

Medical practitioner registrant data: December 2014

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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
- 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](http://www.ahpra.gov.au) (AHPRA). For information about legislation governing our operations see [About AHPRA](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/About-AHPRA/What-We-Do/Legislation.aspx) 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 regularly.

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

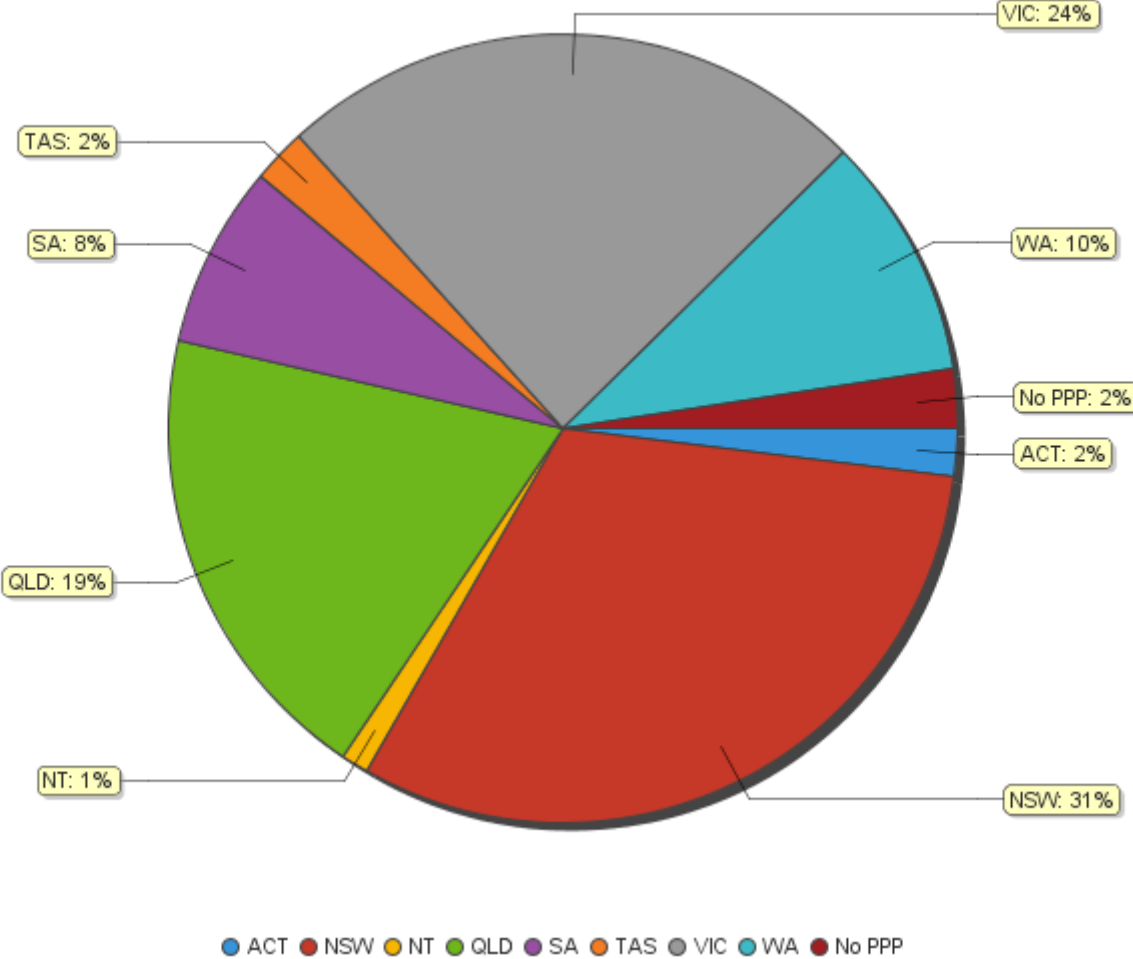
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Medical practitioners – registration type and sub type by state or territory

