

# 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
- 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/About-AHPRA/What-We-Do/Legislation.aspx) (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>

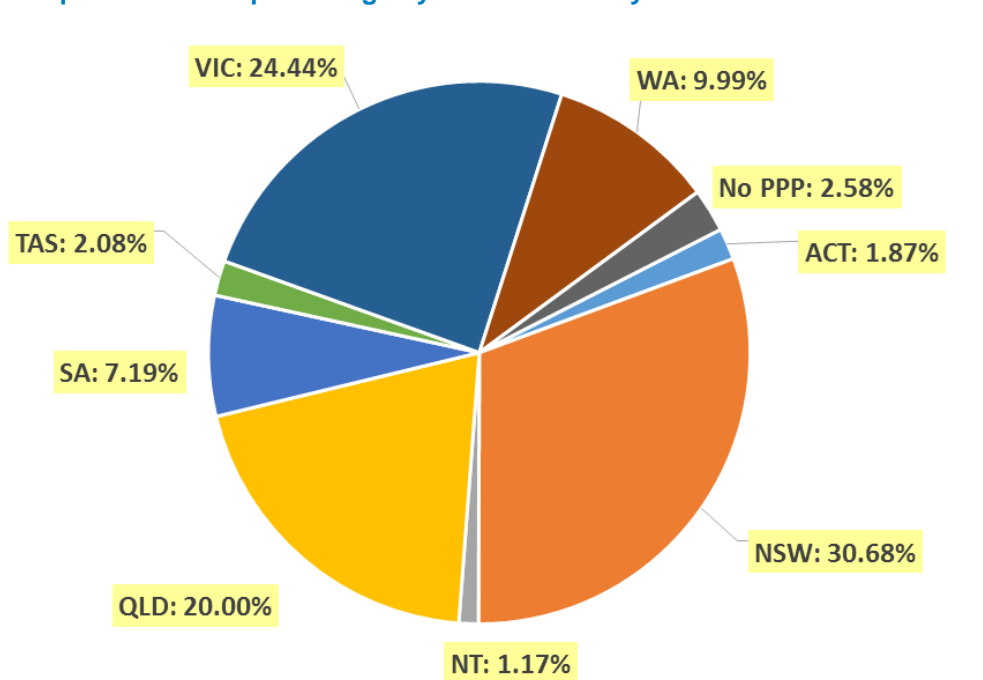
## Medical practitioners by state and territory

### Registration type

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

Registration Type	Registration Sub-type	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General		793	12,804	558	8,462	2,695	740	9,658	4,079	799	<b>40,588</b>
General (Teaching and Assessing) (TA)			10		11	1	3	12	2		<b>39</b>
General TA and Specialist			1								<b>1</b>
General and Specialist		994	17,327	493	10,186	4,138	1,156	13,874	4,675	728	<b>53,571</b>
Specialist		183	2,129	129	2,396	600	235	1,997	1,504	509	<b>9,682</b>
Provisional		106	1,515	101	1,257	475	119	1,202	685	76	<b>5,536</b>
Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	31	589	15	237	142	53	475	186	29	<b>1,757</b>
	Area of need	6	71	31	94	42	25	279	108		<b>656</b>
	Public interest		1								<b>1</b>
	Teaching or research		10		6	4		4	8	1	<b>33</b>
Non-practising		33	721	12	284	145	53	529	212	822	<b>2,811</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,146</b>	<b>35,178</b>	<b>1,339</b>	<b>22,933</b>	<b>8,242</b>	<b>2,384</b>	<b>28,030</b>	<b>11,459</b>	<b>2,964</b>	<b>114,675</b>

