Physiotherapy registrant data: June 2015

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Introduction

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

* registering physiotherapists and students
* developing standards, codes and guidelines for the physiotherapy profession
* handling notifications, complaints, investigations and disciplinary hearings
* overseeing the assessment of overseas trained physiotherapists 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](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 physiotherapy registration, please see the Board’s website <http://www.physiotherapyboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx>

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Physiotherapy practitioners – registration type and sub type by state or territory

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| **Physiotherapy practitioners** | **Principal place of practice** |  |
| **Registration type** | **Registration sub type** | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | No PPP | **Total** |
| General |   | 501 | 7,645 | 167 | 4,951 | 2,169 | 425 | 6,426 | 3,264 | 894 | 26,442 |
| Limited | Postgraduate training or supervised practice | 1 | 41 |   | 42 | 26 | 7 | 114 | 18 | 7 | 256 |
| Public interest |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Teaching or research |   | 10 |   | 7 |   |   | 3 |   |   | 20 |
| Non-practising |   | 9 | 247 | 1 | 97 | 39 | 7 | 201 | 62 | 162 | 825 |
| **Total** | 511 | 7,943 | 168 | 5,097 | 2,234 | 439 | 6,744 | 3,344 | 1,063 | 27,543 |

![This chart represents the percentage of Physiotherapy practitioner by principal place of practice. ](data:application/xhtml+xml;base64...)

Physiotherapy practitioners – percentage by principal place of practice

Physiotherapy practitioners – endorsements by state or territory

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| **Physiotherapy practitioners** | **Principal place of practice** |  |
| **Endorsement** | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | No PPP | **Total** |
| Acupuncture |  |  |  |  |  |  | 8 |  |  | 8 |

Physiotherapy practitioners – registration type and sub type by age group

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| **Physiotherapy practitioners** | **Registration type/ Sub type** |
|  |
| **Age group** | General | Limited | Non-practising |  |
|  | Postgraduate training or supervised practice | Public interest | Teaching or research |  | **Total** |
| U - 25 | 2,353 | 7 |   |   | 5 | 2,365 |
| 25 - 29 | 5,637 | 107 |   | 1 | 106 | 5,851 |
| 30 - 34 | 4,468 | 89 |   | 4 | 115 | 4,676 |
| 35 - 39 | 3,402 | 32 |   | 3 | 136 | 3,573 |
| 40 - 44 | 2,779 | 11 |   | 4 | 116 | 2,910 |
| 45 - 49 | 2,277 | 9 |   | 6 | 83 | 2,375 |
| 50 - 54 | 2,023 | 1 |   | 1 | 61 | 2,086 |
| 55 - 59 | 1,912 |   |   |   | 81 | 1,993 |
| 60 - 64 | 957 |   |   | 1 | 50 | 1,008 |
| 65 - 69 | 431 |   |   |   | 28 | 459 |
| 70 - 74 | 147 |   |   |   | 26 | 173 |
| 75 - 79 | 42 |   |   |   | 11 | 53 |
| 80+ | 14 |   |   |   | 7 | 21 |
| **Total** | 26,442 | 256 |  | 20 | 825 | 27,543 |

![This chart represents the count of Physiotherapy practitioners by age group. ](data:application/xhtml+xml;base64...)Physiotherapy practitioners – by age group

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| **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+ |
| **Count of registrants** | 2,365 | 5,851 | 4,676 | 3,573 | 2,910 | 2,375 | 2,086 | 1,993 | 1,008 | 459 | 173 | 53 | 21 |

Physiotherapy practitioners – registration type and sub type by gender

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| **Physiotherapy practitioners** | **Principal place of practice** |  |
| **Gender** | **Registration type** | **Registration sub type** | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | No PPP | **Total** |
| Female | General |   | 347 | 5,166 | 120 | 3,362 | 1,423 | 309 | 4,377 | 2,338 | 626 | 18,068 |
| Limited | Postgraduate training or supervised practice | 1 | 33 |   | 27 | 18 | 4 | 79 | 12 | 5 | 179 |
| Public interest |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |
| Teaching or research |   | 6 |   | 4 |   |   | 2 |   |   | 12 |
| Non-practising |   | 8 | 212 | 1 | 70 | 33 | 5 | 159 | 49 | 115 | 652 |
| Sub Total | 356 | 5,417 | 121 | 3,463 | 1,474 | 318 | 4,617 | 2,399 | 746 | 18,911 |
| Male | General |   | 154 | 2,479 | 47 | 1,589 | 746 | 116 | 2,049 | 926 | 268 | 8,374 |
| Limited | Postgraduate training or supervised practice |   | 8 |   | 15 | 8 | 3 | 35 | 6 | 2 | 77 |
| Public interest |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |
| Teaching or research |   | 4 |   | 3 |   |   | 1 |   |   | 8 |
| Non-practising |   | 1 | 35 |   | 27 | 6 | 2 | 42 | 13 | 47 | 173 |
| Sub Total | 155 | 2,526 | 47 | 1,634 | 760 | 121 | 2,127 | 945 | 317 | 8,632 |
| **Total** | 511 | 7,943 | 168 | 5,097 | 2,234 | 439 | 6,744 | 3,344 | 1,063 | 27,543 |

Physiotherapy practitioners – percentage by gender

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| **Physiotherapy practitioners** | **Principal place of practice** |  |
| **Gender** | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | No PPP | **Total** |
| Female | 69.67% | 68.20% | 72.02% | 67.94% | 65.98% | 72.44% | 68.46% | 71.74% | 70.18% | 68.66% |
| Male | 30.33% | 31.80% | 27.98% | 32.06% | 34.02% | 27.56% | 31.54% | 28.26% | 29.82% | 31.34% |