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Introduction

This report contains registration information about nurses and midwives registered with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA).

The functions of the NMBA are defined under the [National Law](#), and include:

- Registering nurses, midwives and students of nursing and midwifery
- Determining national registration requirements
- Developing professional codes, standards, guidelines and position statements to guide the practice of nurses and midwives
- Managing notifications, investigations and panel hearings
- Overseeing the assessment of internationally qualified nurses and midwives who wish to register in Australia
- Approving national accreditation standards and accredited programs of study leading to registration and endorsement
- Delegating to state and territory boards and committees of the NMBA, and Ahpra staff, the power to determine individual applications for registration and notification of a nurse's or midwife's health, performance and/or conduct, and a student's health or criminal history

**Co-regulatory models apply in New South Wales (NSW) and Queensland (QLD). In NSW, notifications are managed separately by the Nursing and Midwifery Council of NSW; the NSW Board of the NMBA only manages registration matters. In QLD, notifications are received by the Office of the Health Ombudsman (OHO), who determines which notifications should be managed by the NMBA.*

The NMBA's functions are supported by the [Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency](#) (Ahpra). For information about legislation governing the NMBA and Ahpra, see [Ahpra's Legislation & Publications](#) at www.ahpra.gov.au/Legislation-and-Publications.aspx

Ahpra has analysed the NMBA's registration data and produced a number of statistical tables¹ about registrants to share with the professions and community. This report is updated on a quarterly basis.

For more information on nursing and midwifery registration, please see the NMBA's website: www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au/Registration-and-Endorsement.aspx

¹ Note that the data for dual registration in the tables and diagrams includes where a nurse or a midwife may be non-practising in one category, for example enrolled nurse (non-practising) & registered nurse (practising) or nurse (non-practising) & midwife (practising).

Principal place of practice

Registration type

Table 1.1 Registration type by principal place of practice*

Profession	Registration types	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total	
Nurse	General	Enrolled Nurse (EN)	835	13,817	390	14,719	8,238	1,818	21,649	6,177	144	67,787	
		Registered Nurse (RN)	6,439	101,723	4,046	77,983	27,551	8,656	94,302	38,143	25,420	384,263	
		EN & RN	242	2,403	119	2,347	1,160	162	4,514	1,183	32	12,162	
	Total General Nurse			7,516	117,943	4,555	95,049	36,949	10,636	120,465	45,503	25,596	464,212
	Non-practising	Enrolled Nurse (EN)	41	620	18	664	337	55	851	261	32	2,879	
		Registered Nurse (RN)	190	2,897	60	1,901	700	231	2,207	873	1,275	10,334	
		EN & RN	1	13	1	25	8	1	46	6	5	106	
	Total Non-practising Nurse			232	3,530	79	2,590	1,045	287	3,104	1,140	1,312	13,319
	Provisional	Enrolled Nurse (EN)		14	1	23	13	2	37	12	1	103	
		Registered Nurse (RN)	1	45	3	49	13		52	15	10	188	
	Total Provisional Nurse			1	59	4	72	26	2	89	27	11	291
	Total Nurse			7,749	121,532	4,638	97,711	38,020	10,925	123,658	46,670	26,919	477,822

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Profession	Registration types	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total	
Nurse and Midwife	General	EN & Midwife	1	23	3	34	9	1	34	9		114	
		RN & Midwife	384	6,605	434	5,189	1,454	597	7,508	2,726	233	25,130	
		EN & RN & Midwife	2	28	1	11	3	1	50	12		108	
	Total General Nurse and Midwife			387	6,656	438	5,234	1,466	599	7,592	2,747	233	25,352
	Non-practising	EN & Midwife				1			1				2
		RN & Midwife	27	308	7	137	72	15	195	71	33		865
		EN & RN & Midwife				1			1				2
	Total Non-practising Nurse and Midwife			27	308	7	139	72	15	197	71	33	869
	Provisional	RN & Midwife		4		1	1						6
	Total Provisional Nurse and Midwife			0	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	6
Non-practising and Provisional	RN & Midwife											0	
Total Non-practising and Provisional Nurse and Midwife			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total Nurse and Midwife			414	6,968	445	5,374	1,539	614	7,789	2,818	266	26,227	
Midwife	General		255	1,973	111	1,907	970	90	1,761	612	327	8,006	
	Non-practising		7	67	1	65	30	2	50	16	36	274	
	Provisional						1		2			3	
Total Midwife			262	2,040	112	1,972	1,001	92	1,813	628	363	8,283	
Total			8,425	130,540	5,195	105,057	40,560	11,631	133,260	50,116	27,548	512,332	

* The Nursing and Midwifery Board introduced Provisional Registration for Nurses and Midwives in September 2015.

