

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 two temporary pandemic response sub-registers in April 2020 and September 2021 to help fast track the return to the workforce of experienced and qualified health practitioners in response to COVID-19 related healthcare needs.

The 2020 sub-register closed on 5 April 2022. There is now one pandemic response sub-register (the 2021 sub-register) and all practitioners on it have registration expiring at midnight on 21 September 2022. Some fluctuations in the registration data are due to the closure of the April 2020 sub-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

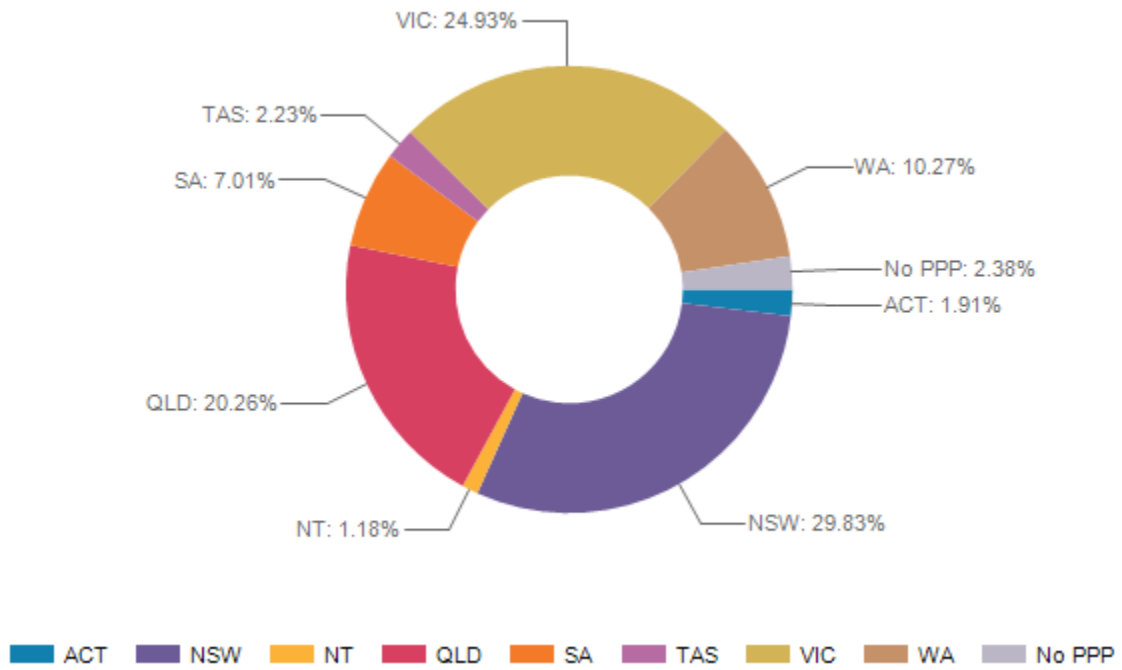
Registration type

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			803	12,255	597	8,556	2,678	837	9,853	4,333	761	40,673
General (Teaching and Assessing)				8		9	2	4	5	1		29
General and Specialist			1,264	21,595	668	13,269	5,022	1,506	17,599	6,128	722	67,773
Specialist			232	2,363	129	2,747	682	284	2,484	1,694	499	11,114
Provisional		Australian and/or New Zealand medical graduate	102	1,101	49	893	312	101	928	420	12	3,918
		IMGs – Competent Authority Pathway	31	249	26	299	91	11	387	353	35	1,482
		IMGs – Standard Pathway	6	75	15	88	18	6	110	38	2	358
Limited	Area of need		1	41	12	51	10	3	124	32		274
	Postgraduate training or supervised practice		31	747	41	382	223	127	717	293	45	2,606
	Public interest											0
	Teaching or research		1	3		5	2	1	7	4		23
Non-practising		44	931	18	432	206	61	687	253	1,071		3,703
Total			2,515	39,368	1,555	26,731	9,246	2,941	32,901	13,549	3,147	131,953*

* Total figure includes 1,367 medical practitioners on the 2020 and 2021 Pandemic response sub-registers. For more information go to the [COVID-19](#) page on the Ahpra website.

