# Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia Registrant data

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#### Introduction

This report contains registration information about nurses and midwives registered with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA).

The functions of the NMBA are defined under the National Law, and include:

- Registering nurses, midwives and students of nursing and midwifery
- Determining national registration requirements
- Developing professional codes, standards, guidelines and position statements to guide the practice of nurses and midwives
- Managing notifications, investigations and panel hearings
- Overseeing the assessment of internationally qualified nurses and midwives who wish to register in Australia
- Approving national accreditation standards and accredited programs of study leading to registration and endorsement
- Delegating to state and territory boards and committees of the NMBA, and AHPRA staff, the power to
  determine individual applications for registration and notification of a nurse's or midwife's health,
  performance and/or conduct, and a student's health or criminal history

\*Co-regulatory models apply in New South Wales (NSW) and Queensland (QLD). In NSW, notifications are managed separately by the Nursing and Midwifery Council of NSW; the NSW Board of the NMBA only manages registration matters. In QLD, notifications are received by the Office of the Health Ombudsman (OHO), who determines which notifications should be managed by the NMBA.

The NMBA's functions are supported by the <u>Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency</u> (AHPRA). For information about legislation governing the NMBA and AHPRA, see <u>AHPRA's Legislation & Publications</u> at www.ahpra.gov.au/Legislation-and-Publications.aspx

AHPRA has analysed the NMBA's registration data and produced a number of statistical tables¹ about registrants to share with the professions and community. This report is updated on a quarterly basis.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note that the data for dual registration in the tables and diagrams includes where a nurse or a midwife may be non-practising in one category, for example enrolled nurse (non-practising) & registered nurse (practising) or nurse (non-practising) & midwife (practising).

## Principal place of practice

## Registration type

Table 1.1 Registration type by principal place of practice\*

Profession	Registration types	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
		Enrolled Nurse (EN)	702	13,981	448	13,780	7,983	1,610	20,905	5,690	113	65,212
	General	Registered Nurse (RN)	5,225	86,482	3,689	61,106	23,018	7,352	76,261	30,264	10,594	303,991
		EN & RN	93	1,523	71	1,774	856	82	3,171	754	30	8,354
	Total Gener	al Nurse	6,020	101,986	4,208	76,660	31,857	9,044	100,337	36,708	10,737	377,557
		Enrolled Nurse (EN)	19	345	5	218	139	25	290	98	14	1,153
Nivers	Non- practising	Registered Nurse (RN)	91	1,603	23	739	336	120	823	346	483	4,564
Nurse		EN & RN		5		7	5		8	3	5	33
	Total Non-p Nurse	ractising	110	1,953	28	964	480	145	1,121	447	502	5,750
		Enrolled Nurse (EN)	2	4	1	9	4		10	6		36
	Provisional	Registered Nurse (RN)	6	42	1	36	20	3	29	25	3	165
		EN & RN							1			1
	Total Provis	sional	8	46	2	45	24	3	40	31	3	202
Total Nurse	•		6,138	103,985	4,238	77,669	32,361	9,192	101,498	37,186	11,242	383,509

Table 1.1 (continued from page 4)

Profession	Registration types	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
		EN & Midwife	1	14	3	28	11		35	2	1	95
	General	RN & Midwife	496	7,430	481	5,599	1,788	617	7,409	2,781	296	26,897
		EN & RN & Midwife		21	2	4	2	2	30	13		74
	Total General		497	7,465	486	5,631	1,801	619	7,474	2,796	297	27,066
Nurse and Midwife	Non-	EN & Midwife							1			1
	practising	RN & Midwife	17	281		93	52	9	115	41	28	636
	Total Non-p Nurse and N		17	281		93	52	9	116	41	28	637
	Provisional	RN & Midwife					1		1	2		4
	Total Provis						1		1	2		4
Total Nurse	and Midwife	)	514	7,746	486	5,724	1,854	628	7,591	2,839	325	27,707
	General		181	1,318	92	1,213	670	43	1,468	450	211	5,646
Midwife	Non-practisir	ng	1	17	1	10	7		26	7	8	77
	Provisional			1		1	1		1			4
Total Midw	ife		182	1,336	93	1,224	678	43	1,495	457	219	5,727
Total	Total		6,834	113,067	4,817	84,617	34,893	9,863	110,584	40,482	11,786	416,943

<sup>\*</sup> The Nursing and Midwifery Board introduced Provisional Registration for Nurses and Midwives in September 2015.

