

Medical Board of Australia

Registrant data

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Introduction

The role of the Medical Board of Australia (the Board) is to:

- register medical practitioners and medical students
- develop standards, codes and guidelines for the medical profession
- investigate notifications and complaints about medical practitioners
- 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, and
- approve 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 <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 shares these breakdowns quarterly.

Pandemic response sub-register

Ahpra and the National Boards established the pandemic response sub-register (the sub-register) in April 2020 to help facilitate a surge health workforce in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

On 8 June 2023, the Pandemic response sub-registers were closed and all practitioners registered on them were transitioned to the public register. For more information see the [COVID-19 page](#) on Ahpra's website.

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

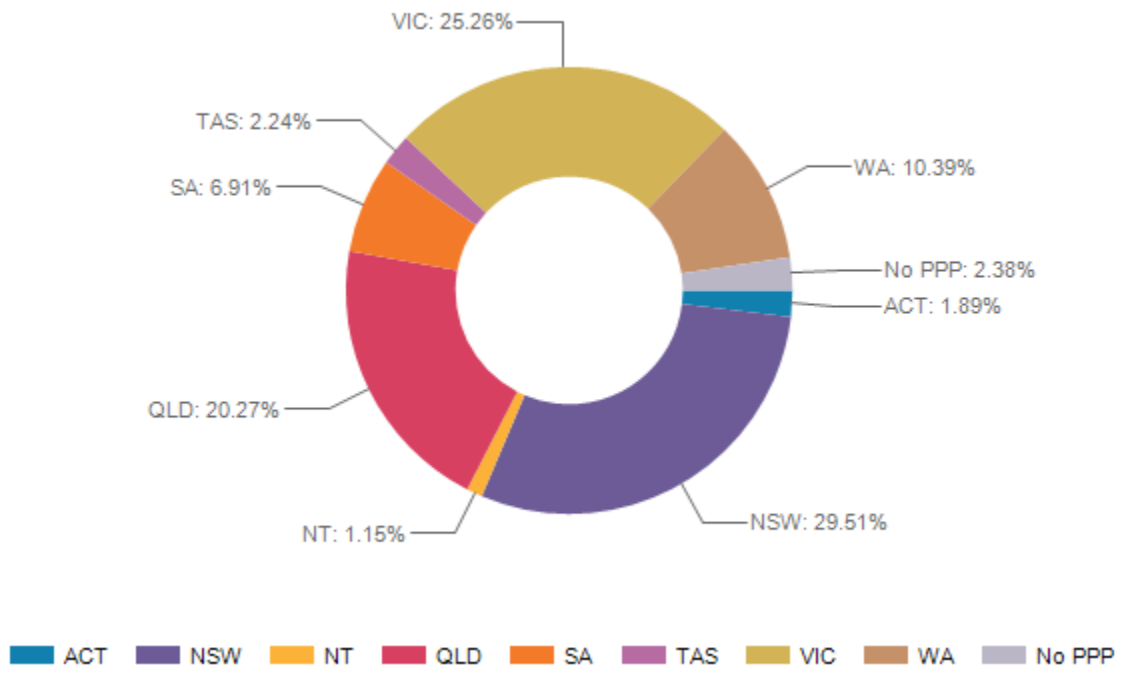
Medical practitioners by state and territory

Registration type

Table 1.1 Medical practitioners - registration type by state or territory

Registration types	Registration subtypes	Pathway	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General			780	12,355	604	8,703	2,745	839	10,316	4,460	758	41,560
General (Teaching and Assessing)				8		9	3	2	4	3		29
General (Teaching and Assessing) and Specialist												0
General and Specialist			1,304	21,917	648	13,653	5,033	1,534	18,035	6,278	729	69,131
Specialist			229	2,417	131	2,790	689	288	2,602	1,738	528	11,412
Provisional		Australian and/or New Zealand medical graduate	82	1,134	50	884	336	102	960	430	19	3,997
		IMGs – Competent Authority Pathway	32	269	17	405	76	16	535	493	42	1,885
		IMGs – Standard Pathway	10	88	18	88	20	7	136	30	8	405
Limited	Area of need		1	39	9	55	7	2	110	34	6	263
	Postgraduate training or supervised practice		69	1,012	60	575	291	183	1,015	411	42	3,658
	Public interest			1								1
	Teaching or research		1	9		3		1	4	4	3	25
Non-practising			76	1,107	30	550	246	86	828	328	1,125	4,376
Total			2,584	40,356	1,567	27,715	9,446	3,060	34,545	14,209	3,260	136,742

