

## Dental Practitioner Registrant Data: March 2014

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### Introduction

The functions of the Dental Board of Australia include:

- registering dentists, students, dental specialists, dental therapists, dental hygienists, oral health therapists and dental prosthetists
- developing standards, codes and guidelines for the dental profession
- handling notifications, complaints, investigations and disciplinary hearings
- overseeing the assessment of overseas trained practitioners who wish to practise in Australia
- approving accreditation standards and accredited courses of study.

The Board's functions are supported by [Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency](#) (AHPRA). For information about legislation governing our operations see [AHPRA's Legislation & Publications](#) at [www.ahpra.gov.au/Legislation-and-Publications.aspx](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/Legislation-and-Publications.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 dental registration, please see the Board's website:  
<http://www.dentalboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx>

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Dental practitioners – registration type and sub type by state or territory										
Dental Practitioner	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
<b>General</b>	338	5,616	138	3,644	1,508	319	4,178	2,142	360	<b>18,243</b>
<b>General &amp; Specialist*</b>	39	468	6	308	142	25	384	163	45	<b>1,580</b>
<b>Specialist*</b>	-	5	1	1	3	-	8	2	5	<b>25</b>
<b>Limited (Total of Sub Types)</b>	1	83	-	49	30	1	92	60	5	<b>321</b>
Postgraduate Training or supervised Practice	1	72	-	32	18	1	86	59	4	273
Public Interest	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
Teaching or Research	-	10	-	17	12	-	6	1	-	46
<b>Non-Practising</b>	5	125	2	50	13	5	97	61	84	<b>442</b>
<b>Total Practitioners</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>6,297</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>4,052</b>	<b>1,696</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>4,759</b>	<b>2,428</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>20,611</b>

\* Total practitioners with specialist registration 1,605

Table 1: Dental practitioners – registration type and sub type by state or territory