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



## Specialist registration

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

Specialty name	Field of specialty practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Addiction medicine		4	68	2	31	15	6	29	16	4	<b>175</b>
Anaesthesia		82	1,518	37	1,040	381	118	1,197	556	140	<b>5,069</b>
Dermatology		6	196	2	96	46	6	149	44	9	<b>554</b>
Emergency medicine		41	587	46	520	130	48	554	247	74	<b>2,247</b>
General practice		471	7,755	306	5,483	1,972	650	6,128	2,690	232	<b>25,687</b>
Intensive care medicine	No sub-specialty declared	22	251	12	199	69	17	214	79	35	<b>898</b>
	Paediatric intensive care medicine		3		5		1	4			<b>13</b>
<b>Subtotal - Intensive care medicine</b>		<b>22</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>911</b>
Medical administration		10	104	4	82	15	8	68	25	12	<b>328</b>
Obstetrics and gynaecology	Gynaecological oncology		15		10	4	1	12	4		<b>46</b>
	Maternal-fetal medicine	1	12	1	10	3		9	4	1	<b>41</b>
	Obstetrics and gynaecological ultrasound		13		3	3		44	3	2	<b>68</b>
	Reproductive endocrinology and infertility		26		4	7	1	14	2		<b>54</b>
	Urogynaecology	1	10		7	1		7	5		<b>31</b>
	No sub-specialty declared	37	500	14	368	130	39	461	159	49	<b>1,757</b>
<b>Subtotal - Obstetrics and gynaecology</b>		<b>39</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>547</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>1,997</b>
Occupational and environmental medicine		18	89	1	42	28	5	63	47	9	<b>302</b>
Ophthalmology		15	374	7	163	70	23	255	81	20	<b>1,008</b>

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Specialty name	Field of specialty practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Paediatrics and child health	Clinical genetics		18		5	1		9	2		35
	Community child health	3	28		15	2	1	14	4	1	68
	General paediatrics	28	658	28	371	135	34	475	197	37	1,963
	Neonatal and perinatal medicine	7	53		32	14	3	51	30	5	195
	Paediatric cardiology		9	1	9			10	5	6	40
	Paediatric clinical pharmacology		1								1
	Paediatric emergency medicine		12	1	23	5		12	12	1	66
	Paediatric endocrinology	1	14	1	9	2		3	5	1	36
	Paediatric gastroenterology and hepatology		6		6	1		12	6	2	33
	Paediatric haematology		5		5	1		3	3	1	18
	Paediatric immunology and allergy	1	9		4	8		10			32
	Paediatric infectious diseases		6	1	7	2		6	5	2	29
	Paediatric intensive care medicine		3		4						7
	Paediatric medical oncology		9		10	1		11	8	2	41
	Paediatric nephrology		4		1	2		4	2		13
	Paediatric neurology		19		6	2	1	8	2	3	41
	Paediatric nuclear medicine		1								1
	Paediatric palliative medicine		1		2			2			5
	Paediatric rehabilitation medicine		4		2	1			2		9
	Paediatric respiratory and sleep medicine	2	13		11	1		5	7		39
Paediatric rheumatology		3		2	1		3	3		12	
No sub-specialty declared	2	37	7	15	11	3	53	20	16	164	
<b>Subtotal - Paediatrics and child health</b>		<b>44</b>	<b>913</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>539</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>691</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>2,848</b>

