

Medical Practitioner Registrant Data: October 2013

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Introduction

The role of the Medical Board of Australia is to:

- register medical practitioners and medical students
- develop standards, codes and guidelines for the medical profession
- investigate notifications and complaints
- 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
- approve accreditation standards and accredited courses of study.

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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 publishes these statistics regularly.

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

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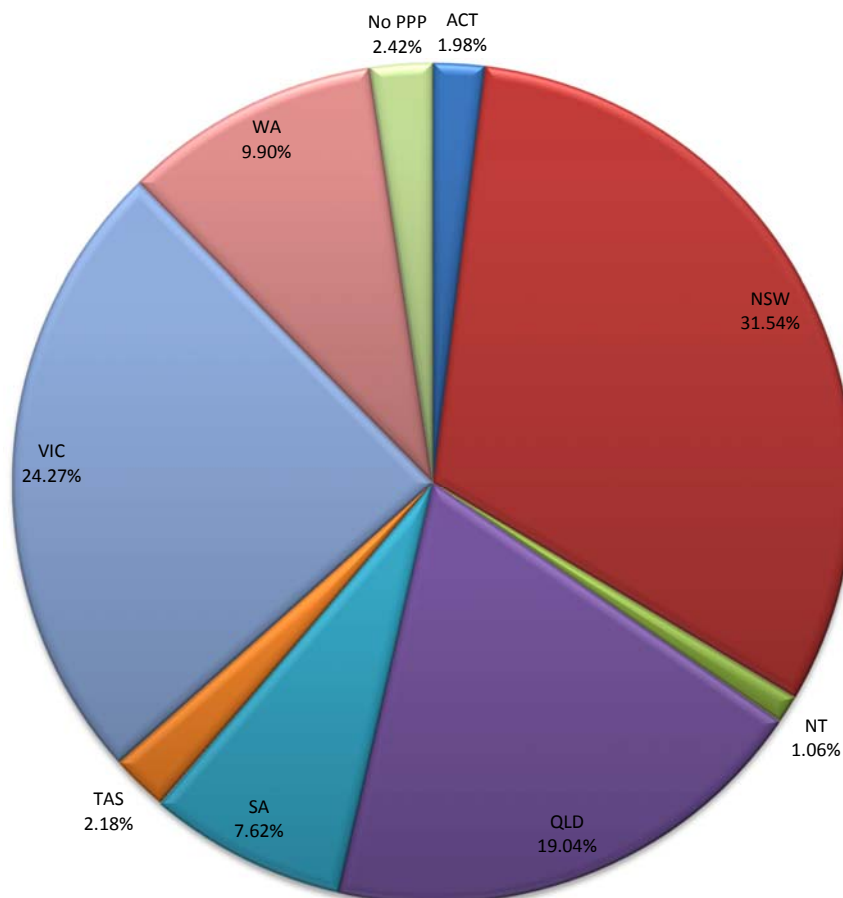
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Medical practitioners - registration type by state and territory

Medical Practitioner	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General	605	9,595	408	5,897	2,077	560	7,049	2,722	690	29,603
General (Teaching & Assessing)	-	8	-	7	6	-	7	3	-	31
General & Specialist*	890	15,790	354	8,567	3,889	1,063	12,303	4,114	545	47,515
Specialist*	138	1,635	105	1,874	484	198	1,447	1,046	347	7,274
Provisional	103	1,078	57	742	291	87	839	344	8	3,549
Limited	127	1,461	93	808	441	128	1,138	827	6	5,029
Postgraduate Training or Supervised Practice	100	1,298	7	365	344	63	759	165	5	3,106
Area of Need	26	153	85	437	93	65	375	654	1	1,889
Public Interest	-	1	1	1	1	-	1	4	-	9
Teaching or Research	1	9	-	5	3	-	3	4	-	25
Limited (Public Interest - Occasional Practice)	-	22	-	141	-	2	1	266	7	439
Non-Practising	37	720	5	255	135	53	531	190	718	2,644
Total Practitioners	1,900	30,309	1,022	18,291	7,323	2,091	23,315	9,512	2,321	96,084

