

## Medical Practitioner Registrant Data: June 2014

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### Introduction

The role of the Medical Board of Australia 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
- approve accreditation standards and accredited courses of study.

The Board's functions are supported by [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 publishes these statistics regularly.

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

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## Medical practitioners – registration type by state and territory

Medical Practitioner	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
<b>General</b>	679	10,499	451	6,468	2,295	626	7,638	3,058	675	<b>32,389</b>
<b>General (Teaching &amp; Assessing)</b>	-	10	-	7	5	-	7	5	-	<b>34</b>
<b>General &amp; Specialist*</b>	890	15,928	370	8,744	3,907	1,074	12,478	4,182	547	<b>48,120</b>
<b>Specialist*</b>	146	1,752	106	1,962	522	211	1,556	1,162	350	<b>7,767</b>
<b>Provisional</b>	96	1,113	63	861	310	87	937	371	8	<b>3,846</b>
<b>Limited</b>	111	1,279	91	636	394	107	1,032	688	9	<b>4,347</b>
Postgraduate Training or Supervised Practice	85	1,140	9	352	296	47	644	161	8	2,742
Area of Need	25	127	80	276	94	60	384	519	1	1,566
Public Interest	1	1	2	4	1	-	1	-	-	10
Teaching or Research	-	11	-	4	3	-	3	8	-	29
<b>Limited (Public Interest - Occasional Practice)</b>	-	19	-	126	-	1	-	247	6	<b>399</b>
<b>Non-Practising</b>	38	669	3	228	121	49	489	176	704	<b>2,477</b>
<b>Total Practitioners</b>	<b>1,960</b>	<b>31,269</b>	<b>1,084</b>	<b>19,032</b>	<b>7,554</b>	<b>2,155</b>	<b>24,137</b>	<b>9,889</b>	<b>2,299</b>	<b>99,379</b>

