Chinese Medicine health practitioner registrant data: September 2015

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Introduction

The functions of the Chinese Medicine Board of Australia (the Board) include:

* registering Chinese medicine practitioners and students
* developing standards, codes and guidelines for the Chinese Medicine profession
* handling notifications, complaints, investigations and disciplinary hearings
* overseeing the assessment of overseas trained practitioners who wish to practise in Australia, and

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) (AHPRA). For information about legislation governing our operations see AHPRA's Legislation & Publications at [www.ahpra.gov.au/Publications](http://www.ahpra.gov.au/Publications)

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 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 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  | 71 | 1,843 | 14 | 807 | 176 | 37 | 1,194 | 237 | 31 | 4,410 |
| Non-practising  | 1 | 35 |   | 35 | 2 | 1 | 68 | 4 | 32 | 178 |
| **Total** | 72 | 1,878 | 14 | 842 | 178 | 38 | 1,262 | 241 | 63 | 4,588 |
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![This chart represents the percentage of Chinese medicine health practitioners by principal place of practice.](data:application/xhtml+xml;base64...)Chinese Medicine health practitioners – percentage by principal place of practice

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 | 26 | 439 | 10 | 568 | 104 | 25 | 437 | 98 | 11 | 1,718 |
| Acupuncturist and Chinese Herbal Dispenser |   |   |   | 2 |   |   |   |   |   | 2 |
| Acupuncturist and Chinese Herbal Dispenser and Chinese Herbal Medicine Practitioner | 9 | 454 |  | 44 | 9 | 2 | 127 | 28 | 7 | 680 |
| Acupuncturist and Chinese Herbal Medicine Practitioner | 37 | 924 | 4 | 220 | 62 | 11 | 669 | 113 | 41 | 2,081 |
| Chinese Herbal Dispenser |   | 35 |  | 1 | 1 |  | 3 | 2 |  | 42 |
| Chinese Herbal Dispenser and Chinese Herbal Medicine Practitioner |   | 10 |  |  | 2 |  | 1 |  | 1 | 14 |
| Chinese Herbal Medicine Practitioner |   | 16 |  | 7 |  |  | 25 |  | 3 | 51 |
| **Total** | 72 | 1,878 | 14 | 842 | 178 | 38 | 1,262 | 241 | 63 | 4,588 |
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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 | Non-practising | **Total** |
| U - 25 | 34 |   | 34 |
| 25 - 29 | 247 | 8 | 255 |
| 30 - 34 | 389 | 26 | 415 |
| 35 - 39 | 598 | 25 | 623 |
| 40 - 44 | 617 | 27 | 644 |
| 45 - 49 | 526 | 13 | 539 |
| 50 - 54 | 636 | 20 | 656 |
| 55 - 59 | 572 | 25 | 597 |
| 60 - 64 | 442 | 15 | 457 |
| 65 - 69 | 216 | 13 | 229 |
| 70 - 74 | 78 | 2 | 80 |
| 75 - 79 | 41 | 3 | 44 |
| 80+ | 14 | 1 | 15 |
| **Total** | 4,410 | 178 | 4,588 |

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![This chart represents number of Chinese Medicine health practitioners by age group.](data:application/xhtml+xml;base64...)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** | 34 | 255 | 415 | 623 | 644 | 539 | 656 | 597 | 457 | 229 | 80 | 44 | 15 |

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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 | 38 | 974 | 7 | 418 | 94 | 23 | 652 | 143 | 13 | 2,362 |
| Non-practising | 1 | 20 |  | 26 | 1 | 1 | 44 | 3 | 12 | 108 |
| Sub Total | 39 | 994 | 7 | 444 | 95 | 24 | 696 | 146 | 25 | 2,470 |
| Male | General | 33 | 869 | 7 | 389 | 82 | 14 | 542 | 94 | 18 | 2,048 |
| Non-practising |  | 15 |  | 9 | 1 |  | 24 | 1 | 20 | 70 |
| Sub Total | 33 | 884 | 7 | 398 | 83 | 14 | 566 | 95 | 38 | 2,118 |
| **Total** | 72 | 1,878 | 14 | 842 | 178 | 38 | 1,262 | 241 | 63 | 4,588 |

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 | 54.17% | 52.93% | 50.00% | 52.73% | 53.37% | 63.16% | 55.15% | 60.58% | 39.68% | 53.84% |
| Male | 45.83% | 47.07% | 50.00% | 47.27% | 46.63% | 36.84% | 44.85% | 39.42% | 60.32% | 46.16% |