

# Dental Board of Australia

## Registrant data

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## Introduction

The functions of the Dental Board of Australia (the Board) include:

- registering dentists, students, dental specialists, dental therapists, dental hygienists, oral health therapists and dental prosthetists
- developing standards, codes and guidelines for the dental profession
- handling notifications, complaints, investigations and disciplinary hearings
- overseeing the assessment of overseas trained practitioners 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 Ahpra's Legislation & Publications at [www.ahpra.gov.au/Publications](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/Publications)

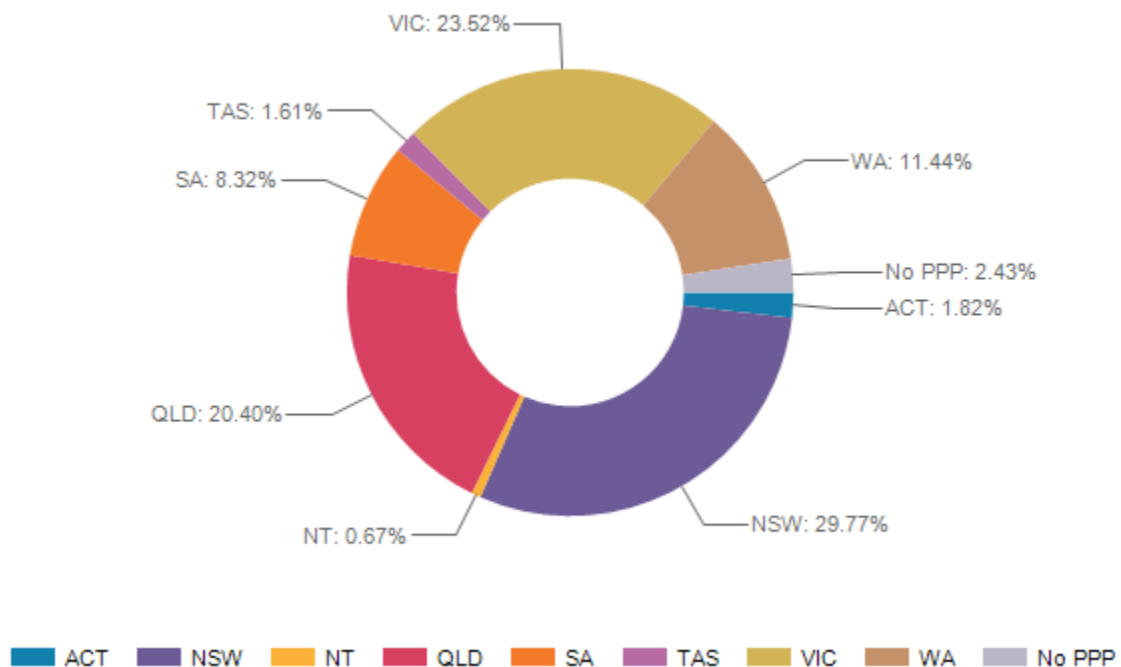
The Board has analysed its registration data and produced a number of statistical breakdowns about registrants to share with the profession and community. The Board shares these breakdowns regularly. For more information on dental registration, please see the Board's website: [www.dentalboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx](http://www.dentalboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx)

## Registration type

Table 1.1 Dental practitioners - registration type by state or territory

Registration types	Registration subtypes	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General		393	6,534	154	4,486	1,818	361	5,129	2,513	353	21,741
General and Non-practising					1						1
General and Specialist		42	506	5	338	147	28	440	191	42	1,739
Specialist		1	11		6	4		10	7	10	49
Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice		5		6	4		2	3		20
	Public interest									1	1
	Teaching or research		7		15	6		2	6		36
Non-practising		7	184	5	114	47	3	142	65	186	753
<b>Total</b>		<b>443</b>	<b>7,247</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>4,966</b>	<b>2,026</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>5,725</b>	<b>2,785</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>24,340</b>