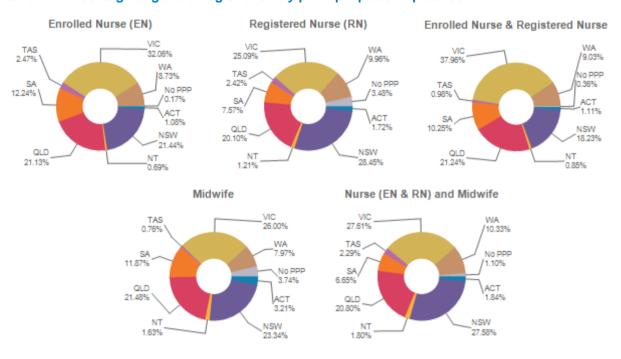
### General registration

Table 2.1 Totals for practitioners with general registration as Nurse and/or Midwife

Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Enrolled Nurse (EN)	702	13,981	448	13,780	7,983	1,610	20,905	5,690	113	65,212
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Nurse (EN & RN) and Midwife*	497	7,465	486	5,631	1,801	619	7,474	2,796	297	27,066

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Table 2.2 Percentage of general registration by principal place of practice



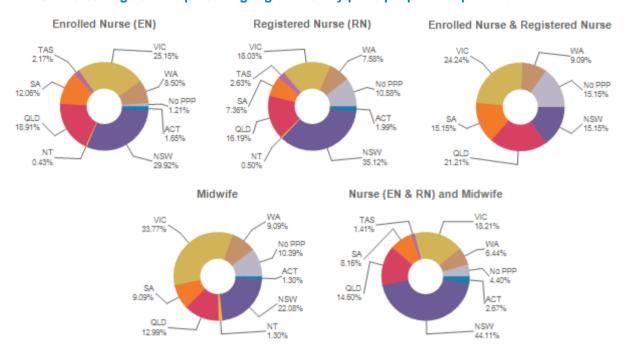
### Non-practising registration

Table 3.1 Totals for practitioners with non-practising registration as Nurse and/or Midwife

Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Enrolled Nurse (EN)	19	345	5	218	139	25	290	98	14	1,153
Registered Nurse (RN)	91	1,603	23	739	336	120	823	346	483	4,564
EN & RN		5		7	5		8	3	5	33
Midwife	1	17	1	10	7		26	7	8	77
Nurse (EN & RN) and Midwife*	17	281		93	52	9	116	41	28	637

<sup>\*</sup> Practitioners with a Nurse and Midwife registration may hold registration as an EN and Midwife, RN and Midwife, or EN and RN and Midwife.

Table 3.2 Percentage of non-practising registration by principal place of practice



### Provisional registration

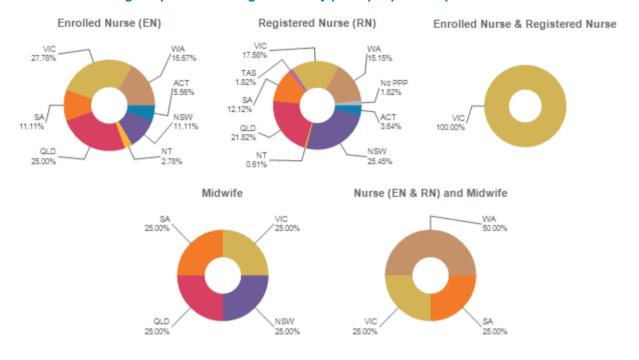
Provisional registration is a registration type used by the NMBA for registered nurses, enrolled nurses and/or midwives who want to return to the register after an absence from practice. Provisional registration enables a registered nurse, enrolled nurse and/or midwife to complete a period of supervised practice or a NMBA-approved re-entry to practice program to be eligible for general registration.

Table 4.1 Totals for practitioners with provisional registration as Nurse and/or Midwife

Division	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Enrolled Nurse (EN)	2	4	1	9	4		10	6		36
Registered Nurse (RN)	6	42	1	36	20	3	29	25	3	165
EN & RN							1			1
Midwife		1		1	1		1			4
Nurse (EN & RN) and Midwife*					1		1	2		4

<sup>\*</sup> Practitioners with a Nurse and Midwife registration may hold registration as an EN and Midwife, RN and Midwife, or EN and RN and Midwife.

