

# 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](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 regularly.

For more information on psychology registration, please see the Board's website [www.psychologyboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx](http://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 they are 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.

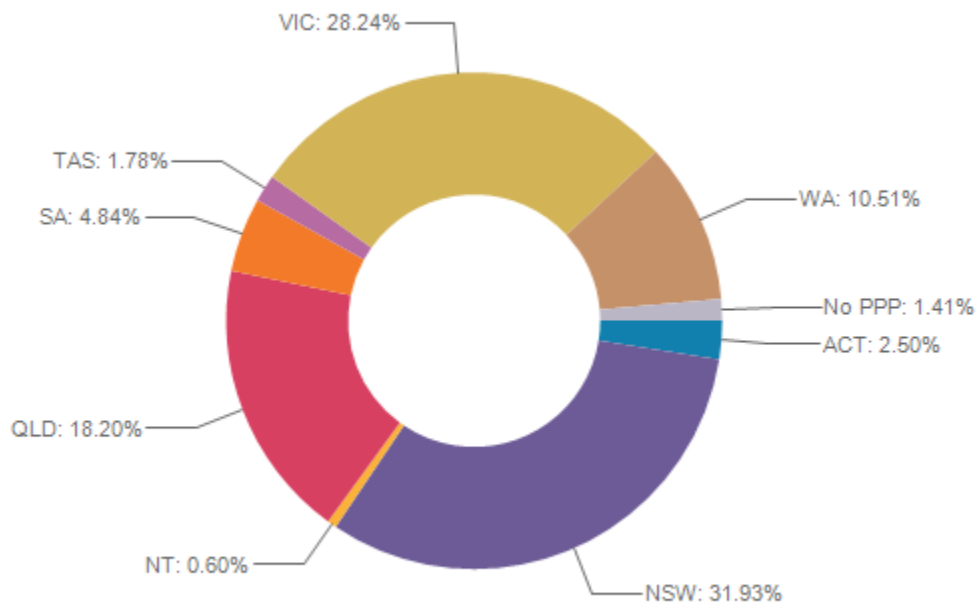
The 'No PPP' column in the tables on the following pages represents psychologists who do not have an Australian Principal Place of Practice recorded on the register usually because they are currently residing overseas or who have not provided a valid PPP.

## 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	956	11,987	234	6,981	1,833	653	10,496	3,982	423	<b>37,545</b>
Provisional	155	2,279	40	1,174	313	131	2,204	724	16	<b>7,036</b>
Non-practising	54	636	7	341	112	46	481	197	218	<b>2,092</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,165</b>	<b>14,902</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>8,496</b>	<b>2,258</b>	<b>830</b>	<b>13,181</b>	<b>4,903</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>46,673</b>

**Table 1.2 Registration by principal place of practice percentages**



## Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander practitioners

**Table 1.3 Psychologists who identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander by principal place of practice**

PPP	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander practitioners	5	117	10	100	14	8	49	25	1	<b>329</b>
Percentage of all practitioners	0.4 %	0.8 %	3.6 %	1.2 %	0.6 %	1.0 %	0.4 %	0.5 %	0.2 %	<b>0.7 %</b>

## 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	13	217	7	143	36	8	413	63	18	918
Clinical psychology	411	3,676	54	2,086	840	258	3,205	1,408	141	12,079
Community psychology	1	5	1	3			33	8		51
Counselling psychology	8	188		106	19	13	526	198	9	1,067
Educational and developmental psychology	8	159	1	191	32	19	448	67	8	933
Forensic psychology	14	243	8	72	34	11	218	54	5	659
Health psychology	5	64		71	39	11	142	4	1	337
Organisational psychology	16	221		109	60	2	207	69	7	691
Sport and exercise psychology	8	24		39	7	3	22	7		110
<b>Total</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>4,797</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>2,820</b>	<b>1,067</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>5,214</b>	<b>1,878</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>16,845</b>

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 2023 was 15,795.