* Total practitioners with specialist registration 54,789

Medical practitioners - percentage by principal place of practice



Medical practitioners – by area of specialist practice

Specialty and field of specialty practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Addiction medicine	3	65	2	26	14	9	31	13	4	167
Anaesthesia	70	1,306	36	872	349	111	1,054	457	111	4,366
Dermatology	5	179	1	75	38	6	119	38	9	470
Emergency medicine	31	357	25	320	96	38	377	170	47	1,461
General practice	411	7,471	221	4,759	1,892	619	5,656	2,321	176	23,526
Intensive care medicine	21	224	10	163	65	17	171	64	23	758
Paediatric intensive care medicine							1			1
No sub-speciality declared	21	224	10	163	65	17	170	64	23	757
Medical administration	15	96	6	83	20	4	64	31	7	326
Obstetrics and gynaecology	31	527	14	344	132	38	480	155	49	1,770
Gynaecological oncology		15		9	4	1	11	2		42
Maternal-fetal medicine		13	1	7	3		9	5	1	39
Obstetrics and gynaecological ultrasound		13		5	4		54	3	2	81
Reproductive endocrinology and infertility		27		4	6	1	13	2		53
Urogynaecology	1	10		5	1		8	4		29
No sub-speciality declared	30	449	13	314	114	36	385	139	46	1,526
Occupational and environmental medicine	16	92	1	41	28	6	66	41	8	299
Ophthalmology	12	351	5	156	69	20	221	72	12	918
Paediatrics and child health	36	725	22	393	161	35	550	228	53	2,203
Clinical genetics		11		1			4	1		17
Community child health		10		8	2		4		1	25
General paediatrics	28	562	18	319	127	31	425	166	30	1,706
Neonatal and perinatal medicine	6	38		19	7	2	36	17	4	129
Paediatric cardiology		5	1	5			5	4	1	21
Paediatric clinical pharmacology		1								1
Paediatric emergency medicine		7		6	4		7	6	1	31
Paediatric endocrinology		8		4	1		2	2		17
Paediatric gastroenterology and hepatology		4		1	1		5	2	2	15
Paediatric haematology		3		1			1	1		6
Paediatric immunology and allergy		3		2	3		3			11
Paediatric infectious diseases		3		3			6			12
Paediatric intensive care medicine		3								3
Paediatric medical oncology		5		2			4	2		13
Paediatric nephrology		4								4
Paediatric neurology		13		3	1		4	1	1	23
Paediatric rehabilitation medicine		4			1					5
Paediatric respiratory and sleep medicine		9		5			3	3		20
Paediatric rheumatology		3		2	1		3	1		10
No sub-speciality declared	2	29	3	12	13	2	38	22	13	134
Pain medicine	2	81		49	29	8	40	28	4	241
Palliative medicine	6	92	2	40	22	12	56	27	5	262
Pathology	54	763	8	396	191	51	507	231	29	2,230
Anatomical pathology (including cytopathology)	16	259	2	160	61	16	183	85	10	792
Chemical pathology	2	21		14	8	2	20	15	4	86
Forensic pathology		8	1	13	4	2	10	4	1	43
General pathology	12	186	2	81	56	13	123	37	4	514
Haematology	10	156	2	74	36	12	113	33	4	440
Immunology	6	46		11	10	1	19	15		108
Microbiology	5	74	1	37	16	5	37	31	1	207
No sub-speciality declared	3	13		6			2	11	5	40