\* Total practitioners with specialist registration 55,887

Table 1: Medical practitioners – registration type by state and territory

### Medical practitioners - percentage by principal place of practice

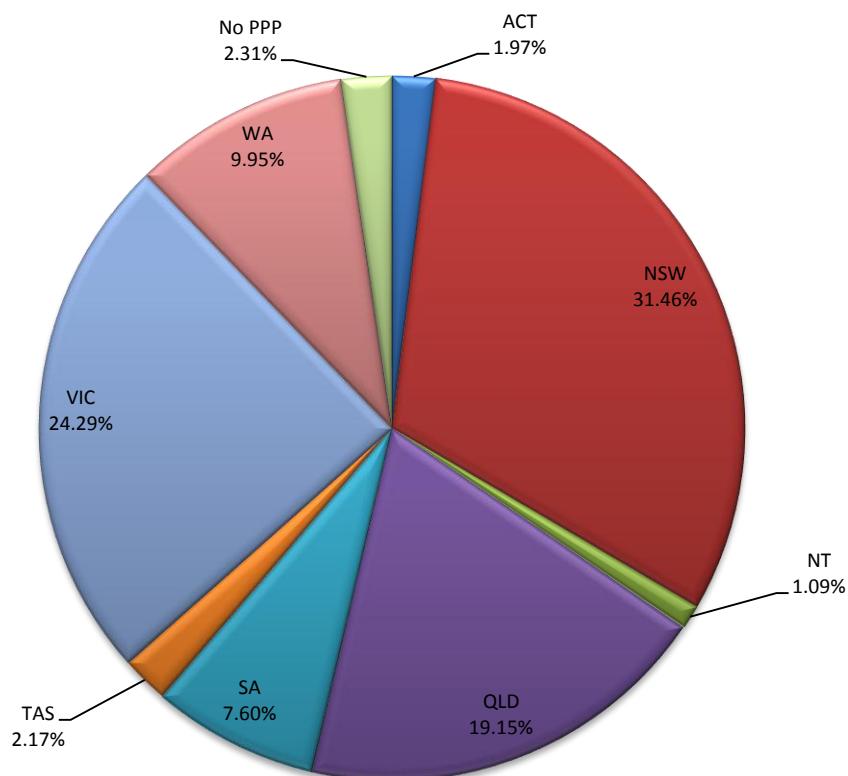


Chart 1: Medical practitioners – percentage by principal place of practice

## Medical practitioners – by area of specialist practice

Specialty and field of specialty practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Addiction medicine	2	64	3	26	15	9	30	13	4	166
Anaesthesia	74	1,345	40	899	357	111	1,081	479	109	4,495
Dermatology	5	182	1	80	39	6	128	41	7	489
Emergency medicine	31	383	31	349	101	41	394	187	50	1,567
General practice	411	7,442	226	4,820	1,899	617	5,652	2,370	187	23,624
Intensive care medicine	22	237	10	169	67	16	183	68	24	796
Paediatric intensive care medicine	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2
No sub-speciality declared	22	237	10	169	67	16	181	68	24	794
Medical administration	15	102	7	83	16	4	65	32	7	331
Obstetrics and gynaecology	30	545	14	353	134	38	497	158	45	1,814
Gynaecological oncology	-	16	-	9	4	1	11	2	-	43
Maternal-fetal medicine	-	13	1	7	3	-	9	5	1	39
Obstetrics and gynaecological ultrasound	-	13	-	5	4	-	53	3	2	80
Reproductive endocrinology and infertility	-	27	-	4	6	1	13	2	-	53
Urogynaecology	1	10	-	6	1	-	8	4	-	30
No sub-speciality declared	29	466	13	322	116	36	403	142	42	1,569
Occupational and environmental medicine	16	92	1	43	29	6	65	41	7	300
Ophthalmology	12	354	5	160	71	20	225	75	13	935
Paediatrics and child health	36	772	22	404	166	40	572	245	58	2,315
Clinical genetics	-	15	-	1	-	-	5	1	-	22
Community child health	-	16	-	9	2	-	7	-	1	35
General paediatrics	28	583	17	315	128	31	437	173	32	1,744
Neonatal and perinatal medicine	6	42	-	22	8	3	36	24	4	145
Paediatric cardiology	-	5	1	5	-	-	5	4	2	22
Paediatric clinical pharmacology	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Paediatric emergency medicine	-	8	-	9	4	-	8	7	1	37
Paediatric endocrinology	1	10	-	4	1	-	2	2	-	20
Paediatric gastroenterology and hepatology	-	4	-	2	1	-	6	3	3	19
Paediatric haematology	-	3	-	1	-	-	2	1	-	7
Paediatric immunology and allergy	-	3	-	2	3	-	3	-	-	11
Paediatric infectious diseases	-	4	1	3	1	-	6	-	-	15
Paediatric intensive care medicine	-	4	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	5
Paediatric medical oncology	-	7	-	3	1	-	4	2	1	18
Paediatric nephrology	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Paediatric neurology	-	15	-	3	1	1	5	1	2	28
Paediatric rehabilitation medicine	-	4	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	5
Paediatric respiratory and sleep medicine	-	9	-	6	1	-	3	4	-	23
Paediatric rheumatology	-	3	-	2	1	-	3	2	-	11
No sub-speciality declared	1	30	3	15	13	5	40	21	12	140
Pain medicine	2	82	-	53	30	8	42	30	4	251
Palliative medicine	6	94	2	44	22	12	61	28	6	275
Pathology	58	769	9	405	190	51	529	239	26	2,276
Anatomical pathology (including cytopathology)	19	266	3	163	63	17	192	90	8	821
Chemical pathology	2	23	-	15	8	2	20	15	4	89
Forensic pathology	-	8	1	13	4	2	10	5	-	43
General pathology	11	182	2	78	55	13	120	36	5	502
Haematology	10	156	2	79	35	12	128	34	4	460
Immunology	6	46	-	12	10	1	19	17	-	111
Microbiology	7	75	1	38	15	4	37	33	1	211
No sub-speciality declared	3	13	-	7	-	-	3	9	4	39