Table 1.2 Dental practitioners - percentage by principal place of practice



## Registration divisions

**Table 2.1 Dental practitioners - division(s) by state or territory**

Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Dental Hygienist	40	390	10	156	313	21	239	269	20	1,458
Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist		2		1						3
Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist							1			1
Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist	7	65	5	129	56	3	118	56	3	442
Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Dentist				1						1
Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist		7		7	5		11	1		31
Dental Hygienist and Dentist		1		3			1			5
Dental Hygienist and Oral Health Therapist	1	17		5	2		3	5		33
Dental Prosthetist	14	402	4	292	67	43	354	82	4	1,262
Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist							1			1
Dental Prosthetist and Dentist							3			3
Dental Prosthetist and Oral Health Therapist			1							1
Dental Therapist	13	167	10	152	70	37	134	245	5	833
Dental Therapist and Dentist							1			1
Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist								6		6
Dentist	335	5,608	115	3,765	1,269	269	4,353	1,904	539	18,157
Dentist and Oral Health Therapist		2		2			1			5
Oral Health Therapist	33	586	19	453	244	19	505	217	21	2,097
<b>Total</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>7,247</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>4,966</b>	<b>2,026</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>5,725</b>	<b>2,785</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>24,340</b>

## Registration type and divisions

Table 3.1 Dental practitioners - registration type and division by state or territory

Registration types	Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General	Dental Hygienist	39	373	10	150	306	21	234	262	10	1,405
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist		2		1						3
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist							1			1
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist	7	60	5	123	56	3	111	55	3	423
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Dentist				1						1
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist		7		7	5		11	1		31
	Dental Hygienist and Dentist		1		2			1			4
	Dental Hygienist and Oral Health Therapist	1	16		5	2		3	5		32
	Dental Prosthetist	14	389	4	288	65	43	342	80	2	1,227
	Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist							1			1
	Dental Prosthetist and Dentist							3			3
	Dental Prosthetist and Oral Health Therapist			1							1
	Dental Therapist	12	155	10	145	69	36	124	238	2	791
	Dental Therapist and Dentist							1			1
	Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist								6		6
	Dentist	288	4,950	106	3,318	1,076	239	3,794	1,651	317	15,739
	Dentist and Oral Health Therapist		2		2			1			5
	Oral Health Therapist	32	579	18	444	239	19	502	215	19	2,067
	<b>Sub Total - General</b>		<b>393</b>	<b>6,534</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>4,486</b>	<b>1,818</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>5,129</b>	<b>2,513</b>	<b>353</b>

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Registration types	Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General and Non-practising	Dental Hygienist and Dentist				1						1
General and Specialist	Dentist	42	506	5	338	147	28	440	191	42	1,739
Specialist	Dentist	1	11		6	4		10	7	10	49
Limited	Dental Hygienist										0
	Dentist		12		21	10		3	9	1	56
	Oral Health Therapist							1			1
<b>Sub Total - Limited</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>57</b>
Non-practising	Dental Hygienist	1	17		6	7		5	7	10	53
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist		5		6			7	1		19
	Dental Hygienist and Oral Health Therapist		1								1
	Dental Prosthetist		13		4	2		12	2	2	35
	Dental Therapist	1	12		7	1	1	10	7	3	42
	Dentist	4	129	4	82	32	2	106	46	169	574
	Oral Health Therapist	1	7	1	9	5		2	2	2	29
<b>Sub Total - Non-practising</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>753</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>443</b>	<b>7,247</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>4,966</b>	<b>2,026</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>5,725</b>	<b>2,785</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>24,340</b>

## Dental specialities

**Table 4.1 Dental practitioners - dental speciality by state or territory**

Speciality	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Dento-maxillofacial radiology		1		8			1	3		13
Endodontics	6	51	1	33	15	3	47	16	5	177
Forensic odontology	2	5	1	2	2	2	4	5		23
Oral and maxillofacial surgery	4	61	1	49	16	5	60	22	7	225
Oral medicine		9		7			12	11	2	41
Oral pathology		7		5	3	1	2	3	1	22
Oral surgery		37		7			7	1	2	54
Orthodontics	15	185	2	124	56	12	150	64	20	628
Paediatric dentistry	2	44		26	15	1	42	21	3	154
Periodontics	8	67	1	44	16	4	63	32	5	240
Prosthodontics	6	68		43	25		54	21	7	224
Public health dentistry (Community dentistry)		4		1	1		8	1		15
Special needs dentistry		3		5	2		7	1	1	19
Surgery				1						1
<b>Total</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>1,836</b>

