

Dental Board of Australia

Registrant data

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Introduction

The functions of the Dental Board of Australia (the Board) include:

- registering dentists, students, dental specialists, dental therapists, dental hygienists, oral health therapists and dental prosthetists
- developing standards, codes and guidelines for the dental 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 Ahpra's Legislation & Publications at www.ahpra.gov.au/Publications

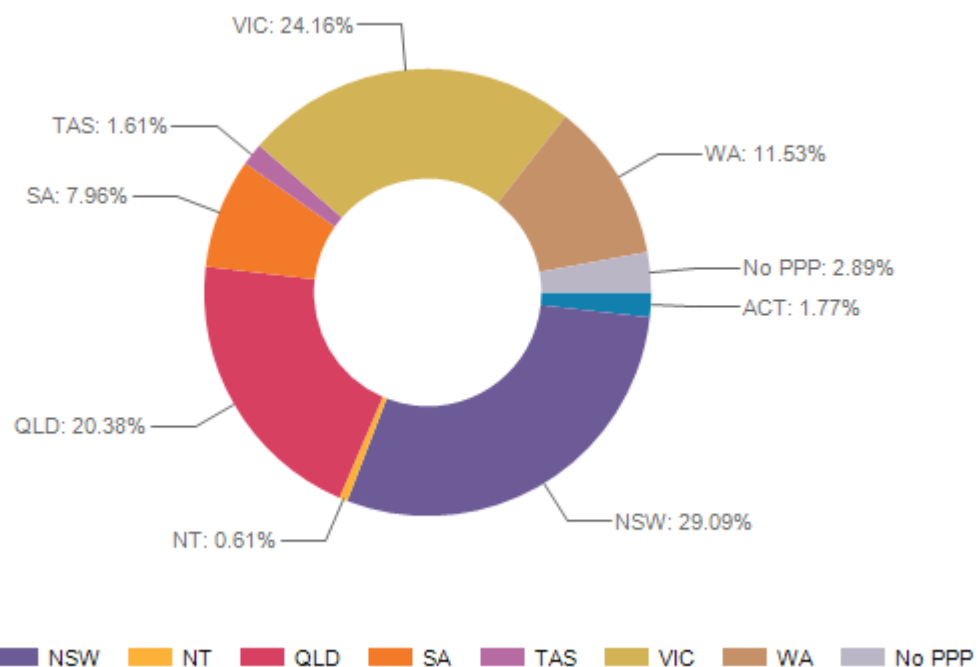
The Board has analysed its registration data and produced a number of statistical breakdowns about registrants to share with the profession and community. The Board shares these breakdowns regularly. For more information on dental registration, please see the Board's website: www.dentalboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx

Registration type

Table 1.1 Dental practitioners - registration type by state or territory

Registration types	Registration subtypes	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General		426	7,224	153	5,090	1,966	402	5,997	2,862	483	24,603
General and Non-practising					1			1			2
General and Specialist		47	541	6	375	154	31	454	208	45	1,861
Specialist		1	18		10	4	1	14	10	12	70
Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	1	1			1		6	6	1	16
	Public interest		2								2
	Teaching or research		6		18	5		2	9		40
Non-practising		14	231	9	127	66	10	190	86	256	989
Total		489	8,023	168	5,621	2,196	444	6,664	3,181	797	27,583

Table 1.2 Dental practitioners - percentage by principal place of practice



Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander practitioners

Table 1.3 Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander practitioners by principal place of practice

PPP	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander practitioners	3	42	3	53	13	4	14	18	2	152
Percentage of all practitioners	0.6 %	0.5 %	1.8 %	0.9 %	0.6 %	0.9 %	0.2 %	0.6 %	0.3 %	0.6 %

