

Dental prosthetists

SNAPSHOT AS AT 30 JUNE 2023



1,255 registered dental prosthetists in Australia¹

4.9% of the dental profession

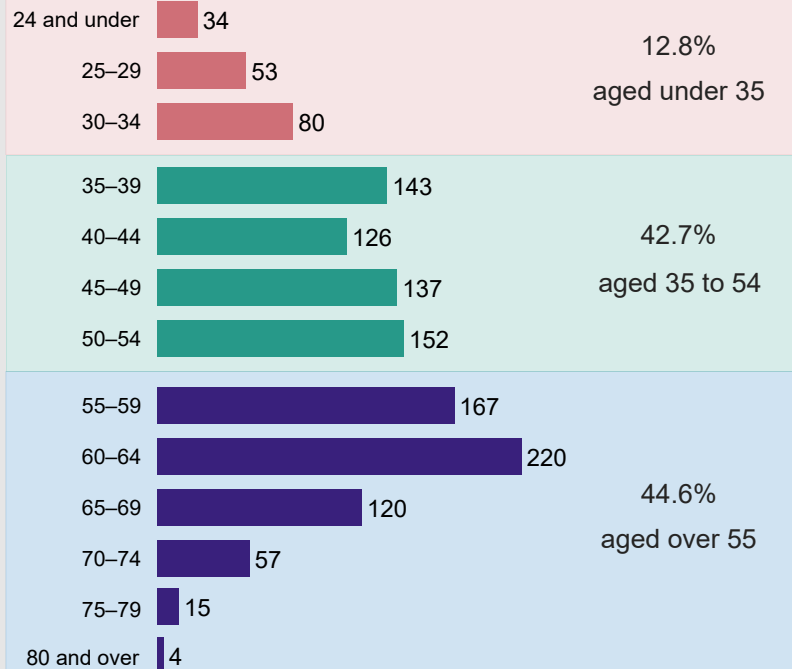
0.1% of regulated health practitioner workforce

4.7 dental prosthetists per 100,000 head of population²

Registration types



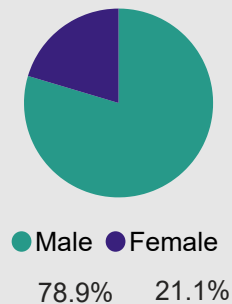
Age range at 2022/23



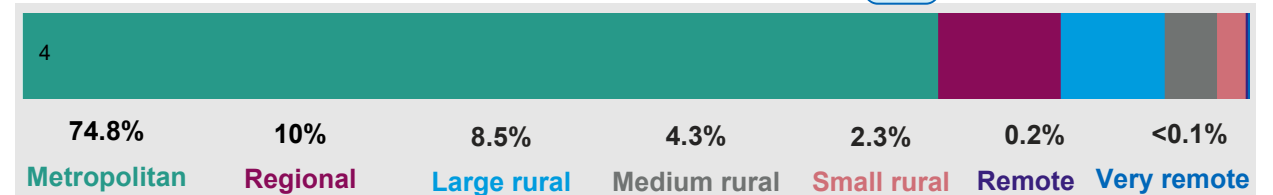
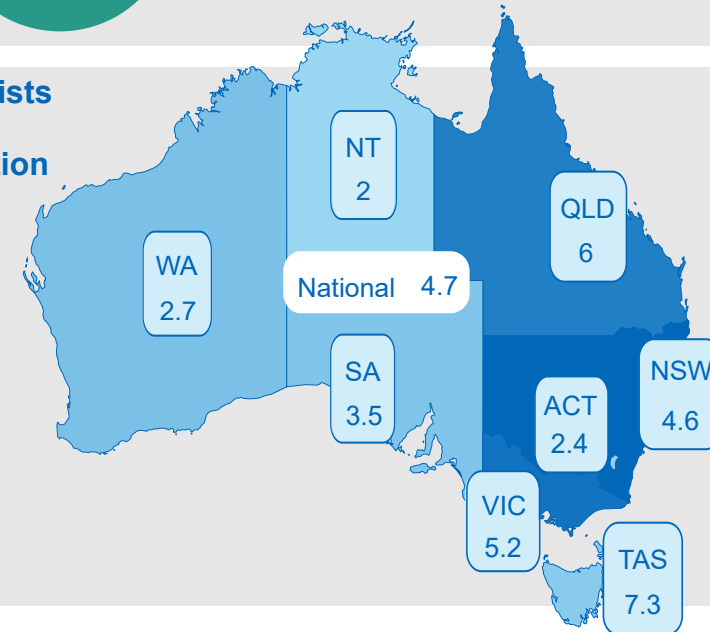
Average age

43.5 years

Gender



Dental prosthetists per 100,000 head of population excluding non-practising registrants³



1. Excludes non-practising registrants, unless otherwise stated.

2. Based on Australian Bureau of Statistics population data as at March 2023.

3. See above.

4. Remoteness data excludes practitioners who did not provide a valid postcode for principal place of practice (PPP).

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FIVE-YEAR TREND FROM 2018/19 TO 2022/23

Registered dental prosthetists⁵

1,274	1,308	▲
Percentage of regulated health practitioner workforce		
0.2%	0.2%	●
Practitioners per 100,000 head of population ⁶		
5.1	4.9	▼
Age		
Percentage of dental prosthetists under the age of 35		
13.8%	12.8%	▼
Percentage of dental prosthetists aged 35 to 54		
42.4%	42.7%	●
Percentage of dental prosthetists aged 55 and over		
43.8%	44.6%	●
Gender		
Percentage of female dental prosthetists		
18.3%	21.1%	▲
Percentage of male dental prosthetists		
81.7%	78.9%	▼

Five-year trend from 2018/19 to 2022/23

Table key

2018/19

2022/23

Trend down ▼

Trend stable ●

Trend up ▲

2.7% increase in registered dental prosthetists

Changes to registration categories

General registration		
97.6%	95.9%	▼
Non-practising registration		
2.4%	4.1%	▲

5. Includes non-practising practitioners.

6. See above.

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FIVE-YEAR TREND FROM 2018/19 TO 2022/23

Changes to workforce across states and territories⁷

14	11	-21.4% ▼
	ACT	
405	402	-0.7% ▼
	NSW	
8	5	-37.5% ▼
	NT	
276	337	+22.1% ▲
	QLD	
68	65	-4.4% ▼
	SA	
46	43	-6.5% ▼
	TAS	
366	363	-0.8% ▼
	VIC	
88	78	-11.4% ▼
	WA	

Changes to workforce across remoteness areas⁸

927	968	+4.4% ▲
	Metropolitan	
135	129	-4.4% ▼
	Regional	
110	110	0% ●
	Large rural	
56	55	-1.8% ▼
	Medium rural	
30	30	0% ●
	Small rural	
2	2	0% ●
	Remote	
0	0	0% ●
	Very remote	

7. Excludes practitioners who do not have a PPP in Australia recorded on the public register. These practitioners usually reside overseas or have not provide a valid PPP.

8. See above.