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INTRODUCTION

The annual dentist labour force survey

Introduction

Each year, as part of the annual registration process for dentists in NSW, an Annual Labour Force Survey is sent to each dentist currently registered with the Dental Registration Board of New South Wales. This report provides an overview of information from the 2002 workforce survey.

The response rate to the survey was 86.1% in 2000, and 89.7% in 2002, showing an increasing response rate overall. The continued support of the Dental Registration Board of New South Wales, professional organisations and dentists participating in the survey is appreciated.

Availability of survey information

The most recent summary of the Annual Survey data was produced in 2003, reporting on data collected in 2001. This profile reproduces the same data as for the previous year. Additional survey analysis data such as additional cross tabulations can be obtained by forwarding a written request to the contact address in the front of the publication. Contact should be made to clarify the information required and to determine if a fee may apply. A charging policy is available on request.

Strict procedures are followed to ensure the privacy of individual dentists who respond to the Survey. There is no access to identifying data, as individual names and addresses are not included by the Board on the data file. Survey information will not be made available in any format that enables the identification of individual respondents.

Methodology

Timing of the 2002 Survey

Information from the 2002 Annual Labour Force Survey relates to the 2002 registration renewal period. Renewal notices and surveys were forwarded in September 2002 to dentists registered with the Dental Registration Board of New South Wales at that time. The renewal fee was due by the early December in order for the dentist to be retained on the register, as non-financial dentists had their status altered on the data base by the end of December, 2002 and by Board consent in February, 2003. Survey respondents completed the survey with information about their usual working situation at that time. Information

regarding the registration status of dentists was provided by the Board which related to the period from February 2002 to end January 2003.

Labour force Survey coverage

Information from the Annual Labour Force Survey does not cover all registered dentists in NSW. Only those registrants renewing their registration are forwarded a survey form. This excludes:

- **New registrants:** New registrants include new local graduates, interstate graduates and overseas trained dentists registering for the first time with the NSW Board who have had their qualifications recognised in NSW. These persons will normally not receive the labour force survey, but some new registrants may receive the survey form if they also renew in the same financial year.
- **Restorations:** Restorations are persons who have been restored to the register after a period in which they were not financial. These persons will not normally receive the annual survey. Some dentists are restorations because of late payment of the renewal fee and may have returned a survey form.
- **Technical restorations:** Some dentists are restorations simply due to late payment, as they are removed from the register and then reinstated on receipt of the payment of the renewal fee. These dentists have usually completed a survey form, and therefore if they have provided survey data they have been included in the data analysis for this profile. Prior to the 2000 profile the definition of respondents was those dentists **renewing** their registration who completed or part completed a survey form.
- **Technical renewals:** There are a group of dentists who either pay their registration fee early or who pay in advance and earn a credit as they will not be able to make their payment at the usual time. If these dentists were sent a survey form in the year of renewal and are still financial in that year they have now been included in the survey population, and their returned survey forms included as respondents. This group has now been defined as **technical renewals, even though no transaction may have been recorded for the year of the survey**. This process has occurred for the first time in 2002.

The definition of response has been applied to those respondents who completed the question on workforce status. In addition, a number of dentists have not completed the question on workforce status, but have completed the majority of the remainder of the survey form including the provision of a New South Wales postcode for work location, as well as other data such as hours worked. It was therefore decided for data completeness, to include both of those categories in the definition of respondents, as a workforce status could be derived.

The adoption of these changes in the approach to survey coverage, and definition of respondents, means that the data will now be compatible with definitions of the workforce used by the Australian Institute of Health & Welfare in preparing national profiles. However, it also means that the raw data on workforce size may show variation from years previous to 2000.

Figures have not been adjusted for non-response

Data in this publication have not been adjusted for unknown information (both survey non-response and registration data such as year of birth or sex). When interpreting the tables, consideration should be given to the impact of unknown data:

- The absence of data due to non-response results in an under-representation of the size of the labour force in individual tables.
- The labour force characteristics of non-respondents may differ from the characteristics of survey respondents (for example, respondents may be more likely than non-respondents to be in the labour force). Weighting the survey data according to non-response alone may result in an overestimation or under-estimation in some categories.

- The labour force characteristics of dentists who are not part of the survey target group (that is, new registrants and restorations) may differ from the characteristics of the survey population.

