

# Dental Board of Australia Registrant Data

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## Introduction

The functions of the Dental Board of Australia (the Board) 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, 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 AHPRA's Legislation & Publications at [www.ahpra.gov.au/Publications](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/Publications)

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.

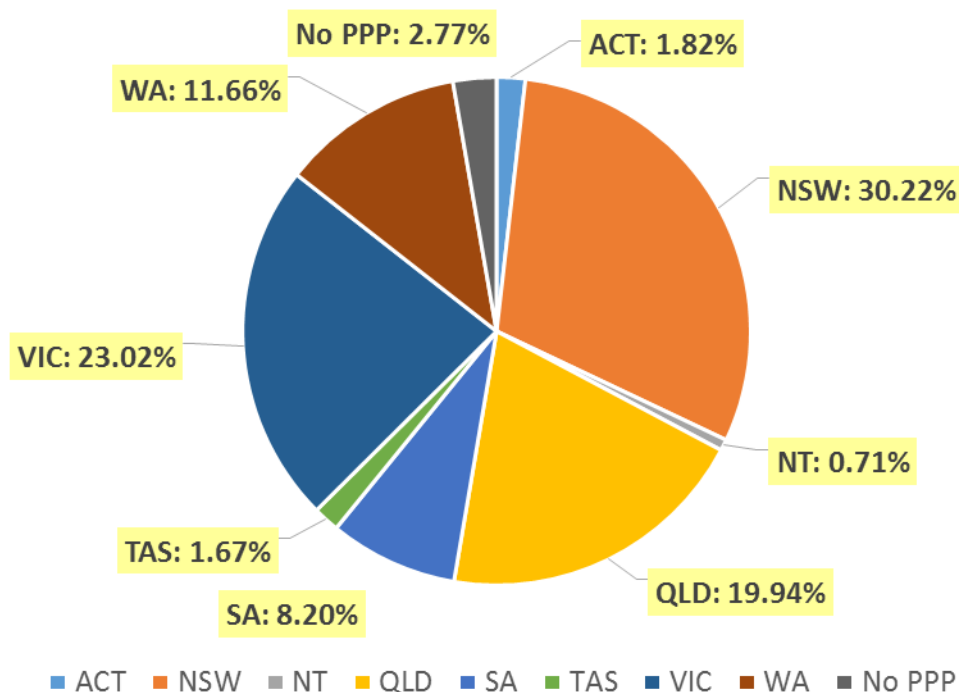
For more information on dental registration, please see the Board's website: [www.dentalboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx](http://www.dentalboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx)

## Registration type

**Table 1.1 Dental practitioners – registration type by state or territory**

Registration Type	Registration Sub-type	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General		360	6,140	152	4,073	1,643	342	4,609	2,374	420	<b>20,113</b>
General and Specialist		41	481	4	320	145	27	415	185	44	<b>1,662</b>
General and Non-practising					1						<b>1</b>
Specialist		1	6		4	4		11	5	9	<b>40</b>
Limited	Postgraduate training or supervised practice		3		1	5		4	2		<b>15</b>
	Public interest										
	Teaching or research		13		17	8		4	1		<b>43</b>
Non-practising		6	144	4	62	36	5	127	51	148	<b>583</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>408</b>	<b>6,787</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>4,478</b>	<b>1,841</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>5,170</b>	<b>2,618</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>22,457</b>