Medical practitioners		Principal place of practice									Total
Registration type	Registration sub type	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	
General		646	10,375	435	6,353	2,269	604	7,495	3,196	663	32,036
General (Teaching and Assessing)		1	11		10	5		9	4		40
General and Specialist		882	15,894	360	8,773	3,871	1,083	12,461	4,193	572	48,089
Specialist		144	1,811	111	2,004	533	207	1,612	1,207	365	7,994
Provisional		100	1,197	69	970	327	92	1,001	466	12	4,234
Limited	Area of need	22	126	71	233	85	61	389	395	2	1,384
	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	61	985	11	391	253	51	631	148	15	2,546
	Public interest	1	2	2	3						8
	Teaching or research		11		3	3		3	7		27
Non-practising		37	687	5	252	124	49	512	225	784	2,675
Total		1,894	31,099	1,064	18,992	7,470	2,147	24,113	9,841	2,413	99,033

Medical practitioners – percentage by principal place of practice



Medical practitioners – by area of specialist practice

Medical practitioners		Principal place of practice									Total
Specialty name	Field of specialty practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	
Addiction medicine		2	64	1	24	15	8	32	13	5	164
Anaesthesia		72	1,357	33	893	353	116	1,075	479	107	4,485
Dermatology		6	180	1	82	39	7	126	42	6	489
Emergency medicine		31	391	31	355	102	46	404	199	55	1,614
General practice		405	7,424	225	4,853	1,871	610	5,662	2,384	190	23,624
Intensive care medicine	Paediatric intensive care medicine							2			2
	No sub-specialty declared	19	237	8	172	67	15	178	74	29	799
Sub Total		19	237	8	172	67	15	180	74	29	801
Medical administration		14	102	7	78	16	3	65	30	8	323
Obstetrics and gynaecology	Gynaecological oncology		15		9	4	1	12	2		43
	Maternal-fetal medicine		13	1	8	3		9	5	1	40
	Obstetrics and gynaecological ultrasound		13	1	5	3		51	3	2	78
	Reproductive endocrinology and infertility		27		3	6	1	13	2		52
	Urogynaecology	1	10		6	1		7	4		29
	No sub-specialty declared	27	460	14	320	120	38	396	145	40	1,560
Sub Total		28	538	16	351	137	40	488	161	43	1,802
Occupational and environmental medicine		15	89	2	42	31	7	65	41	9	301
Sub Total		15	89	2	42	31	7	65	41	9	301

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Specialty name	Field of specialty practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	
Ophthalmology		13	354	5	159	69	19	233	77	14	943
Paediatrics and child health	Clinical genetics		15		3			5	1		24
	Community child health	1	16		10	2		8		1	38
	General paediatrics	27	584	20	311	126	29	446	171	28	1,742
	Neonatal and perinatal medicine	7	43	1	26	11	3	35	22	4	152
	Paediatric cardiology		6	1	7			9	4	1	28
	Paediatric clinical pharmacology		1								1
	Paediatric emergency medicine		7		12	4		9	7	1	40
	Paediatric endocrinology		12		7	2		3	2		26
	Paediatric gastroenterology and hepatology		6		3	1		6	4	3	23
	Paediatric haematology		4		1			2	1		8
	Paediatric immunology and allergy	1	5		2	4		4			16
	Paediatric infectious diseases		4	1	3	1		6			15
	Paediatric intensive care medicine		4		1						5
	Paediatric medical oncology		6		4	1		7	2	1	21
	Paediatric nephrology		5			1					6
	Paediatric neurology		13		4	1	1	6	1	4	30
Paediatric palliative medicine		1		1						2	