Calculating total unknown data for the survey

In determining the total unknown data for a particular question, consideration should be given to:

- **Unknown data for the question or questions comprising the table**, as indicated at the foot of each table. This may also include information that is unknown due to registration data (eg, year of birth) being unavailable from the Board.
- **Non-response to any filtering questions.** Data on second and third practice location/job will be affected by the lack of the explicit question “Do you work from other location(s), and if so how many?” The number of persons with second and third practice locations/jobs can be estimated from the highest response to any one question (Tables 3.10, n=719 for second practice location, Table 3.7 n=185 for third practice location) and can be used to estimate unknown data in relevant questions.
- **Non-response to the survey.** Survey response rates are presented in Table 1.1.

It should be noted that limitations in the survey data prevent a distinction between non-response and alternatives such as “no”, “other” or “zero”. Information regarding this is noted at the foot of the relevant tables.

Conventions used in this publication

Throughout this publication, figures within the tables may not add to the total shown where it has been necessary to round numbers. Percentages printed as 0.0 may denote less than 0.05%.

Italics are used to report unknown data.

- is used in place of zero (0).

Bold is used to indicate a total or subtotal.

— denotes not applicable.

n/a denotes data is not available.

Category of Dentist Registration

Table 1.1: Persons registered as Dentists in NSW, 2002

Category of registration	Female		Male		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
New registrants	14	34.1%	27	65.9%	41	100.0%
"True" restorations	3	50.0%	3	50.0%	6	100.0%
"Technical" restorations	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Renewals	947	24.1%	2984	75.9%	3931	100.0%
Technical renewals	17	24.3%	53	75.7%	70	100.0%
Deletions	30	23.6%	97	76.4%	127	100.0%

Note: 1 The table includes information on dentists who were financial with the Board during 2002.

Some dentists are included in more than one category during the twelve month period.

2 Two renewals had sex unknown, and therefore the total number of renewals was 3,933.

In 2002, there were 4,050 dentists financially registered with the Dental Registration Board of NSW, a decrease of 7 persons compared to the 4,057 registered in 2000. Of these, 981 (24.2%) were female and 3,067 (75.8%) were male, with two registrants with unknown sex. Table 1.1 provides an overview of the

number of dentists in each category of registration. Care should be taken when interpreting this data as some individual dentists are included in more than one of the categories during the twelve month period.

Response rate to Labour Force Annual Survey

The response rate to the 2002 Dentist Labour Force Annual Survey was 86.1 per cent, a similar level to the 1999 response rate of 86.2 per cent. The response rate over the three year period shows a very stable rate overall, despite the change in definition of renewals and inclusion of responses where work status can be derived for 2000 and 2002.

Table 1.2: Response Rate to Dentist Annual Labour Force Survey, 2000, 2001 and 2002

	No.	Rate	No.	Rate	No.	Rate
	<u>2000</u>		<u>2001</u>		<u>2002</u>	
Formal response rate						
<i>Survey respondents</i> ¹ who were <i>renewals</i> ²	3.327		3.369		3.589	
Total renewals ²	3.860	86.2%	3.913	86.1%	4.003	89.7%

- Notes:**
1. A "survey respondent" is defined as a renewal, technical renewal or technical registration who provides information to the question on work status, or whose work status can be derived from other data. With these adjustments, there were 77 dentists who did not return a survey form, and 337 survey forms with work status question unanswered and no capacity to derive the work status from a NSW postcode for place of work.
 2. A renewal is defined to include a person who paid their registration fee on time, who was a renewal but was late was late in paying the renewal fee, and was therefore taken off the roll and then restored (ie technical restoration), or who was sent a survey form and returned a form and was still financial at the end of the relevant year while having no financial status (technical renewal).

Determining the response rate to the survey is complicated by the relationship between the survey and the renewal process. While new registrants and restorations do not generally receive the survey, some may if they also receive a renewal notice within the twelve month survey period. Additionally, some persons sent renewal notices do not renew their registration and therefore do not return surveys.

All survey responses from financially registered dentists are presented in Tables 1.3 and 1.4. Tables 3.1 to 3.27 describe the working renewals cohort only.

Work Status

Table 1.4 shows that there were 31 respondents who were looking for work in dentistry, of the total of 68 survey respondents who were either currently not working and looking for work or currently working in other than dentistry.

