

# PRACTISING SOLICITOR STATISTICS



THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THOSE SOLICITORS HOLDING PRACTISING CERTIFICATES IN THE STATE OF NEW SOUTH WALES AS AT 30 JUNE 2018.

SOLICITORS BY PRACTISING CERTIFICATE CATEGORY	FEMALE	MALE	TOTAL
Principal of a law practice	2,775	6,431	9,206
Employee of a law practice	8,197	6,033	14,230
Corporate legal practitioner	3,676	2,505	6,181
Government legal practitioner	2,349	1,187	3,536
Volunteer	38	23	61
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,035</b>	<b>16,179</b>	<b>33,214</b>

SOLICITORS BY LOCATION	FEMALE	MALE	TOTAL
City	8,434	7,562	15,996
Suburban (Sydney)	5,666	5,543	11,209
Rural	2,012	2,111	4,123
Interstate	112	134	246
Overseas	811	829	1,640
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,035</b>	<b>16,179</b>	<b>33,214</b>

SOLICITORS BY AGE	FEMALE	MALE	TOTAL
Less than 30 years	3,756	2,223	5,979
30 to 39 years	6,329	3,997	10,326
40 to 49 years	3,862	3,521	7,383
50 to 59 years	2,106	2,955	5,061
60 to 69 years	842	2,546	3,388
Over 70 years	140	937	1,077
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,035</b>	<b>16,179</b>	<b>33,214</b>

SOLICITORS BY FIRM TYPE	FEMALE	MALE	TOTAL
Sole practitioners	1,598	2,724	4,322
Law firm	2,896	3,241	6,137
Incorporated legal practice	3,437	4,041	7,478
Unincorporated legal practice	1,132	1,140	2,272
Corporate & non-lawyer entity	3,591	2,413	6,004
Government	2,286	1,148	3,434
Community Legal Centre	355	167	522
Not employed as a solicitor	1,740	1,305	3,045
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,035</b>	<b>16,179</b>	<b>33,214</b>

**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.