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
Midwife	9	70	8	78	14	2	14	10		205
Nurse	68	2,492	147	2,090	396	332	860	576	114	7,075
Nurse and Midwife	6	142	14	87	16	12	44	32	1	354
Percentage of all practitioners	1.0 %	2.1 %	3.3 %	2.1 %	1.1 %	3.0 %	0.7 %	1.2 %	0.4 %	1.5 %

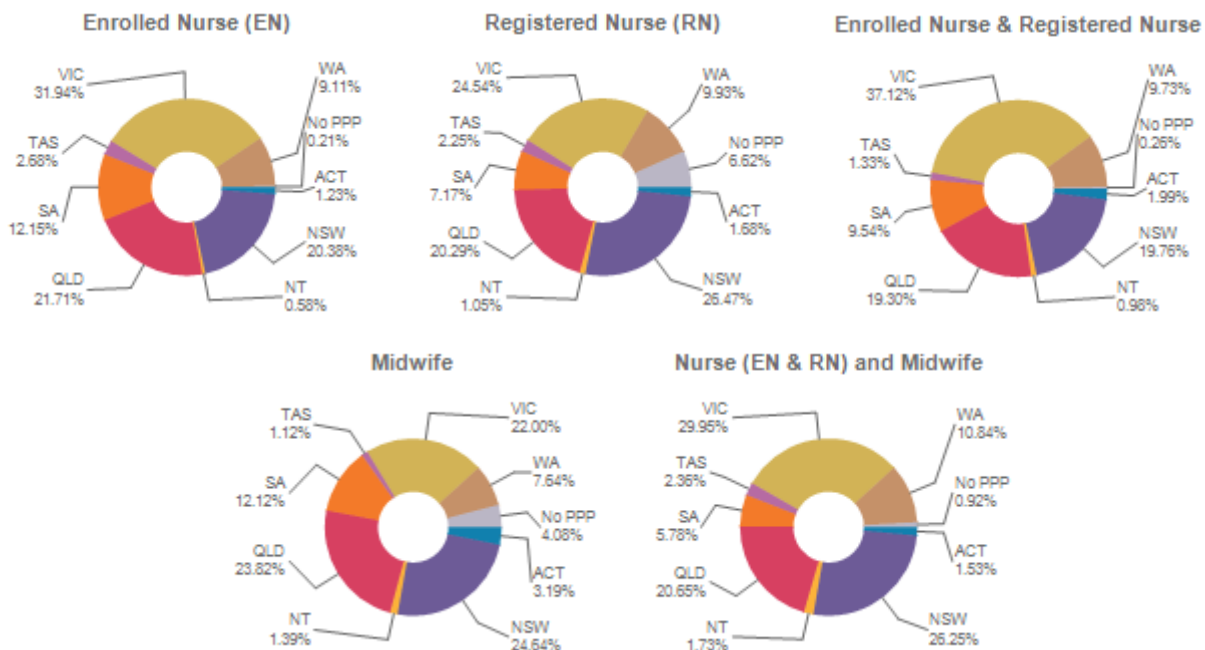
General registration

Table 2.1 Totals for practitioners with general registration as Nurse and/or Midwife

Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Enrolled Nurse (EN)	835	13,817	390	14,719	8,238	1,818	21,649	6,177	144	67,787
Registered Nurse (RN)	6,439	101,723	4,046	77,983	27,551	8,656	94,302	38,143	25,420	384,263
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Nurse (EN & RN) and Midwife*	387	6,656	438	5,234	1,466	599	7,592	2,747	233	25,352

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Table 2.2 Percentage of general registration by principal place of practice