There were 2,898 working renewal survey respondents in 2002 (excluding two respondents with sex unknown). Working renewals are those respondents who:

- Were financially registered and renewed their registration in 2002 or were technical restorations or technical renewals
- Returned a labour force survey indicating their work status or provided sufficient data for a status of working in NSW to be derived; and
- Indicated that their work status was one of the following three categories:
 - Working in dentistry only in NSW
 - Working in dentistry mainly in NSW, but also in other states
 - On leave 3 months or longer (see Table 1.3)

The third category was introduced for the first time in the 2002 survey, resulting in a slightly higher count of the unadjusted numbers working in NSW and therefore also of the estimated workforce size than in previous years.

Table 1.3: Work status of Dentist Labourforce Survey respondents¹, NSW, in 2002

Work Status	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	%
	Female		Male		Total		Female
Working in dentistry							
Only in NSW	686	79.1%	2130	78.3%	2,816	78.5%	24.4%
Mainly in NSW, but also in other states	16	1.8%	38	1.4%	54	1.5%	29.6%
Mainly in other states, but also in NSW	7	0.8%	62	2.3%	69	1.9%	10.1%
Only in states other than NSW	20	2.3%	88	3.2%	108	3.0%	18.5%
On leave 3 months or longer	16	1.8%	12	0.4%	28	0.8%	57.1%
Overseas	60	6.9%	198	7.3%	258	7.2%	23.3%
Not Working in dentistry							
Not working and not looking for work	36	4.2%	68	2.5%	104	2.9%	34.6%
Currently not working, but looking for work	8	0.9%	19	0.7%	27	0.8%	29.6%
Working, not in dentistry	12	1.4%	29	1.1%	41	1.1%	29.3%
Retired from regular work	6	0.7%	76	2.8%	82	2.3%	7.3%
Total	867	100.0%	2,720	100.0%	3,587	100.0%	24.2%

Notes: ¹ There were two respondents with sex unknown who were excluded from further calculations.. Therefore 3,587 dentists provided data on working status and sex.

Dentists seeking work

Table 1.4: Seeking work in Dentistry in NSW, 2002

Nature of work sought	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	%
	Female		Male		Total		Female
Looking for work in dentistry							
- either full time or part time	4	50.0%	1	4.8%	5	17.2%	80.0%
- full time	1	12.5%	7	33.3%	8	27.6%	12.5%
- part time	3	37.5%	13	61.9%	16	55.2%	18.8%
Total	8	100.0%	21	100.0%	29	100.0%	27.6%
<i>Non-response (but seeking work in dentistry):</i>	1	11.1%	1	4.5%	2	6.5%	

Note: Table includes only those survey respondents in Table 1.3 who indicated that they were not currently working but looking for work, or currently working but not in dentistry **AND** who were looking for work in dentistry (n=31)

Estimating Workforce Size

Table 1.5: Estimating the Size of the Dentist Workforce, 2000-2002

	No.		
	2000	2001	2002
Size of Workforce (Unadjusted) ¹	2,658	2,700	2900
Total respondents to work status	3,325	3,367	3589
% working	79.9%	80.2%	80.8%
No. of renewals ²	3,860	3,913	4,003
1) estimated workforce from renewals	3,086	3,138	3,235
No. of new registrants ³	130	132	145
2) estimated workforce from new reg. (90%)	117	119	131
No. of restorations ³	28	13	6
3) estimated workforce from restorations (80%)	22	10	5
Total Estimated Workforce (1+2+3)	3,225	3,267	3,370
Total number of new registrations ⁴	130	185	186
Total number of financial restorations	28	40	25

- Notes:**
- 1 The unadjusted size of the workforce is based on renewals, technical restorations and technical renewals who answered the work status question as working in NSW (see Section on work status). This is the workforce size unadjusted for non response.
 - 2 The number of renewals includes renewals, technical restorations and technical renewals
 - 3 The total number of new registrants and restorations in each year are shown below the table. However, a large number had multiple transactions in the year, and are counted as renewals as they returned a survey form.
 - 4 The number of new registrations in 2000 and 2001 are financial, while the numbers in 2002 were adjusted for the large number of unfinancial new registrations (n=104)

The method of estimating workforce size from the 1999 Medical Workforce Survey has been applied in the above table. When applied to the dentist data, this results in an estimated 3,235 working renewals, 131 working new registrants, and 6 working registrants in other categories, with a total estimated workforce size of 3,370 dentists. This approach assumes that the non respondents to the survey have the same work status profile as respondents. In addition, the minor adjustment to include technical renewals has resulted in a slightly higher estimate of workforce size in 2002 than in previous years.