Table 4.2 Percentage of provisional registration by principal place of practice



### Endorsements by type

The NMBA endorsements for registered nurses are:

- Nurse Practitioner
- Registered Nurse scheduled medicines (rural and isolated practice)

The NMBA endorsements for midwives are:

- Midwife scheduled medicines
- Midwife Practitioner refer Position-Statement Midwife Practitioners (7 April 2011)

Table 5.1 Registered Nurse and Midwife - Endorsements by principal place of practice

Profession	Endorsement	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
	Nurse Practitioner	50	424	27	503	156	43	405	248	27	1,883
Nurse	Scheduled Medicines - Rural and isolated practice	7	37	23	840	15	10	216	22	14	1,184
	Midwife practitioner		1								1
Midwife	Scheduled Medicines*	8	78	6	195	45	13	94	83	1	523
Total		65	540	56	1,538	216	66	715	353	42	3,591

<sup>\*</sup> The above numbers under 'Midwife - Scheduled Medicines' reflect those midwives who have met the NMBA Registration standard for endorsement for scheduled medicines for midwives.

#### **Notations**

Registered nurses with a sole qualification in mental health nursing or paediatric nursing or disability nursing - rather than a qualification in general nursing - are identified on the national register with a notation, which states: Solely qualified in the area of Disability Nursing / Mental Health Nursing / Paediatric Nursing.

**Table 6.1 Registered Nurse notations** 

Notation	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Disability Nursing		42	2	11	5		21	22	17	120
Mental Health nursing	11	296	23	215	207	16	364	1,020	161	2,313
Paediatric Nursing	2	137	6	120	15	2	87	159	75	603
Total	13	475	31	346	227	18	472	1,201	253	3,036

#### **Midwife notations**

**Note:** All midwives who held the Eligible Midwife notation either now hold the Midwife Scheduled Medicines endorsement or have determined they no longer require the Eligible Midwife notation.

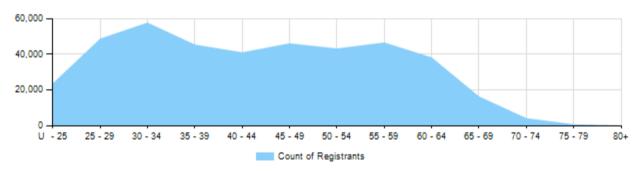
## Age group

## General registration

Table 7.1 General registration by age group

		Nurse		Nur	se and Mid	lwife			
Age group	EN	RN	EN & RN	EN	RN	EN & RN	Midwife	Total	% age bracket
U - 25	5,843	16,060	491	1	614	1	501	23,511	5.7%
25 - 29	6,637	37,418	1,641	13	1,783	19	1,020	48,531	11.8%
30 - 34	6,308	46,426	1,722	24	2,058	15	954	57,507	14.0%
35 - 39	5,646	35,624	1,149	17	1,921	13	838	45,208	11.0%
40 - 44	5,246	32,101	913	13	1,937	6	677	40,893	10.0%
45 - 49	6,578	35,118	862	16	2,688	7	638	45,907	11.2%
50 - 54	8,064	30,293	727	4	3,520	7	442	43,057	10.5%
55 - 59	9,535	30,772	558	6	5,261	4	274	46,410	11.3%
60 - 64	7,727	25,297	219	1	4,616	1	195	38,056	9.3%
65 - 69	2,947	11,242	61		1,931	1	80	16,262	4.0%
70 - 74	597	3,012	10		455		23	4,097	1.0%
75 - 79	72	523	1		99		4	699	0.2%
80+	12	105			14			131	<0.1%
Total	65,212	303,991	8,354	95	26,897	74	5,646	410,269	100.0%