Medical practitioners – by area of specialist practice

Specialty and field of specialty practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Physician	176	2,713	66	1,457	796	162	2,524	718	166	8,778
Cardiology	15	368	6	227	104	19	300	77	36	1,152
Clinical genetics		34		7	9		15	5		70
Clinical pharmacology		13		11	8		11	5	3	51
Endocrinology	10	186	5	103	31	11	169	41	2	558
Gastroenterology and hepatology	23	234	2	129	59	12	211	58	12	740
General medicine	35	399	11	321	245	34	538	117	35	1,735
Geriatric medicine	9	181	2	75	47	7	161	55	6	543
Haematology	8	162	2	80	37	9	129	29	11	467
Immunology and allergy	7	53	1	14	12	1	27	20	2	137
Infectious diseases	7	81	12	48	26	8	130	26	8	346
Medical oncology	9	144	2	85	40	8	187	36	3	514
Nephrology	9	146	11	70	25	11	137	33	11	453
Neurology	11	178	1	63	34	7	163	40	8	505
Nuclear medicine	7	100		30	26	6	57	20	1	247
Respiratory and sleep medicine	11	184	4	117	49	13	149	54	8	589
Rheumatology	8	110	1	46	33	7	93	28	6	332
No sub-speciality declared	7	140	6	31	11	9	47	74	14	339
Psychiatry	55	1,002	16	603	277	54	922	273	54	3,256
Public health medicine	29	134	25	82	31	11	80	42	7	441
Radiation Oncology	13	110	2	68	24	8	101	20	4	350
Radiology	51	636	3	401	167	47	539	226	100	2,170
Diagnostic radiology	40	565	3	344	151	41	447	197	84	1,872
Diagnostic ultrasound		1					3			4
Nuclear medicine	4	36		50	11	5	59	7	3	175
No sub-speciality declared	7	34		7	5	1	30	22	13	119
Rehabilitation medicine	6	213	3	53	34	5	115	14	3	446
Sexual health medicine	5	54	1	19	6	1	24	5		115
Sport and exercise medicine	11	40	1	11	4	2	36	9		114
Surgery	93	1,748	33	998	443	100	1,396	440	88	5,339
Cardio-thoracic surgery	6	57		41	11	3	62	13	4	197
General surgery	23	627	17	339	157	36	517	129	37	1,882
Neurosurgery	7	73		40	16	4	61	19	1	221
Oral and maxillofacial surgery	4	23	2	26	8		24	9	1	97
Orthopaedic surgery	25	415	7	270	116	22	294	123	22	1,294
Otolaryngology - head and neck surgery	8	158	2	87	39	9	115	42	8	468
Paediatric surgery	4	33		13	9	2	26	8	2	97
Plastic surgery	6	122	2	63	39	9	129	42	4	416
Urology	6	123	1	76	32	10	100	36	2	386
Vascular surgery	3	68	1	42	16	5	54	15	2	206
No sub-speciality declared	1	49	1	1			14	4	5	75
Total	1,152	18,979	503	11,409	4,888	1,364	15,129	5,623	959	60,006

Medical practitioners – endorsement type by state and territory

Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Acupuncture	-	63	1	43	14	10	231	23	-	385

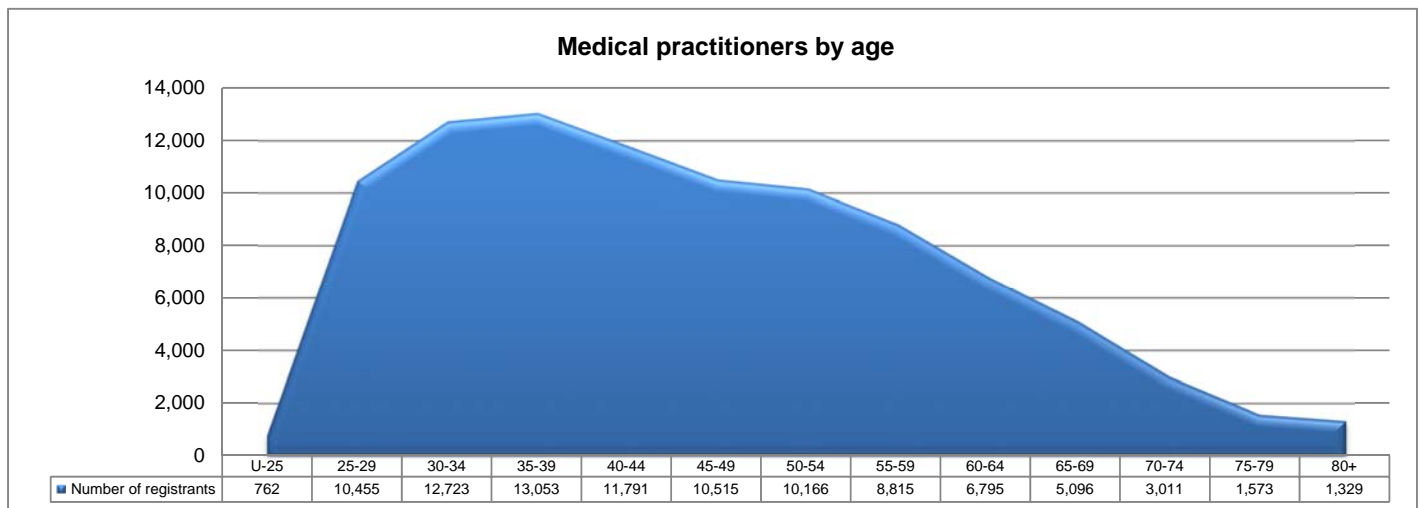
Medical practitioners – age by registration type

