

Optometry Board of Australia

Registrant data

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Introduction

The role of the Optometry Board of Australia (the Board) include:

- registering optometrists and students
- developing standards, codes and guidelines for the optometry 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 [About AHPRA](#) at 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 optometry registration, please see the Board's website: www.optometryboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx

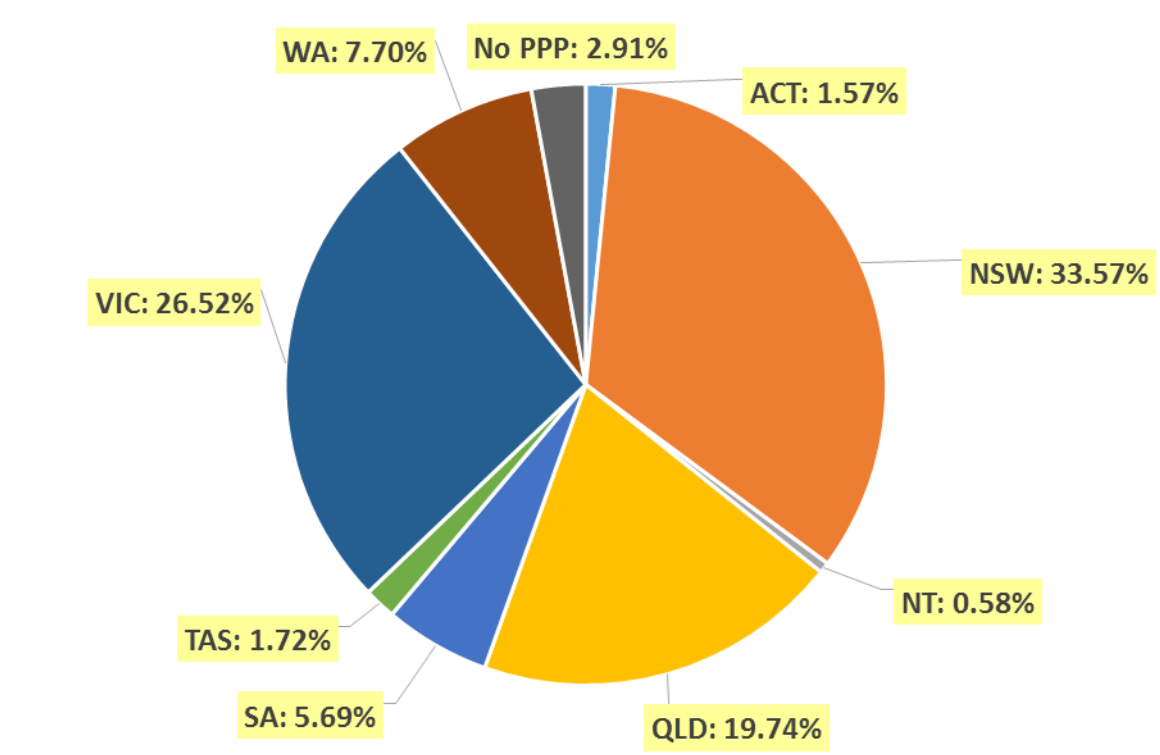
Principal place of practice

Registration type

Table 1.1 Registration type by principal place of practice

Registration Type	Registration Sub-type	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General		83	1,808	32	1,074	313	94	1,431	418	97	5,350
Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	1	2			1		1	3	1	9
	Teaching or research		2								2
Non-practising		3	45		18	1	1	35	5	63	171
Total		87	1,857	32	1,092	315	95	1,467	426	161	5,532

Table 1.2 Registration type by principal place of practice percentages



Endorsements

Table 2.1 Endorsements

Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Scheduled Medicines*	47	827	24	595	207	71	1,045	217	26	3,059
% of general registrants who are endorsed	56.6%	45.7%	75.0%	55.4%	66.1%	75.5%	73.0%	51.9%	26.8%	57.2%

Table 2.2 Endorsements by age group

Age Group	Scheduled Medicines*	% of General Registrants
U - 25	319	100.0%
25 - 29	889	97.1%
30 - 34	539	77.0%
35 - 39	366	56.0%
40 - 44	268	46.1%
45 - 49	226	38.2%
50 - 54	164	32.3%
55 - 59	162	32.3%
60 - 64	85	22.4%
65 - 69	34	25.0%
70 - 74	6	15.0%
75 - 79	1	4.5%
80+		.0%
Total	3,059	57.2%

