

Psychology Board of Australia

Registrant data

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Introduction

The role of the Psychology Board of Australia (the Board) includes:

- registering psychologists and provisional psychologists
- developing standards, codes and guidelines for the psychology profession
- handling notifications, complaints, investigations and disciplinary hearings
- overseeing the assessment of overseas trained psychologists 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 About Ahpra at 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 regularly.

For more information on psychology registration, please see the Board's website www.psychologyboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx

Principal place of practice

Principal Place of Practice (PPP) is the address declared by the psychologist to be the address at which they are predominantly practising the profession. If the psychologist is not practising the profession or is not practising predominantly at one address the Principal Place of Practice may be the psychologist's principal place of residence.

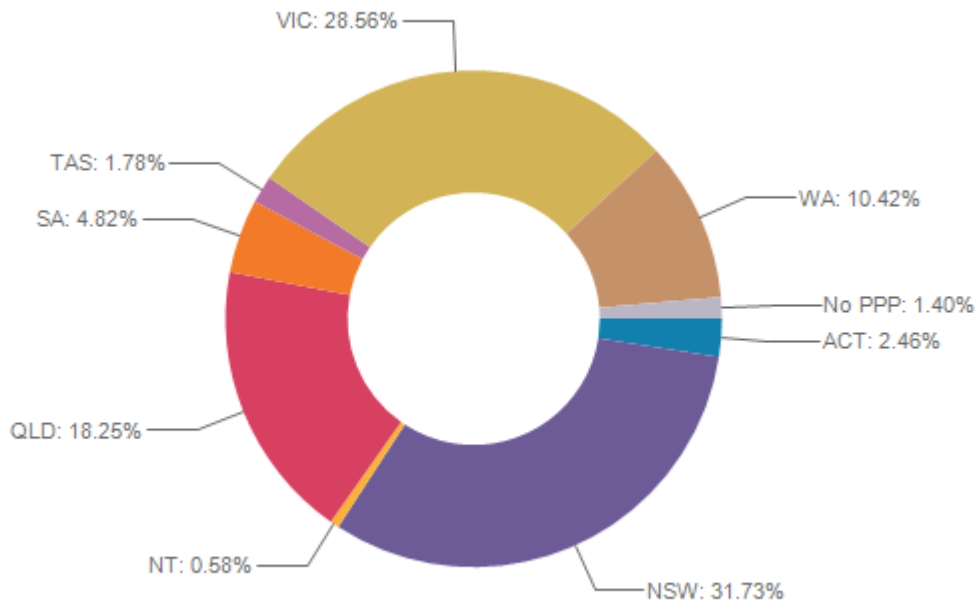
The 'No PPP' column in the tables on the following pages represents psychologists who do not have an Australian Principal Place of Practice recorded on the register usually because they are currently residing overseas or who have not provided a valid PPP.

Registration type

Table 1.1 Registration type by principal place of practice

Registration types	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General	992	12,486	234	7,361	1,909	690	11,038	4,175	426	39,311
Provisional	158	2,289	36	1,164	332	138	2,356	715	50	7,238
Non-practising	40	571	9	301	91	35	422	152	200	1,821
Total	1,190	15,346	279	8,826	2,332	863	13,816	5,042	676	48,370

Table 1.2 Registration by principal place of practice percentages



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	6	138	11	118	16	9	51	32	1	382
Percentage of all practitioners	0.5 %	0.9 %	3.9 %	1.3 %	0.7 %	1.0 %	0.4 %	0.6 %	0.1 %	0.8 %

Endorsements

Area of practice endorsements by PPP

Table 2.1 Area of practice endorsements by state or territory

Area of practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Clinical neuropsychology	16	223	6	148	36	9	432	67	18	955
Clinical psychology	415	3,808	55	2,196	875	261	3,404	1,461	144	12,619
Community psychology	1	5	1	4			33	8		52
Counselling psychology	10	182		107	19	13	518	205	7	1,061
Educational and developmental psychology	7	160	2	194	31	19	496	66	10	985
Forensic psychology	14	246	7	74	37	10	220	52	5	665
Health psychology	4	63		74	42	11	145	4	2	345
Organisational psychology	16	230	1	110	63	2	218	78	8	726
Sport and exercise psychology	8	24		39	7	3	21	7		109
Total	491	4,941	72	2,946	1,110	328	5,487	1,948	194	17,517

The figures in the table above show the total number of psychology area of practice endorsements recorded on the National Register. Psychologists who hold more than one endorsement are counted for each endorsement they hold. The number of individual psychologists who hold at least one area of practice endorsement after the close of business on 30 September 2024 was 16,451.

