

Chinese Medicine Registrant Data: December 2013

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# Introduction

The functions of the Chinese Medicine Board of Australia include:

* registering registering Chinese medicine practitioners and students
* developing standards, codes and guidelines for the Chinese Medicine profession
* handling notifications, complaints, investigations and disciplinary hearings
* assessing overseas trained practitioners who wish to practise in Australia
* approving accreditation standards and accredited courses of study.

The Board’s functions are supported by [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 <http://www.ahpra.gov.au/Legislation-and-Publications.aspx>

The Board has analysed its fourth quarter of registration data and produced a number of statistical breakdowns about registrants to share with the profession and community.

The Board shares these breakdowns regularly. In the context of “grandparenting”, as registration applications are finalised a clearer picture of the profession will emerge.

For more information on Chinese Medicine registration, please see the Board’s website [www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx](http://www.chinesemedicineboard.gov.au/Registration.aspx)

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| **Chinese Medicine Health Practitioners - Registration Type and Sub Type by State** |
| **Chinese Medicine Practitioner** | **ACT** | **NSW** | **NT** | **QLD** | **SA** | **TAS** | **VIC** | **WA** | **No PPP** | **Total** |
| **General** | 61 | 1,649 | 12 | 765 | 154 | 34 | 1,094 | 201 | 14 | **3,984** |
| **Limited (Total of Sub Types)** | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | **-** |
| Teaching or Research | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | **-** |
| **Non-Practising** | 1 | 13 | 0 | 15 | 1 | 0 | 56 | 1 | 22 | **109** |
| **Total Practitioners** | **62** | **1,662** | **12** | **780** | **155** | **34** | **1,150** | **202** | **36** | **4,093** |

Table : Registration Type and Sub Type by State

Chart 1: Practitioners by Principal Place of Practice

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| **Chinese Medicine Health Practitioners - Registration Division(s)** |
| **Chinese Medicine Practitioner** | **ACT** | **NSW** | **NT** | **QLD** | **SA** | **TAS** | **VIC** | **WA** | **No PPP** | **Total** |
| **Acupuncturist** | 23 | 410 | 8 | 528 | 84 | 20 | 411 | 75 | 3 | **1,562** |
| **Acupuncturist and Chinese Herbal Dispensing** | - | 1 | - | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | **4** |
| **Acupuncturist and Chinese Herbal Dispensing and Chinese Herbal Medicine** | 7 | 338 | - | 38 | 7 | - | 47 | 17 | 1 | **455** |
| **Acupuncturist and Chinese Herbal Medicine** | 32 | 846 | 4 | 203 | 60 | 13 | 664 | 105 | 31 | **1,958** |
| **Chinese Herbal Dispensing** | - | 34 | - | 1 | 1 | - | 3 | 2 | - | **41** |
| **Chinese Herbal Dispensing and Chinese Herbal Medicine** | - | 11 | - | - | 2 | - | - | - | - | **13** |
| **Chinese Herbal Medicine** | - | 22 | - | 7 | 1 | 1 | 25 | 3 | 1 | **60** |
| **Total** | **62** | **1,662** | **12** | **780** | **155** | **34** | **1,150** | **202** | **36** | **4,093** |

Table : Registration Division(s)

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| **Chinese Medicine Health Practitioners - Registration Type by Age** |
| **Chinese Medicine Practitioner** | **Type** | **Total** | **% by Age Group** |
| **Age Group** | **General** | **Limited** | **Non-Practising** |
| U-25 | 12 | - | - | 12 | 0.29% |
| 25-29 | 188 | - | 4 | 192 | 4.70% |
| 30-34 | 350 | - | 10 | 360 | 8.81% |
| 35-39 | 540 | - | 23 | 563 | 13.79% |
| 40-44 | 545 | - | 19 | 564 | 13.81% |
| 45-49 | 483 | - | 8 | 491 | 12.02% |
| 50-54 | 591 | - | 10 | 601 | 14.72% |
| 55-59 | 549 | - | 17 | 566 | 13.86% |
| 60-64 | 396 | - | 8 | 404 | 9.89% |
| 65-69 | 190 | - | 3 | 193 | 4.73% |
| 70-74 | 86 | - | 3 | 89 | 2.18% |
| 75-79 | 39 | - | 3 | 42 | 1.03% |
| 80+ | 15 | - | 1 | 7 | 0.17% |
| **Total** | **3984** | **0** | **109** | **4084** | **100.00%** |

Table : Registration Type by Age

Chart 2: Registration by Age

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| **Chinese Medicine Health Practitioners - Registration Type by Gender** |
| **Chinese Medicine Practitioner** | **ACT** | **NSW** | **NT** | **QLD** | **SA** | **TAS** | **VIC** | **WA** | **No PPP** | **Total** |
| **Female** | **31** | **857** | **8** | **410** | **81** | **21** | **628** | **120** | **18** | **2,174** |
| General | 30 | 849 | 8 | 403 | 80 | 21 | 592 | 119 | 6 | **2,108** |
| Limited | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | **-** |
| Non-Practising | 1 | 8 | - | 7 | 1 | - | 36 | 1 | 12 | **66** |
| **Male** | **31** | **805** | **4** | **370** | **74** | **13** | **522** | **82** | **18** | **1,919** |
| General | 31 | 800 | 4 | 362 | 74 | 13 | 502 | 82 | 8 | **1,876** |
| Limited | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | **-** |
| Non-Practising | - | 5 | - | 8 | - | - | 20 | - | 10 | **43** |
| **Total Practitioners** | **62** | **1,662** | **12** | **780** | **155** | **34** | **1,150** | **202** | **36** | **4,093** |

Table : Registration Type by Gender

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| **Chinese Medicine Health Practitioners - Percent by Gender** |
| **Chinese Medicine Practitioner** | **ACT** | **NSW** | **NT** | **QLD** | **SA** | **TAS** | **VIC** | **WA** | **No PPP** | **Total** |
| **Female** | 50.00% | 51.56% | 66.67% | 52.56% | 52.26% | 61.76% | 54.61% | 59.41% | 50.00% | **53.12%** |
| **Male** | 50.00% | 48.44% | 33.33% | 47.44% | 47.74% | 38.24% | 45.39% | 40.59% | 50.00% | **46.88%** |

Table : Percent by Gender