**Table 1.2 Dental practitioners – percentage by principal place of practice**



## Registration divisions

**Table 2.1 Dental practitioners – division(s) by state or territory**

Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Dental Hygienist	42	441	11	144	268	19	219	270	29	<b>1,443</b>
Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist		2		1						<b>3</b>
Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist		1					1			<b>2</b>
Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist	9	67	7	139	62	2	127	57	5	<b>475</b>
Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Dentist				2						<b>2</b>
Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist				3						<b>3</b>
Dental Hygienist and Dentist		2		1			1			<b>4</b>
Dental Hygienist and Oral Health Therapist		2			1			5		<b>8</b>
Dental Prosthetist	14	412	6	272	73	49	359	90	4	<b>1,279</b>
Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist							1			<b>1</b>
Dental Prosthetist and Dentist							2			<b>2</b>
Dental Therapist	18	198	18	173	81	47	148	278	5	<b>966</b>
Dental Therapist and Dentist							1			<b>1</b>
Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist								6		<b>6</b>
Dentist	305	5,281	104	3,357	1,177	246	3,946	1,781	572	<b>16,769</b>
Dentist and Oral Health Therapist		1		1						<b>2</b>
Oral Health Therapist	20	380	14	385	179	11	365	131	6	<b>1,491</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>6,787</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>4,478</b>	<b>1,841</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>5,170</b>	<b>2,618</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>22,457</b>

## Registration type and divisions

**Table 3.1 Dental practitioners – registration type and division by state or territory**

Registration Type	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General	Dental Hygienist	42	431	10	142	263	19	216	259	20	1,402
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist		2		1						3
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist		1					1			2
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist	9	64	6	138	62	2	124	56	5	466
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Dentist				2						2
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist				3						3
	Dental Hygienist and Dentist		2					1			3
	Dental Hygienist and Oral Health Therapist		2				1		5		8
	Dental Prosthetist	12	398	6	268	72	48	350	87	2	1,243
	Dental Prosthetist and Dental Therapist							1			1
	Dental Prosthetist and Dentist							2			2
	Dental Therapist	18	187	18	170	79	46	137	269	4	928
	Dental Therapist and Dentist							1			1
	Dental Therapist and Oral Health Therapist								6		6
	Dentist	260	4,677	98	2,968	992	216	3,416	1,562	385	14,574
	Dentist and Oral Health Therapist		1		1						2
	Oral Health Therapist	19	375	14	380	174	11	360	130	4	1,467
	<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>360</b>	<b>6,140</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>4,073</b>	<b>1,643</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>4,609</b>	<b>2,374</b>	<b>420</b>
General and Specialist	Dentist	41	481	4	320	145	27	415	185	44	1,662
Specialist	Dentist	1	6		4	4		11	5	9	40
Limited	Dental Hygienist		1								1
	Dentist		15		18	13		7	3		56
	Oral Health Therapist							1			1
<b>Sub Total</b>			<b>16</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>13</b>		<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>58</b>

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Registration Type	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
General and Non-practising	Dental Hygienist and Dentist				1						1
Non-practising	Dental Hygienist		9	1	2	5		3	11	9	40
	Dental Hygienist and Dental Therapist		3	1	1			3	1		9
	Dental Prosthetist	2	14		4	1	1	9	3	2	36
	Dental Therapist		11		3	2	1	11	9	1	38
	Dentist	3	102	2	47	23	3	97	26	134	437
	Oral Health Therapist	1	5		5	5		4	1	2	23
<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>583</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>408</b>	<b>6,787</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>4,478</b>	<b>1,841</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>5,170</b>	<b>2,618</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>22,457</b>

## Dental specialties

**Table 5.1 Dental practitioners – dental speciality by state or territory**

Specialty	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Dento-maxillofacial radiology				6			1	3		<b>10</b>
Endodontics	8	49	1	30	15	3	42	15	7	<b>170</b>
Forensic odontology	2	5	1	2	2	2	5	6		<b>25</b>
Oral and maxillofacial surgery	3	55	1	44	16	5	56	23	8	<b>211</b>
Oral medicine		9		5			11	8	2	<b>35</b>
Oral pathology		8		4	3		3	4	1	<b>23</b>
Oral surgery		37		4			7	2	1	<b>51</b>
Orthodontics	13	181	2	127	54	12	141	64	19	<b>613</b>
Paediatric dentistry	2	38		24	15	1	38	15	3	<b>136</b>
Periodontics	9	61		39	16	4	59	32	6	<b>226</b>
Prosthodontics	5	66		44	24		54	21	5	<b>219</b>
Public health dentistry (Community dentistry)		3		1	2		8	1	1	<b>16</b>
Special needs dentistry		2		4	2		8		1	<b>17</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>514</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>1,752</b>