Number of endorsements

Table 2.2 Number of endorsements held

Endorsement	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Number of endorsed psychologists with the corresponding number of endorsements	15,454	939	50	6	1	1	16,451
% of endorsed psychologists who hold the corresponding number of endorsements	93.9%	5.7%	0.3%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	100.0%
Number of psychologists with general registration (endorsed and non-endorsed)							39,311
% of all psychologists with general registration with one or more endorsement	39.3%	2.4%	0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	41.8%

Table 2.3 Psychologists with one endorsement and total number of endorsements - by area of practice

Area of practice	Psychologists with one endorsement	% of psychologists with one endorsement	Total endorsements	% of total endorsements
Clinical neuropsychology	774	5.0%	955	5.5%
Clinical psychology	11,740	76.0%	12,619	72.0%
Community psychology	31	0.2%	52	0.3%
Counselling psychology	767	5.0%	1,061	6.1%
Educational and developmental psychology	821	5.3%	985	5.6%
Forensic psychology	384	2.5%	665	3.8%
Health psychology	187	1.2%	345	2.0%
Organisational psychology	658	4.3%	726	4.1%
Sport and exercise psychology	92	0.6%	109	0.6%
Total	15,454	100.0%	17,517	100.0%

The sum of individual proportions may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Provisional Registration

Provisional registrants by pathway

Table 3.1 Provisional registrants by pathway

Pathway	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
4+2 Internship	23	560	6	314	61	22	216	213	1	1,416
5+1 Internship	52	890	7	376	98	64	932	337	11	2,767
Higher Degree program	79	807	22	458	168	51	1,170	155	13	2,923
Transitional Program	4	32	1	16	5	1	38	10	25	132
Total	158	2,289	36	1,164	332	138	2,356	715	50	7,238

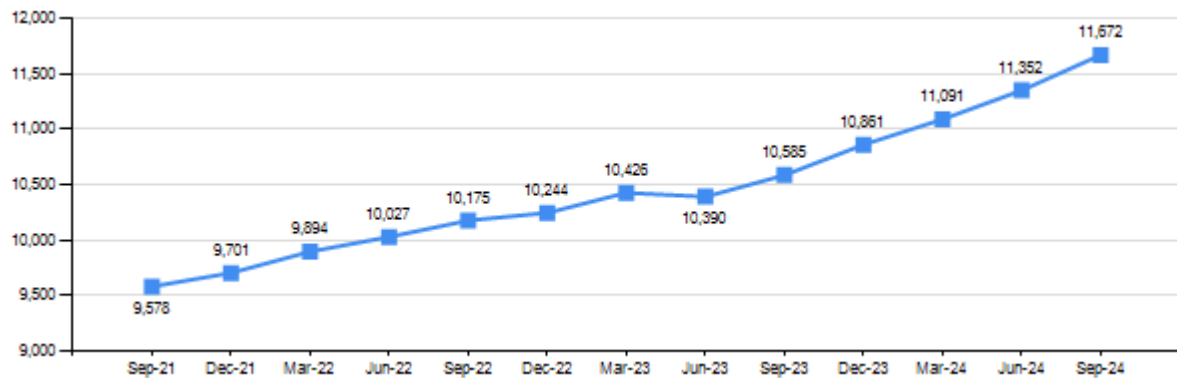
Supervisors

Board-approved supervisors

Table 4.1 Approved supervisors by PPP

PPP	Number of approved supervisors	% of general registrants
ACT	358	30.1%
NSW	3,805	24.8%
NT	65	23.3%
QLD	2,146	24.3%
SA	627	26.9%
TAS	229	26.5%
VIC	3,162	22.9%
WA	1,216	24.1%
No PPP	64	9.5%
Total	11,672	24.1%

