

## Medical practitioner registrant data: September 2015

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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>

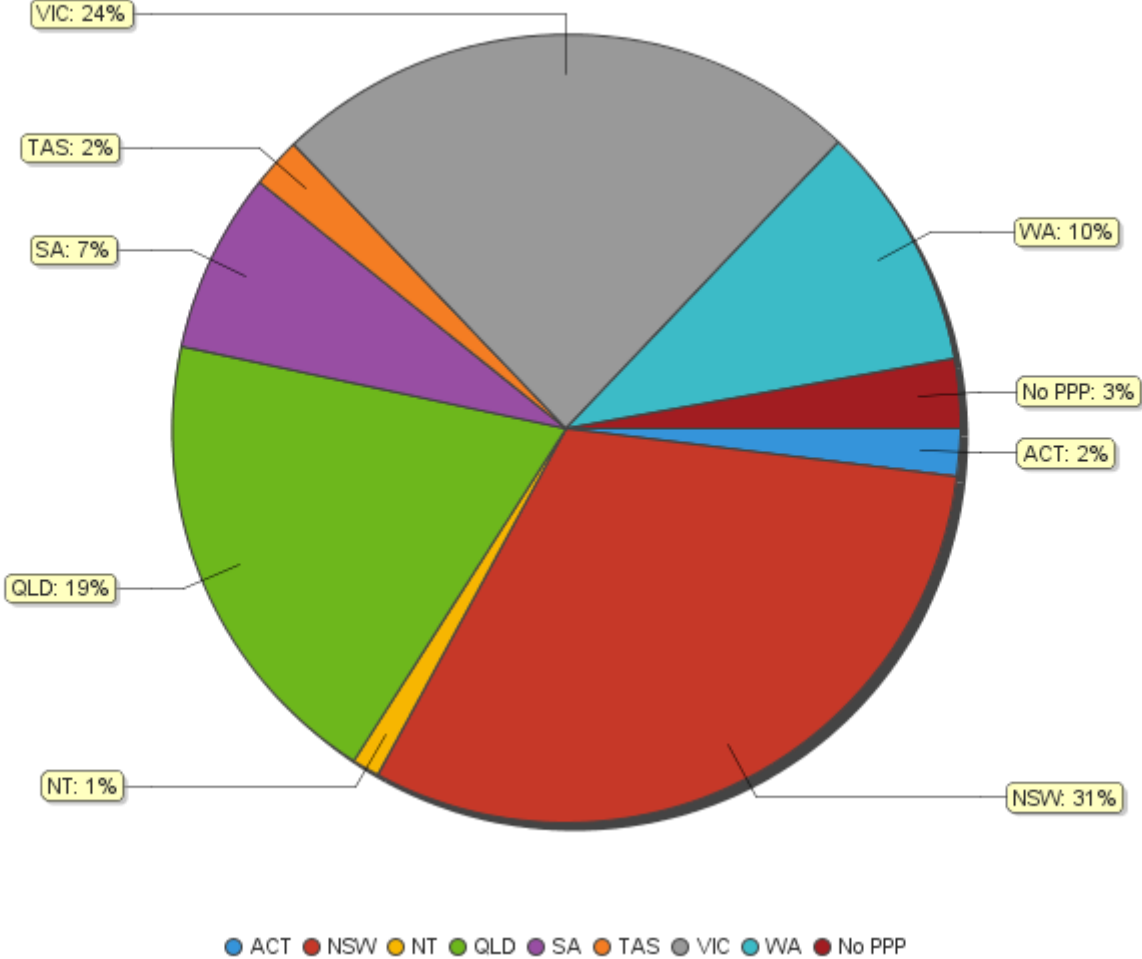
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## Medical practitioners – registration type and sub type by state or territory