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		3	84	6	33	16	5	32	16	3	198
Anaesthesia		99	1,705	47	1,226	411	141	1,396	635	133	5,793
Dermatology		6	227	1	114	52	6	165	57	5	633
Emergency medicine	Paediatric emergency medicine	2	7		13	4	1	6	2	1	36
	No sub-specialty	56	798	63	735	172	80	738	331	89	3,062
Subtotal - Emergency medicine		58	805	63	748	176	81	744	333	90	3,098
General practice		668	10,356	388	7,429	2,545	864	8,522	3,642	240	34,654
Intensive care medicine	Paediatric intensive care medicine		8		9	1	1	9	1	1	30
	No sub-specialty	25	316	12	242	76	22	263	100	40	1,096
Subtotal - Intensive care medicine		25	324	12	251	77	23	272	101	41	1,126
Medical administration		11	111	3	85	11	11	79	31	13	355
Obstetrics and gynaecology	Gynaecological oncology		17		12	3	1	12	6		51
	Maternal-fetal medicine	1	14	1	13	3		9	4	2	47
	Obstetrics and gynaecological ultrasound		11		4	2		38	3	1	59
	Reproductive endocrinology and infertility		23		4	6	2	13	2	1	51
	Urogynaecology		12		9	1		10	4		36
	No sub-specialty	35	582	21	412	148	48	532	199	44	2,021
Subtotal - Obstetrics and gynaecology		36	659	22	454	163	51	614	218	48	2,265
Occupational and environmental medicine		14	91	3	49	30	6	58	50	7	308
Ophthalmology		16	398	8	195	73	25	267	89	16	1,087

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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		23		7	3		17	4		54
	Community child health	2	48		19	1	3	25	10	2	110
	General paediatrics	34	757	34	445	151	46	583	239	38	2,327
	Neonatal and perinatal medicine	8	68	3	50	23	4	82	41	6	285
	Paediatric cardiology	1	17	1	12	2		17	10	2	62
	Paediatric clinical pharmacology		1		1			1		1	4
	Paediatric emergency medicine	1	23	2	33	12	1	22	15	4	113
	Paediatric endocrinology	1	24	1	13	4	1	8	7	1	60
	Paediatric gastroenterology and hepatology	1	10		7	2		14	7	1	42
	Paediatric haematology		6		7	1		7	4		25
	Paediatric immunology and allergy	1	15		9	10		15	4		54
	Paediatric infectious diseases		9	3	7	3		11	9	3	45
	Paediatric intensive care medicine		3		3			1			7
	Paediatric medical oncology	1	19		14	5		16	12	5	72
	Paediatric nephrology		10	1	2	2		5	2	1	23
	Paediatric neurology		21		11	2	1	16	5	2	58
	Paediatric nuclear medicine		1								1
	Paediatric palliative medicine		1		2			2	1		6
	Paediatric rehabilitation medicine		5		5	1		2	2		15
	Paediatric respiratory and sleep medicine	1	22		14	4		9	8		58
Paediatric rheumatology		3		4	2		5	4		18	
No sub-specialty	3	49	6	18	13	3	62	16	12	182	
Subtotal - Paediatrics and child health		54	1,135	51	683	241	59	920	400	78	3,621

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Speciality name	Field of speciality practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Pain medicine		6	124	1	73	36	12	85	43	3	383
Palliative medicine		7	153	5	79	31	15	105	41	3	439
Pathology	Anatomical pathology (including cytopathology)	22	351	3	200	71	27	209	112	12	1,007
	Chemical pathology	4	29		17	6	1	20	17	6	100
	Forensic pathology		16	1	17	5	3	13	7	4	66
	General pathology	1	35		18	4	6	15	4	1	84
	Haematology	14	206	4	115	45	16	180	56	14	650
	Immunology	6	53		14	9	1	21	20	3	127
	Microbiology	7	95	4	53	17	8	54	39	3	280
	No sub-specialty	3	20		12	3		9	10	4	61
Subtotal - Pathology		57	805	12	446	160	62	521	265	47	2,375
Physician	Cardiology	23	540	11	329	128	29	422	107	50	1,639
	Clinical genetics		37		10	8	1	22	4	2	84
	Clinical pharmacology		16		12	19		12	5	2	66
	Endocrinology	13	290	11	153	49	19	259	65	11	870
	Gastroenterology and hepatology	24	328	4	221	76	19	304	95	16	1,087
	General medicine	30	407	34	497	246	47	591	199	39	2,090
	Geriatric medicine	19	345	3	142	84	19	339	115	13	1,079
	Haematology	16	216	5	134	51	20	220	51	20	733
	Immunology and allergy	7	75		22	13	3	39	29	7	195
	Infectious diseases	12	137	22	92	36	12	217	53	12	593
	Medical oncology	15	279	5	136	60	19	297	61	20	892
	Nephrology	16	216	18	115	32	13	218	49	15	692
	Neurology	13	285	2	108	51	15	253	57	17	801
	Nuclear medicine	8	109	1	33	27	5	66	24	2	275
	Respiratory and sleep medicine	16	288	4	172	67	16	226	89	11	889
	Rheumatology	11	144	2	69	40	10	137	36	6	455
No sub-specialty	5	91	4	23	3	8	45	44	9	232	
Subtotal - Physician		228	3,803	126	2,268	990	255	3,667	1,083	252	12,672