Medical practitioners – by area of specialist practice										
Specialty and field of specialty practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
<b>Physician</b>	176	2,806	66	1,520	818	166	2,632	742	163	<b>9,089</b>
Cardiology	17	381	6	236	110	20	314	83	33	1,200
Clinical genetics	-	33	-	7	9	-	16	5	-	70
Clinical pharmacology	-	13	-	11	9	-	11	5	2	51
Endocrinology	11	199	6	107	33	11	170	44	1	582
Gastroenterology and hepatology	21	241	3	133	62	13	219	61	10	763
General medicine	32	398	10	332	246	36	541	121	37	1,753
Geriatric medicine	9	188	2	76	48	9	174	62	6	574
Haematology	8	161	2	87	37	9	140	30	11	485
Immunology and allergy	7	55	1	14	12	1	29	22	2	143
Infectious diseases	8	88	12	51	26	7	140	28	8	368
Medical oncology	9	158	2	92	42	9	201	36	4	553
Nephrology	9	155	12	77	26	10	148	34	11	482
Neurology	11	187	1	69	33	7	171	40	7	526
Nuclear medicine	7	100	-	32	26	6	58	19	1	249
Respiratory and sleep medicine	11	191	4	121	52	12	154	55	10	610
Rheumatology	8	113	1	46	36	7	98	30	8	347
No sub-speciality declared	8	145	4	29	11	9	48	67	12	333
<b>Psychiatry</b>	52	1,018	15	609	283	60	952	283	57	<b>3,329</b>
<b>Public health medicine</b>	28	134	24	80	30	11	78	43	7	<b>435</b>
<b>Radiation Oncology</b>	14	116	2	68	22	8	103	21	4	<b>358</b>
<b>Radiology</b>	52	643	3	412	167	48	560	236	99	<b>2,220</b>
Diagnostic radiology	41	568	3	351	151	43	458	204	83	1,902
Diagnostic ultrasound	-	1	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	4
Nuclear medicine	4	39	-	51	11	4	63	9	3	184
No sub-speciality declared	7	35	-	10	5	1	36	23	13	130
<b>Rehabilitation medicine</b>	6	213	3	55	35	6	117	16	3	<b>454</b>
<b>Sexual health medicine</b>	5	52	1	18	7	1	25	6	-	<b>115</b>
<b>Sport and exercise medicine</b>	11	40	1	11	4	2	36	10	-	<b>115</b>
<b>Surgery</b>	95	1,759	35	1,021	443	105	1,422	459	83	<b>5,422</b>
Cardio-thoracic surgery	6	57	-	42	11	3	62	14	5	200
General surgery	24	626	17	344	157	35	525	134	33	1,895
Neurosurgery	7	75	-	42	15	4	61	21	1	226
Oral and maxillofacial surgery	4	23	3	29	9	1	25	10	1	105
Orthopaedic surgery	27	414	7	274	116	22	302	129	22	1,313
Otolaryngology - head and neck surgery	8	160	3	88	42	9	113	43	8	474
Paediatric surgery	4	34	-	13	9	2	26	8	2	98
Plastic surgery	6	126	2	67	39	13	129	42	4	428
Urology	6	129	1	79	29	10	105	39	1	399
Vascular surgery	3	70	1	43	16	6	59	15	2	215
No sub-speciality declared	-	45	1	-	-	-	15	4	4	69
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,159</b>	<b>19,244</b>	<b>521</b>	<b>11,682</b>	<b>4,945</b>	<b>1,386</b>	<b>15,449</b>	<b>5,822</b>	<b>963</b>	<b>61,171</b>

Table 2: Medical practitioners – by area of specialist practice

Medical practitioners – endorsement type by state and territory										
Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
<b>Acupuncture</b>	1	72	1	51	18	11	232	26	-	<b>412</b>