Medical practitioners		Principal place of practice									Total
Registration type	Registration sub type	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	
General		695	11,146	480	6,864	2,419	608	8,173	3,513	845	34,743
General (Teaching and Assessing)		1	12		11	5		9	4		42
General and Specialist		904	16,280	385	9,098	3,964	1,104	12,810	4,332	714	49,591
General (Teaching and Assessing) and Specialist			1					1			2
Specialist		164	1,919	113	2,079	556	206	1,696	1,276	462	8,471
Provisional		113	1,446	75	1,339	367	102	1,150	708	53	5,353
Limited	Area of need	20	108	59	214	80	47	386	263	3	1,180
	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	33	696	9	286	180	40	482	168	16	1,910
	Public interest	1		1				1		1	4
	Teaching or research		8	1	5	2		6	5		27
Non-practising		37	678	1	251	117	53	483	210	853	2,683
<b>Total</b>		1,968	32,294	1,124	20,147	7,690	2,160	25,197	10,479	2,947	104,006

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		4	65	1	25	16	9	31	13	3	167
Anaesthesia		78	1,406	31	935	365	114	1,104	505	136	4,674
Dermatology		6	187	1	84	42	7	134	44	8	513
Emergency medicine		36	423	30	406	110	48	430	209	68	1,760
General practice		419	7,539	240	4,986	1,910	622	5,774	2,455	236	24,181
Intensive care medicine	Paediatric intensive care medicine		1	1				2			4
	No sub-specialty declared	21	243	10	177	67	15	184	76	37	830
Sub Total		21	244	11	177	67	15	186	76	37	834
Medical administration		13	107	6	81	16	3	71	30	9	336
Obstetrics and gynaecology	Gynaecological oncology		16		9	4	1	12	3		45
	Maternal-fetal medicine		13	1	8	3		9	5	1	40
	Obstetrics and gynaecological ultrasound		14	1	5	3		50	3	2	78
	Reproductive endocrinology and infertility		27		3	7	1	14	2		54
	Urogynaecology	1	10		7	1		7	4		30
	No sub-specialty declared	30	487	14	337	127	38	417	150	50	1,650
Sub Total		31	567	16	369	145	40	509	167	53	1,897
Occupational and environmental medicine		14	90	1	40	31	7	67	44	12	306

Medical practitioners		Principal place of practice									Total
Specialty name	Field of specialty practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	
Ophthalmology		15	368	4	162	69	20	240	78	15	971
	Clinical genetics		15		4			5	1		25
	Community child health	1	21		12	2		10	2	1	49
	General paediatrics	25	608	19	327	127	31	444	177	38	1,796
	Neonatal and perinatal medicine	5	47	2	26	11	3	41	27	6	168
	Paediatric cardiology		6	1	7			9	4	5	32
	Paediatric clinical pharmacology		1								1
	Paediatric emergency medicine		11		12	4		9	8	1	45
	Paediatric endocrinology	1	12		8	2		3	3	1	30
Paediatrics and child health	Paediatric gastroenterology and hepatology		5		2	1		7	4	4	23
	Paediatric haematology		5		2			2	1		10
	Paediatric immunology and allergy	1	5		2	4		5			17
	Paediatric infectious diseases		5	1	3	1		5		1	16
	Paediatric intensive care medicine		3		2						5
	Paediatric medical oncology		7		4	2		9	3		25
	Paediatric nephrology		5			1		2	1		9
	Paediatric neurology		14		5	1	1	7	2	2	32
	Paediatric palliative medicine		1		1						2

Medical practitioners		Principal place of practice									Total
Specialty name	Field of specialty practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	
	Paediatric rehabilitation medicine		5			1					6
	Paediatric respiratory and sleep medicine	1	10		6	1		4	4		26
	Paediatric rheumatology		3		2	1		3	3		12
	No sub-specialty declared	2	29	7	12	11	4	43	21	19	148
Sub Total		36	818	30	437	170	39	608	261	78	2,477
Pain medicine		3	89		53	31	10	50	31	4	271
Palliative medicine		6	102	4	49	26	13	61	31	10	302
Pathology	Anatomical pathology (including cytopathology)	18	295	3	163	66	18	197	97	15	872
	Chemical pathology	3	26		12	8	2	20	15	4	90
	Forensic pathology		10	1	13	5	2	12	5		48
	General pathology	2	58	1	19	6	4	24	8	3	125
	Haematology	12	166	2	89	39	12	125	40	6	491
	Immunology	6	47		12	12	1	22	17		117
	Microbiology	6	79	1	38	14	4	44	34	5	225
	No sub-specialty declared	3	18		8	3		6	9	3	50
Sub Total		50	699	8	354	153	43	450	225	36	2,018
Physician	Cardiology	20	395	6	254	114	19	327	84	38	1,257
	Clinical genetics		32		7	8		19	5		71
	Clinical pharmacology		14		10	9		12	5	3	53
	Endocrinology	12	209	7	115	34	11	196	46	5	635