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Specialty name	Field of specialty practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	
	Paediatric rehabilitation medicine		4			1					5
	Paediatric respiratory and sleep medicine		10		5	1		4	4		24
	Paediatric rheumatology		3		2	1		3	2		11
	No sub-specialty declared	1	28	5	14	12	4	44	22	12	142
Sub Total		37	777	28	416	169	37	597	243	55	2,359
Pain medicine		3	81		53	28	9	44	29	4	251
Palliative medicine		6	98	2	47	24	12	61	27	8	285
Pathology	Anatomical pathology (including cytopathology)	17	285	3	161	62	17	197	95	10	847
	Chemical pathology	2	27		12	8	2	19	15	4	89
	Forensic pathology		11	1	11	5	3	10	5		46
	General pathology	2	64	1	22	9	4	23	7	3	135
	Haematology	11	153	2	83	38	12	122	36	7	464
	Immunology	6	46		11	12	1	20	17		113
	Microbiology	6	76	1	37	14	4	39	33	3	213
	No sub-specialty declared	3	13		7			3	9	4	39
Sub Total		47	675	8	344	148	43	433	217	31	1,946
Physician	Cardiology	20	396	6	239	110	17	316	82	28	1,214
	Clinical genetics		32		8	8		18	5		71
	Clinical pharmacology		14		10	9		11	5	3	52
	Endocrinology	11	195	7	107	33	12	175	44	2	586

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	Gastroenterology and hepatology	22	237	2	139	63	14	223	61	14	775
	General medicine	31	394	12	330	241	36	526	125	39	1,734
	Geriatric medicine	8	195	2	77	48	9	178	64	7	588
	Haematology	9	155	2	84	36	11	136	32	13	478
	Immunology and allergy	7	57	2	15	12	1	29	22	2	147
	Infectious diseases	8	91	11	49	24	9	141	29	10	372
	Medical oncology	10	157	2	91	40	10	199	38	6	553
	Nephrology	11	154	10	76	26	11	147	38	13	486
	Neurology	9	190	1	69	35	6	167	41	9	527
	Nuclear medicine	7	99		33	26	6	56	19	2	248
	Respiratory and sleep medicine	9	193	4	120	53	12	155	57	6	609
	Rheumatology	8	110	1	45	37	7	98	30	7	343
	No sub-specialty declared	6	138	4	26	7	9	44	62	14	310
Sub Total		176	2,807	66	1,518	808	170	2,619	754	175	9,093
Psychiatry		55	1,011	15	621	287	65	952	287	59	3,352
Public health medicine		29	136	23	76	29	11	78	41	9	432
Radiation Oncology		12	119	2	68	21	8	98	21	7	356
Radiology	Diagnostic radiology	38	574	2	361	150	42	458	197	84	1,906
	Diagnostic ultrasound		1					3			4

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	Nuclear medicine	4	36		51	10	4	62	9	2	178
	No sub-specialty declared	5	40		11	5	2	34	23	13	133
Sub Total		47	651	2	423	165	48	557	229	99	2,221
Rehabilitation medicine		6	212	3	57	34	6	122	15	5	460
Sexual health medicine		5	52		18	7	1	25	6		114
Sport and exercise medicine		10	42	1	12	4	2	39	10		120
Surgery	Cardio-thoracic surgery	6	54		42	11	4	63	14	5	199
	General surgery	24	625	15	345	159	34	519	136	31	1,888
	Neurosurgery	6	77		42	15	6	61	20	1	228
	Oral and maxillofacial surgery	4	22	2	28	10	2	26	9	3	106
	Orthopaedic surgery	27	416	7	274	115	22	293	126	27	1,307
	Otolaryngology - head and neck surgery	9	156	3	86	42	9	112	44	11	472
	Paediatric surgery	4	34		13	8	2	27	8	3	99
	Plastic surgery	6	126	2	65	40	13	132	46	3	433
	Urology	6	125	1	81	29	10	106	39	4	401
	Vascular surgery	3	71		39	16	6	61	17	2	215
	No sub-specialty declared		40	1	1			14	3	2	61
Sub Total		95	1,746	31	1,016	445	108	1,414	462	92	5,409
Total		1,133	19,143	510	11,678	4,869	1,391	15,369	5,841	1,010	60,944

Medical practitioners – endorsements by state or territory

Medical practitioners		Principal place of practice								Total
Endorsement type	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA		
Acupuncture	2	81	1	58	22	11	229	29	433	