Table 3: Medical practitioners – endorsement type by state and territory

Medical practitioners – age by registration type										
Age group	Registration type								Total	% by Age Group
Age group	General	General (Teaching & Assessing)	General & Specialist	Specialist	Provisional	Limited	Limited (Public Interest - Occasional Practice)	Non-Practising		
U-25	138	-	-	-	717	2	-	-	857	0.86%
25-29	7,711	-	16	7	2,111	746	-	33	10,624	10.69%
30-34	10,126	-	1,206	247	564	890	-	131	13,164	13.25%
35-39	5,632	2	5,299	992	234	1,163	-	219	13,541	13.63%
40-44	2,851	3	6,667	1,687	117	788	5	241	12,359	12.44%
45-49	1,709	2	6,556	1,762	64	381	3	203	10,680	10.75%
50-54	1,348	1	7,158	1,352	25	189	7	237	10,317	10.38%
55-59	1,016	3	6,914	890	11	104	9	215	9,162	9.22%
60-64	649	2	5,650	473	3	54	7	197	7,035	7.08%
65-69	416	6	4,406	233	-	23	43	220	5,347	5.38%
70-74	325	4	2,488	87	-	6	101	251	3,262	3.28%
75-79	222	5	1,101	26	-	1	95	216	1,666	1.68%
80+	246	6	659	11	-	-	129	314	1,365	1.37%
<b>Total</b>	<b>32,389</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>48,120</b>	<b>7,767</b>	<b>3,846</b>	<b>4,347</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>2,477</b>	<b>99,379</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

Table 4: Medical practitioners – age by registration type

Medical practitioners – age by type of limited registration						
Age group	Type of limited registration				Total	% by Age Group
Age group	Postgraduate Training or Supervised Practice	Area of Need	Public Interest	Teaching or Research		
U-25	1	1	-	-	2	0.04%
25-29	539	206	-	1	746	17.40%
30-34	594	291	-	5	890	20.52%
35-39	827	329	-	7	1,163	26.51%
40-44	490	288	2	8	788	18.00%
45-49	173	203	1	4	381	8.69%
50-54	70	116	2	1	189	4.39%
55-59	32	68	2	2	104	2.48%
60-64	11	39	3	1	54	1.22%
65-69	5	18	-	-	23	0.60%
70-74	-	6	-	-	6	0.13%
75-79	-	1	-	-	1	0.02%
80+	-	-	-	-	-	0.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,742</b>	<b>1,566</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>4,347</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