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Specialty name	Field of specialty practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	
	Gastroenterology and hepatology	24	244	2	150	65	12	231	65	15	808
	General medicine	32	400	15	345	243	31	537	134	45	1,782
	Geriatric medicine	10	203	2	83	51	10	183	70	7	619
	Haematology	10	169	2	89	37	12	145	36	10	510
	Immunology and allergy	7	60	2	14	13	2	31	23	3	155
	Infectious diseases	8	93	11	53	24	7	150	33	15	394
	Medical oncology	10	166	3	97	45	10	210	37	8	586
	Nephrology	12	163	11	76	26	10	158	38	15	509
	Neurology	10	202	1	72	36	6	170	44	9	550
	Nuclear medicine	9	100		33	26	7	58	20	3	256
	Respiratory and sleep medicine	9	197	4	119	56	13	165	62	8	633
	Rheumatology	8	111	1	48	37	7	101	28	9	350
	No sub-specialty declared	6	136	3	28	8	9	46	59	15	310
Sub Total		187	2,894	70	1,593	832	166	2,739	789	208	9,478
Psychiatry		55	1,048	16	644	286	67	979	299	74	3,468
Public health medicine		27	136	22	79	29	11	77	43	12	436
Radiation Oncology		12	126	2	72	21	8	105	21	8	375
Radiology	Diagnostic radiology	40	586	3	366	160	40	470	209	104	1,978
	Diagnostic ultrasound		1					3			4
	Nuclear medicine	5	41		51	10	4	65	10	2	188
	No sub-specialty declared	5	44	1	12	4	2	37	22	15	142
Sub Total		50	672	4	429	174	46	575	241	121	2,312

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Specialty name	Field of specialty practice	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	
Rehabilitation medicine		6	220	3	62	36	7	124	16	6	480
Sexual health medicine		5	56	1	18	9	1	25	6	1	122
Sport and exercise medicine		10	41	1	12	4	2	39	10		119
Surgery	Cardio-thoracic surgery	6	56		41	12	4	64	13	8	204
	General surgery	25	644	17	354	157	36	529	143	48	1,953
	Neurosurgery	7	78		46	15	6	67	20	1	240
	Oral and maxillofacial surgery	4	25	2	28	12	2	28	11	3	115
	Orthopaedic surgery	28	427	8	283	117	24	297	131	31	1,346
	Otolaryngology - head and neck surgery	9	158	2	91	46	9	116	45	14	490
	Paediatric surgery	4	36		15	7	2	28	8	4	104
	Plastic surgery	6	126	3	68	41	11	139	47	5	446
	Urology	6	125	2	85	30	10	111	41	9	419
	Vascular surgery	4	72	1	42	17	5	63	17	3	224
	No sub-specialty declared		40	1	1			15	3	2	62
Sub Total		99	1,787	36	1,054	454	109	1,457	479	128	5,603
<b>Total</b>		1,183	19,684	538	12,121	4,996	1,407	15,835	6,073	1,263	63,100

### Medical practitioners – endorsements by state or territory

Medical practitioners				Principal place of practice							Total
Endorsement type	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP		
Acupuncture	5	154	2	85	34	13	235	40		568	