Estimating Full-Time Equivalent Workforce (FTE)

The numbers of hours worked by dentists on average per week for all jobs together (see Table 3.23) can be converted to full-time equivalents (FTEs) which becomes a measure of the productive workforce. This is shown in Table 3.15, where the total hours worked by dentists in each age and hours worked group are divided by 35 to calculate the FTE workforce. Thirty five hours is used as the measure of full time work based on labour force definitions developed by the Australian Bureau of Statistics. A ratio of FTEs to the total headcount workforce can then be calculated, to determine the relative productivity of the workforce.

Table 3.15 has not been adjusted to the estimated size of the workforce accounting for non response. The full-time equivalent dentist workforce is 3056.3, which when divided by the number of dentists recording hours (n=2,636) results in an FTE ratio of 1.1595. Therefore dentists are on average 16.0% more productive than a 35 hour per week participant in the labour force. The FTE ratio of 1.1595 applied to the estimated workforce size of 3,370 headcount results in an estimated FTE workforce of 3,907.5 FTE dentists in the workforce in NSW in 2002.

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DENTISTS WORKING IN NSW

This section documents the number and characteristics of dentists working in NSW in 2002.

- From 1998 to 2002, the NSW dentist labour force is estimated to have grown from a headcount of 3,197 to 3,370 (after adjusting for non response, see Section 1, p.5, "Estimating Labour force Size"). This represents an increase of 5.4% over the four years, or a growth of 1.4% per annum on average. This estimate assumes that non-respondents to the survey participated at the same rate in the labour force as respondents.
- Labour force participation rates for dentists in NSW were at similar levels between 1998 and 2002 (80.5% 80.3%, 79.9%, 80.2%, and 80.8% respectively).
- Male dentists are 75.2% of the total labour force, while the proportion of women in the dentist labour force is 24.8%, with a greater proportion of females in younger age groups. Some 53.6% of the female labour force were aged under 40, while only 27.8% of males were under forty years in 2002. However, males are a higher proportion in all age groups varying from 98.0% of all dentists in the 70 to 74 age group, to the lowest proportion of 53.4% for those 25 to 29 years.
- Just over one third or 34.1% of the labour force are aged under forty years, 27.7% are aged 40 to 49 years, 19.1% are aged 50 to 59 years, and 19.1% of the labour force are 60 years and older. This indicates a middle aged labour force overall, with the modal age range being 45 to 49 years (ie the age range with the greatest number of working dentists).
- Some 5.0% of dentists working in NSW are also registered interstate, with the highest proportion being registered in Queensland (2.5% of the total workforce), followed by Victoria (1.4%).
- Of the 2,900 dentists in the labour force (unadjusted for non response), some 764 identified that they worked in a second practice location (26.4% of the labour force), while some 182 identified that they worked in a third practice location (6.3%) (see comments, page 3, non-response to filtering questions)
- Some 86.8% of the labour force are working in a general practice in their main practice, with 8.9% in a registered specialist practice. Only 0.9% were working in administration, 1.5% in teaching/education, 0.2% in research, and 1.7% in other positions. This varies with the second practice, with 70.1% in a general practice, 16.3% in a registered specialist practice, 1.2% working in administration, 7.2% in teaching/education, 1.4% in research, and 3.7% in other positions. For the third practice, 49.7% were in a general practice, 27.4% in a registered specialist practice, 3.4% in administration, 13.1% in teaching/education, 2.3% in research, and 4.0% in other positions.

