

Optometry Board of Australia

Registrant data

Reporting period: 01 July 2019 to 30 September 2019

Table of contents

Introduction.....	3
Principal place of practice.....	4
Registration type	4
Endorsements	5
Age group.....	6
Registration type	6
Gender.....	9
Percentage	9

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

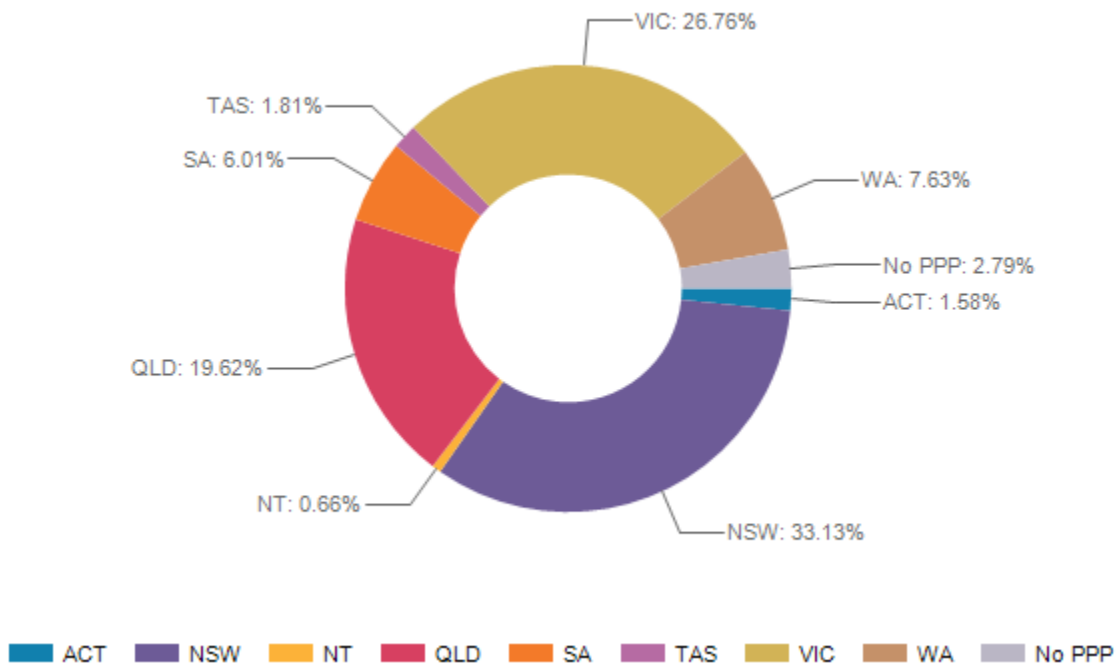
Principal place of practice

Registration type

Table 1.1 Registration type by principal place of practice

Registration types	Registration subtypes	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General		90	1,901	39	1,128	350	105	1,534	440	100	5,687
Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice	1	5		4	1		5	5	1	22
	Teaching or research					1					1
Non-practising		2	39		20	1	1	32	3	63	161
Total		93	1,945	39	1,152	353	106	1,571	448	164	5,871

Table 1.2 Principal place of practice percentages



Endorsements

Table 1.3 Endorsements

Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Scheduled Medicines	56	1,011	31	676	250	82	1,182	248	36	3,572
% of General Registrants who are Endorsed	62.2%	53.2%	79.5%	59.9%	71.4%	78.1%	77.1%	56.4%	36.0%	62.8%

Table 1.4 Endorsement by age group

Age group	Scheduled Medicines	% of general registrants who are endorsed
U - 25	329	100.0%
25 - 29	1,070	98.7%
30 - 34	658	86.7%
35 - 39	416	63.6%
40 - 44	315	52.4%
45 - 49	263	44.0%
50 - 54	208	38.2%
55 - 59	165	35.7%
60 - 64	98	23.6%
65 - 69	39	22.8%
70 - 74	9	20.0%
75 - 79	2	10.0%
80+		.0%
Total	3,572	62.8%