Table 4.2 Change in the number of approved supervisors



Registrar program supervisors

Table 4.3 Registrar program principal supervisors

Area of practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Clinical neuropsychology	11	125	3	87	22	5	250	36	5	544
Clinical psychology	210	1,671	27	987	397	123	1,549	631	33	5,628
Community psychology	1	1	1	1			17			21
Counselling psychology	1	50		44	9	2	187	82	2	377
Educational and developmental psychology	3	80		99	20	8	171	33	1	415
Forensic psychology	9	141	6	36	19	3	122	26	3	365
Health psychology	3	24		42	19	3	74			165
Organisational psychology	8	92		62	26	2	93	22		305
Sport and exercise psychology	2	10		15	2	2	9			40
Total	248	2,194	37	1,373	514	148	2,472	830	44	7,860

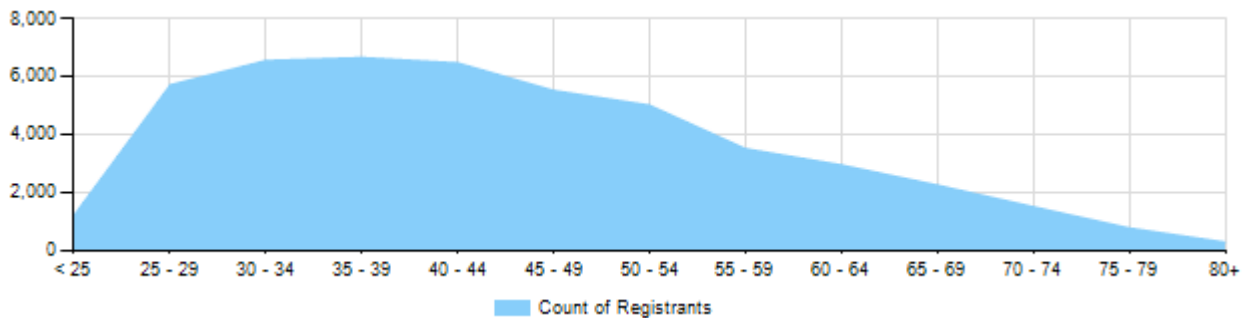
Age group

Registration type

Table 5.1 Registration type by age group

Age group	General	Provisional	Non-practising	Total
< 25	116	1,099		1,215
25 - 29	3,343	2,341	29	5,713
30 - 34	5,156	1,252	146	6,554
35 - 39	5,548	887	223	6,658
40 - 44	5,666	611	198	6,475
45 - 49	4,923	445	152	5,520
50 - 54	4,528	334	148	5,010
55 - 59	3,200	170	138	3,508
60 - 64	2,690	70	183	2,943
65 - 69	2,017	23	205	2,245
70 - 74	1,263	5	229	1,497
75 - 79	643	1	116	760
80+	218		54	272
Total	39,311	7,238	1,821	48,370

Table 5.2 Registrants by age group



Gender

Registration type

Table 6.1 Psychology registrants by gender, by state and territory and by registration type

Gender	Registration types	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	General	815	10,089	186	5,941	1,500	576	8,914	3,380	338	31,739
	Provisional	117	1,817	28	894	271	108	1,862	582	37	5,716
	Non-practising	28	435	7	244	69	25	346	132	160	1,446
Total female		960	12,341	221	7,079	1,840	709	11,122	4,094	535	38,901
Male	General	177	2,395	48	1,419	409	114	2,121	792	88	7,563
	Provisional	41	472	8	268	61	30	487	131	13	1,511
	Non-practising	12	136	2	57	22	10	76	20	40	375
Total male		230	3,003	58	1,744	492	154	2,684	943	141	9,449
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	General		2		1			3	3		9
	Provisional				2			7	2		11
Total Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		0	2	0	3	0	0	10	5	0	20
Total		1,190	15,346	279	8,826	2,332	863	13,816	5,042	676	48,370

Percentage

Table 6.2 Registrants by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	80.7%	80.4%	79.2%	80.2%	78.9%	82.2%	80.5%	81.2%	79.1%	80.4%
Male	19.3%	19.6%	20.8%	19.8%	21.1%	17.8%	19.4%	18.7%	20.9%	19.5%
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		<0.1%		<0.1%			<0.1%	<0.1%		<0.1%