- Some 290 dentists or 10.0% of the total labour force indicated an area of registered specialist practice (NOTE: "Registered specialist practice" is the practice of a dentist who is recognised by the Dental Board of New South Wales as a specialist practitioner in one special branch of dentistry.) The largest group worked in orthodontics (46.2% of the respondents to this question), followed by prosthodontics (13.1%) and oral & maxillofacial surgery (10.7%).
- The overwhelming majority of the labour force are in private practice (84.2%) in their main practice, with 11.9% of the total labour force working in the public sector, 1.4% in tertiary education, 0.5% in industry and 1.9% in other jobs. Some 36.8% were in solo private practice, with another 14.0% in solo practice with assistants. Some 11.7% were in an associate ship, 8.7% in a partnership, and 12.1% in an assistant role. The major area of employment in the public sector was the dental hospital (4.0% of the total labour force) followed by other hospitals (2.7%). The private sector participation rate was lower with the second practice, with 76.0% working in the private sector, and 17.3% in the public sector; including other hospitals (4.9%), and the dental hospital (4.4%). Tertiary education accounted for 4.7% of the labour force in a second job. For the third practice, some 62.4% of dentists were working in a private practice, 21.2% in public practice and 13.7% in tertiary education.
- The proportion of self-employed dentists changes from 71.7% for the main practice, to 57.3% to the second practice, to 46.1% for the third practice.
- Some 53.0% of dentists reported working part time (hours worked less than 35 hours per week) **in direct patient care in their main practice location**. Women were more likely to work part time than men (68.4% of women compared with 47.9% of men). Virtually all respondents worked less than 35 hours per week in direct patient care in their second and third practice locations. The direct patient care hours were added together across the three practice locations to give total direct patient care hours (Table 3.19). Some 37.2% of dentists reported working part time in direct patient care in terms of total hours worked. Women were still more likely to work part time than men (53.6% of women compared with 32.0% of men).
- Some 39.4% of dentists reported working part time (hours worked less than 35 hours per week) in terms of **total hours worked in their main practice location**. Women were more likely to work part time than men (59.0% of women compared with 33.1% of men). Virtually all respondents worked less than 35 hours per week in total in their second and third practice locations. The total hours were added together across the three practice locations to give total hours usually worked per week (Table 3.23). **Some 22.9% of dentists reported working part time in terms of total hours worked across all practice locations**. Women were still more likely to work part time than men (40.0% of women compared with 17.3% of men).
- The full time equivalent dentist labour force (FTE labour force) consists of 3,056.3 FTE (see Table 3.15) from the 2,636 dentists who provided data on their hours worked (Table 3.23). Therefore the ratio of the FTE labour force of 1.1595 compared to total numbers indicates that dentists work on average 16% more than a participant in the general labour force working 35 hours a week. This is due to the larger number of dentists who work 35 hours or greater contributing more to the productive labour force. Women were 667.5 FTE (21.8% of the FTE labour force) and men 2,388.9 (78.2%).
- In 2002, the main practice location for 85.7% of dentists was in Metropolitan Area Health Services, with 73.6% in Metropolitan Sydney and 12.1% in other major Metropolitan areas. South Eastern Sydney was the main job location for 24.7% of dentists with Northern Sydney having 18.9%. Rural Area Health services were the main job location for 14.3% of dentists, with Northern Rivers having the highest proportion in a rural area at 3.3%. The distribution showed a similar proportion of dentists in Metropolitan Area Health Services in their second practice location (86.1%), although the proportion was lower for a third practice location (83.5%). Women were more likely than men to work in Metropolitan Area Health Service locations in their main practice (89.9% of women, 84.4% of men) with higher proportions of women in metropolitan areas in a second and third practice.

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LABOURFORCE TABLES

Table 3.1 Age and sex distribution of dentists working in NSW, 2002

Age group	No.		%		No.		%		Per cent Female
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Total	Total	Total		
20-24	20	30	2.8%	1.4%	50	1.7%		40.0%	
25-29	118	135	16.5%	6.2%	253	8.7%		46.6%	
30-34	143	205	19.9%	9.4%	348	12.0%		41.1%	
35-39	103	235	14.4%	10.8%	338	11.7%		30.5%	
40-44	101	260	14.1%	11.9%	361	12.5%		28.0%	
45-49	99	340	13.8%	15.6%	439	15.2%		22.6%	
50-54	46	294	6.4%	13.5%	340	11.8%		13.5%	
55-59	20	192	2.8%	8.8%	212	7.3%		9.4%	
60-64	11	145	1.5%	6.7%	156	5.4%		7.1%	
65-69	5	91	0.7%	4.2%	96	3.3%		5.2%	
70-74	1	50	0.1%	2.3%	51	1.8%		2.0%	
75+	50	199	7.0%	9.1%	249	8.6%		20.1%	
Total	717	2176	100.0%	100.0%	2,893	100.0%		24.8%	
<i>Unknown</i>	1	4	0.1%	0.2%	5	0.2%			

