

Midwife Data Report: March 2012

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Introduction

This report contains registration information about persons who are registered with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia as a midwife and **only** as a midwife. For information about persons who have dual registration as both a midwife and a nurse, please refer to the *Nurse and Midwife Registration Data report* at <http://www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au/about/statistics.aspx>

The functions of the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia are:

- Registers nurses, midwives and students of nursing and midwifery
- Determines the national registration requirements
- Develops professional standards, codes, guidelines and position statements to guide nursing and midwifery practice
- Manages notifications, investigations and panel hearings
- Assesses internationally qualified nurses and midwives who wish to practise in Australia
- Approves national accreditation standards and accredited programs of study leading to registration and endorsement
- Delegates to state and territory Boards and Committees*, and AHPRA staff, the power to determine individual applications for registration and notifications of a nurse's or midwife's health, performance and/or conduct and a student's health or criminal history

*In NSW, where a co-regulatory model applies and notifications are managed separately, the NSW Board of the NMBA is responsible for the registration of nurses, midwives and students.

The National Board's functions are supported by the [Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency](http://www.ahpra.gov.au) (AHPRA). For information about legislation governing the National Board and AHPRA see [AHPRA's Legislation & Publications](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/Legislation-and-Publications.aspx) at www.ahpra.gov.au/Legislation-and-Publications.aspx

AHPRA has analysed the National Board's registration data and produced a number of statistical tables about registrants to share with the professions and community. The National Board will update and improve this statistical report regularly.

For more information on nursing and midwifery registration, please see the National Board's website: www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au/Registration-and-Endorsement.aspx

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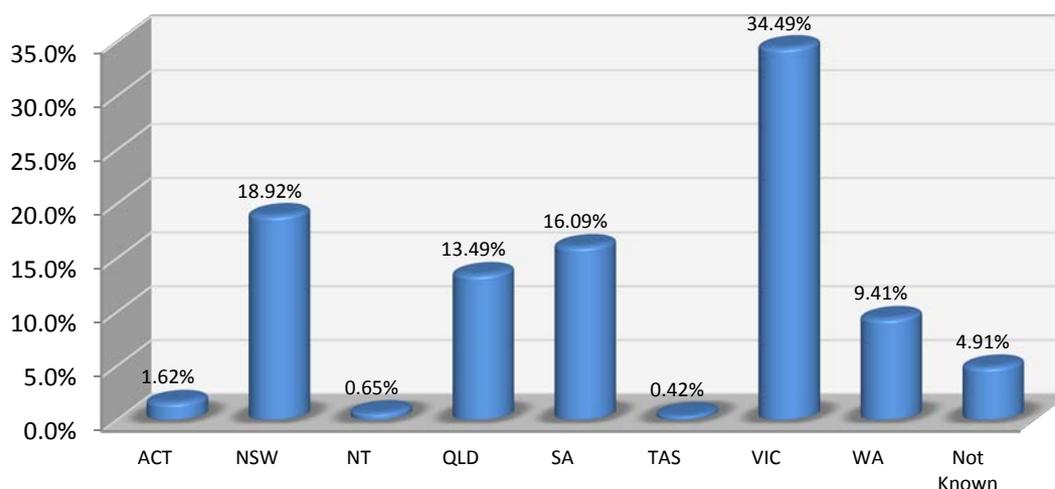
Midwives: State and Territory by Registration Type

The National Board recognises four nursing and midwifery registration types which are general registration; limited registration; non-practising registration and student registration.

State & Territory	General	Non-practising	Total	% by State & Territory
ACT	35		35	1.62%
NSW	379	29	408	18.92%
NT	14		14	0.65%
QLD	290	1	291	13.49%
SA	347		347	16.09%
TAS	9		9	0.42%
VIC	736	8	744	34.49%
WA	203		203	9.41%
Not Known	105	1	106	4.91%
Total	2,118	39	2,157	100.00%

****There are currently no midwives that hold Limited Registration.**

% by State and Territory



Eligible Midwives: Endorsement by State and Territory

An endorsement to the registration of an Eligible Midwife identifies those Eligible Midwives who can prescribe scheduled medicines in midwifery practice.

Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	TOTAL
Prescribe schedule medicines	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1

Eligible Midwives: Notation by State and Territory

The National Board recognises midwives that meet the requirements of the Eligible Midwife registration standard with a notation on their registration.

These Eligible Midwives will be endorsed to prescribe scheduled medicines when they have successfully completed a Board approved program of study for prescribing midwifery medicines.