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

Age group

Registration type

Table 2.1 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	239	90							239	90	329
25 - 29	739	345	4	4			4		747	349	1,096
30 - 34	489	270	5				13	1	507	271	778
35 - 39	441	213		4		1	15	2	456	220	676
40 - 44	347	254	3	2			11	10	361	266	627
45 - 49	330	268					14	8	344	276	620
50 - 54	247	298					16	8	263	306	569
55 - 59	165	297					5	18	170	315	485
60 - 64	100	315					5	14	105	329	434
65 - 69	42	129					2	5	44	134	178
70 - 74	3	42					1	6	4	48	52
75 - 79	1	19						3	1	22	23
80+		4							0	4	4
Total	3,143	2,544	12	10	0	1	86	75	3,241	2,630	5,871

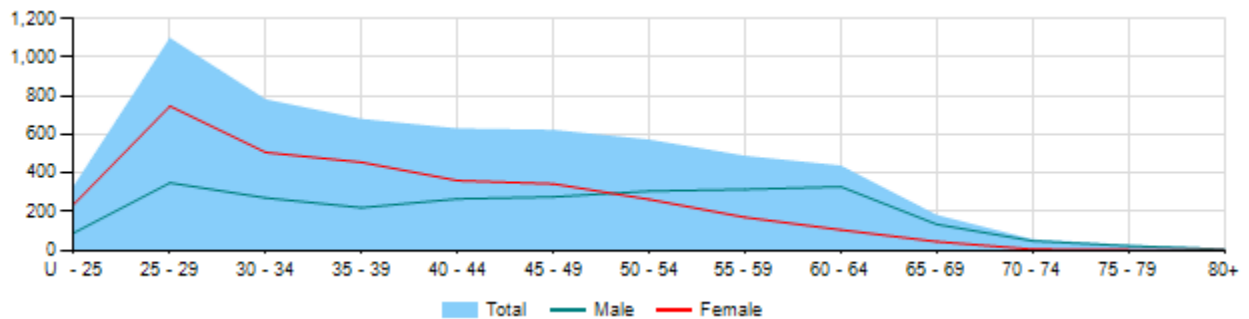
Table 2.2 Registrants age group, by principal place of practice and gender - General and Limited

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	5	1	93	22	5	3	51	22	23	9	6	2	44	24	11	6	1	1	329
25 - 29	13	5	223	115	4	2	131	61	74	23	11	2	244	104	39	32	4	5	1,092
30 - 34	4	8	148	85	3	1	95	52	22	15	3	4	184	93	30	10	5	2	764
35 - 39	9	3	163	58	3	1	79	50	27	12	5	2	110	68	38	19	7	5	659
40 - 44	10	4	132	68		2	69	63	14	13	4	6	80	77	35	20	6	3	606
45 - 49	8	8	113	70	3	2	71	64	15	18	8	9	81	56	24	35	7	6	598
50 - 54	1	3	94	89		1	50	66	5	19	3	5	67	76	19	35	8	4	545
55 - 59	1	3	63	91	2	5	37	69	5	15	6	9	36	68	8	29	7	8	462
60 - 64	1	3	51	140		1	10	49	6	23	3	11	16	57	8	24	5	7	415
65 - 69		1	20	47	1		6	24	2	10		4	11	25		14	2	4	171
70 - 74			1	11				10					2	12		6		3	45
75 - 79			1	4				3		2		2		4		3		1	20
80+				4															4
Total	52	39	1,102	804	21	18	599	533	193	159	49	56	875	664	212	233	52	49	5,710

Table 2.3 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																			0
25 - 29													2				2		4
30 - 34			2	1			2						3				6		14
35 - 39			6				1	1					3				5	1	17
40 - 44				4			1	1					5	3			5	2	21
45 - 49			4	2									4	1			6	5	22
50 - 54			6	1			3		1				1	3	1		4	4	24
55 - 59				4			1							2		1	4	11	23
60 - 64		2		4			1	3				1	2		1		1	4	19
65 - 69				1			1	3									1	1	7
70 - 74			1	1				2						3					7
75 - 79				2														1	3
80+																			0
Total	0	2	19	20	0	0	10	10	1	0	0	1	20	12	2	1	34	29	161

Table 2.4 Registrants by age group



Gender

Percentage

Table 3.1 Registrants by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	55.9%	57.6%	53.8%	52.9%	55.0%	46.2%	57.0%	47.8%	52.4%	55.2%
Male	44.1%	42.4%	46.2%	47.1%	45.0%	53.8%	43.0%	52.2%	47.6%	44.8%