Table 3.2: Present place of residence of dentists working in NSW, 2002

Age group	No.		%		No.		%		Per cent Female
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Total	Total	Total		
New South Wales	668	1915	98.5%	98.7%	2,583	98.6%		25.9%	
Australia (not NSW)	10	25	1.5%	1.3%	35	1.3%		28.6%	
Overseas	0	1	0.0%	0.1%	1	0.0%		0.0%	
Total	678	1941	100.0%	100.0%	2,619	100.0%		25.9%	
<i>Non response</i>	40	239	5.6%	11.0%	279	9.6%			

Table 3.3: Resident status of dentists working in NSW, 2001

Residential Status	No.		%		No.		%		Per cent Female
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Total	Total	Total		
Australian Citizen	624	2004	88.1%	92.9%	2,628	91.7%		23.7%	
Not an Australian Citizen									
Permanent resident	71	134	10.0%	6.2%	205	7.2%		34.6%	
Not permanent resident	10	9	1.4%	0.4%	19	0.7%		52.6%	
Not stated	3	11	0.4%	0.5%	14	0.5%		21.4%	
Total	708	2158	100.0%	100.0%	2866	100.0%		24.7%	
<i>Non-response:</i>	10	22	1.4%	1.0%	32	1.1%			

Table 3.4: Dentists working in NSW with registration to work as a dentist in other states of Australia, 2002

	No.		%		No.		%		Per cent Female
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Total	Total	Total		
Registered interstate	37	106	5.2%	4.9%	143	5.0%	25.9%	25.9%	
Not registered interstate	680	2059	94.8%	95.1%	2739	95.0%	24.8%	24.8%	
Total	717	2165	100.0%	100.0%	2882	100.0%	24.9%	24.9%	
<i>Non-response:</i>	1	15	0.1%	0.7%	16	0.6%			
Registered in Victoria	11	30	26.8%	27.3%	41	27.2%	26.8%	26.8%	
Registered in Queensland	18	53	43.9%	48.2%	71	47.0%	25.4%	25.4%	
Registered in Western Australia	0	8	0.0%	7.3%	8	5.3%	0.0%	0.0%	
Registered in South Australia	4	5	9.8%	4.5%	9	6.0%	44.4%	44.4%	
Registered in Tasmania	2	6	4.9%	5.5%	8	5.3%	25.0%	25.0%	
Registered in Northern Territory	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Registered in ACT	6	8	14.6%	7.3%	14	9.3%	42.9%	42.9%	
Total	41	110	100.0%	100.0%	151	100.0%	27.2%	27.2%	

Note: Dentists may be registered in more than one State

Table 3.5: Area of work in dentistry, main practice - dentists working in NSW, 2002

Area of work - 1st practice	No.		%		No.		%		Per cent Female
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Total	Total	Total		
General practice	619	1829	90.0%	85.7%	2448	86.8%	25.3%	25.3%	
Registered specialist practice	30	221	4.4%	10.4%	251	8.9%	12.0%	12.0%	
Administration	8	16	1.2%	0.8%	24	0.9%	33.3%	33.3%	
Teaching/ Education	13	30	1.9%	1.4%	43	1.5%	30.2%	30.2%	
Research	2	4	0.3%	0.2%	6	0.2%	33.3%	33.3%	
Other	16	33	2.3%	1.5%	49	1.7%	32.7%	32.7%	
Total	688	2133	100.0%	100.0%	2,821	100.0%	24.4%	24.4%	
<i>Non-response:</i>	30	47	4.2%	2.2%	77	2.7%			

Table 3.6: Area of work in dentistry, second practice - dentists working in NSW, 2002

Area of work - 2nd practice	No.		%		No.		%		Per cent Female
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Total	Total	Total		
General practice	145	361	81.5%	66.4%	506	70.1%	28.7%	28.7%	
Registered specialist practice	10	108	5.6%	19.9%	118	16.3%	8.5%	8.5%	
Administration	0	9	0.0%	1.7%	9	1.2%	0.0%	0.0%	
Teaching/ Education	11	41	6.2%	7.5%	52	7.2%	21.2%	21.2%	
Research	4	6	2.2%	1.1%	10	1.4%	40.0%	40.0%	
Other	8	19	4.5%	3.5%	27	3.7%	29.6%	29.6%	
Total	178	544	100.0%	100.0%	722	100.0%	24.7%	24.7%	
<i>Non-response:</i>	540	1636	75.2%	75.0%	2176	75.1%			