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Specialty name	Field of specialty practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Pain medicine		4	97		57	31	11	61	34	2	<b>297</b>
Palliative medicine		4	120	4	62	26	13	78	35	6	<b>348</b>
Pathology	Anatomical pathology (incl cytopathology)	21	316	7	193	66	19	203	98	15	<b>938</b>
	Chemical pathology	4	25	1	13	9	2	18	14	3	<b>89</b>
	Forensic pathology		11		16	5	2	14	5		<b>53</b>
	General pathology	1	48		20	4	3	19	6	2	<b>103</b>
	Haematology	12	177	2	100	42	13	141	46	13	<b>546</b>
	Immunology	6	50		14	10		21	19	1	<b>121</b>
	Microbiology	7	87	1	42	17	5	44	36	3	<b>242</b>
	No sub-specialty declared	2	20		7	3		7	8	3	<b>50</b>
<b>Subtotal - Pathology</b>		<b>53</b>	<b>734</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>2,142</b>
Physician	Cardiology	21	454	9	283	115	22	368	92	47	<b>1,411</b>
	Clinical genetics		32		7	9		20	3		<b>71</b>
	Clinical pharmacology		16		10	12		12	5	3	<b>58</b>
	Endocrinology	14	240	7	134	39	11	224	56	4	<b>729</b>
	Gastroenterology and hepatology	24	277	4	171	64	14	262	74	22	<b>912</b>
	General medicine	32	380	25	400	234	41	532	149	37	<b>1,830</b>
	Geriatric medicine	14	253	2	107	63	11	239	86	5	<b>780</b>
	Haematology	11	180	3	101	39	16	174	41	16	<b>581</b>
	Immunology and allergy	8	65	1	15	11	2	33	26	4	<b>165</b>
	Infectious diseases	10	110	13	68	33	9	169	37	12	<b>461</b>
	Medical oncology	13	213	3	115	49	15	239	43	17	<b>707</b>
	Nephrology	13	180	14	96	28	10	181	43	15	<b>580</b>
	Neurology	10	231	1	85	39	8	205	44	11	<b>634</b>
	Nuclear medicine	8	107		30	25	7	60	22	1	<b>260</b>
	Respiratory and sleep medicine	12	231	1	134	62	13	187	70	10	<b>720</b>
Rheumatology	11	121	1	54	37	9	112	30	6	<b>381</b>	
No sub-specialty declared	4	110	4	31	6	7	49	53	15	<b>279</b>	
<b>Subtotal - Physician</b>		<b>205</b>	<b>3,200</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>1,841</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>3,066</b>	<b>874</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>10,559</b>

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Specialty name	Field of specialty practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Psychiatry		58	1,153	24	733	302	74	1,049	351	81	<b>3,825</b>
Public health medicine		31	128	23	79	26	9	77	41	12	<b>426</b>
Radiation Oncology		13	139	3	76	17	8	99	25	8	<b>388</b>
Radiology	Diagnostic radiology	44	623	2	413	160	42	513	227	113	<b>2,137</b>
	Diagnostic ultrasound				1			3			<b>4</b>
	Nuclear medicine	6	38		51	10	2	69	11	3	<b>190</b>
	No sub-specialty declared	8	53		16	5	2	60	24	18	<b>186</b>
<b>Subtotal - Radiology</b>		<b>58</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>645</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>2,517</b>
Rehabilitation medicine		7	237	2	71	38	11	142	15	10	<b>533</b>
Sexual health medicine		4	57	1	21	10	2	25	8	1	<b>129</b>
Sport and exercise medicine		12	42	1	11	4	2	39	10	1	<b>122</b>
Surgery	Cardio-thoracic surgery	4	56		42	12	3	59	15	9	<b>200</b>
	General surgery	29	665	21	369	163	33	545	157	51	<b>2,033</b>
	Neurosurgery	7	81	1	52	16	7	68	19	5	<b>256</b>
	Oral and maxillofacial surgery	3	35	2	34	13	2	36	14	5	<b>144</b>
	Orthopaedic surgery	26	453	6	321	125	27	327	136	36	<b>1,457</b>
	Otolaryngology - head and neck surgery	7	169	2	97	45	9	126	43	13	<b>511</b>
	Paediatric surgery	4	36		16	9	2	23	8	3	<b>101</b>
	Plastic surgery	5	131	2	73	43	10	147	47	7	<b>465</b>
	Urology	7	135	1	91	34	12	128	40	7	<b>455</b>
	Vascular surgery	3	77	2	46	19	4	65	20	3	<b>239</b>
	No sub-specialty declared		24	1				11	5	3	<b>44</b>
<b>Subtotal - Surgery</b>		<b>95</b>	<b>1,862</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1,141</b>	<b>479</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>1,535</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>5,905</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,296</b>	<b>20,917</b>	<b>668</b>	<b>13,580</b>	<b>5,193</b>	<b>1,489</b>	<b>17,182</b>	<b>6,666</b>	<b>1,326</b>	<b>68,317</b>