Age group	Registration type								Total	% by Age Group
	General	General (Teaching & Assessing)	General & Specialist	Specialist	Provisional	Limited	Limited (Public Interest - Occasional Practice)	Non-Practising		
U-25	119	0	0	0	629	14	0	0	762	0.79%
25-29	7,275	0	8	8	2,062	1,047	0	55	10,455	10.88%
30-34	9,195	0	1,429	301	524	1,119	0	155	12,723	13.24%
35-39	4,995	1	5,424	980	177	1,242	1	233	13,053	13.58%
40-44	2,530	2	6,526	1,609	85	787	4	248	11,791	12.27%
45-49	1,634	2	6,565	1,671	39	400	5	199	10,515	10.94%
50-54	1,214	2	7,218	1,238	24	213	9	248	10,166	10.58%
55-59	923	2	6,799	760	6	110	6	209	8,815	9.17%
60-64	583	1	5,493	418	3	65	13	219	6,795	7.07%
65-69	386	6	4,176	191	0	22	61	254	5,096	5.30%
70-74	304	5	2,261	66	0	8	109	258	3,011	3.13%
75-79	203	6	994	26	0	1	100	243	1,573	1.64%
80+	242	4	622	6	0	1	131	323	1,329	1.38%
Total	29,603	31	47,515	7,274	3,549	5,029	439	2,644	96,084	100.00%

Medical practitioners - age by type of limited registration

Age group	Type of limited registration				Total	% by Age Group
	Postgraduate Training or Supervised Practice	Area of Need	Public Interest	Teaching or Research		
U-25	7	7	0	0	14	0.28%
25-29	694	352	0	1	1,047	20.82%
30-34	747	365	0	7	1,119	22.25%
35-39	869	364	0	9	1,242	24.70%
40-44	475	308	1	3	787	15.65%
45-49	191	206	1	2	400	7.95%
50-54	75	136	2	0	213	4.24%
55-59	33	75	0	2	110	2.19%
60-64	12	50	2	1	65	1.29%
65-69	3	18	1	0	22	0.44%
70-74	0	6	2	0	8	0.16%
75-79	0	1	0	0	1	0.02%
80+	0	1	0	0	1	0.02%
Total	3,106	1,889	9	25	5,029	100.00%

Medical practitioners by age



Medical practitioners - gender by state and territory by registration type

Gender and registration type	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	844	11,969	499	7,050	2,795	841	9,413	3,796	794	38,001
General	324	4,764	224	2,829	1,043	286	3,654	1,430	262	14,816
General (Teaching & Assessing)		4		1	1		3	2		11
General & Specialist	338	5,184	164	2,810	1,241	377	4,199	1,342	149	15,804
Specialist	49	551	33	602	145	61	465	342	96	2,344
Provisional	62	603	39	363	161	49	440	199	3	1,919
Limited	60	599	36	329	159	47	456	355	1	2,042
<i>Postgraduate Training or Supervised Practice</i>	50	553	3	148	128	30	333	58		1,303
<i>Area of Need</i>	9	44	33	180	28	17	121	294	1	727
<i>Public Interest</i>								1		1
<i>Teaching or Research</i>	1	2		1	3		2	2		11
Limited (Public Interest - Occasional Practice)		2		16				48	1	67
Non-Practising	11	262	3	100	45	21	196	78	282	998
Male	1,056	18,340	523	11,241	4,528	1,250	13,902	5,716	1,527	58,083
General	281	4,831	184	3,068	1,034	274	3,395	1,292	428	14,787
General (Teaching & Assessing)		4		6	5		4	1		20
General & Specialist	552	10,606	190	5,757	2,648	686	8,104	2,772	396	31,711
Specialist	89	1,084	72	1,272	339	137	982	704	251	4,930
Provisional	41	475	18	379	130	38	399	145	5	1,630
Limited	67	862	57	479	282	81	682	472	5	2,987
<i>Postgraduate Training or Supervised Practice</i>	50	745	4	217	216	33	426	107	5	1,803
<i>Area of Need</i>	17	109	52	257	65	48	254	360		1,162
<i>Public Interest</i>		1	1	1	1		1	3		8
<i>Teaching or Research</i>		7		4			1	2		14
Limited (Public Interest - Occasional Practice)		20		125		2	1	218	6	372
Non-Practising	26	458	2	155	90	32	335	112	436	1,646
Total Practitioners	1,900	30,309	1,022	18,291	7,323	2,091	23,315	9,512	2,321	96,084

Medical practitioners - percentage by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	44.42%	39.49%	48.83%	38.54%	38.17%	40.22%	40.37%	39.91%	34.21%	39.55%
Male	55.58%	60.51%	51.17%	61.46%	61.83%	59.78%	59.63%	60.09%	65.79%	60.45%