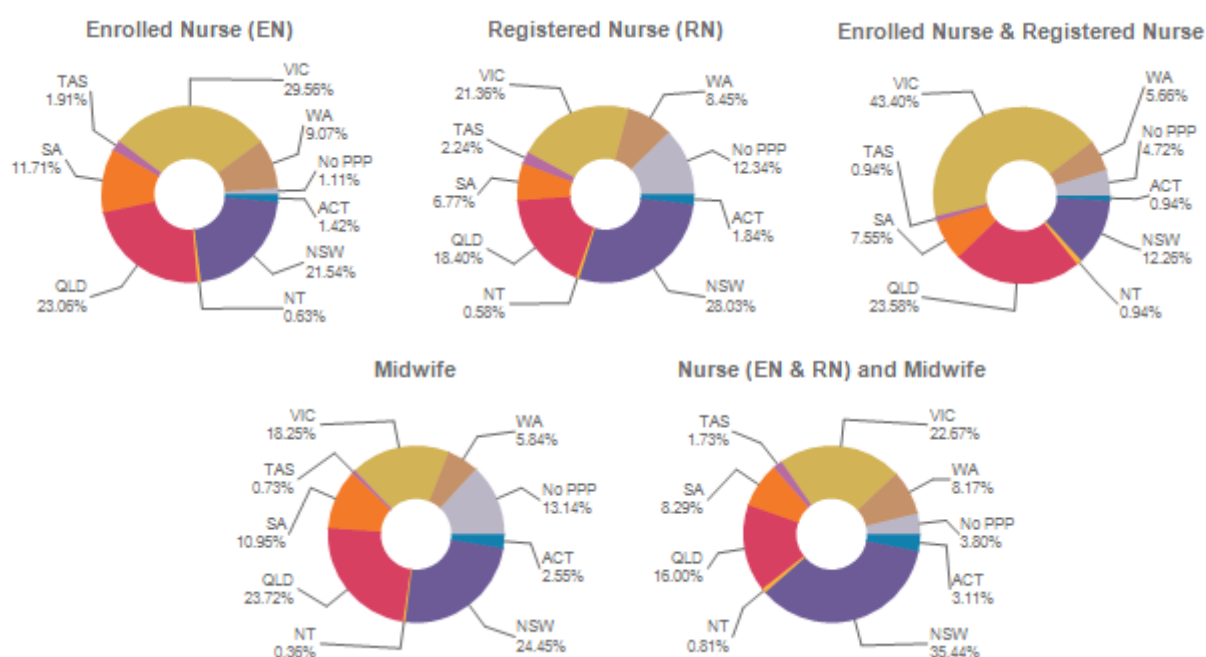
Non-practising registration

Table 3.1 Totals for practitioners with non-practising registration as Nurse and/or Midwife

Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Enrolled Nurse (EN)	41	620	18	664	337	55	851	261	32	2,879
Registered Nurse (RN)	190	2,897	60	1,901	700	231	2,207	873	1,275	10,334
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Midwife	7	67	1	65	30	2	50	16	36	274
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Table 3.2 Percentage of non-practising registration by principal place of practice



Provisional registration

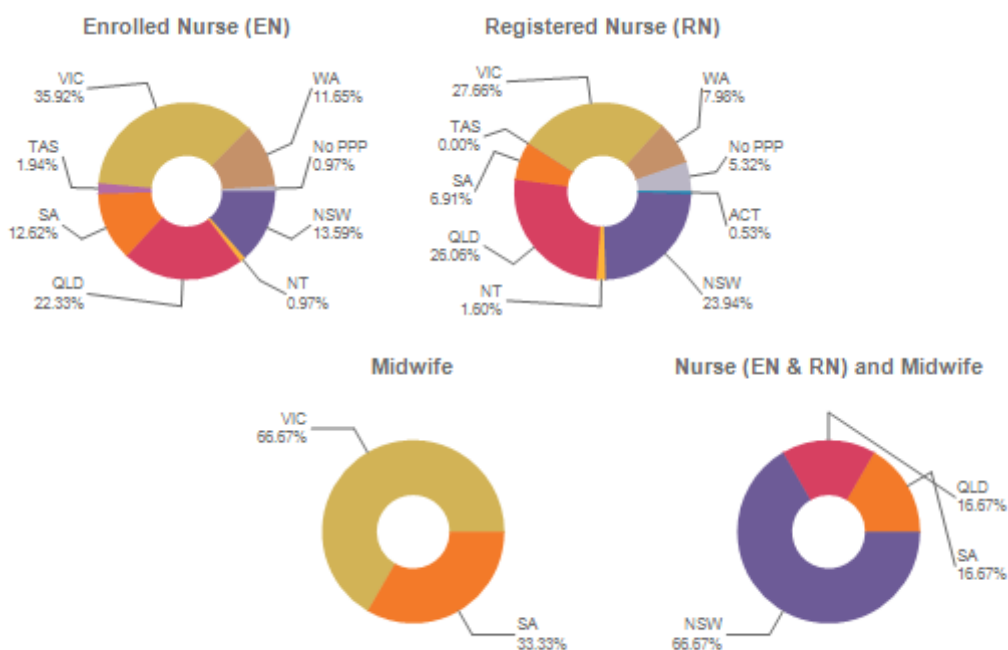
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Table 4.1 Totals for practitioners with provisional registration as Nurse and/or Midwife

Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Enrolled Nurse (EN)		14	1	23	13	2	37	12	1	103
Registered Nurse (RN)	1	45	3	49	13		52	15	10	188
Midwife					1		2			3
Nurse (EN & RN) and Midwife*		4		1	1					6

* Practitioners with a Nurse and Midwife registration may hold registration as an EN and Midwife, RN and Midwife, or EN and RN and Midwife.

Table 4.2 Percentage of provisional registration by principal place of practice



Endorsements by type

The NMBA endorsements for registered nurses are:

- Nurse Practitioner
- Registered Nurse - scheduled medicines (rural and isolated practice)

The NMBA endorsements for midwives are:

- Midwife – scheduled medicines
- Midwife Practitioner – refer [Position-Statement Midwife Practitioners \(7 April 2011\)](#)

Table 5.1 Registered Nurse and Midwife - Endorsements by principal place of practice

Profession	Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Nurse	Nurse Practitioner	71	685	45	778	207	56	688	325	45	2,900
	Scheduled Medicines - Rural and isolated practice	5	57	31	784	9	16	267	29	12	1,210
Midwife	Midwife practitioner		1								1
	Scheduled Medicines*	22	195	22	399	95	22	208	229	106	1,298
Total		98	938	98	1,961	311	94	1,163	583	163	5,409

* The above numbers under 'Midwife - Scheduled Medicines' reflect those midwives who have met the NMBA Registration standard for endorsement for scheduled medicines for midwives.

Notations

Registered nurses with a sole qualification in mental health nursing or paediatric nursing or disability nursing - rather than a qualification in general nursing - are identified on the national register with a notation, which states: Solely qualified in the area of Disability Nursing / Mental Health Nursing / Paediatric Nursing.

Table 6.1 Registered Nurse notations

Notation	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Disability Nursing		82	1	22	4	1	37	36	37	220
Mental Health nursing	7	447	28	275	177	34	532	953	375	2,828
Paediatric Nursing	3	233	5	205	25	2	135	206	182	996
Total	10	762	34	502	206	37	704	1,195	594	4,044

Midwife notations

Note: All midwives who held the Eligible Midwife notation either now hold the Midwife Scheduled Medicines endorsement or have determined they no longer require the Eligible Midwife notation.