## Endorsements

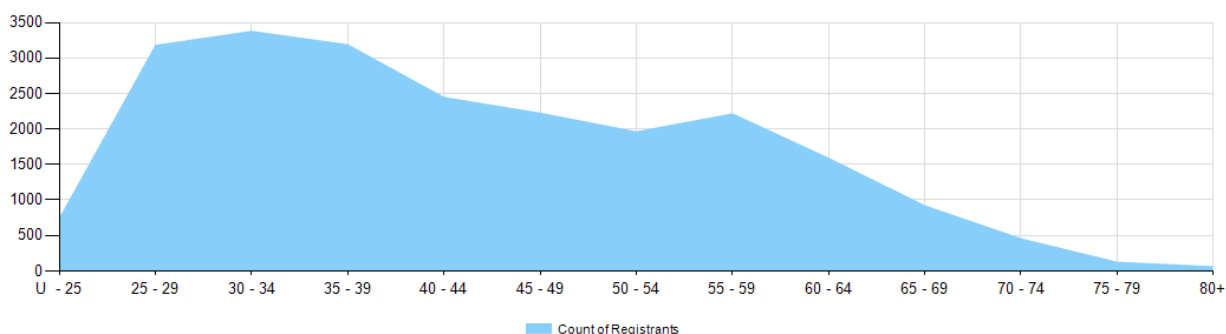
**Table 6.1 Dental practitioners – endorsements by state or territory**

Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Area of Practice – conscious sedation	4	50	2	21	2	2	5	10	1	<b>97</b>



## Age group

**Table 7.1 Dental practitioners – by age group**



**Table 7.2 Dental practitioners – registration type by age group**

Age Group	General	General and Specialist	Specialist	Limited			General and Non-practising	Non-practising	Total
				Postgraduate training or supervised practice	Public interest	Teaching or research			
U - 25	737							2	739
25 - 29	3,117	11	1	4				45	3,178
30 - 34	3,171	103	4	9		6	1	81	3,375
35 - 39	2,818	286	13	1		10		58	3,186
40 - 44	2,167	212	10	1		9		45	2,444
45 - 49	1,960	202	6			6		48	2,222
50 - 54	1,710	188	3			6		52	1,959
55 - 59	1,916	227				3		67	2,213
60 - 64	1,323	200				2		63	1,588
65 - 69	742	122	2			1		51	918
70 - 74	341	74						39	454
75 - 79	83	22	1					16	122
80+	28	15						16	59
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,113</b>	<b>1,662</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>43</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>22,457</b>

## Gender

**Table 8.1 Dental practitioners – registration type by gender**

Gender	Registration Type	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	General	226	2,950	86	2,089	963	160	2,438	1,421	195	<b>10,528</b>
	General and Specialist	7	118	1	73	39	7	131	52	11	<b>439</b>
	Specialist	1	2			1		7	2	1	<b>14</b>
	Limited		9		7	7		2	1		<b>26</b>
	Non-practising	4	72	2	32	20	3	61	31	67	<b>292</b>
	General and Non-practising				1						
<b>Total Female</b>		<b>238</b>	<b>3,151</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>2,202</b>	<b>1,030</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>2,639</b>	<b>1,507</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>11,300</b>
Male	General	134	3,190	66	1,984	680	182	2,171	953	225	<b>9,585</b>
	General and Specialist	34	363	3	247	106	20	284	133	33	<b>1,223</b>
	Specialist		4		4	3		4	3	8	<b>26</b>
	Limited		7		11	6		6	2		<b>32</b>
	Non-practising	2	72	2	30	16	2	66	20	81	<b>291</b>
<b>Total Male</b>		<b>170</b>	<b>3,636</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>2,276</b>	<b>811</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>2,531</b>	<b>1,111</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>11,157</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>408</b>	<b>6,787</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>4,478</b>	<b>1,841</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>5,170</b>	<b>2,618</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>22,457</b>

**Table 8.2 Dental practitioners – percentage by gender**

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	58.3%	46.4%	55.6%	49.2%	55.9%	45.5%	51.0%	57.6%	44.1%	<b>50.3%</b>
Male	41.7%	53.6%	44.4%	50.8%	44.1%	54.5%	49.0%	42.4%	55.9%	<b>49.7%</b>