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Speciality name	Field of speciality practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Psychiatry		80	1,265	33	910	327	87	1,229	411	67	4,409
Public health medicine		36	143	20	75	28	12	81	47	10	452
Radiation Oncology		15	166	1	92	21	9	113	26	10	453
Radiology	Diagnostic radiology	50	761	8	511	198	52	666	285	132	2,663
	Diagnostic ultrasound				1			3			4
	Nuclear medicine	6	50		59	12	3	69	13	1	213
	No sub-specialty	5	23		8	2	1	19	8	8	74
Subtotal - Radiology		61	834	8	579	212	56	757	306	141	2,954
Rehabilitation medicine		8	253	3	90	51	13	148	18	7	591
Sexual health medicine		5	64	1	19	9	3	25	10	1	137
Sport and exercise medicine		13	53	2	18	5	2	49	16		158
Surgery	Cardio-thoracic surgery	4	62		44	10	4	62	15	11	212
	General surgery	34	729	24	415	171	32	594	179	36	2,214
	Neurosurgery	9	97	1	56	19	7	76	21	6	292
	Oral and maxillofacial surgery	7	42	3	47	15	2	45	13	3	177
	Orthopaedic surgery	29	494	7	368	126	30	355	147	21	1,577
	Otolaryngology - head and neck surgery	8	180	3	113	43	9	132	50	9	547
	Paediatric surgery	5	38		16	7	3	25	10	2	106
	Plastic surgery	4	141	3	81	47	15	167	56	2	516
	Urology	9	155	1	103	37	12	141	45	5	508
	Vascular surgery	4	80	1	50	24	6	68	21	2	256
No sub-specialty	1	19	1					9	5	1	36
Subtotal - Surgery		114	2,037	44	1,293	499	120	1,674	562	98	6,441
Total		1,620	25,595	860	17,209	6,164	1,918	21,523	8,400	1,313	84,602

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	7	167	2	110	32	14	232	37		601

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	Specialist	Provisional	Limited	Non-practising	Total
U - 25	386				1,101			1,487
25 - 29	11,219		271		3,154	130	76	14,850
30 - 34	13,215		4,184	116	799	687	377	19,378
35 - 39	6,638	2	9,495	726	394	919	293	18,467
40 - 44	3,116	2	10,476	1,737	178	625	235	16,369
45 - 49	1,651		9,579	2,399	75	306	233	14,243
50 - 54	1,145	2	7,963	2,236	38	146	239	11,769
55 - 59	990	3	7,236	1,794	14	53	258	10,348
60 - 64	902	6	6,916	1,163	5	25	342	9,359
65 - 69	601	4	5,427	590		11	448	7,081
70 - 74	375	7	3,435	261		1	422	4,501
75 - 79	233	3	1,879	75			348	2,538
80+	202		912	17			432	1,563
Total	40,673	29	67,773	11,114	5,758	2,903	3,703	131,953