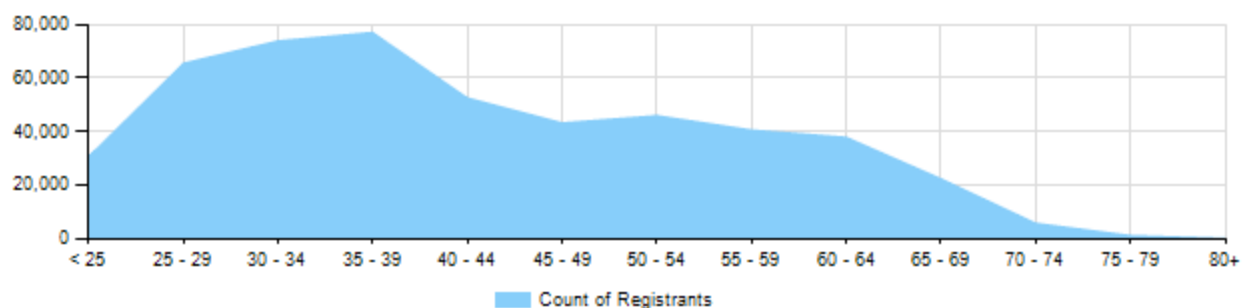
Age group

General registration

Table 7.1 General registration by age group

Age group	Nurse			Nurse and Midwife				Total	% age bracket
	EN	RN	EN & RN	EN	RN	EN & RN	Midwife		
< 25	7,337	21,373	739		713	3	652	30,817	6.2%
25 - 29	8,771	50,470	2,543	13	2,320	16	1,370	65,503	13.2%
30 - 34	8,102	59,729	2,063	24	2,553	31	1,357	73,859	14.8%
35 - 39	6,911	64,388	2,090	19	2,361	17	1,252	77,038	15.5%
40 - 44	5,739	42,234	1,499	18	2,043	16	1,040	52,589	10.6%
45 - 49	5,147	34,257	1,117	14	1,989	7	783	43,314	8.7%
50 - 54	6,302	35,548	855	12	2,573	6	678	45,974	9.2%
55 - 59	7,062	29,336	622	6	3,168	6	440	40,640	8.2%
60 - 64	7,221	25,955	443	7	4,029	5	254	37,914	7.6%
65 - 69	4,175	15,514	156	1	2,506		126	22,478	4.5%
70 - 74	848	4,291	29		693	1	43	5,905	1.2%
75 - 79	154	992	6		146		9	1,307	0.3%
80+	18	176			36		2	232	<0.1%
Total	67,787	384,263	12,162	114	25,130	108	8,006	497,570	100.0%

Table 7.2 General registration by age group

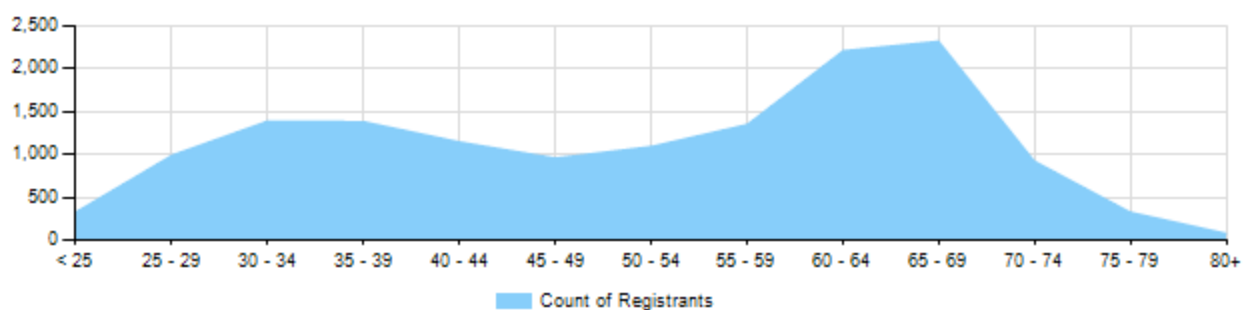


Non-practising registration

Table 8.1 Non-practising registration by age group

Age group	Nurse			Nurse and Midwife			Midwife	Total	% age bracket
	EN	RN	EN & RN	EN	RN	EN & RN			
< 25	187	133	1		2		6	329	2.3%
25 - 29	265	670	10		12	1	31	989	6.8%
30 - 34	300	1,020	11	1	25		30	1,387	9.6%
35 - 39	248	1,038	21	1	38	1	32	1,379	9.5%
40 - 44	209	866	9		28		31	1,143	7.9%
45 - 49	199	697	3		29		28	956	6.6%
50 - 54	257	748	6		58		21	1,090	7.5%
55 - 59	353	882	10		75		25	1,345	9.3%
60 - 64	442	1,537	18		182		26	2,205	15.2%
65 - 69	317	1,724	11		238		27	2,317	16.0%
70 - 74	84	707	6		110		13	920	6.4%
75 - 79	17	250			54		4	325	2.2%
80+	1	62			14			77	0.5%
Total	2,879	10,334	106	2	865	2	274	14,462	100.0%