Table 5: Medical practitioners – age by type of limited registration

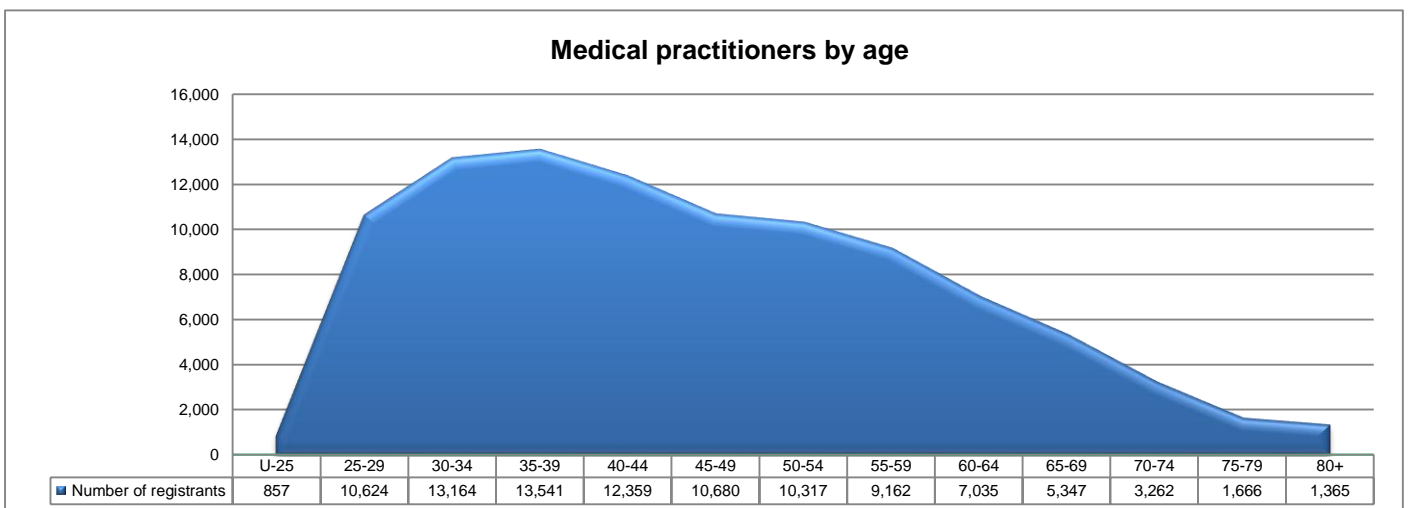


Chart 2: Medical practitioners by age

## Medical practitioners – gender by state and territory by registration type

Gender and registration type	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
<b>Female</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>12,498</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>7,496</b>	<b>2,948</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>9,947</b>	<b>4,010</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>39,963</b>
General	373	5,224	255	3,122	1,172	324	3,956	1,633	261	16,320
General (Teaching & Assessing)	-	5	-	1	1	-	3	3	-	13
General & Specialist	337	5,305	168	2,914	1,268	380	4,323	1,372	154	16,221
Specialist	54	585	30	632	159	65	511	377	93	2,506
Provisional	52	595	42	446	162	45	534	214	2	2,092
Limited	49	530	34	270	148	42	434	296	4	1,807
<i>Postgraduate Training or Supervised Practice</i>	40	482	4	155	112	24	295	56	4	1,172
<i>Area of Need</i>	9	44	30	113	33	18	137	236	-	620
<i>Public Interest</i>	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
<i>Teaching or Research</i>	-	4	-	1	3	-	2	4	-	14
Limited (Public Interest - Occasional Practice)	-	2	-	14	-	-	-	42	-	58
Non-Practising	10	252	1	97	38	19	186	73	270	946
<b>Male</b>	<b>1,085</b>	<b>18,771</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>11,536</b>	<b>4,606</b>	<b>1,280</b>	<b>14,190</b>	<b>5,879</b>	<b>1,515</b>	<b>59,416</b>
General	306	5,275	196	3,346	1,123	302	3,682	1,425	414	16,069
General (Teaching & Assessing)	-	5	-	6	4	-	4	2	-	21
General & Specialist	553	10,623	202	5,830	2,639	694	8,155	2,810	393	31,899
Specialist	92	1,167	76	1,330	363	146	1,045	785	257	5,261
Provisional	44	518	21	415	148	42	403	157	6	1,754
Limited	62	749	57	366	246	65	598	392	5	2,540
<i>Postgraduate Training or Supervised Practice</i>	45	658	5	197	184	23	349	105	4	1,570
<i>Area of Need</i>	16	83	50	163	61	42	247	283	1	946
<i>Public Interest</i>	1	1	2	3	1	-	1	-	-	9
<i>Teaching or Research</i>	-	7	-	3	-	-	1	4	-	15
Limited (Public Interest - Occasional Practice)	-	17	-	112	-	1	-	205	6	341
Non-Practising	28	417	2	131	83	30	303	103	434	1,531
<b>Total Practitioners</b>	<b>1,960</b>	<b>31,269</b>	<b>1,084</b>	<b>19,032</b>	<b>7,554</b>	<b>2,155</b>	<b>24,137</b>	<b>9,889</b>	<b>2,299</b>	<b>99,379</b>

Table 6: Medical practitioners – gender by state and territory by registration type

## Medical practitioners – percentage by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
<b>Female</b>	44.64%	39.97%	48.89%	39.39%	39.03%	40.60%	41.21%	40.55%	34.10%	<b>40.21%</b>
<b>Male</b>	55.36%	60.03%	51.11%	60.61%	60.97%	59.40%	58.79%	59.45%	65.90%	<b>59.79%</b>

Table 7: Medical practitioners – percentage by gender