**Table 7.2 General registration by age group** 

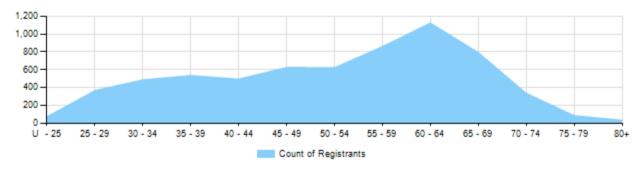


## Non-practising registration

Table 8.1 Non-practising registration by age group

		Nurse		Nurse an	d Midwife			
Age group	EN	RN	EN & RN	EN	RN	Midwife	Total	% age bracket
U - 25	35	41				1	77	1.2%
25 - 29	83	264	4		8	10	369	5.7%
30 - 34	77	377	12	1	11	11	489	7.6%
35 - 39	85	418	3		21	10	537	8.3%
40 - 44	75	393	3		18	8	497	7.7%
45 - 49	126	449	1		45	7	628	9.7%
50 - 54	159	419	3		34	9	624	9.7%
55 - 59	208	553	2		91	7	861	13.3%
60 - 64	185	766	4		161	8	1,124	17.4%
65 - 69	91	544	1		154	4	794	12.3%
70 - 74	24	246			67	2	339	5.2%
75 - 79	5	66			17		88	1.4%
80+		28			9		37	0.6%
Total	1,153	4,564	33	1	636	77	6,464	100.0%

Table 8.2 Non-practising registration by age group



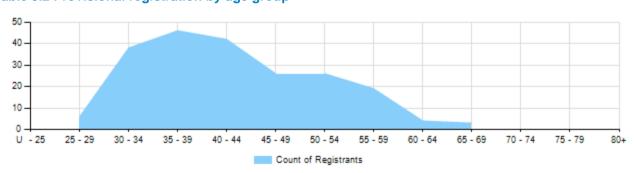
### Provisional registration

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Table 9.1 Provisional registration by age group

		Nurse		Nurse			
Age group	EN	RN	EN & RN	RN	Midwife	Total	% age bracket
U - 25							0.0%
25 - 29	3	2			1	6	2.9%
30 - 34	10	28				38	18.1%
35 - 39	6	38	1	1		46	21.9%
40 - 44	4	36		1	1	42	20.0%
45 - 49	2	21		1	2	26	12.4%
50 - 54	7	18		1		26	12.4%
55 - 59	2	17				19	9.0%
60 - 64	1	3				4	1.9%
65 - 69	1	2				3	1.4%
70 - 74							0.0%
75 - 79							0.0%
80+							0.0%
Total	36	165	1	4	4	210	100.0%

Table 9.2 Provisional registration by age group



## Gender

## General registration

Table 10.1 General registration by gender

Profession	Gender	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
		Enrolled Nurse (EN)	618	12,333	373	12,356	7,181	1,462	18,888	5,216	95	58,522
	Female	Registered Nurse (RN)	4,506	74,709	3,103	53,882	20,217	6,428	67,387	27,282	8,938	266,452
		EN & RN	74	1,297	63	1,545	699	77	2,720	693	28	7,196
Nivers	Total Fe General		5,198	88,339	3,539	67,783	28,097	7,967	88,995	33,191	9,061	332,170
Nurse		Enrolled Nurse (EN)	84	1,648	75	1,423	802	148	2,017	473	18	6,688
	Male	Registered Nurse (RN)	719	11,770	586	7,223	2,801	924	8,874	2,982	1,656	37,535
		EN & RN	19	226	8	229	157	5	451	61	2	1,158
	Total Ma Nurse	ale General	822	13,644	669	8,875	3,760	1,077	11,342	3,516	1,676	45,381
Total Gener	ral Nurse		6,020	101,983	4,208	76,658	31,857	9,044	100,337	36,707	10,737	377,551
		EN & Midwife	1	14	2	27	11		35	2	1	93
	Female	RN & Midwife	487	7,269	450	5,517	1,749	604	7,339	2,741	290	26,446
		EN & RN & Midwife		20	2	4	2	2	30	13		73
Nurse and Midwife	Total Fe General Midwife	Nurse and	488	7,303	454	5,548	1,762	606	7,404	2,756	291	26,612
Midwife		EN & Midwife			1	1						2
	Male	RN & Midwife	9	161	31	82	39	13	70	40	6	451
		EN & RN & Midwife		1								1
		ale General nd Midwife	9	162	32	83	39	13	70	40	6	454
Total Gener Midwife	ral Nurse	and	497	7,465	486	5,631	1,801	619	7,474	2,796	297	27,066

Table 10.1 (continued from page 14)

Profession	Gender Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Midwife	Female	181	1,312	91	1,212	668	41	1,463	450	211	5,629
Midwire	Male		6	1	1	2	2	5			17
Total Gener	ral Midwife	181	1,318	92	1,213	670	43	1,468	450	211	5,646
Total		6,698	110,766	4,786	83,502	34,328	9,706	109,279	39,953	11,245	410,263

<sup>\*</sup> Practitioners with a Nurse and Midwife registration may hold registration as an EN and Midwife, RN and Midwife, or EN and RN and Midwife.