Table 3.2 Medical practitioners - by age group

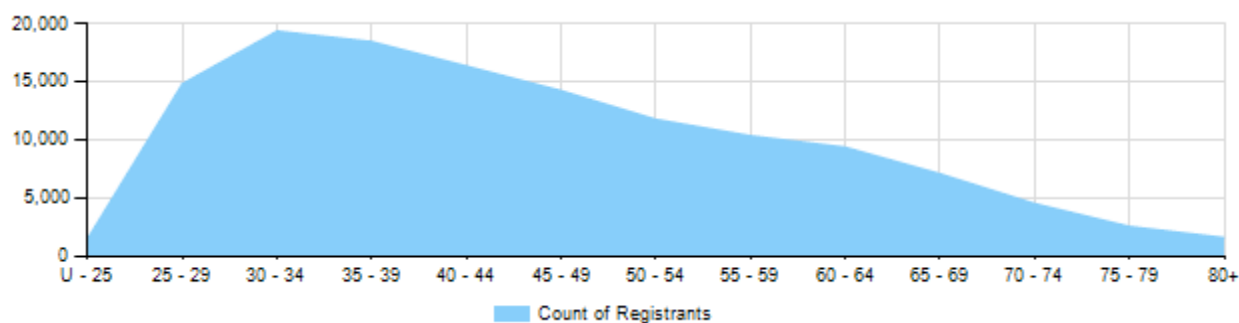


Table 3.3 Medical practitioners - limited registration by age group

Age group	Limited			Total
	Area of need	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	Teaching or research	
U - 25				0
25 - 29		128	2	130
30 - 34	14	671	2	687
35 - 39	49	864	6	919
40 - 44	77	544	4	625
45 - 49	64	238	4	306
50 - 54	35	107	4	146
55 - 59	18	34	1	53
60 - 64	9	16		25
65 - 69	7	4		11
70 - 74	1			1
75 - 79				0
80+				0
Total	274	2,606	23	2,903

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		420	6,148	345	4,138	1,397	415	5,089	2,321	345	20,618
	General TA			6		4	1	1	2	1		15
	General and Specialist		596	9,090	341	5,504	2,087	688	7,546	2,610	285	28,747
	Specialist		85	877	38	953	241	105	909	619	167	3,994
	Provisional		76	768	49	699	215	70	782	440	25	3,124
	Limited	Area of need	1	24	6	23		3	57	15		129
		Postgraduate training or supervised practice	12	391	17	165	111	64	368	163	22	1,313
		Teaching or research		2		3			3	4		12
	Non-practising		23	393	10	191	79	25	257	114	477	1,569
Total Female			1,213	17,699	806	11,680	4,131	1,371	15,013	6,287	1,321	59,521
Male	General		383	6,107	252	4,418	1,281	422	4,762	2,011	416	20,052
	General TA			2		5	1	3	3			14
	General and Specialist		668	12,504	327	7,765	2,935	818	10,052	3,517	437	39,023
	Specialist		147	1,486	91	1,794	441	179	1,575	1,075	332	7,120
	Provisional		63	656	41	581	206	47	642	371	24	2,631
	Limited	Area of need		17	6	28	10		67	17		145
		Postgraduate training or supervised practice	19	356	24	217	112	63	349	130	23	1,293
		Teaching or research	1	1		2	2	1	4			11
	Non-practising		21	538	8	241	127	36	430	139	594	2,134
Total Male			1,302	21,667	749	15,051	5,115	1,569	17,884	7,260	1,826	72,423

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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								2	1		3
	General and Specialist			1					1	1		3
	Provisional			1				1	1			3
Total			2,515	39,368	1,555	26,731	9,246	2,941	32,901	13,549	3,147	131,953

Gender percentages

Table 4.2 Medical practitioners - percentage by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	48.2%	45.0%	51.8%	43.7%	44.7%	46.6%	45.6%	46.4%	42.0%	45.1%
Male	51.8%	55.0%	48.2%	56.3%	55.3%	53.3%	54.4%	53.6%	58.0%	54.9%
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	26.3%	73.7%	
Anaesthesia	33.4%	66.6%	
Dermatology	50.7%	49.3%	
Emergency medicine	38.0%	62.0%	
General practice	48.1%	51.9%	<0.1%
Intensive care medicine	23.3%	76.7%	
Medical administration	35.2%	64.8%	
Obstetrics and gynaecology	53.3%	46.7%	
Occupational and environmental medicine	21.4%	78.6%	
Ophthalmology	24.2%	75.8%	
Paediatrics and child health	56.2%	43.8%	
Pain medicine	29.2%	70.8%	
Palliative medicine	61.3%	38.7%	
Pathology	47.3%	52.7%	
Physician	35.2%	64.8%	
Psychiatry	42.4%	57.6%	<0.1%
Public health medicine	46.5%	53.5%	
Radiation Oncology	43.7%	56.3%	
Radiology	28.9%	71.1%	
Rehabilitation medicine	50.9%	49.1%	
Sexual health medicine	58.4%	41.6%	
Sport and exercise medicine	24.1%	75.9%	
Surgery	14.1%	85.9%	
Total	40.8%	59.2%	<0.1%