## Endorsements by type

**Table 3.1 Medical practitioners – endorsements by state or territory**

Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Acupuncture	6	166	4	98	32	14	230	37		587



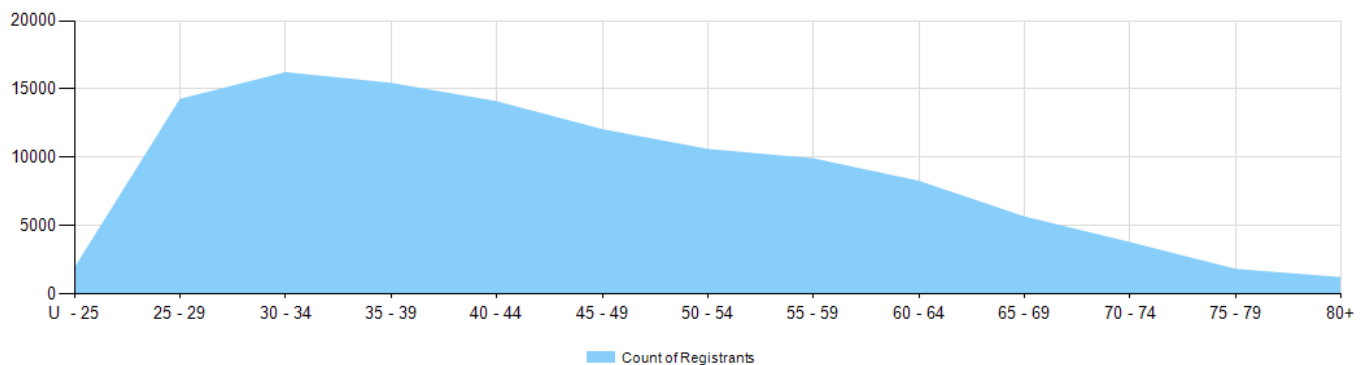
## Medical practitioners by age group

### Age by registration type

**Table 4.1 Medical practitioners – registration type by age group**

Age group	General	General (TA)	General and Specialist	General (TA) and Specialist	Specialist	Provisional	Limited	Non-practising	Total
U - 25	640					1,215		1	<b>1,856</b>
25 - 29	11,284		96		8	2,717	65	61	<b>14,231</b>
30 - 34	12,093	2	2,231		237	846	582	197	<b>16,188</b>
35 - 39	6,536	3	6,416		997	440	810	200	<b>15,402</b>
40 - 44	3,358		7,872		1,948	174	490	214	<b>14,056</b>
45 - 49	1,997	1	7,322	1	2,128	79	263	219	<b>12,010</b>
50 - 54	1,481	4	6,870		1,830	35	130	210	<b>10,560</b>
55 - 59	1,132	7	7,115		1,253	17	66	280	<b>9,870</b>
60 - 64	806	5	6,355		741	5	31	279	<b>8,222</b>
65 - 69	494	5	4,477		345	7	8	280	<b>5,616</b>
70 - 74	351	8	2,916		147	1	2	308	<b>3,733</b>
75 - 79	217	3	1,249		36			262	<b>1,767</b>
80+	199	1	652		12			300	<b>1,164</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>40,588</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>53,571</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9,682</b>	<b>5,536</b>	<b>2,447</b>	<b>2,811</b>	<b>114,675</b>