Table 1.2 Medical practitioners - percentage by state or territory



Specialist registration

Table 2.1 Medical practitioners - by area of specialist practice

Speciality name	Field of speciality practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Addiction medicine		4	87	4	33	17	4	31	16	3	199
Anaesthesia		100	1,719	46	1,267	409	147	1,440	655	136	5,919
Dermatology		5	233	1	122	51	6	175	59	5	657
Emergency medicine	Paediatric emergency medicine	2	10		18	4	1	10	2		47
	No sub-specialty	67	869	67	780	184	89	789	358	76	3,279
Subtotal - Emergency medicine		69	879	67	798	188	90	799	360	76	3,326
General practice		686	10,401	379	7,590	2,504	883	8,575	3,657	259	34,934
Intensive care medicine	Paediatric intensive care medicine		9		11	1	1	9	2		33
	No sub-specialty	29	327	12	245	76	21	281	105	35	1,131
Subtotal - Intensive care medicine		29	336	12	256	77	22	290	107	35	1,164
Medical administration		10	110	2	88	12	11	81	29	11	354
Obstetrics and gynaecology	Gynaecological oncology		17		14	3	2	11	6		53
	Maternal-fetal medicine	1	14	1	15	3		9	4	2	49
	Obstetrics and gynaecological ultrasound		11		4	2		35	3	1	56
	Reproductive endocrinology and infertility		23		4	6	1	13	2		49
	Urogynaecology		12		8	1		10	5		36
	No sub-specialty	40	583	20	411	146	47	545	204	41	2,037
Subtotal - Obstetrics and gynaecology		41	660	21	456	161	50	623	224	44	2,280
Occupational and environmental medicine		12	89	3	41	28	7	57	49	8	294
Ophthalmology		15	398	9	196	75	25	270	86	19	1,093

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Speciality name	Field of speciality practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Paediatrics and child health	Clinical genetics		25		7	5		18	4		59
	Community child health	2	51	1	25	4	3	28	10	2	126
	General paediatrics	37	795	34	456	150	48	607	258	38	2,423
	Neonatal and perinatal medicine	8	73	3	53	24	4	84	47	7	303
	Paediatric cardiology	1	20	1	14	2		17	7	4	66
	Paediatric clinical pharmacology		1		1			1		1	4
	Paediatric emergency medicine	1	24	1	33	12	1	24	17	4	117
	Paediatric endocrinology	3	23	1	15	4	1	8	7		62
	Paediatric gastroenterology and hepatology	1	10		7	4		16	7	2	47
	Paediatric haematology		7		7	1		8	5		28
	Paediatric immunology and allergy	1	18		9	10		15	6		59
	Paediatric infectious diseases		9	3	7	4		13	10	2	48
	Paediatric intensive care medicine		4		1			1		1	7
	Paediatric medical oncology	1	20		15	7		19	13	7	82
	Paediatric nephrology		9	1	3	4		6	2	1	26
	Paediatric neurology		23		12	3	1	19	5	2	65
	Paediatric nuclear medicine		1								1
	Paediatric palliative medicine		1		2			2	1	1	7
	Paediatric rehabilitation medicine		5		4	1		3	2		15
	Paediatric respiratory and sleep medicine	1	26		15	6		9	9		66
Paediatric rheumatology		4		6	3		6	3		22	
No sub-specialty	2	47	5	20	13	4	61	16	10	178	
Subtotal - Paediatrics and child health		58	1,196	50	712	257	62	965	429	82	3,811

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Speciality name	Field of speciality practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Pain medicine		6	129	1	78	33	13	97	45	3	405
Palliative medicine		6	165	5	82	36	14	113	46	6	473
Pathology	Anatomical pathology (including cytopathology)	21	346	2	198	63	26	207	107	13	983
	Chemical pathology	4	29	1	18	7	1	22	16	5	103
	Forensic pathology		17	1	17	5	3	16	8	2	69
	General pathology	1	33		19	2	4	12	3	1	75
	Haematology	13	216	4	109	45	17	183	63	17	667
	Immunology	5	54		13	8	1	23	22	2	128
	Microbiology	7	101	2	55	17	7	49	38	1	277
	No sub-specialty	3	19		11	4	1	10	8	4	60
Subtotal - Pathology		54	815	10	440	151	60	522	265	45	2,362
Physician	Cardiology	25	554	10	331	131	31	437	112	51	1,682
	Clinical genetics		37		11	9	1	23	3	2	86
	Clinical pharmacology		17		13	18		11	5	2	66
	Endocrinology	15	300	8	159	51	19	279	67	12	910
	Gastroenterology and hepatology	24	340	3	228	79	19	324	95	20	1,132
	General medicine	27	410	34	512	240	49	614	221	41	2,148
	Geriatric medicine	21	360	3	158	89	19	370	129	11	1,160
	Haematology	14	224	6	135	52	22	235	57	23	768
	Immunology and allergy	7	81	1	22	13	4	38	31	6	203
	Infectious diseases	14	152	21	98	37	13	229	53	13	630
	Medical oncology	15	295	6	133	62	20	314	69	24	938
	Nephrology	16	226	17	120	31	10	221	53	16	710
	Neurology	14	291	3	114	53	16	272	61	19	843
	Nuclear medicine	7	106	1	30	26	4	65	27	2	268
	Respiratory and sleep medicine	16	292	6	180	71	18	233	93	14	923
Rheumatology	12	146	3	78	44	11	141	38	7	480	
No sub-specialty	5	79	3	21	3	9	44	41	9	214	
Subtotal - Physician		232	3,910	125	2,343	1,009	265	3,850	1,155	272	13,161