### 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	14,813	925	49	6	1	1	15,795
% of endorsed psychologists who hold the corresponding number of endorsements	93.8%	5.9%	0.3%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	100.0%
Number of psychologists with general registration (endorsed and non-endorsed)							37,545
% of all psychologists with general registration with one or more endorsement	39.5%	2.5%	0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	42.1%

**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	741	5.0%	918	5.4%
Clinical psychology	11,219	75.7%	12,079	71.7%
Community psychology	31	0.2%	51	0.3%
Counselling psychology	775	5.2%	1,067	6.3%
Educational and developmental psychology	765	5.2%	933	5.5%
Forensic psychology	382	2.6%	659	3.9%
Health psychology	183	1.2%	337	2.0%
Organisational psychology	624	4.2%	691	4.1%
Sport and exercise psychology	93	0.6%	110	0.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,813</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>16,845</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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	893	13	536	107	34	342	320	1	<b>2,286</b>
5+1 Internship	46	699	5	239	61	52	838	264	3	<b>2,207</b>
Higher Degree program	66	658	21	390	141	42	1,005	137	4	<b>2,464</b>
Transitional Program	3	29	1	9	4	3	19	3	8	<b>79</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>2,279</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>1,174</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>2,204</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>7,036</b>



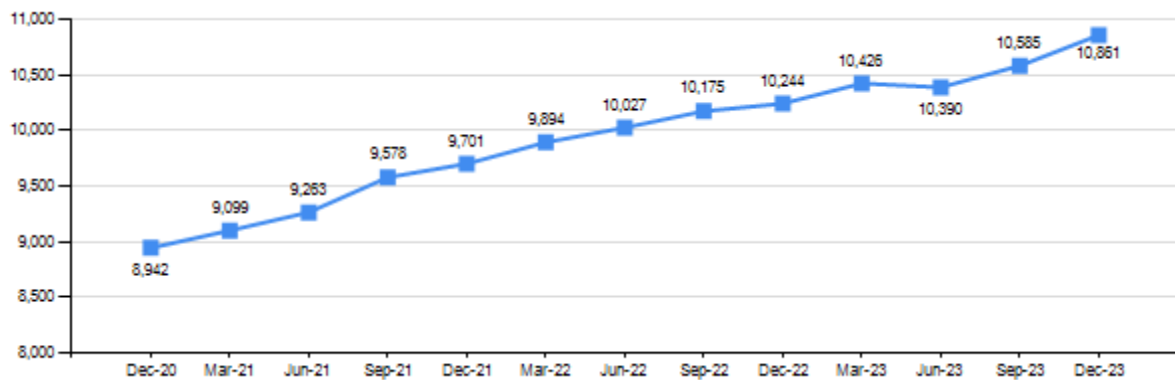
## Supervisors

### Board-approved supervisors

**Table 4.1 Approved supervisors by PPP**

PPP	Number of approved supervisors	% of general registrants
ACT	336	28.8%
NSW	3,574	24.0%
NT	59	21.0%
QLD	2,003	23.6%
SA	581	25.7%
TAS	221	26.6%
VIC	2,886	21.9%
WA	1,135	23.1%
No PPP	66	10.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,861</b>	<b>23.3%</b>

**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	10	122	2	82	21	5	231	33	5	511
Clinical psychology	202	1,561	26	919	368	117	1,425	600	36	5,254
Community psychology	1	1	1	1			17			21
Counselling psychology	1	50		44	9		180	78	2	364
Educational and developmental psychology	2	77		92	18	9	151	33	1	383
Forensic psychology	9	134	6	34	18	4	120	24	3	352
Health psychology	3	23		40	19	3	71			159
Organisational psychology	7	88		56	25	2	89	22		289
Sport and exercise psychology	1	10		14	2	2	9			38
<b>Total</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>2,066</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>1,282</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>2,293</b>	<b>790</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>7,371</b>