Table 8.2 Non-practising registration by age group



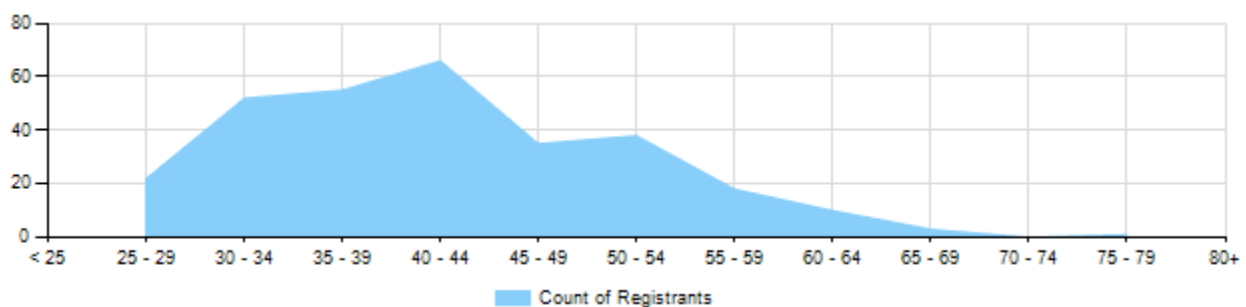
Provisional registration

Provisional registration is a registration type used by the NMBA for registered nurses, enrolled nurses and/or midwives who want to return to the register after an absence from practice. Provisional registration enables a registered nurse, enrolled nurse and/or midwife to complete a period of supervised practice or a NMBA-approved re-entry to practice program to be eligible for general registration.

Table 9.1 Provisional registration by age group

Age group	Nurse		Nurse and Midwife	Midwife	Total	% age bracket
	EN	RN	RN			
< 25					0	0.0%
25 - 29	13	9			22	7.3%
30 - 34	22	30			52	17.3%
35 - 39	21	32		2	55	18.3%
40 - 44	21	43	2		66	22.0%
45 - 49	6	27	1	1	35	11.7%
50 - 54	12	23	3		38	12.7%
55 - 59	5	13			18	6.0%
60 - 64	3	7			10	3.3%
65 - 69		3			3	1.0%
70 - 74					0	0.0%
75 - 79		1			1	0.3%
80+					0	0.0%
Total	103	188	6	3	300	100.0%

Table 9.2 Provisional registration by age group



Gender

General registration

Table 10.1 General registration by gender

Profession	Gender	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total	
Nurse	Female	Enrolled Nurse (EN)	701	12,068	321	13,211	7,158	1,627	19,345	5,583	130	60,144	
		Registered Nurse (RN)	5,566	87,746	3,403	68,107	24,031	7,533	82,586	34,154	21,842	334,968	
		EN & RN	203	2,063	104	2,039	966	151	3,871	1,049	27	10,473	
	Total Female General Nurse			6,470	101,877	3,828	83,357	32,155	9,311	105,802	40,786	21,999	405,585
	Male	Enrolled Nurse (EN)	134	1,746	69	1,507	1,079	191	2,303	593	14	7,636	
		Registered Nurse (RN)	872	13,967	641	9,861	3,519	1,121	11,698	3,985	3,576	49,240	
		EN & RN	39	340	15	308	194	11	643	134	5	1,689	
	Total Male General Nurse			1,045	16,053	725	11,676	4,792	1,323	14,644	4,712	3,595	58,565
	Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	Enrolled Nurse (EN)		3		1	1		1	1		7	
		Registered Nurse (RN)	1	10	2	15	1	2	18	4	2	55	
	Total Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate General Nurse			1	13	2	16	2	2	19	5	2	62
	Total General Nurse			7,516	117,943	4,555	95,049	36,949	10,636	120,465	45,503	25,596	464,212
	Nurse and Midwife	Female	EN & Midwife	1	23	2	33	9	1	34	9		112
RN & Midwife			374	6,472	407	5,112	1,436	584	7,447	2,696	232	24,760	
EN & RN & Midwife			2	25	1	11	3	1	50	12		105	
Total Female General Nurse and Midwife			377	6,520	410	5,156	1,448	586	7,531	2,717	232	24,977	
Male		EN & Midwife			1	1							2
		RN & Midwife	10	132	27	77	18	13	60	30	1	368	
		EN & RN & Midwife		3									3
Total Male General Nurse and Midwife			10	135	28	78	18	13	60	30	1	373	
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	RN & Midwife		1					1				2	
Total General Nurse and Midwife			387	6,656	438	5,234	1,466	599	7,592	2,747	233	25,352	

Table 10.1 (continued from page 14)

Profession	Gender	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Midwife	Female		255	1,969	111	1,902	967	89	1,754	611	326	7,984
	Male			4		5	3	1	6	1	1	21
	Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate								1			1
Total General Midwife			255	1,973	111	1,907	970	90	1,761	612	327	8,006
Total			8,158	126,572	5,104	102,190	39,385	11,325	129,818	48,862	26,156	497,570

* Practitioners with a Nurse and Midwife registration may hold registration as an EN and Midwife, RN and Midwife, or EN and RN and Midwife.