## Endorsements

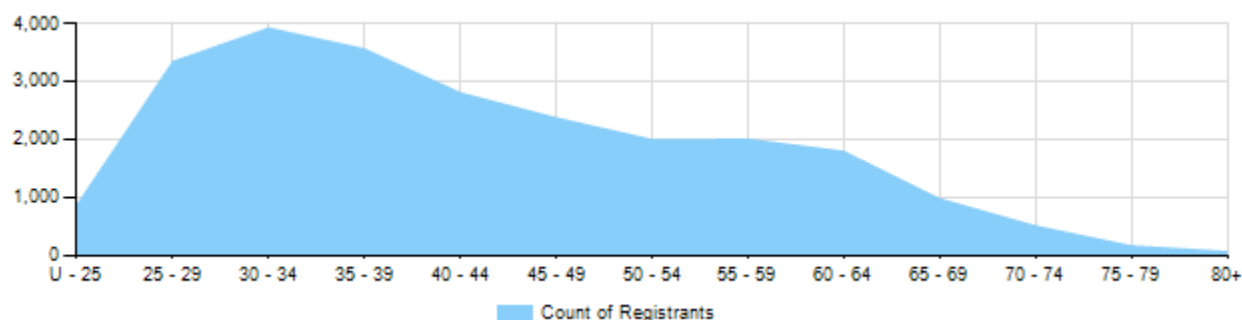
**Table 5.1 Dental practitioners - endorsement by state or territory**

Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Area of Practice - Conscious sedation	6	53	2	17	2	2	6	12	1	101



## Age group

**Table 6.1 Dental practitioners - by age group**



**Table 6.2 Dental practitioners - registration type by age group**

Age group	General	General and Non-practising	General and Specialist	Specialist	Limited			Non-practising	Total
					Postgraduate training or supervised practice	Public interest	Teaching or research		
U - 25	863							3	866
25 - 29	3,275		12	1	6			51	3,345
30 - 34	3,691	1	123	2	7		2	97	3,923
35 - 39	3,203		247	13	4		6	89	3,562
40 - 44	2,432		290	16	1		9	56	2,804
45 - 49	2,098		206	5	1		7	53	2,370
50 - 54	1,724		185	7	1		8	69	1,994
55 - 59	1,709		216	2		1	2	71	2,001
60 - 64	1,478		212				1	100	1,791
65 - 69	759		132	1			1	77	970
70 - 74	377		73	1				50	501
75 - 79	104		30	1				20	155
80+	28		13					17	58
<b>Total</b>	<b>21,741</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1,739</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>753</b>	<b>24,340</b>

## Gender

**Table 7.1 Dental practitioners - registration type by gender**

Gender	Registration types	Registration subtypes	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	General		255	3,325	86	2,373	1,122	178	2,823	1,533	174	<b>11,869</b>
	General and Non-practising					1						<b>1</b>
	General and Specialist		10	134	2	83	43	8	145	64	11	<b>500</b>
	Specialist		1	6		2	1		6	2		<b>18</b>
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice		3		2	2			3		<b>10</b>
		Teaching or research		1		5	3			2		<b>11</b>
	Non-practising		5	97	2	61	20	1	73	33	92	<b>384</b>
<b>Total Female</b>			<b>271</b>	<b>3,566</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>2,527</b>	<b>1,191</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>1,637</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>12,793</b>
Male	General		138	3,209	68	2,113	696	183	2,306	979	179	<b>9,871</b>
	General and Specialist		32	372	3	255	104	20	295	127	31	<b>1,239</b>
	Specialist			5		4	3		4	5	10	<b>31</b>
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice		2		4	2		2			<b>10</b>
		Public interest									1	<b>1</b>
		Teaching or research		6		10	3		2	4		<b>25</b>
Non-practising		2	87	3	53	27	2	69	32	94	<b>369</b>	
<b>Total Male</b>			<b>172</b>	<b>3,681</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>2,439</b>	<b>835</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>2,678</b>	<b>1,147</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>11,546</b>
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate	General								1			<b>1</b>
<b>Total</b>			<b>443</b>	<b>7,247</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>4,966</b>	<b>2,026</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>5,725</b>	<b>2,785</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>24,340</b>

**Table 7.2 Dental practitioners - percentage by gender**

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	61.2%	49.2%	54.9%	50.9%	58.8%	47.7%	53.2%	58.8%	46.8%	<b>52.6%</b>
Male	38.8%	50.8%	45.1%	49.1%	41.2%	52.3%	46.8%	41.2%	53.2%	<b>47.4%</b>
Not stated or Intersex or Indeterminate								<0.1%		<b>&lt;0.1%</b>