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Speciality name	Field of speciality practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Psychiatry		80	1,286	34	951	333	82	1,273	431	70	4,540
Public health medicine		32	149	18	70	26	12	86	47	10	450
Radiation Oncology		14	168	2	100	22	10	114	29	13	472
Radiology	Diagnostic radiology	54	810	5	529	207	51	704	313	151	2,824
	Diagnostic ultrasound				1			3			4
	Nuclear medicine	5	55		58	13	3	66	13	1	214
	No sub-specialty	1	1								2
Subtotal - Radiology		60	866	5	588	220	54	773	326	152	3,044
Rehabilitation medicine		8	262	3	99	53	13	162	19	7	626
Sexual health medicine		4	66	1	18	7	3	24	10	1	134
Sport and exercise medicine		13	54	2	20	5	1	52	16		163
Surgery	Cardio-thoracic surgery	4	58		44	10	4	68	16	9	213
	General surgery	33	738	22	414	170	35	611	180	35	2,238
	Neurosurgery	7	96	2	60	19	8	80	21	6	299
	Oral and maxillofacial surgery	6	45	2	50	17	2	45	15	5	187
	Orthopaedic surgery	30	488	7	363	127	29	362	143	18	1,567
	Otolaryngology - head and neck surgery	8	176	4	114	47	6	134	52	8	549
	Paediatric surgery	4	37		18	7	3	26	9	2	106
	Plastic surgery	4	144	4	83	50	14	166	56	1	522
	Urology	9	154	1	108	36	12	143	44	5	512
	Vascular surgery	5	85	1	51	23	6	68	23	1	263
No sub-specialty	1	16	1				8	1	1	28	
Subtotal - Surgery		111	2,037	44	1,305	506	119	1,711	560	91	6,484
Total		1,649	26,015	844	17,653	6,180	1,953	22,083	8,620	1,348	86,345

Endorsements by type

Table 2.2 Medical practitioners - endorsements by state or territory

Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Acupuncture	9	198	3	120	36	16	243	40	1	666

Medical practitioners by age group

Age by registration type

Table 3.1 Medical practitioners - registration type by age group

Age group	General	General (TA)	General and Specialist	General (TA) and Specialist	Specialist	Provisional	Limited	Non-practising	Total
< 25	404					1,070			1,474
25 - 29	11,614		239			3,565	243	92	15,753
30 - 34	13,382		4,284		88	849	955	384	19,942
35 - 39	6,857	2	10,062		692	457	1,271	333	19,674
40 - 44	3,179	1	11,009		1,646	194	829	280	17,138
45 - 49	1,761		10,030		2,420	80	374	234	14,899
50 - 54	1,187	3	8,267		2,332	45	171	269	12,274
55 - 59	986	3	7,178		1,932	14	62	290	10,465
60 - 64	856	4	6,851		1,256	9	27	421	9,424
65 - 69	606	6	5,357		666	3	13	587	7,238
70 - 74	369	8	3,212		262	1	2	546	4,400
75 - 79	194	1	1,792		99			488	2,574
80+	165	1	850		19			452	1,487
Total	41,560	29	69,131	0	11,412	6,287	3,947	4,376	136,742