**Only Optometrists holding general registration are eligible to hold the scheduled medicines endorsement.*

Age group

Registration type

Table 3.1 Registrants by age group

Age Group	General		Limited				Non-practising		Total		
			Postgraduate training or supervised practice		Teaching or research						
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Total
U - 25	234	85							234	85	319
25 - 29	610	306	3				6		619	306	925
30 - 34	473	227	2	1	1	1	18	1	494	230	724
35 - 39	415	238	1	2			15	4	431	244	675
40 - 44	326	255					13	10	339	265	604
45 - 49	318	273					11	10	329	283	612
50 - 54	224	283					16	11	240	294	534
55 - 59	160	342					4	16	164	358	522
60 - 64	83	297					7	12	90	309	399
65 - 69	40	96					4	5	44	101	145
70 - 74	1	39						6	1	45	46
75 - 79	2	20						2	2	22	24
80+		3								3	3
Total	2,886	2,464	6	3	1	1	94	77	2,987	2,545	5,532

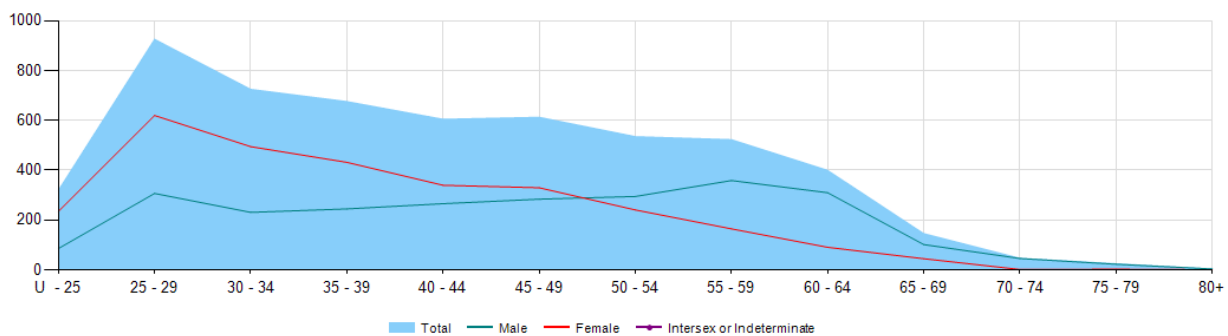
Registrants age group, by principal place of practice and gender – General and Limited

Age Group	ACT		NSW		NT		QLD		SA		TAS		VIC		WA		No PPP		Total
	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	
U - 25	7	1	82	25	2	1	48	21	20	6	6	2	53	21	14	7	2	1	319
25 - 29	9	5	188	110	5	2	113	54	57	17	4		203	99	33	18	1	1	919
30 - 34	3	6	146	67	2		95	40	21	16	5	4	168	81	33	13	3	2	705
35 - 39	9	3	164	73	2	1	77	56	23	10	4	2	96	67	34	23	7	5	656
40 - 44	8	5	112	60	1	2	67	63	16	16	5	7	82	79	29	20	6	3	581
45 - 49	8	7	114	75	2	2	65	66	10	22	6	7	78	56	29	34	6	4	591
50 - 54	2	3	83	83		1	55	63	5	11	3	6	53	71	14	36	9	9	507
55 - 59		4	68	119	2	5	31	66	4	22	6	12	35	72	6	31	8	11	502
60 - 64	1	3	44	130		1	9	49	7	21	1	7	12	59	6	18	3	9	380
65 - 69			20	33	1		5	19	1	6		5	12	19		10	1	4	136
70 - 74				7				9		1		2	1	10		7		3	40
75 - 79			1	6				3		2			1	4		5			22
80+				2												1			3
Total	47	37	1,022	790	17	15	565	509	164	150	40	54	794	638	198	223	46	52	5,361

Table 3.2 Registrants age group, by principal place of practice and gender – Non-practising

Age Group	ACT		NSW		NT		QLD		SA		TAS		VIC		WA		No PPP		Total
	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	
U - 25																			
25 - 29			1										2				3		6
30 - 34			3	1			2						6				7		19
35 - 39	1		5				2						3	2	2		4		19
40 - 44			1	4			1	1					5	3			6	2	23
45 - 49			4	2									2	2			5	6	21
50 - 54			5	2			3		1				1	3	1		5	6	27
55 - 59		1	1	5											1		3	9	20
60 - 64		1		5			2	3				1	1		1		3	2	19
65 - 69			1	2			1	1					2	1			1		9
70 - 74				2				2						2					6
75 - 79				1														1	2
80+																			
Total	1	2	21	24			9	9	1			1	22	13	4	1	36	27	171

Table 3.3 Registrants by age group



Gender

Percentage

Table 4.1 Registrants by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	55.2%	56.2%	53.1%	52.6%	52.4%	42.1%	55.6%	47.4%	50.9%	54.0%
Male	44.8%	43.8%	46.9%	47.4%	47.6%	57.9%	44.4%	52.6%	49.1%	46.0%