Registration divisions

Table 2.1 Dental practitioners - division(s) by state or territory

Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Dental Hygienist	40	347	12	207	356	17	220	262	21	1,482
Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist				1						1
Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist							1			1
Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist	6	51	4	91	45	4	88	51	2	342
Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Dentist				1						1
Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Dentist and Oral Health Therapist										
Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist		28		17	9	1	31	12	3	101
Dental Hygienist and Dentist		2		3			1			6
Dental Hygienist and Oral Health Therapist		22		5	3	1	7	9		47
Dental Prosthetist	10	398	5	346	64	42	348	76	6	1,295
Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist							1			1
Dental Prosthetist and Dentist							3			3
Dental Prosthetist and Oral Health Therapist		2	1	1						4
Dental Therapist	7	123	10	102	50	32	107	201	7	639
Dental Therapist and Dentist				1			1			2
Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist		1			1			6		8
Dentist	377	6,131	119	4,282	1,356	310	5,032	2,218	723	20,548
Dentist and Oral Health Therapist		4		5	1		3			13
Oral Health Therapist	49	914	17	559	311	37	821	346	35	3,089
Total	489	8,023	168	5,621	2,196	444	6,664	3,181	797	27,583

Registration type and divisions

Table 3.1 Dental practitioners - registration type and division by state or territory

Registration types	Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General	Dental Hygienist	37	335	11	200	345	17	214	254	15	1,428
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist				1						1
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist							1			1
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist	6	45	4	85	41	4	85	50	2	322
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Dentist				1						1
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Dentist and Oral Health Therapist										0
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist		28		17	9	1	31	12	3	101
	Dental Hygienist and Dentist		2		2			1			5
	Dental Hygienist and Oral Health Therapist		22		5	3	1	7	9		47
	Dental Prosthetist	10	381	5	336	64	42	337	74	4	1,253
	Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist							1			1
	Dental Prosthetist and Dentist							3			3
	Dental Prosthetist and Oral Health Therapist		2	1	1						4
	Dental Therapist	7	110	9	100	50	31	96	194	5	602
	Dental Therapist and Dentist				1			1			2
	Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist		1			1			6		8
	Dentist	317	5,394	107	3,790	1,147	270	4,409	1,927	424	17,785
	Dentist and Oral Health Therapist		4		5	1		3			13
	Oral Health Therapist	49	900	16	546	305	36	808	336	30	3,026
	Sub Total - General		426	7,224	153	5,090	1,966	402	5,997	2,862	483

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Registration types	Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General and Non-practising	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist							1			1
	Dental Hygienist and Dentist				1						1
Sub Total - General and Non-practising		0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2
General and Specialist	Dentist	47	541	6	375	154	31	454	208	45	1,861
Specialist	Dentist	1	18		10	4	1	14	10	12	70
Limited	Dentist	1	9		18	6		8	14	1	57
	Oral Health Therapist								1		1
Sub Total - Limited		1	9	0	18	6	0	8	15	1	58
Non-practising	Dental Hygienist	3	12	1	7	11		6	8	6	54
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist		6		6	4		2	1		19
	Dental Prosthetist		17		10			11	2	2	42
	Dental Therapist		13	1	2		1	11	7	2	37
	Dentist	11	169	6	89	45	8	147	59	241	775
	Oral Health Therapist		14	1	13	6	1	13	9	5	62
Sub Total - Non-practising		14	231	9	127	66	10	190	86	256	989
Total		489	8,023	168	5,621	2,196	444	6,664	3,181	797	27,583

Dental specialities

Table 4.1 Dental practitioners - dental speciality by state or territory

Speciality	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Dento-maxillofacial radiology		2		7			1	6	1	17
Endodontics	7	56		45	15	5	48	19	5	200
Forensic odontology	2	5	1	2	2	1	1	4	1	19
Oral and Maxillofacial pathology		4		2	4	1	2	3	1	17
Oral and maxillofacial surgery	6	61	2	63	20	5	60	22	8	247
Oral medicine	1	11		5			14	11	2	44
Oral surgery		42		8		1	7	2	6	66
Orthodontics	14	192	3	126	51	8	152	70	16	632
Paediatric dentistry	4	48		29	16	1	49	25	4	176
Periodontics	8	74	1	57	19	7	68	33	5	272
Prosthodontics	6	69		41	27	1	56	24	8	232
Public health dentistry (Community dentistry)		7		2	2	1	8	1		21
Special needs dentistry		7		6	3	1	10	1	1	29
Total	48	578	7	393	159	32	476	221	58	1,972