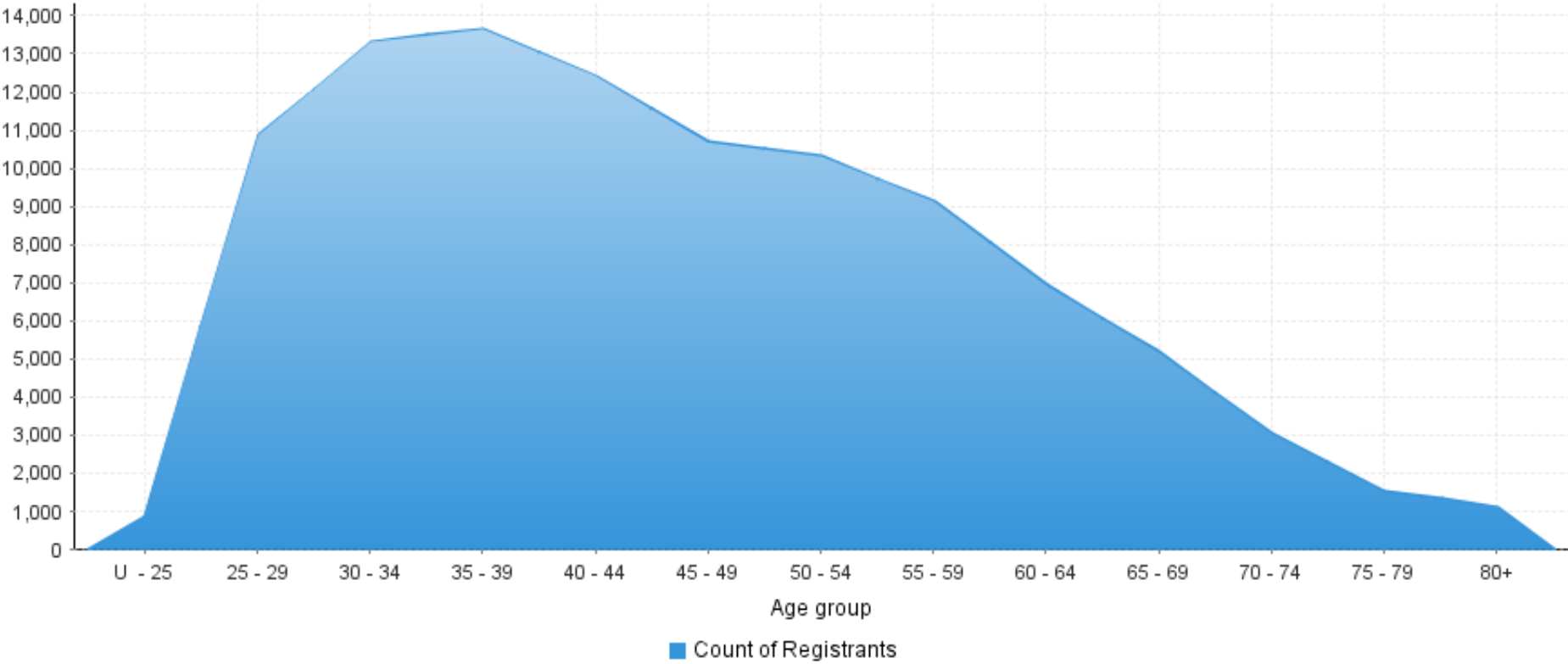
Medical practitioners – registration type by age group

