

PRACTISING SOLICITOR STATISTICS



THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THOSE SOLICITORS HOLDING PRACTISING CERTIFICATES IN THE STATE OF NEW SOUTH WALES AS AT 31 MARCH 2018.

| SOLICITORS BY PRACTISING CERTIFICATE CATEGORY | FEMALE | MALE | TOTAL |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Principal of a law practice | 2,690 | 6,358 | 9,048 |
| Employee of a law practice | 8,033 | 5,955 | 13,988 |
| Corporate legal practitioner | 3,672 | 2,515 | 6,187 |
| Government legal practitioner | 2,355 | 1,200 | 3,555 |
| Volunteer | 47 | 23 | 70 |
| Total | 16,797 | 16,051 | 32,848 |

| SOLICITORS BY LOCATION | FEMALE | MALE | TOTAL |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| City | 8,376 | 7,485 | 15,861 |
| Suburban (Sydney) | 5,611 | 5,560 | 11,171 |
| Rural | 1,947 | 2,076 | 4,023 |
| Interstate | 119 | 122 | 241 |
| Overseas | 744 | 808 | 1,552 |
| Total | 16,797 | 16,051 | 32,848 |

| SOLICITORS BY AGE | FEMALE | MALE | TOTAL |
|--------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Less than 30 years | 3,802 | 2,267 | 6,069 |
| 30 to 39 years | 6,210 | 3,937 | 10,147 |
| 40 to 49 years | 3,762 | 3,489 | 7,251 |
| 50 to 59 years | 2,070 | 2,934 | 5,004 |
| 60 to 69 years | 819 | 2,531 | 3,350 |
| Over 70 years | 134 | 893 | 1,027 |
| Total | 16,797 | 16,051 | 32,848 |

| SOLICITORS BY FIRM TYPE | FEMALE | MALE | TOTAL |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Sole practitioners | 1,581 | 2,728 | 4,309 |
| Law firm | 2,876 | 3,246 | 6,122 |
| Incorporated legal practice | 3,386 | 3,949 | 7,335 |
| Unincorporated legal practice | 1,125 | 1,125 | 2,250 |
| Corporate & non-lawyer entity | 3,445 | 2,337 | 5,782 |
| Government | 2,242 | 1,155 | 3,397 |
| Community Legal Centre | 359 | 177 | 536 |
| Not employed as a solicitor | 1,783 | 1,334 | 3,117 |
| Total | 16,797 | 16,051 | 32,848 |

NOTES:

- Location is based on the principal place of practice – where this is not available the practitioner's postal address has been used.
- The firm type "Law firm" includes practitioners that may have their place of practice recorded with an overseas law firm.