Endorsements

Table 5.1 Dental practitioners - endorsement by state or territory

Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Area of Practice - Conscious sedation	5	46		19	3	2	4	14	1	94

Age group

Table 6.1 Dental practitioners - by age group

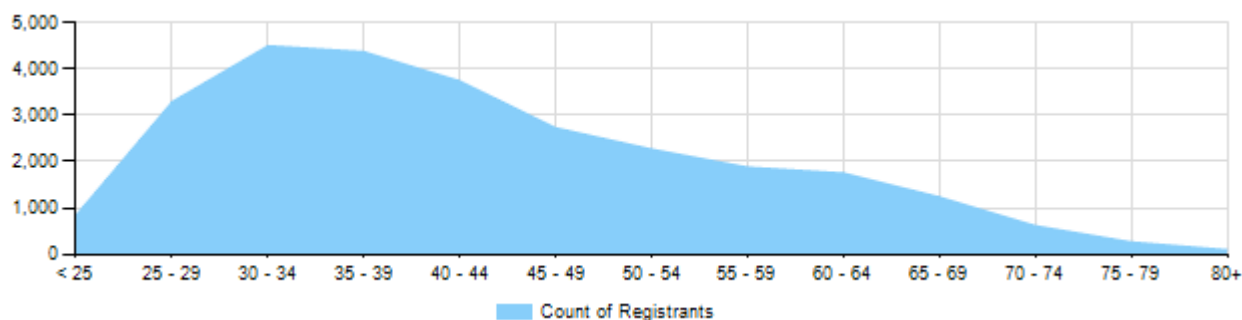


Table 6.2 Dental practitioners - registration type by age group

Age group	General	General and Non-practising	General and Specialist	Specialist	Limited			Non-practising	Total
					Postgraduate training or supervised practice	Public interest	Teaching or research		
< 25	843							4	847
25 - 29	3,223		10	1	3			58	3,295
30 - 34	4,257		122	4	5	1	4	111	4,504
35 - 39	3,989	1	240	12	4		5	124	4,375
40 - 44	3,289	1	324	17	3		12	97	3,743
45 - 49	2,358		277	18	1		4	71	2,729
50 - 54	1,980		209	9			7	63	2,268
55 - 59	1,599		185	7			6	80	1,877
60 - 64	1,436		206	1		1	1	105	1,750
65 - 69	972		152	1				107	1,232
70 - 74	421		85				1	104	611
75 - 79	183		33					44	260
80+	53		18					21	92
Total	24,603	2	1,861	70	16	2	40	989	27,583

Gender

Table 7.1 Dental practitioners - registration type by gender

Gender	Registration types	Registration subtypes	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total	
Female	General		284	3,939	97	2,861	1,276	214	3,558	1,828	279	14,336	
	General and Non-practising					1			1			2	
	General and Specialist		14	161	1	104	50	10	163	81	12	596	
	Specialist		1	8		4	1		9	3	5	31	
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice						1		2	4		7
		Public interest			1								1
		Teaching or research			1		5	2		1	2		11
Non-practising			10	121	4	66	41	3	93	46	129	513	
Total Female			309	4,231	102	3,041	1,371	227	3,827	1,964	425	15,497	
Male	General		142	3,284	56	2,229	690	188	2,439	1,034	204	10,266	
	General and Specialist		33	380	5	271	104	21	291	127	33	1,265	
	Specialist			10		6	3	1	5	7	7	39	
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice		1	1					4	2	1	9
		Public interest			1								1
		Teaching or research			5		13	2		1	7		28
Non-practising			4	110	5	61	25	7	97	40	127	476	
Total Male			180	3,791	66	2,580	824	217	2,837	1,217	372	12,084	
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	General			1								1	
	Limited	Teaching or research					1					1	
Total			489	8,023	168	5,621	2,196	444	6,664	3,181	797	27,583	

Table 7.2 Dental practitioners - percentage by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	63.2%	52.7%	60.7%	54.1%	62.4%	51.1%	57.4%	61.7%	53.3%	56.2%
Male	36.8%	47.3%	39.3%	45.9%	37.5%	48.9%	42.6%	38.3%	46.7%	43.8%
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		<0.1%			<0.1%					<0.1%