

# Physiotherapy Board of Australia

## Registrant data

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## Introduction

The role of the Physiotherapy Board of Australia (the Board) includes:

- registering physiotherapists and students
- developing standards, codes and guidelines for the physiotherapy profession
- handling notifications, complaints, investigations and disciplinary hearings
- overseeing the assessment of overseas trained physiotherapists 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](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 regularly.

Ahpra and the Board established a short-term pandemic response sub-register for up to 12 months (or less if the pandemic subsides) to help with fast tracking the return to the workforce of experienced and qualified health practitioners. The pandemic response sub-register came into effect on 6 April 2020. Eligible physiotherapists were added to the pandemic response sub-register on 20 April 2020. These practitioners are included in these statistics. Please see the [COVID-19](#) page on AHPRA's website for more info.

For more information on physiotherapy registration, please see the Board's website [www.physiotherapyboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx](http://www.physiotherapyboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx)

## Principal place of practice

### Registration type

**Table 1.1 Registration type and subtype by principal place of practice**

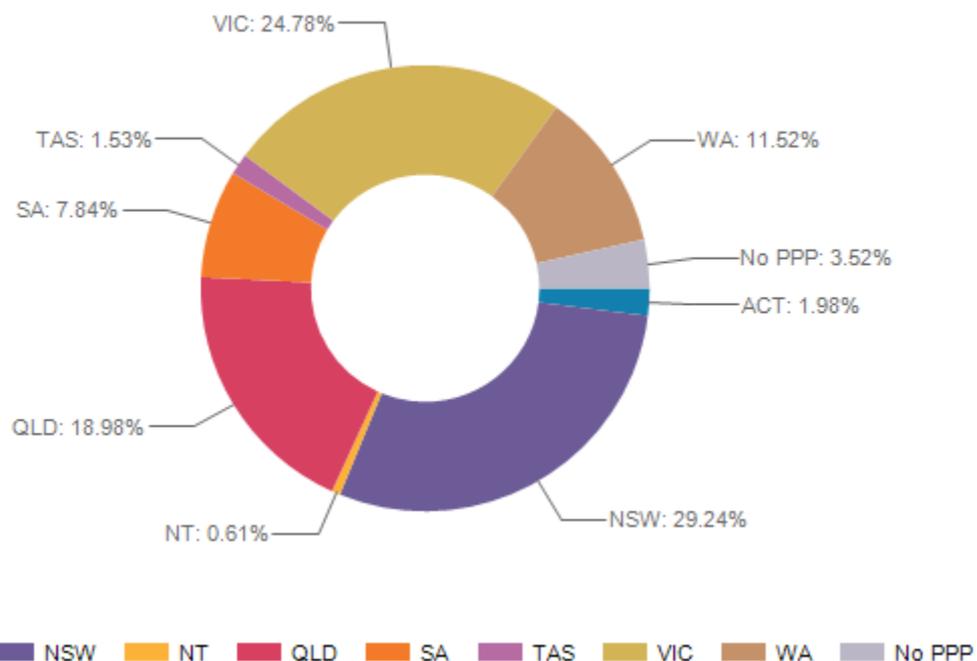
Registration types	Registration subtypes	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General		718	10,506	221	6,838	2,829	550	8,776	4,174	999	35,611
Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	7	158	3	87	55	14	271	42	5	642
	Teaching or research		8		7			2		1	18
Non-practising		9	178	1	112	25	4	149	61	303	842
<b>Total</b>		<b>734</b>	<b>10,850</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>7,044</b>	<b>2,909</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>9,198</b>	<b>4,277</b>	<b>1,308</b>	<b>37,113*</b>

\* 2,072 eligible physiotherapists that are part of the short-term pandemic response sub-register are included in the above table.

