type

**Table 4.1 Medical practitioners - 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		386	6,139	339	4,252	1,398	387	5,440	2,441	330	21,112	
	General TA			6		4	2		1	2		15	
	General and Specialist		648	9,475	347	5,861	2,173	738	7,917	2,805	296	30,260	
	Specialist		88	918	38	982	250	107	962	655	186	4,186	
	Provisional		67	853	49	712	258	66	934	585	65	3,589	
	Limited	Area of need			18	6	30	2	2	56	20	1	135
		Postgraduate training or supervised practice		37	628	29	271	162	99	583	236	21	2,066
		Public interest											0
		Teaching or research			6		2			1	3	3	15
	Non-practising		48	525	15	275	106	50	362	154	603	2,138	
<b>Total Female</b>			<b>1,274</b>	<b>18,568</b>	<b>823</b>	<b>12,389</b>	<b>4,351</b>	<b>1,449</b>	<b>16,256</b>	<b>6,901</b>	<b>1,505</b>	<b>63,516</b>	
Male	General		359	6,066	229	4,333	1,277	411	4,992	2,101	449	20,217	
	General TA			5		6	1	2	3	1		18	
	General and Specialist		682	12,460	297	7,840	2,876	829	10,169	3,567	445	39,165	
	Specialist		149	1,528	90	1,829	454	178	1,674	1,086	339	7,327	
	Provisional		56	676	39	709	191	57	765	466	48	3,007	
	Limited	Area of need			19	3	27	7		61	19	3	139
		Postgraduate training or supervised practice		31	460	32	336	156	92	470	209	25	1,811
		Public interest			1								1
		Teaching or research		1	4				1	4	1		11
	Non-practising		50	719	16	385	176	56	583	205	711	2,901	
<b>Total Male</b>			<b>1,328</b>	<b>21,938</b>	<b>706</b>	<b>15,465</b>	<b>5,138</b>	<b>1,626</b>	<b>18,721</b>	<b>7,655</b>	<b>2,020</b>	<b>74,597</b>	

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Gender	Registration types	Registration subtypes	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	General			1				1	3	1		6
	General and Specialist			1					2	1		4
	Provisional			1					2	1		4
<b>Total</b>			<b>2,602</b>	<b>40,509</b>	<b>1,529</b>	<b>27,854</b>	<b>9,489</b>	<b>3,076</b>	<b>34,984</b>	<b>14,559</b>	<b>3,525</b>	<b>138,127</b>

## Gender percentages

**Table 4.2 Medical practitioners - percentage by gender**

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	49.0%	45.8%	53.8%	44.5%	45.9%	47.1%	46.5%	47.4%	42.7%	<b>46.0%</b>
Male	51.0%	54.2%	46.2%	55.5%	54.1%	52.9%	53.5%	52.6%	57.3%	<b>54.0%</b>
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		<0.1%				<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%		<b>&lt;0.1%</b>

## Specialist registration by gender

**Table 4.3 Medical practitioners - by area of specialist practice by gender**

Speciality	Female	Male	Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate
Addiction medicine	29.7%	70.3%	
Anaesthesia	34.3%	65.7%	
Dermatology	53.4%	46.6%	
Emergency medicine	39.3%	60.7%	
General practice	49.0%	51.0%	<0.1%
Intensive care medicine	24.3%	75.7%	
Medical administration	36.5%	63.5%	
Obstetrics and gynaecology	56.1%	43.9%	
Occupational and environmental medicine	23.6%	76.4%	
Ophthalmology	24.9%	75.1%	
Paediatrics and child health	58.6%	41.4%	
Pain medicine	29.9%	70.1%	
Palliative medicine	62.0%	38.0%	
Pathology	48.9%	51.1%	
Physician	36.7%	63.3%	
Psychiatry	43.1%	56.9%	<0.1%
Public health medicine	51.6%	48.4%	
Radiation Oncology	44.4%	55.6%	
Radiology	29.6%	70.4%	
Rehabilitation medicine	51.4%	48.6%	
Sexual health medicine	59.0%	41.0%	
Sport and exercise medicine	24.8%	75.2%	
Surgery	15.0%	85.0%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>42.0%</b>	<b>58.0%</b>	<b>&lt;0.1%</b>