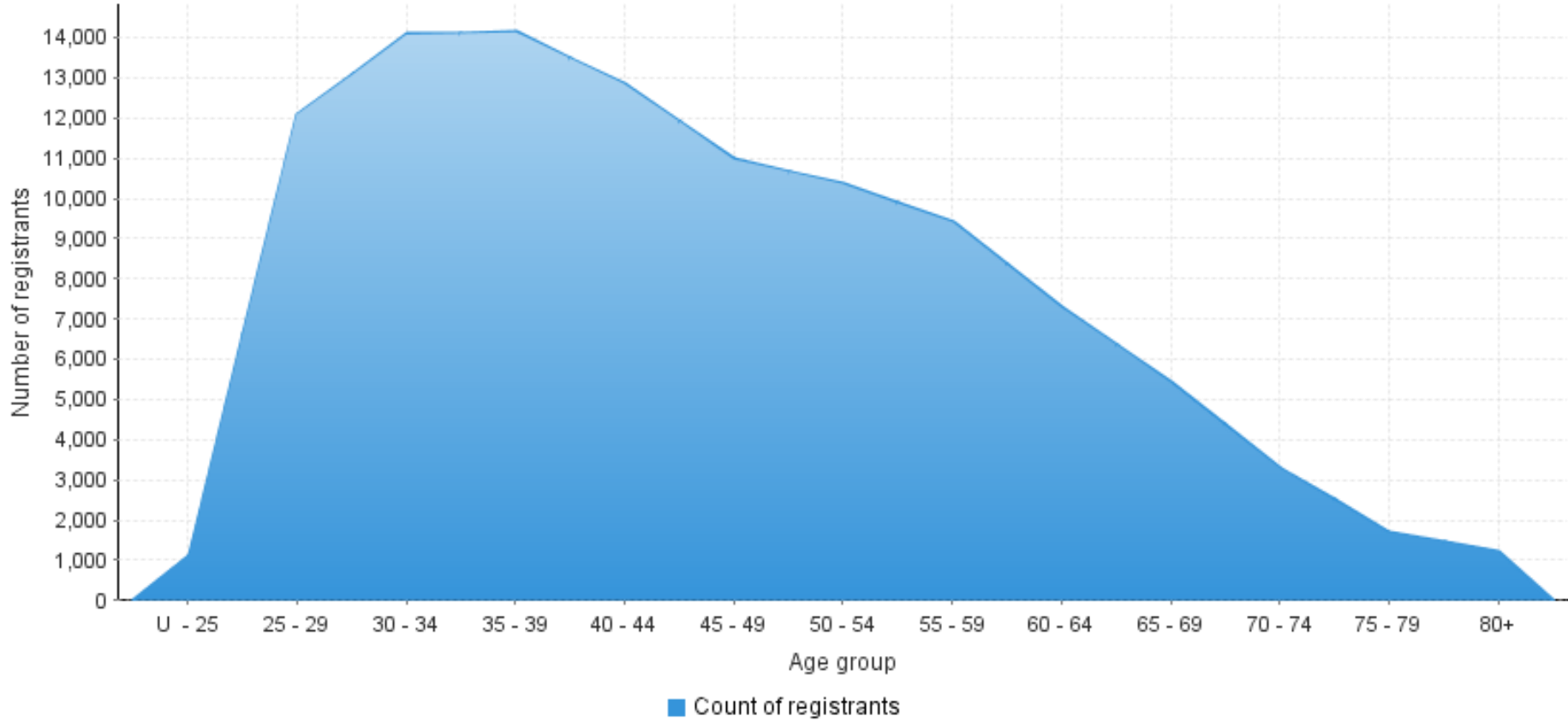
### Medical practitioners – registration type by age group