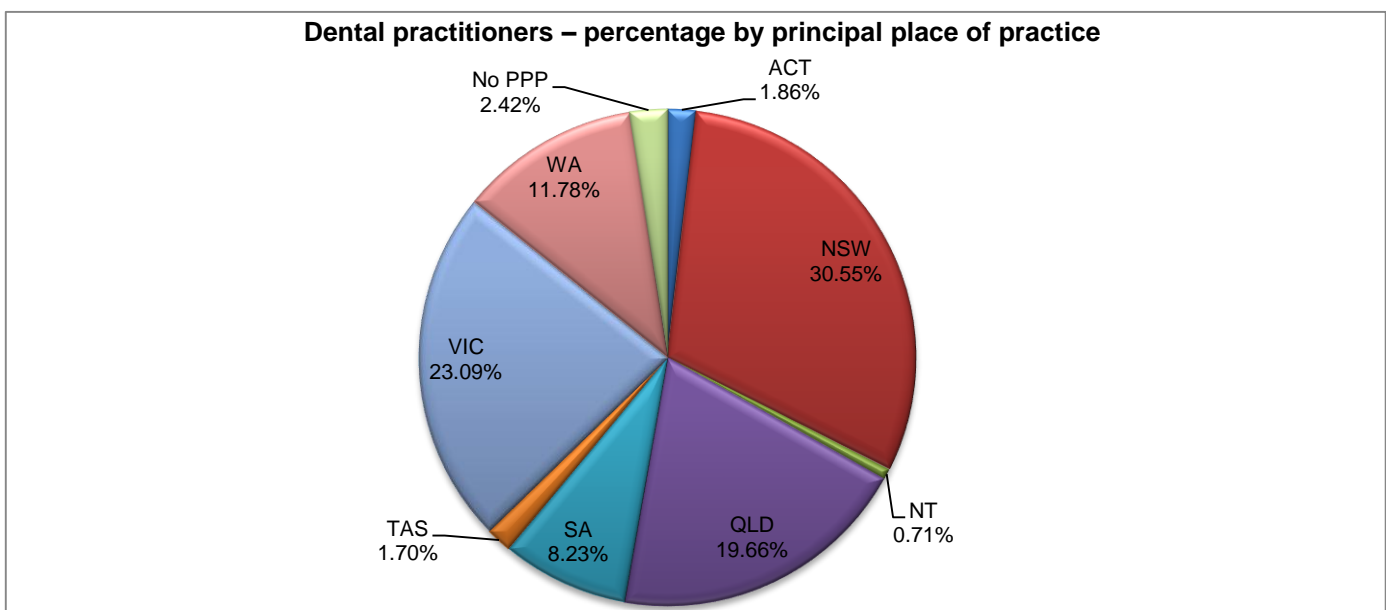


Chart 1: Dental practitioners – percentage by principal place of practice

Dental practitioners – division(s) by state or territory										
Dental Practitioner	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
<b>Dental Hygienist</b>	41	376	6	132	225	19	187	284	18	<b>1,288</b>
<b>Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist</b>	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	<b>3</b>
<b>Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist</b>	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	<b>2</b>
<b>Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist</b>	10	54	7	162	67	2	131	54	4	<b>491</b>
<b>Dental Hygienist and Dentist</b>	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	<b>2</b>
<b>Dental Hygienist and Oral Health Therapist</b>	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>1</b>
<b>Dental Prosthetist</b>	15	416	3	237	53	48	339	86	4	<b>1,201</b>
<b>Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	<b>1</b>
<b>Dental Therapist</b>	16	226	17	198	94	51	170	316	5	<b>1,093</b>
<b>Dentist</b>	283	4,969	106	3,017	1,141	221	3,724	1,644	464	<b>15,569</b>
<b>Oral Health Therapist</b>	17	252	8	304	116	9	206	44	4	<b>960</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>6,296</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>4,052</b>	<b>1,696</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>4,758</b>	<b>2,428</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>20,611</b>

Table 2: Dental practitioners – division(s) by state or territory

### Dental practitioners – endorsements by state or territory

Dental Practitioner	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Conscious Sedation	4	45	2	18	2	2	6	8	-	87
Total	4	45	2	18	2	2	6	8	-	87

Table 3: Dental practitioners – endorsements by state or territory

### Dental practitioners – registration type and sub type by age group

Dental Practitioner	Type							Total	% by Age Group
	General	General & Specialist*	Specialist*	Limited			Non-Practising		
				Postgraduate Training or Supervised Practice	Public Interest	Teaching or Research			
U-25	686	-	-	-	-	-	2	688	3.34%
25-29	2,628	8	-	88	-	-	35	2,759	13.39%
30-34	2,825	136	5	106	-	7	61	3,140	15.23%
35-39	2,238	215	10	49	-	13	48	2,573	12.48%
40-44	2,053	196	3	19	-	5	36	2,312	11.22%
45-49	1,772	191	5	8	-	9	39	2,024	9.82%
50-54	1,898	222	1	2	1	6	48	2,178	10.57%
55-59	1,858	225	-	-	-	3	43	2,129	10.33%
60-64	1,175	181	1	1	-	2	36	1,396	6.77%
65-69	712	118	-	-	-	-	41	871	4.23%
70-74	259	48	-	-	1	1	19	328	1.59%
75-79	96	30	-	-	-	-	16	142	0.69%
80+	43	10	-	-	-	-	18	71	0.34%
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,243</b>	<b>1,580</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>20,611</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

