

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.

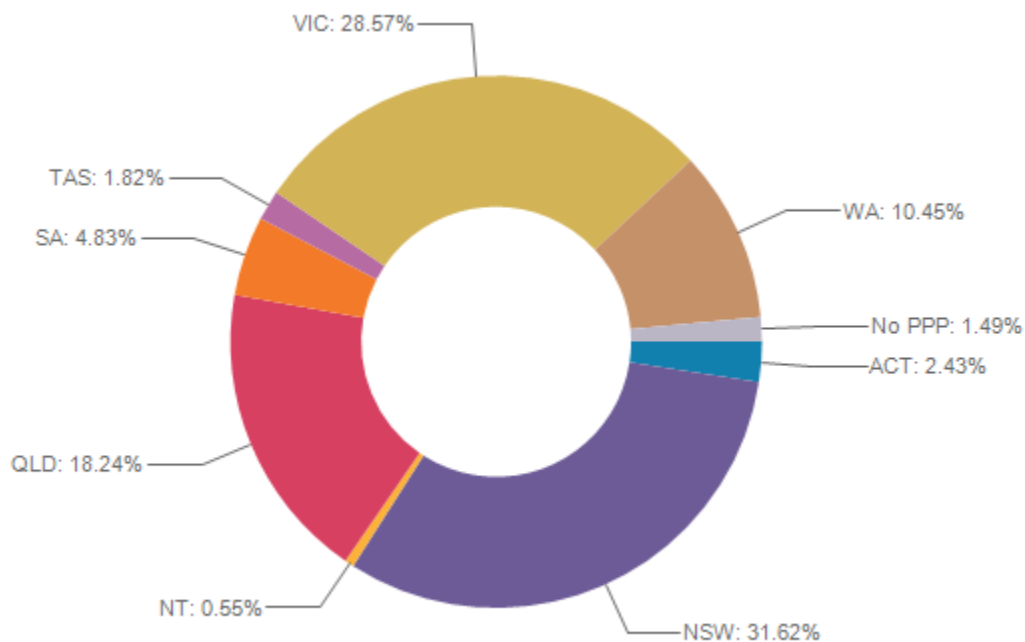
The 'No PPP' column in the tables on the following pages represents psychologists who do not have an Australian Principal Place of Practice recorded on the register usually because they are currently residing overseas or who have not provided a valid PPP.

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	995	12,589	226	7,417	1,939	717	11,146	4,247	441	39,717
Provisional	139	2,133	33	1,095	305	126	2,269	659	56	6,815
Non-practising	44	634	9	343	102	43	457	168	228	2,028
Total	1,178	15,356	268	8,855	2,346	886	13,872	5,074	725	48,560

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	9	145	11	127	17	10	55	33	1	408
Percentage of all practitioners	0.8 %	0.9 %	4.1 %	1.4 %	0.7 %	1.1 %	0.4 %	0.7 %	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	13	225	5	151	37	9	435	69	20	964
Clinical psychology	412	3,875	49	2,256	886	270	3,476	1,512	154	12,890
Community psychology		5	1	4			34	8		52
Counselling psychology	9	181		107	19	15	516	203	7	1,057
Educational and developmental psychology	7	156	2	192	31	18	523	65	9	1,003
Forensic psychology	15	246	6	73	36	11	223	53	6	669
Health psychology	5	64		73	41	12	146	4	3	348
Organisational psychology	17	226	1	114	65	2	217	81	10	733
Sport and exercise psychology	8	24		38	8	3	22	7		110
Total	486	5,002	64	3,008	1,123	340	5,592	2,002	209	17,826

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 31 December 2024 was 16,695.

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	15,633	1,004	50	6	1	1	16,695
% of endorsed psychologists who hold the corresponding number of endorsements	93.6%	6.0%	0.3%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	100.0%
Number of psychologists with general registration (endorsed and non-endorsed)							39,717
% of all psychologists with general registration with one or more endorsement	39.4%	2.5%	0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%	42.0%

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	782	5.0%	964	5.4%
Clinical psychology	11,942	76.4%	12,890	72.3%
Community psychology	32	0.2%	52	0.3%
Counselling psychology	721	4.6%	1,057	5.9%
Educational and developmental psychology	837	5.4%	1,003	5.6%
Forensic psychology	377	2.4%	669	3.8%
Health psychology	183	1.2%	348	2.0%
Organisational psychology	665	4.3%	733	4.1%
Sport and exercise psychology	94	0.6%	110	0.6%
Total	15,633	100.0%	17,826	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	16	476	6	272	51	17	194	178	1	1,211
5+1 Internship	49	867	7	374	99	63	923	319	14	2,715
Higher Degree program	72	746	19	430	150	46	1,110	150	10	2,733
No Pathway		3					2			5
Transitional Program	2	41	1	19	5		40	12	31	151
Total	139	2,133	33	1,095	305	126	2,269	659	56	6,815