Table 3.2 Medical practitioners - by age group

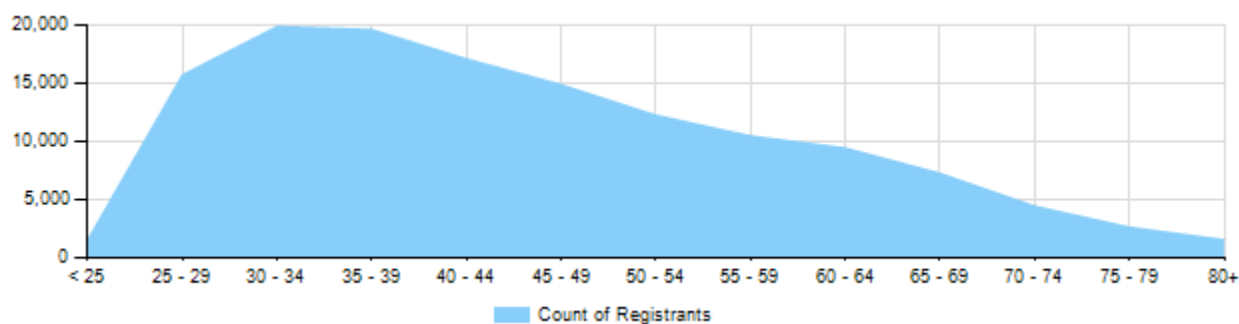


Table 3.3 Medical practitioners - limited registration by age group

Age group	Limited				Total
	Area of need	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	Public interest	Teaching or research	
< 25					0
25 - 29		243			243
30 - 34	16	934		5	955
35 - 39	61	1,207		3	1,271
40 - 44	63	764		2	829
45 - 49	55	315		4	374
50 - 54	38	129		4	171
55 - 59	16	42		4	62
60 - 64	8	17	1	1	27
65 - 69	5	6		2	13
70 - 74	1	1			2
75 - 79					0
80+					0
Total	263	3,658	1	25	3,947

Medical practitioners by gender

Gender by registration type

Table 4.1 Medical practitioners - gender by state and territory by registration type

Gender	Registration types	Registration subtypes	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total	
Female	General		414	6,244	368	4,280	1,423	404	5,382	2,407	330	21,252	
	General TA			6		3	2		1	2		14	
	General and Specialist		627	9,436	338	5,826	2,159	719	7,880	2,766	289	30,040	
	Specialist		86	904	41	980	242	107	953	645	188	4,146	
	Provisional		65	827	48	707	247	68	916	519	37	3,434	
	Limited	Area of need	1	19	5	29			2	53	17	2	128
		Postgraduate training or supervised practice	34	575	28	257	141	93	553	216	21	1,918	
		Public interest											0
		Teaching or research		5		2					3	2	12
	Non-practising		34	460	11	223	93	39	310	138	511	1,819	
Total Female			1,261	18,476	839	12,307	4,307	1,432	16,048	6,713	1,380	62,763	
Male	General		366	6,110	236	4,423	1,322	434	4,931	2,052	428	20,302	
	General TA			2		6	1	2	3	1		15	
	General and Specialist		677	12,480	310	7,827	2,874	815	10,153	3,511	440	39,087	
	Specialist		143	1,513	90	1,810	447	181	1,649	1,093	340	7,266	
	Provisional		59	663	37	670	185	57	713	434	32	2,850	
	Limited	Area of need		20	4	26	7		57	17	4	135	
		Postgraduate training or supervised practice	35	437	32	318	150	90	462	195	21	1,740	
		Public interest		1									1
		Teaching or research	1	4		1		1	4	1	1	13	
	Non-practising		42	647	19	327	153	47	518	190	614	2,557	
Total Male			1,323	21,877	728	15,408	5,139	1,627	18,490	7,494	1,880	73,966	

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Gender	Registration types	Registration subtypes	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	General			1				1	3	1		6
	General and Specialist			1					2	1		4
	Provisional			1					2			3
Total			2,584	40,356	1,567	27,715	9,446	3,060	34,545	14,209	3,260	136,742

Gender percentages

Table 4.2 Medical practitioners - percentage by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	48.8%	45.8%	53.5%	44.4%	45.6%	46.8%	46.5%	47.2%	42.3%	45.9%
Male	51.2%	54.2%	46.5%	55.6%	54.4%	53.2%	53.5%	52.7%	57.7%	54.1%
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate		<0.1%				<0.1%	<0.1%	<0.1%		<0.1%

Specialist registration by gender

Table 4.3 Medical practitioners - by area of specialist practice by gender

Speciality	Female	Male	Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate
Addiction medicine	29.1%	70.9%	
Anaesthesia	34.2%	65.8%	
Dermatology	53.4%	46.6%	
Emergency medicine	39.2%	60.8%	
General practice	48.9%	51.1%	<0.1%
Intensive care medicine	24.1%	75.9%	
Medical administration	36.2%	63.8%	
Obstetrics and gynaecology	55.8%	44.2%	
Occupational and environmental medicine	23.1%	76.9%	
Ophthalmology	24.8%	75.2%	
Paediatrics and child health	58.2%	41.8%	
Pain medicine	29.9%	70.1%	
Palliative medicine	62.4%	37.6%	
Pathology	48.9%	51.1%	
Physician	36.5%	63.5%	
Psychiatry	43.2%	56.8%	<0.1%
Public health medicine	50.4%	49.6%	
Radiation Oncology	44.1%	55.9%	
Radiology	29.3%	70.7%	
Rehabilitation medicine	51.3%	48.7%	
Sexual health medicine	58.2%	41.8%	
Sport and exercise medicine	24.5%	75.5%	
Surgery	14.9%	85.1%	
Total	41.9%	58.1%	<0.1%