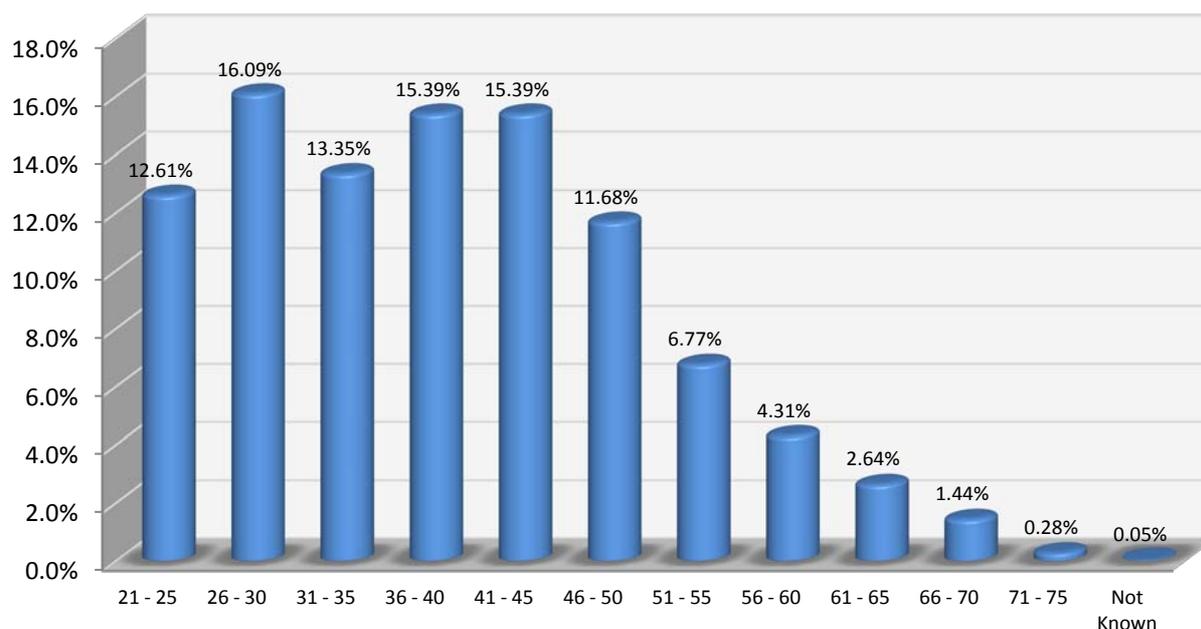
ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	TOTAL
0	21	0	51	11	4	17	10	114

Midwives: Age by Registration Type

Age Group	General	Non-practising	Total	% by Age Group
21 - 25	271	1	272	12.61%
26 - 30	344	3	347	16.09%
31 - 35	284	4	288	13.35%
36 - 40	329	3	332	15.39%
41 - 45	328	4	332	15.39%
46 - 50	250	2	252	11.68%
51 - 55	142	4	146	6.77%
56 - 60	85	8	93	4.31%
61 - 65	53	4	57	2.64%
66 - 70	26	5	31	1.44%
71 - 75	5	1	6	0.28%
Not Known	1		1	0.05%
Total	2,118	39	2,157	100.00%

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% by Age Group



Midwives: Gender by State and Territory by Registration Type

Gender	State & Territory	General	Non-practising	Total Count	% by Gender by State & Territory
Female	ACT	35	0	35	1.62%
	NSW	377	29	406	18.82%
	NT	13	0	13	0.6%
	QLD	288	1	289	13.4%
	SA	342	0	342	15.86%
	TAS	9	0	9	0.42%
	VIC	734	8	742	34.4%
	WA	203	0	203	9.41%
	Not Known	103	1	104	4.82%
	Sub total	2,104	39	2,143	99.35%
Male	ACT	0	0	0	0.00%
	NSW	1	0	1	0.05%
	NT	1	0	1	0.05%
	QLD	2	0	2	0.09%
	SA	0	0	0	0.00%
	TAS	0	0	0	0.00%
	VIC	2	0	2	0.09%
	WA	0	0	0	0.00%
	Not Known	2	0	2	0.09%
	Sub total	8	0	8	0.37%
Not Known	ACT	0	0	0	0.00%
	NSW	1	0	1	0.05%
	NT	0	0	0	0.00%
	QLD	0	0	0	0.00%
	SA	5	0	5	0.23%
	TAS	0	0	0	0.00%
	VIC	0	0	0	0.00%
	WA	0	0	0	0.00%
	Sub total	6		6	0.28%
Total		2,118	39	2,157	100.00%

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