Medical practitioners		Registration type							Total
Age group	General	General (Teaching and Assessing)	General and Specialist	Specialist	Provisional	Limited	Non-practising		
U - 25	140				731	1		872	
25 - 29	7,726		24	10	2,385	662	66	10,873	
30 - 34	9,989		1,406	279	614	833	192	13,313	
35 - 39	5,456	2	5,556	1,067	259	1,082	225	13,647	
40 - 44	2,790	2	6,763	1,773	133	717	249	12,427	
45 - 49	1,688	2	6,579	1,788	66	342	212	10,677	
50 - 54	1,339	2	7,151	1,379	30	166	243	10,310	
55 - 59	1,000	5	6,889	898	13	90	233	9,128	
60 - 64	633	6	5,562	464	3	47	213	6,928	
65 - 69	417	5	4,248	226		20	252	5,168	
70 - 74	363	5	2,341	78		4	262	3,053	
75 - 79	257	5	1,002	23		1	226	1,514	
80+	238	6	568	9			302	1,123	
Total	32,036	40	48,089	7,994	4,234	3,965	2,675	99,033	

Medical practitioners – limited registration by age group

Medical practitioners	Limited Registration				Total
	Age group	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	Area of need	Public interest	
U - 25	1				1
25 - 29	537	124		1	662
30 - 34	543	287		3	833
35 - 39	760	315		7	1,082
40 - 44	438	271	1	7	717
45 - 49	159	178	1	4	342
50 - 54	66	96	2	2	166
55 - 59	29	58	1	2	90
60 - 64	11	32	3	1	47
65 - 69	2	18			20
70 - 74		4			4
75 - 79		1			1
80+					
Total	2,546	1,384	8	27	3,965

Medical practitioners – by age group



Age Group	U - 25	25 - 29	30 - 34	35 - 39	40 - 44	45 - 49	50 - 54	55 - 59	60 - 64	65 - 69	70 - 74	75 - 79	80+
Count of Registrants	872	10,873	13,313	13,647	12,428	10,677	10,310	9,128	6,929	5,168	3,053	1,514	1,123

Medical practitioners – gender by state and territory by registration type and sub type

Medical practitioners			Principal place of practice									Total	
Gender	Registration type	Registration sub type	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP		
Female	General		357	5,163	245	3,018	1,157	308	3,912	1,661	268	16,089	
	General (Teaching and Assessing)		1	6		2	1		4	2		16	
	General and Specialist		339	5,347	166	2,952	1,267	388	4,347	1,397	157	16,359	
	Specialist		51	612	30	645	161	65	530	395	101	2,590	
	Provisional		55	650	44	514	177	50	566	269	4	2,329	
		Postgraduate training or supervised practice		24	421	7	178	89	24	279	51	3	1,076
	Limited	Area of need		9	46	21	96	33	18	150	178	1	552
		Public interest					1						1
		Teaching or research			4			3		2	4		13
	Non-practising		8	277	3	99	47	19	206	95	313	1,067	
Sub Total			843	12,526	516	7,505	2,935	872	9,996	4,052	847	40,092	
Male	General		289	5,212	190	3,335	1,112	296	3,583	1,535	395	15,947	
	General (Teaching and Assessing)			5		8	4		5	2		24	
	General and Specialist		543	10,547	194	5,821	2,604	695	8,114	2,796	415	31,729	
	Specialist		93	1,199	81	1,359	372	142	1,082	812	264	5,404	
	Provisional		45	547	25	456	150	42	435	197	8	1,905	
	Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice		37	564	4	213	164	27	352	97	12	1,470

Medical practitioners			Principal place of practice									Total
Gender	Registration type	Registration sub type	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	
		Area of need	13	80	50	137	52	43	239	217	1	832
		Public interest	1	2	2	2						7
		Teaching or research		7		3			1	3		14
	Non-practising		29	410	2	153	77	30	306	130	471	1,608
Sub Total			1,050	18,573	548	11,487	4,535	1,275	14,117	5,789	1,566	58,940
Total			1,894	31,099	1,064	18,992	7,470	2,147	24,113	9,841	2,413	99,033

Medical practitioners – percentage by gender

Medical practitioners		Principal place of practice									Total
Gender		ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	
Female		44.51%	40.28%	48.50%	39.52%	39.29%	40.61%	41.45%	41.17%	35.10%	40.48%
Male		55.44%	59.72%	51.50%	60.48%	60.71%	59.39%	58.55%	58.83%	64.90%	59.52%