

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](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/) (Ahpra). For information about legislation governing our operations see [About Ahpra](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/About-Ahpra/What-We-Do/Legislation.aspx) 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>

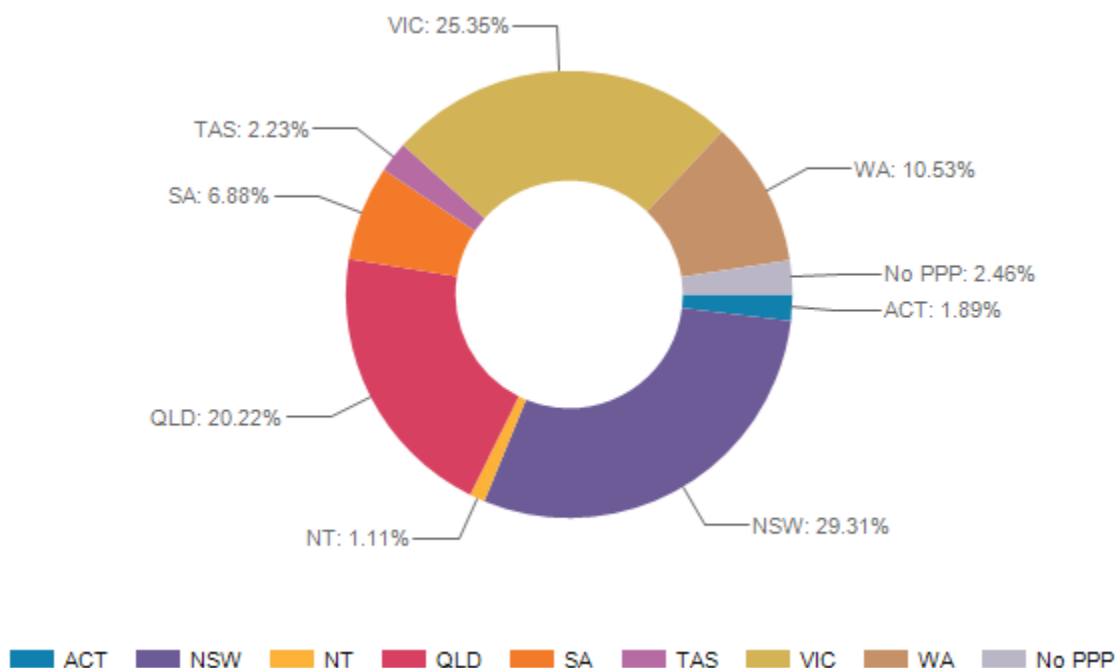
Medical practitioners by state and territory

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			740	12,014	559	8,459	2,634	788	10,328	4,482	737	40,741
General (Teaching and Assessing)			1	14		7	5	2	4	2		35
General and Specialist			1,306	21,703	644	13,588	4,984	1,555	17,924	6,361	734	68,799
Specialist			236	2,429	133	2,806	698	288	2,648	1,733	535	11,506
Provisional		Australian or New Zealand medical graduate	149	2,128	88	1,600	608	192	1,811	802	50	7,428
		IMGs – Competent Authority Pathway	38	317	16	410	70	14	540	487	97	1,989
		IMGs – Standard Pathway	9	93	13	89	24	5	115	31	5	384
Limited	Area of need		1	34	8	58	9	3	111	44	3	271
	Postgraduate training or supervised practice		78	1,138	59	645	321	192	1,104	466	47	4,050
	Public interest			1								1
	Teaching or research		1	9		2		1	4	4	5	26
Non-practising			87	1,079	27	596	265	83	836	307	1,223	4,503
Total			2,646	40,959	1,547	28,260	9,618	3,123	35,425	14,719	3,436	139,733

Table 1.2 Medical practitioners - percentage by state or territory



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander practitioners

Table 1.3 Medical practitioners 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	11	333	38	199	40	21	111	91	6	850
Percentage of all practitioners	0.4 %	0.8 %	2.5 %	0.7 %	0.4 %	0.7 %	0.3 %	0.6 %	0.2 %	0.6 %