**Table 1.2 Registered practitioners for pandemic response by principal place of practice**

Profession	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Physiotherapist	35	658	15	377	154	31	510	289	3	2,072

**Table 1.3 Registrations by principal place of practice percentages**



## Endorsements by type

**Table 1.4 Endorsements**

Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Acupuncture							7			7

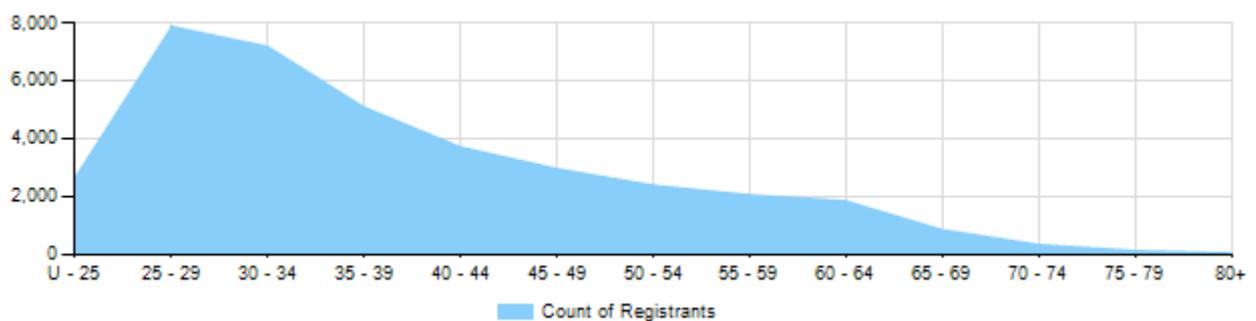
## Age group

### Registration type and subtype

**Table 2.1 Registration by age group**

Age group	General	Limited		Non-practising	Total
		Postgraduate training or supervised practice	Teaching or research		
U - 25	2,645	13		9	2,667
25 - 29	7,604	225		61	7,890
30 - 34	6,833	246	1	114	7,194
35 - 39	4,861	105	2	122	5,090
40 - 44	3,537	41	4	130	3,712
45 - 49	2,837	8	4	108	2,957
50 - 54	2,300	3	5	77	2,385
55 - 59	1,984		2	62	2,048
60 - 64	1,775	1		66	1,842
65 - 69	804			37	841
70 - 74	295			35	330
75 - 79	110			10	120
80+	26			11	37
<b>Total</b>	<b>35,611</b>	<b>642</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>842</b>	<b>37,113</b>

**Table 2.2 Registration by age group**



## Gender

### Registration type

**Table 3.1 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		475	6,682	155	4,367	1,787	394	5,819	2,919	658	<b>23,256</b>
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	5	102	2	61	45	9	181	28	4	<b>437</b>
		Teaching or research		3		6					1	<b>10</b>
	Non-practising			7	141	1	83	20	3	117	43	225
<b>Total Female</b>			<b>487</b>	<b>6,928</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>4,517</b>	<b>1,852</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>6,117</b>	<b>2,990</b>	<b>888</b>	<b>24,343</b>
Male	General		243	3,824	66	2,471	1,042	156	2,957	1,255	341	<b>12,355</b>
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	2	56	1	26	10	5	90	14	1	<b>205</b>
		Teaching or research		5		1			2			<b>8</b>
	Non-practising			2	37		29	5	1	32	18	78
<b>Total Male</b>			<b>247</b>	<b>3,922</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>2,527</b>	<b>1,057</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>3,081</b>	<b>1,287</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>12,770</b>
<b>Total</b>			<b>734</b>	<b>10,850</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>7,044</b>	<b>2,909</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>9,198</b>	<b>4,277</b>	<b>1,308</b>	<b>37,113</b>

### Percentage

**Table 3.2 Registrants by gender percentages**

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	66.3%	63.9%	70.2%	64.1%	63.7%	71.5%	66.5%	69.9%	67.9%	<b>65.6%</b>
Male	33.7%	36.1%	29.8%	35.9%	36.3%	28.5%	33.5%	30.1%	32.1%	<b>34.4%</b>