Pharmacy registrant data: March 2015

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Introduction

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

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

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Pharmacists – registration type and sub type by state or territory

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| **Pharmacists** | **Principal place of practice** |  |
| **Registration type** | **Registration subtype** | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | No PPP | **Total** |
| General |   | 432 | 8,038 | 190 | 5,141 | 1,909 | 643 | 6,480 | 2,858 | 334 | 26,025 |
| Provisional |   | 27 | 661 | 16 | 433 | 139 | 48 | 402 | 183 | 1 | 1,910 |
| Limited | Postgraduate training or supervised practice |  | 5 |  |  | 2 |  | 1 | 4 | 1 | 13 |
| Non-practising |   | 15 | 262 | 2 | 98 | 45 | 7 | 291 | 56 | 226 | 1,002 |
| **Total** | 474 | 8,966 | 208 | 5,672 | 2,095 | 698 | 7,174 | 3,101 | 562 | 28,950 |

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

Pharmacists – registration type and sub type by age group

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| **Pharmacists** | **Registration type/ Sub type** |
|  |
| **Age group** | General | Provisional | Limited | Non-practising |
|  |  | Postgraduate training or supervised practice |  | **Total** |
| U - 25 | 862 | 1,032 |   | 1 | 1,895 |
| 25 - 29 | 5,524 | 559 | 2 | 52 | 6,137 |
| 30 - 34 | 5,374 | 179 | 5 | 142 | 5,700 |
| 35 - 39 | 3,566 | 70 | 1 | 146 | 3,783 |
| 40 - 44 | 2,446 | 38 | 5 | 106 | 2,595 |
| 45 - 49 | 2,022 | 19 |   | 106 | 2,147 |
| 50 - 54 | 1,708 | 5 |   | 117 | 1,830 |
| 55 - 59 | 1,733 | 6 |   | 69 | 1,808 |
| 60 - 64 | 1,154 | 2 |   | 66 | 1,222 |
| 65 - 69 | 835 |   |   | 49 | 884 |
| 70 - 74 | 460 |   |   | 50 | 510 |
| 75 - 79 | 274 |   |   | 48 | 322 |
| 80+ | 67 |   |   | 50 | 117 |
| **Total** | 26,025 | 1,910 | 13 | 1,002 | 28,950 |

![This chart represents the count of Pharmacists by age group.](data:application/xhtml+xml;base64...)Pharmacists – 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** | 1,895 | 6,137 | 5,700 | 3,783 | 2,595 | 2,147 | 1,830 | 1,808 | 1,222 | 884 | 510 | 322 | 117 |

Pharmacists – registration type and sub type by gender

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| **Pharmacists** | **Principal place of practice** |  |
| **Gender** | **Registration type** | **Registration subtype** | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | No PPP | **Total** |
| Female | General |   | 281 | 4,790 | 121 | 3,140 | 1,146 | 356 | 3,878 | 1,767 | 204 | 15,683 |
| Provisional |   | 18 | 431 | 6 | 290 | 85 | 32 | 265 | 132 | 1 | 1,260 |
| Limited | Postgraduate training or supervised practice |  | 5 |   |   | 2 |   | 1 | 4 |   | 12 |
| Non-practising |   | 13 | 174 | 1 | 57 | 22 | 4 | 164 | 32 | 152 | 619 |
| Sub Total | 312 | 5,400 | 128 | 3,487 | 1,255 | 392 | 4,308 | 1,935 | 357 | 17,574 |
| Male | General |   | 151 | 3,248 | 69 | 2,001 | 763 | 287 | 2,602 | 1,091 | 130 | 10,342 |
| Provisional |   | 9 | 230 | 10 | 143 | 54 | 16 | 137 | 51 |   | 650 |
| Limited | Postgraduate training or supervised practice |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |
| Non-practising |   | 2 | 88 | 1 | 41 | 23 | 3 | 127 | 24 | 74 | 383 |
| Sub Total | 162 | 3,566 | 80 | 2,185 | 840 | 306 | 2,866 | 1,166 | 205 | 11,376 |
| **Total** | 474 | 8,966 | 208 | 5,672 | 2,095 | 698 | 7,174 | 3,101 | 562 | 28,950 |

Pharmacists – percentage by gender

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| **Pharmacists** | **Principal place of practice** |  |
| **Gender** | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | No PPP | **Total** |
| Female | 65.82% | 60.23% | 61.54% | 61.48% | 59.90% | 56.16% | 60.05% | 62.40% | 63.52% | 60.70% |
| Male | 34.18% | 39.77% | 38.46% | 38.52% | 40.10% | 43.84% | 39.95% | 37.60% | 36.48% | 39.30% |