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	87	4	30	19	4	29	15	2	193
Anaesthesia		103	1,704	46	1,246	410	141	1,423	654	137	5,864
Dermatology		5	232	1	121	52	6	173	57	5	652
Emergency medicine	Paediatric emergency medicine	2	10		19	4	1	11	3		50
	No sub-specialty	67	909	63	796	187	91	803	369	83	3,368
Subtotal - Emergency medicine		69	919	63	815	191	92	814	372	83	3,418
General practice		682	10,232	381	7,477	2,473	892	8,485	3,682	244	34,548
Intensive care medicine	Paediatric intensive care medicine		10		11	1	1	9	3	1	36
	No sub-specialty	28	333	14	237	74	20	281	109	35	1,131
Subtotal - Intensive care medicine		28	343	14	248	75	21	290	112	36	1,167
Medical administration		13	99	1	95	11	10	72	31	8	340
Obstetrics and gynaecology	Gynaecological oncology		16		15	3	1	11	6	1	53
	Maternal-fetal medicine	1	15		15	2		9	4	2	48
	Obstetrics and gynaecological ultrasound		12		4	2		34	3	1	56
	Reproductive endocrinology and infertility		20		4	6	1	14	2		47
	Urogynaecology		13		8	1		10	5		37
	No sub-specialty	39	584	21	414	147	45	549	197	42	2,038
Subtotal - Obstetrics and gynaecology		40	660	21	460	161	47	627	217	46	2,279
Occupational and environmental medicine		12	84	3	39	26	7	58	49	9	287
Ophthalmology		16	385	8	193	73	25	264	93	19	1,076

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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	5		18	4	1	62
	Community child health	2	56	1	27	4	3	28	12	2	135
	General paediatrics	43	806	32	467	149	49	606	262	37	2,451
	Neonatal and perinatal medicine	8	74	4	54	25	5	86	45	5	306
	Paediatric cardiology	1	19	1	14	2		17	7	4	65
	Paediatric clinical pharmacology		1		1			1		1	4
	Paediatric emergency medicine	1	25	1	35	12	1	26	17	5	123
	Paediatric endocrinology	3	23	1	15	4	1	9	6		62
	Paediatric gastroenterology and hepatology	2	11		7	4	1	15	7	1	48
	Paediatric haematology		8		8	1		8	6		31
	Paediatric immunology and allergy	1	19		9	10		15	6		60
	Paediatric infectious diseases		9	3	7	4		14	9	1	47
	Paediatric intensive care medicine		4		1			2		1	8
	Paediatric medical oncology	1	20		18	6		21	13	6	85
	Paediatric nephrology		11		3	4		6	2	2	28
	Paediatric neurology		24		11	3	1	18	7	3	67
	Paediatric nuclear medicine		1								1
	Paediatric palliative medicine		1		2			2	1	1	7
	Paediatric rehabilitation medicine		7		4	1	1	2	2		17
	Paediatric respiratory and sleep medicine	2	25		16	5		11	10		69
	Paediatric rheumatology		4		7	2		6	4		23
	No sub-specialty	1	45	5	22	12	4	59	15	8	171
Subtotal - Paediatrics and child health		65	1,220	48	735	253	66	970	435	78	3,870

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Speciality name	Field of speciality practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Pain medicine		6	129		79	32	12	100	47	2	407
Palliative medicine		7	168	3	86	37	14	113	47	7	482
Pathology	Anatomical pathology (including cytopathology)	22	340	4	203	63	25	209	113	14	993
	Chemical pathology	4	30	1	18	7	1	22	16	3	102
	Forensic pathology		17	1	14	5	3	17	8	1	66
	General pathology	1	29	1	18	2	4	12	3	1	71
	Haematology	13	215	4	109	44	16	183	62	15	661
	Immunology	5	53		13	8	1	24	22	2	128
	Microbiology	7	100	1	54	15	7	47	40	2	273
	No sub-specialty	2	19		11	3	1	11	8	3	58
Subtotal - Pathology		54	803	12	440	147	58	525	272	41	2,352
Physician	Cardiology	26	540	6	328	127	31	438	119	56	1,671
	Clinical genetics		36		11	8	1	23	5	2	86
	Clinical pharmacology		16		14	20		11	5	2	68
	Endocrinology	17	300	8	162	50	17	281	68	13	916
	Gastroenterology and hepatology	26	332	6	231	76	17	327	97	22	1,134
	General medicine	32	397	34	506	235	49	609	226	41	2,129
	Geriatric medicine	21	364	4	168	92	21	386	136	12	1,204
	Haematology	14	222	5	141	50	20	234	58	21	765
	Immunology and allergy	7	78	1	22	13	4	37	28	6	196
	Infectious diseases	14	154	23	102	36	16	226	57	12	640
	Medical oncology	14	300	5	136	62	21	318	74	21	951
	Nephrology	16	224	18	122	34	11	223	52	16	716
	Neurology	13	299	3	111	50	14	270	62	22	844
	Nuclear medicine	7	101	1	32	26	5	66	26	2	266
	Respiratory and sleep medicine	17	291	6	183	72	18	240	96	15	938
	Rheumatology	12	148	3	77	42	12	143	37	7	481
	No sub-specialty	5	78	3	18	3	9	43	39	7	205
Subtotal - Physician		241	3,880	126	2,364	996	266	3,875	1,185	277	13,210

