

Occupational Therapy Registrant Data: September 2014

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Introduction

The functions of the Occupational Therapy Board of Australia include:

* registering occupational therapists and students
* developing standards, codes and guidelines for the Occupational Therapy 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 the [Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/About-AHPRA/What-We-Do.aspx)(AHPRA). For information about legislation governing our operations see [AHPRA's Legislation & Publications](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/Legislation-and-Publications.aspx) at [www.ahpra.gov.au/Legislation-and-Publications.aspx](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5Ccip%5CAppData%5CLocal%5CMicrosoft%5CWindows%5CTemporary%20Internet%20Files%5CContent.Outlook%5CQVTJG2NB%5Cwww.ahpra.gov.au%5CLegislation-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 occupational therapy registration, please see the Board’s website:

[www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx](http://www.occupationaltherapyboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx)

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| Occupational Therapy practitioners – registration type and sub type by state or territory |

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| **Occupational Therapy practitioner** | **Principal place of practice** |  |
| **Registration type** | **Registration subtype** | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | No PPP | **Total** |
| General |   | 256 | 4,493 | 136 | 3,035 | 1,223 | 261 | 3,899 | 2,317 | 100 | 15,720 |
| Provisional |   | 1 | 14 |  | 11 | 2 |  | 9 | 7 |  | 44 |
| Limited | Postgraduate training or supervised practice | 4 | 30 | 1 | 23 | 5 |  | 20 | 16 | 1 | 100 |
| Public interest |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Teaching or research |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 |
| Non-practising |   | 2 | 99 | 3 | 113 | 71 | 5 | 71 | 71 | 29 | 464 |
| **Total** | 263 | 4,636 | 140 | 3,183 | 1,301 | 266 | 3,999 | 2,411 | 131 | 16,330 |
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| Occupational Therapy practitioners – percentage by principal place of practice |
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Occupational Therapy practitioners – percentage by principal place of practice chart.

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|  | Occupational Therapy practitioners – by age group |
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Graph showing the age groups of Occupational Therapy practioners as detailed in the table below.  |
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| Occupational Therapy practitioners – registration type and sub type by age group |
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| **Occupational Therapy practitioners** | General | Provisional | Limited | Non-practising |  |
| **Age group** |  |  | Postgraduate training or supervised practice | Public interest | Teaching or research |   | **Total** |
| U - 25 | 1,270 |  | 3 |  |  | 14 | 1,287 |
| 25 - 29 | 3,577 |  | 29 |  |  | 109 | 3,715 |
| 30 - 34 | 3,085 | 3 | 32 |  | 1 | 141 | 3,262 |
| 35 - 39 | 2,235 | 8 | 14 |  |  | 89 | 2,346 |
| 40 - 44 | 1,762 | 16 | 11 |  |  | 38 | 1,827 |
| 45 - 49 | 1,327 | 14 | 6 |  |  | 22 | 1,369 |
| 50 - 54 | 1,060 | 2 | 4 |  |  | 13 | 1,079 |
| 55 - 59 | 825 | 1 | 1 |  | 1 | 18 | 846 |
| 60 - 64 | 397 |  |  |  |  | 16 | 413 |
| 65 - 69 | 154 |  |  |  |  | 3 | 157 |
| 70 - 74 | 24 |  |  |  |  | 1 | 25 |
| 75 - 79 | 4 |  |  |  |  |   | 4 |
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| **Total** | 15,720 | 44 | 100 |  | 2 | 464 | 16,330 |

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| Occupational Therapy practitioners – registration type and sub type by gender |
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| **Occupational Therapy practitioner** | **Principal place of practice** |  |
| **Gender** | **Registration type** | **Registration sub type** | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | No PPP | **Total** |
| Female | General |   | 231 | 4,109 | 123 | 2,795 | 1,086 | 236 | 3,586 | 2,125 | 93 | 14,384 |
| Provisional |   | 1 | 14 |  | 10 | 2 |  | 9 | 7 |  | 43 |
| Limited | Postgraduate training or supervised practice | 4 | 28 | 1 | 22 | 4 |  | 18 | 14 |  | 91 |
| Public Interest |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Teaching or research |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |
| Non-practising |   | 2 | 92 | 3 | 111 | 67 | 5 | 69 | 71 | 25 | 445 |
| Sub Total | 238 | 4,243 | 127 | 2,938 | 1,159 | 241 | 3,682 | 2,217 | 119 | 14,964 |
| Male | General |   | 25 | 384 | 13 | 240 | 137 | 25 | 313 | 192 | 7 | 1,336 |
| Provisional |   |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| Limited | Postgraduate training or supervised practice |  | 2 |  | 1 | 1 |  | 2 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| Public Interest |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Teaching or research |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| Non-practising |   |  | 7 |  | 2 | 4 |  | 2 |  | 4 | 19 |
| Sub Total | 25 | 393 | 13 | 245 | 142 | 25 | 317 | 194 | 12 | 1,366 |
| **Total** | 263 | 4,636 | 140 | 3,183 | 1,301 | 266 | 3,999 | 2,411 | 131 | 16,330 |

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| Occupational Therapy practitioners – percentage by gender |

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| **Occupational Therapy practitioners**  | **Principal place of practice** |
| **Gender** | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | No PPP | Total |
| Female | 90.49% | 91.52% | 90.71% | 92.30% | 89.09% | 90.60% | 92.07% | 91.95% | 90.84% | 91.64% |
| Male | 9.51% | 8.48% | 9.29% | 7.70% | 10.91% | 9.40% | 7.93% | 8.05% | 9.16% | 8.36% |
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