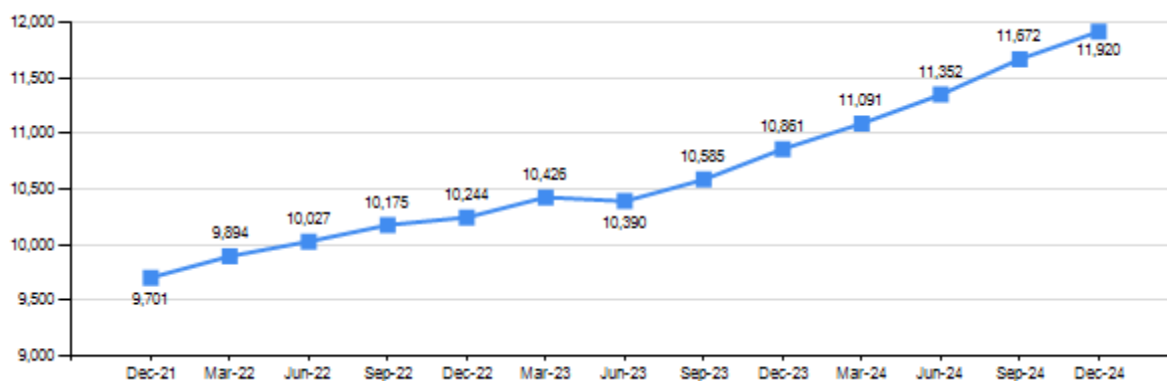
Supervisors

Board-approved supervisors

Table 4.1 Approved supervisors by PPP

PPP	Number of approved supervisors	% of general registrants
ACT	363	30.8%
NSW	3,870	25.2%
NT	59	22.0%
QLD	2,197	24.8%
SA	638	27.2%
TAS	235	26.5%
VIC	3,253	23.5%
WA	1,240	24.4%
No PPP	65	9.0%
Total	11,920	24.5%

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	10	128	4	93	23	5	254	36	5	558
Clinical psychology	213	1,708	23	1,017	405	125	1,579	638	36	5,744
Community psychology	1	1	1	1			17			21
Counselling psychology	1	50		44	8	3	191	83	2	382
Educational and developmental psychology	3	79		98	20	8	182	31	1	422
Forensic psychology	10	144	5	36	19	3	125	26	3	371
Health psychology	3	25		41	18	3	74	1	1	166
Organisational psychology	8	91		62	27	2	93	24		307
Sport and exercise psychology	3	11		15	2	2	9			42
Total	252	2,237	33	1,407	522	151	2,524	839	48	8,013

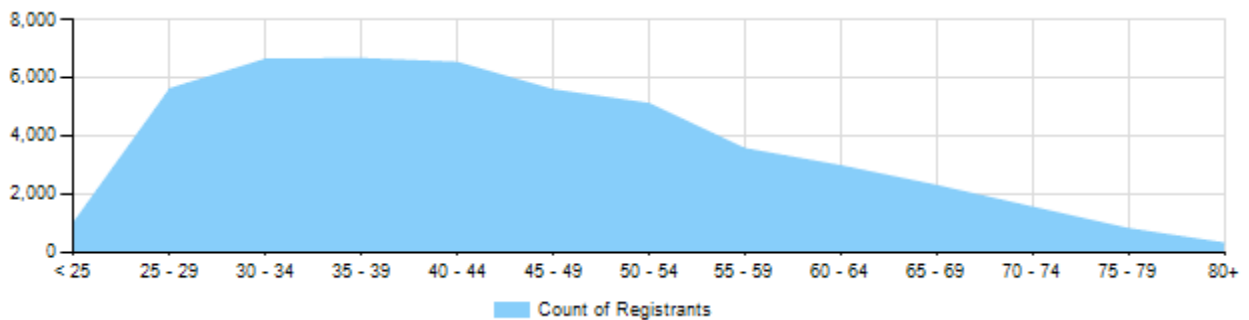
Age group

Registration type

Table 5.1 Registration type by age group

Age group	General	Provisional	Non-practising	Total
< 25	91	929	2	1,022
25 - 29	3,315	2,264	42	5,621
30 - 34	5,287	1,202	149	6,638
35 - 39	5,582	835	243	6,660
40 - 44	5,724	591	210	6,525
45 - 49	4,983	430	166	5,579
50 - 54	4,636	310	161	5,107
55 - 59	3,244	153	154	3,551
60 - 64	2,692	70	199	2,961
65 - 69	2,002	27	250	2,279
70 - 74	1,278	4	251	1,533
75 - 79	652		138	790
80+	231		63	294
Total	39,717	6,815	2,028	48,560

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	813	10,186	184	5,988	1,527	590	8,999	3,443	354	32,084
	Provisional	104	1,692	26	847	246	102	1,802	534	40	5,393
	Non-practising	31	485	6	274	77	32	370	143	177	1,595
Total female		948	12,363	216	7,109	1,850	724	11,171	4,120	571	39,072
Male	General	182	2,401	42	1,428	412	127	2,144	801	86	7,623
	Provisional	35	441	7	246	59	24	460	123	16	1,411
	Non-practising	13	149	3	69	25	11	87	25	51	433
Total male		230	2,991	52	1,743	496	162	2,691	949	153	9,467
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	General		2		1			3	3	1	10
	Provisional				2			7	2		11
Total Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		0	2	0	3	0	0	10	5	1	21
Total		1,178	15,356	268	8,855	2,346	886	13,872	5,074	725	48,560

Percentage

Table 6.2 Registrants by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	80.5%	80.5%	80.6%	80.3%	78.9%	81.7%	80.5%	81.2%	78.8%	80.5%
Male	19.5%	19.5%	19.4%	19.7%	21.1%	18.3%	19.4%	18.7%	21.1%	19.5%
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		<0.1%		<0.1%			<0.1%	<0.1%	0.1%	<0.1%