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Speciality name	Field of speciality practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Psychiatry		86	1,297	38	969	336	97	1,281	430	68	4,602
Public health medicine		30	142	17	69	25	11	86	48	9	437
Radiation Oncology		14	166	1	98	24	10	117	26	12	468
Radiology	Diagnostic radiology	55	795	4	534	206	50	706	317	168	2,835
	Diagnostic ultrasound				1			3			4
	Nuclear medicine	5	50		59	13	3	63	13	1	207
	No sub-specialty		1								1
Subtotal - Radiology		60	846	4	594	219	53	772	330	169	3,047
Rehabilitation medicine		9	256	3	99	52	14	163	19	9	624
Sexual health medicine		3	61	1	21	7	4	21	10	1	129
Sport and exercise medicine		13	55	2	18	5	2	53	16	1	165
Surgery	Cardio-thoracic surgery	3	56		39	11	3	66	16	12	206
	General surgery	31	725	19	407	167	38	590	181	37	2,195
	Neurosurgery	8	94	3	59	18	7	77	22	5	293
	Oral and maxillofacial surgery	5	45	2	52	16	2	44	15	7	188
	Orthopaedic surgery	28	485	8	365	125	29	360	144	16	1,560
	Otolaryngology - head and neck surgery	9	176	4	109	46	7	138	52	9	550
	Paediatric surgery	4	36		18	7	3	27	7	1	103
	Plastic surgery	4	144	4	86	46	12	164	56	2	518
	Urology	8	149	1	110	36	12	144	43	3	506
	Vascular surgery	5	82	1	53	20	5	65	24	1	256
	No sub-specialty	1	16	1				7	1	1	27
Subtotal - Surgery		106	2,008	43	1,298	492	118	1,682	561	94	6,402
Total		1,665	25,776	840	17,594	6,116	1,970	21,993	8,708	1,357	86,019

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	192	2	122	35	15	235	37	1	648

Medical practitioners by age group

Age by registration type

Table 3.1 Medical practitioners - registration type by age group

Age a	General	General (TA)	General and Specialist	Specialist	Provisional	Limited	Non-practising	Total
< 25	141				2,144	1		2,286
25 - 29	10,780		185		5,528	217	123	16,833
30 - 34	13,513		4,017	80	1,203	1,068	404	20,285
35 - 39	7,122	2	10,310	689	534	1,407	365	20,429
40 - 44	3,186	2	11,137	1,572	221	917	299	17,334
45 - 49	1,804	1	10,204	2,410	90	435	240	15,184
50 - 54	1,179	3	8,427	2,379	47	199	289	12,523
55 - 59	953	1	7,164	2,018	18	69	301	10,524
60 - 64	838	3	6,764	1,301	10	18	450	9,384
65 - 69	572	11	5,115	676	5	14	595	6,988
70 - 74	343	6	3,077	271	1	2	549	4,249
75 - 79	177	2	1,657	89			488	2,413
80+	133	4	742	21		1	400	1,301
Total	40,741	35	68,799	11,506	9,801	4,348	4,503	139,733

