

## Statistics about Medicine

Everyone knows that getting into Medicine at Uni is really competitive, but what else do you know about it?

- There are [21 University Medical Schools](#) accredited by the Australian Medical Council (AMC) in Australia.
- Becoming a Doctor requires grit and determination. It'll take you on average 10 years after leaving high school to fully qualify as Doctor. After completing your degree(s), you'll also have to do training which includes an internship and residency. There's also further study required to specialise as a registrar. And if you want to reach the top of Medical profession ladder, even more study is required.
- In 2017 3,211 1<sup>st</sup> year domestic students enrolled in Medical school across Australia and there were 3,025 domestic graduates. (Source: [Medicaldeans.org.au](#))
- In 2018 3,171 domestic students enrolled in Medicine – that may sound like a lot, but when you consider it's across the whole of Australia, it's really not that many places. Graduate numbers are yet to be confirmed. (Source: [Medicaldeans.org.au](#))
- 2018 also saw 310, the highest number yet, indigenous students enrolling into Medicine. (Source: [Medicaldeans.org.au](#))
- Medical undergraduate places have increased by 100% since 2001, and as a result it's predicted that by 2030 there'll be an excess of qualified medical practitioners. To guarantee a job after qualifying, consider working in rural medicine. (Source ABC).
- The number of Commonwealth supported places (CSPs) dropped by just under 100 in 2018, mostly within the non-bonded places. CSPs are heavily subsidised by the Government. (Source: [Medicaldeans.org.au](#)).
- In 2018 26.5% of domestic medical students were signed up to bonded schemes, which is up slightly from 25.1% 2017. With bonded places students agree to work in areas of shortage for 12 months after completing their medical degree. (Source: [Medicaldeans.org.au](#)).
- NSW has around 30.50% of all Australian registered practitioners, as opposed to the NT with only 1.19%. (Source: [Medicalboard.gov.au](#)).
- While Females have a higher rate of enrolment into Medicine (53% of commencing medical students in 2018 according to [medicaldeans.org.au](#)), they account for only 49,253 (43%) of all registered practitioners in Australia as opposed to 65,321 (57%) registered male practitioners (Source: [medicalboard.gov.au](#)).