

Chinese Medicine Registrant Data: September 2014

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Introduction

The functions of the Chinese Medicine Board of Australia include:

* 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 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 <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 or territory |

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| **Chinese Medicine Practitioner** | **Principal place of practice** |  |
| **Registration type** | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | No PPP | **Total** |
| General | 63 | 1,735 | 14 | 799 | 167 | 34 | 1,149 | 216 | 15 | 4,192 |
| Limited |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Non-practising | 2 | 19 |  | 23 |  |  | 55 | 2 | 26 | 127 |
| **Total** | 65 | 1,754 | 14 | 822 | 167 | 34 | 1,204 | 218 | 41 | 4,319 |
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| Chinese Medicine health practitioners – percentage by principal place of practice |
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| Pie chart of the percentage of Chinese Medicine health practitioners by principal place of practice.  |

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| Chinese Medicine health practitioners – division(s) by state or territory |
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| **Chinese Medicine health practitioners** | **Principal place of practice** |  |
| **Divisions** | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | No PPP | **Total** |
| Acupuncturist | 24 | 421 | 10 | 556 | 94 | 21 | 431 | 87 | 6 | 1,650 |
| Acupuncturist and Chinese Herbal Dispenser |  | 1 |  | 3 |  |  | 1 |  |  | 5 |
| Acupuncturist and Chinese Herbal Dispenser and Chinese Herbal Medicine Practitioner | 7 | 369 |  | 42 | 7 | 1 | 64 | 22 | 1 | 513 |
| Acupuncturist and Chinese Herbal Medicine Practitioner | 34 | 896 | 4 | 213 | 61 | 11 | 680 | 105 | 33 | 2,037 |
| Chinese Herbal Dispenser |  | 34 |  | 1 | 1 |  | 3 | 2 |  | 41 |
| Chinese Herbal Dispenser and Chinese Herbal Medicine Practitioner |  | 11 |  |  | 3 |  | 1 |  |  | 15 |
| Chinese Herbal Medicine Practitioner |  | 22 |  | 7 | 1 | 1 | 24 | 2 | 1 | 58 |
| **Total** | 65 | 1,754 | 14 | 822 | 167 | 34 | 1,204 | 218 | 41 | 4,319 |
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| Chinese Medicine health practitioners – registration type by age group |
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| **Chinese Medicine health practitioners** | **Registration type** |  |
| **Age group** | General | Limited | Non-practising | **Total** |
| U - 25 | 25 |  |  | 25 |
| 25 - 29 | 239 |  | 6 | 245 |
| 30 - 34 | 382 |  | 16 | 398 |
| 35 - 39 | 582 |  | 21 | 603 |
| 40 - 44 | 577 |  | 20 | 597 |
| 45 - 49 | 503 |  | 12 | 515 |
| 50 - 54 | 599 |  | 12 | 611 |
| 55 - 59 | 557 |  | 18 | 575 |
| 60 - 64 | 399 |  | 11 | 410 |
| 65 - 69 | 189 |  | 4 | 193 |
| 70 - 74 | 87 |  | 3 | 90 |
| 75 - 79 | 39 |  | 3 | 42 |
| 80+ | 14 |  | 1 | 15 |
| **Total** | 4,192 |  | 127 | 4,319 |

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| Chinese Medicine health practitioners – 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** | 25 | 245 | 398 | 603 | 597 | 515 | 611 | 575 | 410 | 193 | 90 | 42 | 15 |
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Graph showing the age groups of Chinese Medicine health practioners as detailed in the table below.  |

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| Chinese Medicine health practitioners – registration type by gender |
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| **Chinese Medicine health practitioners** | **Principal place of practice** |  |
| **Gender** | **Registration type** | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | No PPP | **Total** |
| Female | General | 30 | 908 | 9 | 418 | 87 | 22 | 625 | 125 | 7 | 2,231 |
| Limited |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Non-practising | 2 | 10 |  | 13 |  |  | 34 | 1 | 14 | 74 |
| Sub Total | 32 | 918 | 9 | 431 | 87 | 22 | 659 | 126 | 21 | 2,305 |
| Male | General | 33 | 827 | 5 | 381 | 80 | 12 | 524 | 91 | 8 | 1,961 |
| Limited |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Non-practising |  | 9 |  | 10 |  |  | 21 | 1 | 12 | 53 |
| Sub Total | 33 | 836 | 5 | 391 | 80 | 12 | 545 | 92 | 20 | 2,014 |
| **Total** | 65 | 1,754 | 14 | 822 | 167 | 34 | 1,204 | 218 | 41 | 4,319 |

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| Chinese Medicine health practitioners – percentage by gender |

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| **Chinese Medicine health practitioners** | **Principal place of practice** |
| **Gender** | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | No PPP | Total |
| Female | 49.23% | 52.34% | 64.29% | 52.43% | 52.10% | 64.71% | 54.73% | 57.80% | 51.22% | 53.37% |
| Male | 50.77% | 47.66% | 35.71% | 47.57% | 47.90% | 35.29% | 45.27% | 42.20% | 48.78% | 46.63% |
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