Table 4: Dental practitioners – registration type and sub type by age group

### Dental practitioners – registration by age group

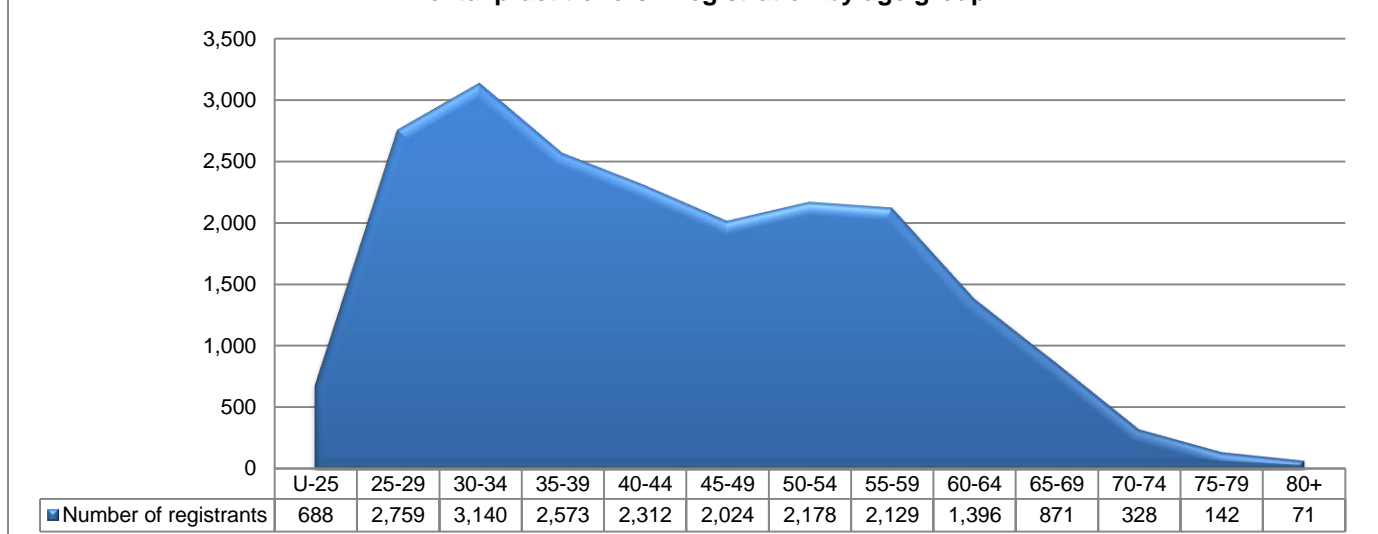


Chart 2: Dental practitioners – registration by age group

Dental practitioners – registration type and sub type by gender										
Dental Practitioner	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
<b>Female</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>2,767</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>1,891</b>	<b>918</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>2,316</b>	<b>1,361</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>9,878</b>
General	199	2,540	74	1,770	855	141	2,084	1,235	141	9,039
General & Specialist*	6	108	-	66	37	4	110	41	11	383
Specialist*	-	2	-	-	1	-	5	1	-	9
Limited (Total of Sub Types)	-	56	-	26	18	-	66	40	1	207
<i>Postgraduate Training or Supervised Practice</i>	-	52	-	20	11	-	63	39	1	186
<i>Public Interest</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Teaching or Research</i>	-	4	-	6	7	-	3	1	-	21
Non-Practising	3	61	1	29	7	4	51	44	40	240
<b>Male</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>3,530</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>2,161</b>	<b>778</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>2,443</b>	<b>1,067</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>10,733</b>
General	139	3,076	64	1,874	653	178	2,094	907	219	9,204
General & Specialist*	33	360	6	242	105	21	274	122	34	1,197
Specialist*	-	3	1	1	2	-	3	1	5	16
Limited (Total of Sub Types)	1	27	-	23	12	1	26	20	4	114
<i>Postgraduate Training or Supervised Practice</i>	1	20	-	12	7	1	23	20	3	87
<i>Public Interest</i>	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
<i>Teaching or Research</i>	-	6	-	11	5	-	3	-	-	25
Non-Practising	2	64	1	21	6	1	46	17	44	202
<b>Total Practitioners</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>6,297</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>4,052</b>	<b>1,696</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>4,759</b>	<b>2,428</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>20,611</b>

Table 5: Dental Practitioners – registration type and sub type by gender

Dental practitioners – percentage by gender										
Dental Practitioner	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
<b>Female</b>	54.31%	43.94%	51.02%	46.67%	54.13%	42.57%	48.67%	56.05%	38.68%	<b>47.93%</b>
<b>Male</b>	45.69%	56.06%	48.98%	53.33%	45.87%	57.43%	51.33%	43.95%	61.32%	<b>52.07%</b>

Table 6: Dental practitioners – percentage by gender