Table 10.2 Total general registration by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	5,867	96,954	4,084	74,543	30,527	8,614	97,862	36,397	9,563	364,411
Male	831	13,812	702	8,959	3,801	1,092	11,417	3,556	1,682	45,852

Table 10.3 Total general registration by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	87.6%	87.5%	85.3%	89.3%	88.9%	88.7%	89.6%	91.1%	85.0%	88.8%
Male	12.4%	12.5%	14.7%	10.7%	11.1%	11.3%	10.4%	8.9%	15.0%	11.2%

## Non-practising registration

Table 11.1 Non-practising registration by gender

Profession	Gender	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
		Enrolled Nurse (EN)	18	312	5	204	134	25	272	94	14	1,078
	Female	Registered Nurse (RN)	79	1,440	20	666	292	109	743	322	430	4,101
		EN & RN		5		6	4		8	3	4	30
Nivers		male Non- ng Nurse	97	1,757	25	876	430	134	1,023	419	448	5,209
Nurse		Enrolled Nurse (EN)	1	33		14	5		18	4		75
	Male	Registered Nurse (RN)	12	163	3	73	44	11	80	24	53	463
		EN & RN				1	1				1	3
	Total Ma	ale Non- ng Nurse	13	196	3	88	50	11	98	28	54	541
Total Non-p	ractising	y Nurse	110	1,953	28	964	480	145	1,121	447	502	5,750
	Female	EN & Midwife							1			1
Nurse and	remale	RN & Midwife	17	274		91	52	9	115	40	28	626
Midwife		male Non- ng Nurse wife	17	274		91	52	9	116	40	28	627
	Male	RN & Midwife		7		2				1		10
Total Non-p Midwife	ractising	Nurse and	17	281		93	52	9	116	41	28	637
Midwife	Midwife Female		1	17	1	10	7		26	7	8	77
Total Non-p	Total Non-practising Midwife		1	17	1	10	7		26	7	8	77
Total			128	2,251	29	1,067	539	154	1,263	495	538	6,464

Table 11.2 Total non-practising registration by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	115	2,048	26	977	489	143	1,165	466	484	5,913
Male	13	203	3	90	50	11	98	29	54	551

Table 11.3 Total non-practising registration by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	89.8%	91.0%	89.7%	91.6%	90.7%	92.9%	92.2%	94.1%	90.0%	91.5%
Male	10.2%	9.0%	10.3%	8.4%	9.3%	7.1%	7.8%	5.9%	10.0%	8.5%

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Table 12.1 Provisional registration by gender

Profession	Gender	Divisions	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
		Enrolled Nurse (EN)	2	3	1	9	4		10	6		35
	Female	Registered Nurse (RN)	6	37	1	32	18	2	27	21	3	147
		EN & RN							1			1
Nurse	Total Female Provisional Nurse		8	40	2	41	22	2	38	27	3	183
М	Male F	Enrolled Nurse (EN)		1								1
		Registered Nurse (RN)		5		4	2	1	2	4		18
	Total Male Provisional Nurse			6		4	2	1	2	4		19
Total Provis	sional Nu	ırse	8	46	2	45	24	3	40	31	3	202
Nurse and Midwife	Female	RN & Midwife					1		1	2		4
Total Provis	sional Nu	irse and					1		1	2		4
Midwife Female			1		1	1		1			4	
Total Provis	sional Mi	dwife		1		1	1		1			4
Total			8	47	2	46	26	3	42	33	3	210

Table 12.2 Total provisional registration by gender

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	8	41	2	42	24	2	40	29	3	191
Male		6		4	2	1	2	4		19

### Table 12.3 Total provisional registration by gender percentages

Gender	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	No PPP	Total
Female	100.0%	87.2%	100.0%	91.3%	92.3%	66.7%	95.2%	87.9%	100.0%	91.0%
Male		12.8%		8.7%	7.7%	33.3%	4.8%	12.1%		9.0%