**Table 4.2 Medical practitioners – by age group**



**Table 4.3 Medical practitioners – limited registration by age group**

Medical practitioners	Limited registration					
	Age group	Area of need	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	Public interest	Teaching or research	Total
U - 25						<b>0</b>
25 - 29	5	59			1	<b>65</b>
30 - 34	86	489			7	<b>582</b>
35 - 39	168	638			4	<b>810</b>
40 - 44	155	328			7	<b>490</b>
45 - 49	109	150	1		3	<b>263</b>
50 - 54	76	48			6	<b>130</b>
55 - 59	31	34			1	<b>66</b>
60 - 64	21	8			2	<b>31</b>
65 - 69	4	2			2	<b>8</b>
70 - 74	1	1				<b>2</b>
75 - 79						<b>0</b>
80+						<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>1,757</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>2,447</b>	

## Medical practitioners by gender

### Gender by registration type

**Table 5.1 Medical practitioners – gender by state and territory by registration type**

Gender	Registration type	Registration subtype	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total	
Female	General		435	6,545	294	4,160	1,413	379	5,073	2,150	346	<b>20,795</b>	
	General (TA)			8		3	1	2	4	1		<b>19</b>	
	General TA and Specialist			1								<b>1</b>	
	General and Specialist		408	6,321	238	3,690	1,476	453	5,230	1,700	244	<b>19,760</b>	
	Specialist		72	767	37	802	189	78	685	513	149	<b>3,292</b>	
	Provisional		59	774	67	632	261	61	630	381	36	<b>2,901</b>	
	Limited		Postgraduate training or supervised practice	8	240	7	95	52	21	193	75	13	<b>704</b>
			Area of need	3	31	13	30	18	9	112	47		<b>263</b>
			Teaching or research				2	1		3	8		<b>14</b>
	Non-practising		13	323	6	119	56	23	211	92	355	<b>1,198</b>	
<b>Total female</b>			<b>998</b>	<b>15,010</b>	<b>662</b>	<b>9,533</b>	<b>3,467</b>	<b>1,026</b>	<b>12,141</b>	<b>4,967</b>	<b>1,143</b>	<b>48,947</b>	
Male	General		358	6,259	264	4,302	1,282	361	4,585	1,929	453	<b>19,793</b>	
	General TA			2		8		1	8	1		<b>20</b>	
	General and Specialist		586	11,006	255	6,496	2,662	703	8,644	2,975	484	<b>33,811</b>	
	Specialist		111	1,362	92	1,594	411	157	1,312	991	360	<b>6,390</b>	
	Provisional		47	741	34	625	214	58	571	304	40	<b>2,634</b>	
	Limited		Postgraduate training or supervised practice	23	349	8	142	90	32	282	111	16	<b>1,053</b>
			Area of need	3	40	18	64	24	16	167	61		<b>393</b>
			Public interest		1								<b>1</b>
			Teaching or research		10		4	3		1		1	<b>19</b>
	Non-practising		20	398	6	165	89	30	318	120	467	<b>1,613</b>	
<b>Total male</b>			<b>1,148</b>	<b>20,168</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>13,400</b>	<b>4,775</b>	<b>1,358</b>	<b>15,888</b>	<b>6,492</b>	<b>1,821</b>	<b>65,727</b>	

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Gender	Registration type	Registration subtype	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Intersex or Indeterminate	Provisional								1			1
<b>Total Intersex or Indeterminate</b>									1			1
<b>Total</b>			<b>2,146</b>	<b>35,178</b>	<b>1,339</b>	<b>22,933</b>	<b>8,242</b>	<b>2,384</b>	<b>28,030</b>	<b>11,459</b>	<b>2,964</b>	<b>114,675</b>

## Gender percentages

**Table 7.1 Medical practitioners – percentage by gender**

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	46.5%	42.7%	49.4%	41.6%	42.1%	43.0%	43.3%	43.3%	38.6%	<b>42.7%</b>
Male	53.5%	57.3%	50.6%	58.4%	57.9%	57.0%	56.7%	56.7%	61.4%	<b>57.3%</b>
Intersex or Indeterminate							<0.1%			<b>&lt;0.1%</b>