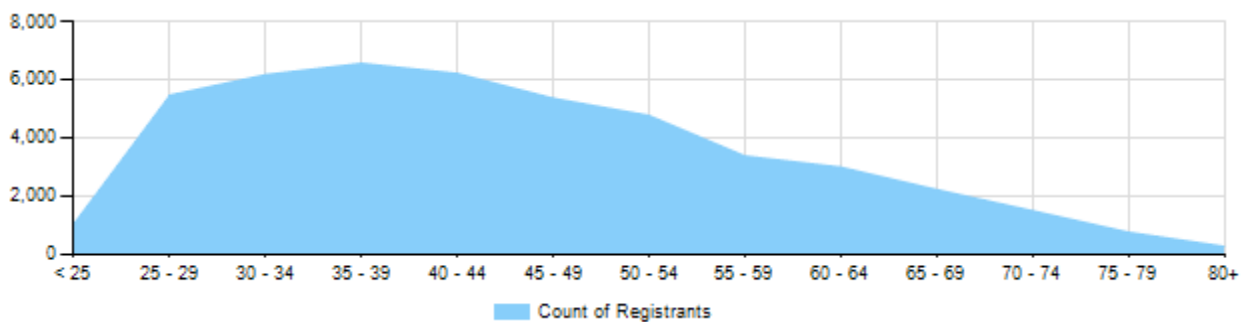
## Age group

### Registration type

**Table 5.1 Registration type by age group**

Age group	General	Provisional	Non-practising	Total
< 25	105	937	1	<b>1,043</b>
25 - 29	3,061	2,370	42	<b>5,473</b>
30 - 34	4,794	1,214	171	<b>6,179</b>
35 - 39	5,448	872	247	<b>6,567</b>
40 - 44	5,385	618	215	<b>6,218</b>
45 - 49	4,773	426	165	<b>5,364</b>
50 - 54	4,254	353	163	<b>4,770</b>
55 - 59	3,046	158	167	<b>3,371</b>
60 - 64	2,701	65	220	<b>2,986</b>
65 - 69	1,938	18	260	<b>2,216</b>
70 - 74	1,232	4	249	<b>1,485</b>
75 - 79	608	1	137	<b>746</b>
80+	200		55	<b>255</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>37,545</b>	<b>7,036</b>	<b>2,092</b>	<b>46,673</b>

**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	782	9,673	185	5,617	1,437	546	8,485	3,217	333	<b>30,275</b>
	Provisional	119	1,830	35	918	257	112	1,761	576	15	<b>5,623</b>
	Non-practising	37	484	5	276	85	34	395	173	177	<b>1,666</b>
<b>Total female</b>		<b>938</b>	<b>11,987</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>6,811</b>	<b>1,779</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>10,641</b>	<b>3,966</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>37,564</b>
Male	General	174	2,312	49	1,363	396	107	2,009	762	90	<b>7,262</b>
	Provisional	36	449	5	255	56	19	436	145	1	<b>1,402</b>
	Non-practising	17	152	2	65	27	12	86	24	41	<b>426</b>
<b>Total male</b>		<b>227</b>	<b>2,913</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>1,683</b>	<b>479</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>2,531</b>	<b>931</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>9,090</b>
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	General		2		1			2	3		<b>8</b>
	Provisional				1			7	3		<b>11</b>
<b>Total Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,165</b>	<b>14,902</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>8,496</b>	<b>2,258</b>	<b>830</b>	<b>13,181</b>	<b>4,903</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>46,673</b>

## Percentage

**Table 6.2 Registrants by gender percentages**

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	80.5%	80.4%	80.1%	80.2%	78.8%	83.4%	80.7%	80.9%	79.9%	<b>80.5%</b>
Male	19.5%	19.5%	19.9%	19.8%	21.2%	16.6%	19.2%	19.0%	20.1%	<b>19.5%</b>
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		<0.1%		<0.1%			<0.1%	0.1%		<b>&lt;0.1%</b>