Medical practitioners		Registration type							Total
Age group	General	General (Teaching and Assessing)	General and Specialist	General (Teaching and Assessing) and Specialist	Specialist	Provisional	Limited	Non-practising	
U - 25	236					900	1	1	1,138
25 - 29	8,806		33		8	2,892	301	52	12,092
30 - 34	10,584		1,511		277	869	681	159	14,081
35 - 39	5,849	1	5,701		1,126	395	853	214	14,139
40 - 44	2,985	2	7,009	1	1,809	165	650	240	12,861
45 - 49	1,818	2	6,678		1,849	76	334	221	10,978
50 - 54	1,377	3	7,061		1,506	24	153	239	10,363
55 - 59	1,066	5	7,021		975	17	80	248	9,412
60 - 64	675	5	5,823	1	528	12	44	212	7,300
65 - 69	452	7	4,415		271	2	19	254	5,420
70 - 74	364	6	2,547		87	1	4	282	3,291
75 - 79	271	4	1,158		26		1	238	1,698
80+	260	7	634		9			323	1,233
<b>Total</b>	34,743	42	49,591	2	8,471	5,353	3,121	2,683	104,006

### Medical practitioners – limited registration by age group

Medical practitioners		Limited Registration			
Age group	Area of need	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	Public interest	Teaching or research	Total
U - 25				1	1
25 - 29	58	243			301
30 - 34	216	462		3	681
35 - 39	260	584		9	853
40 - 44	274	368		8	650
45 - 49	180	151	1	2	334
50 - 54	95	57		1	153
55 - 59	48	30	1	1	80
60 - 64	31	11	1	1	44
65 - 69	13	4	1	1	19
70 - 74	4				4
75 - 79	1				1
80+					
<b>Total</b>	1,180	1,910	4	27	3,121

**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+
<b>Count of Registrants</b>	1,138	12,092	14,081	14,139	12,861	10,978	10,363	9,412	7,300	5,420	3,291	1,698	1,233

### 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		370	5,619	263	3,324	1,256	321	4,303	1,839	357	17,652	
	General (Teaching and Assessing)		1	7		2	1		3	2		16	
	General (Teaching and Assessing) and Specialist			1								1	
	General and Specialist		346	5,553	173	3,070	1,295	405	4,536	1,462	217	17,057	
	Specialist		61	668	33	674	172	64	572	419	135	2,798	
	Provisional		69	762	44	666	187	57	595	401	25	2,806	
		Postgraduate training or supervised practice		14	287	3	112	60	21	193	70	6	766
	Limited	Area of need		6	38	20	93	34	15	158	116		480
		Public interest											
		Teaching or research			4			3		3	3		13
	Non-practising		10	274		100	42	22	189	83	349	1,069	
Sub Total			877	13,213	536	8,041	3,049	905	10,553	4,395	1,089	42,658	
Male	General		325	5,527	217	3,540	1,163	287	3,870	1,674	488	17,091	
	General (Teaching and Assessing)			5		9	4		6	2		26	
	General (Teaching and Assessing) and Specialist								1			1	
	General and Specialist		558	10,727	212	6,028	2,669	699	8,274	2,870	497	32,534	
	Specialist		103	1,251	80	1,405	384	142	1,124	857	327	5,673	
	Provisional		44	684	31	673	180	45	555	307	28	2,547	

Medical practitioners			Principal place of practice									Total
Gender	Registration type	Registration sub type	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	
Limited		Postgraduate training or supervised practice	19	409	6	174	120	19	289	98	10	1,144
		Area of need	14	70	39	121	46	32	228	147	3	700
		Public interest	1		1				1		1	4
		Teaching or research		4	1	5			2	2		14
Non-practising			27	404	1	151	75	31	294	127	504	1,614
Sub Total			1,091	19,081	588	12,106	4,641	1,255	14,644	6,084	1,858	61,348
<b>Total</b>			<b>1,968</b>	<b>32,294</b>	<b>1,124</b>	<b>20,147</b>	<b>7,690</b>	<b>2,160</b>	<b>25,197</b>	<b>10,479</b>	<b>2,947</b>	<b>104,006</b>

#### Medical practitioners – percentage by gender

Medical practitioners		Principal place of practice									Total
Gender		ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	
Female		44.56%	40.91%	47.69%	39.91%	39.65%	41.90%	41.88%	41.94%	36.95%	41.01%
Male		55.44%	59.09%	52.31%	60.09%	60.35%	58.10%	58.12%	58.06%	63.05%	58.99%