Table 10.2 Total general registration by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	7,102	110,366	4,349	90,415	34,570	9,986	115,087	44,114	22,557	438,546
Male	1,055	16,192	753	11,759	4,813	1,337	14,710	4,743	3,597	58,959
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	1	14	2	16	2	2	21	5	2	65

Table 10.3 Total general registration by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	87.1%	87.2%	85.2%	88.5%	87.8%	88.2%	88.7%	90.3%	86.2%	88.1%
Male	12.9%	12.8%	14.8%	11.5%	12.2%	11.8%	11.3%	9.7%	13.8%	11.8%
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%

Non-practising registration

Table 11.1 Non-practising registration by gender

Profession	Gender	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total	
Nurse	Female	Enrolled Nurse (EN)	39	573	17	601	314	48	786	238	27	2,643	
		Registered Nurse (RN)	157	2,592	51	1,708	612	199	1,952	804	1,059	9,134	
		EN & RN	1	13	1	23	8	1	35	6	5	93	
	Total Female Non-practising Nurse		197	3,178	69	2,332	934	248	2,773	1,048	1,091	11,870	
	Male	Enrolled Nurse (EN)	2	47	1	63	23	7	65	23	5	236	
		Registered Nurse (RN)	33	305	9	193	88	32	255	69	216	1,200	
		EN & RN				2			11			13	
	Total Male Non-practising Nurse		35	352	10	258	111	39	331	92	221	1,449	
	Total Non-practising Nurse			232	3,530	79	2,590	1,045	287	3,104	1,140	1,312	13,319
	Nurse and Midwife	Female	EN & Midwife				1			1			2
RN & Midwife			26	296	6	135	71	15	193	69	32	843	
EN & RN & Midwife						1			1			2	
Total Female Non-practising Nurse and Midwife		26	296	6	137	71	15	195	69	32	847		
Male		RN & Midwife	1	12	1	2	1		2	2	1	22	
Total Non-practising Nurse and Midwife			27	308	7	139	72	15	197	71	33	869	
Midwife	Female		7	67	1	65	30	2	50	16	35	273	
	Male										1	1	
Total Non-practising Midwife			7	67	1	65	30	2	50	16	36	274	
Total			266	3,905	87	2,794	1,147	304	3,351	1,227	1,381	14,462	

Table 11.2 Total non-practising registration by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	230	3,541	76	2,534	1,035	265	3,018	1,133	1,158	12,990
Male	36	364	11	260	112	39	333	94	223	1,472

Table 11.3 Total non-practising registration by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	86.5%	90.7%	87.4%	90.7%	90.2%	87.2%	90.1%	92.3%	83.9%	89.8%
Male	13.5%	9.3%	12.6%	9.3%	9.8%	12.8%	9.9%	7.7%	16.1%	10.2%

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Table 12.1 Provisional registration by gender

Profession	Gender	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Nurse	Female	Enrolled Nurse (EN)		12	1	21	12	2	29	10	1	88
		Registered Nurse (RN)		40	3	42	12		49	14	9	169
	Total Female Provisional Nurse		0	52	4	63	24	2	78	24	10	257
	Male	Enrolled Nurse (EN)		2		2	1		8	2		15
		Registered Nurse (RN)	1	5		7	1		3	1	1	19
	Total Male Provisional Nurse		1	7	0	9	2	0	11	3	1	34
Total Provisional Nurse			1	59	4	72	26	2	89	27	11	291
Nurse and Midwife	Female	RN & Midwife		4		1	1					6
Total Provisional Nurse and Midwife			0	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	6
Midwife	Female						1		2			3
Total Provisional Midwife			0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	3
Total			1	63	4	73	28	2	91	27	11	300

Table 12.2 Total provisional registration by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female		56	4	64	26	2	80	24	10	266
Male	1	7		9	2		11	3	1	34

Table 12.3 Total provisional registration by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female		88.9%	100.0%	87.7%	92.9%	100.0%	87.9%	88.9%	90.9%	88.7%
Male	100.0%	11.1%		12.3%	7.1%		12.1%	11.1%	9.1%	11.3%