Table 3.2 Medical practitioners - by age group

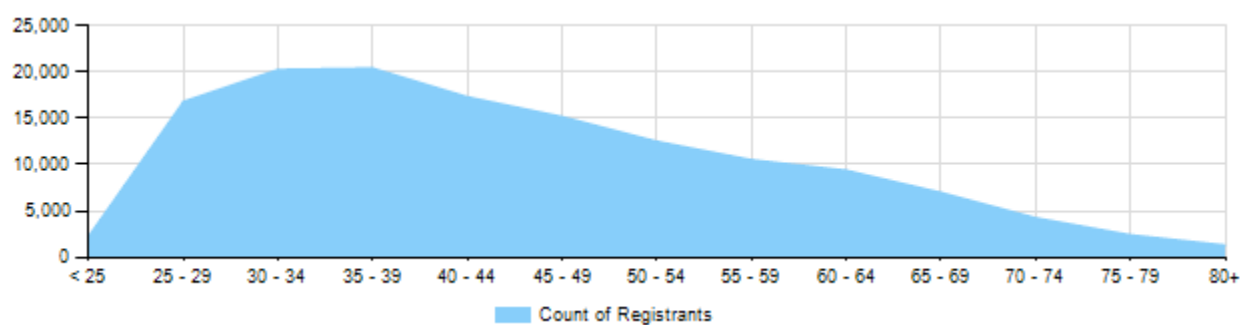


Table 3.3 Medical practitioners - limited registration by age group

Age group	Limited				Total
	Area of need	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	Public interest	Teaching or research	
< 25		1			1
25 - 29		217			217
30 - 34	15	1,049		4	1,068
35 - 39	60	1,344		3	1,407
40 - 44	61	853		3	917
45 - 49	69	361		5	435
50 - 54	43	150		6	199
55 - 59	12	55		2	69
60 - 64	6	12			18
65 - 69	4	7	1	2	14
70 - 74	1	1			2
75 - 79					0
80+				1	1
Total	271	4,050	1	26	4,348

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		376	6,047	337	4,193	1,375	378	5,377	2,424	316	20,823
	General TA		1	7		3	4		1	1		17
	General and Specialist		645	9,453	349	5,853	2,170	743	7,930	2,823	289	30,255
	Specialist		89	920	40	988	252	108	969	654	189	4,209
	Provisional		112	1,368	63	1,080	383	113	1,348	734	88	5,289
	Limited	Area of need		17	5	30	3	2	54	23	1	135
		Postgraduate training or supervised practice	43	661	28	293	164	104	615	246	23	2,177
		Public interest										0
		Teaching or research		5		2			1	3	3	14
	Non-practising		46	458	15	261	100	38	339	136	571	1,964
Total Female			1,312	18,936	837	12,703	4,451	1,486	16,634	7,044	1,480	64,883
Male	General		364	5,966	222	4,266	1,259	409	4,949	2,057	420	19,912
	General TA			7		4	1	2	3	1		18
	General and Specialist		661	12,249	295	7,735	2,814	812	9,992	3,537	445	38,540
	Specialist		147	1,509	93	1,818	446	180	1,679	1,079	346	7,297
	Provisional		84	1,168	54	1,018	318	98	1,116	585	64	4,505
	Limited	Area of need	1	17	3	28	6	1	57	21	2	136
		Postgraduate training or supervised practice	35	477	31	352	157	88	489	220	24	1,873
		Public interest		1								1
		Teaching or research	1	4				1	3	1	2	12
Non-practising		41	621	12	335	165	45	496	171	652	2,538	
Total Male			1,334	22,019	710	15,556	5,166	1,636	18,784	7,672	1,955	74,832

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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	2	1	1	6
	General and Specialist			1					2	1		4
	Provisional			2		1	1		2	1		7
	Non-practising								1			1
Total			2,646	40,959	1,547	28,260	9,618	3,123	35,425	14,719	3,436	139,733

Gender percentages

Table 4.2 Medical practitioners - percentage by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	49.6%	46.2%	54.1%	45.0%	46.3%	47.6%	47.0%	47.9%	43.1%	46.4%
Male	50.4%	53.8%	45.9%	55.0%	53.7%	52.4%	53.0%	52.1%	56.9%	53.6%
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		<0.1%		<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%

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	30.1%	69.9%	
Anaesthesia	34.5%	65.5%	
Dermatology	53.4%	46.6%	
Emergency medicine	39.8%	60.2%	
General practice	49.4%	50.6%	<0.1%
Intensive care medicine	24.6%	75.4%	
Medical administration	37.6%	62.4%	
Obstetrics and gynaecology	56.8%	43.2%	
Occupational and environmental medicine	23.3%	76.7%	
Ophthalmology	25.4%	74.6%	
Paediatrics and child health	58.9%	41.1%	
Pain medicine	30.0%	70.0%	
Palliative medicine	62.2%	37.8%	
Pathology	49.4%	50.6%	
Physician	37.1%	62.9%	
Psychiatry	43.2%	56.8%	<0.1%
Public health medicine	52.4%	47.6%	
Radiation Oncology	44.7%	55.3%	
Radiology	29.8%	70.2%	
Rehabilitation medicine	52.1%	47.9%	
Sexual health medicine	59.7%	40.3%	
Sport and exercise medicine	25.5%	74.5%	
Surgery	15.4%	84.6%	
Total	42.3%	57.6%	<0.1%