Table 3.7: Area of work in dentistry, third practice - dentists working in NSW, 2002

Area of work - 3rd practice	No.		%		No.		%		Per cent Female
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Total	Total	Total		
General practice	22	65	68.8%	45.5%	87	49.7%	25.3%	25.3%	
Registered specialist practice	3	45	9.4%	31.5%	48	27.4%	6.3%	6.3%	
Administration	1	5	3.1%	3.5%	6	3.4%	16.7%	16.7%	
Teaching/ Education	4	19	12.5%	13.3%	23	13.1%	17.4%	17.4%	
Research	1	3	3.1%	2.1%	4	2.3%	25.0%	25.0%	
Other	1	6	3.1%	4.2%	7	4.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Total	32	143	100.0%	100.0%	175	100.0%	18.3%	18.3%	
<i>Non-response:</i>	686	2037	95.5%	93.4%	2723	94.0%			

Table 3.8: Area of Registered specialist practice, dentists working in NSW, 2002

Area of registered specialist practice	No.		%		No.		%	
	Female	Male	Total	Per cent Female	Female	Male	Total	Per cent Female
Orthodontics	16	40.0%	118	47.2%	134	46.2%	11.9%	11.9%
Periodontics	3	7.5%	20	8.0%	23	7.9%	13.0%	13.0%
Prosthodontics	5	12.5%	33	13.2%	38	13.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Oral Medicine/Pathology	1	2.5%	2	0.8%	3	1.0%	33.3%	33.3%
Oral Surgery	2	5.0%	16	6.4%	18	6.2%	11.1%	11.1%
Oral & maxillofacial surgery	2	5.0%	29	11.6%	31	10.7%	6.5%	6.5%
Endodontics	4	10.0%	16	6.4%	20	6.9%	20.0%	20.0%
Paediatric dentistry	5	12.5%	6	2.4%	11	3.8%	45.5%	45.5%
Other	2	5.0%	10	4.0%	12	4.1%	16.7%	16.7%
Total	40	100.0%	250	100.0%	290	100.0%	13.8%	13.8%
<i>Non-response:</i>	678	94.4%	1930	88.5%	2608	90.0%		

Table 3.9: Type of practice, main practice location - dentists working in NSW, 2002

Type of practice, main practice location	No.		%		No.		%	
	Female	Male	Total	Per cent Female	Female	Male	Total	Per cent Female
Private practice:								
Solo	122	18.1%	907	42.8%	1029	36.8%	11.9%	11.9%
Solo with assistants	70	10.4%	322	15.2%	392	14.0%	17.9%	17.9%
Partnership	61	9.1%	182	8.6%	243	8.7%	25.1%	25.1%
Associateship	69	10.3%	257	12.1%	326	11.7%	21.2%	21.2%
Assistant	177	26.3%	161	7.6%	338	12.1%	52.4%	52.4%
Locum	6	0.9%	18	0.8%	24	0.9%	25.0%	25.0%
Public practice:								
Dental Hospital	52	7.7%	61	2.9%	113	4.0%	46.0%	46.0%
Other Hospital	27	4.0%	48	2.3%	75	2.7%	36.0%	36.0%
School dental service		0.0%		0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Health centre	32	4.8%	58	2.7%	90	3.2%	35.6%	35.6%
Defence forces	9	1.3%	21	1.0%	30	1.1%	30.0%	30.0%
Other public	11	1.6%	15	0.7%	26	0.9%	42.3%	42.3%
Tertiary education	13	1.9%	26	1.2%	39	1.4%	33.3%	33.3%
Industry	4	0.6%	10	0.5%	14	0.5%	28.6%	28.6%
Other	20	3.0%	34	1.6%	54	1.9%	37.0%	37.0%
Total	673	100.0%	2120	100.0%	2793	100.0%	24.1%	24.1%
<i>Non-response:</i>	45	6.3%	60	2.8%	105	3.6%		

Table 3.10: Type of practice, second practice location - dentists working in NSW, 2002

Type of practice, 2nd practice location	No.		%		No.		%		Per cent Female
	Female		Male		Total				
Private practice:									
Solo	7	3.9%	141	25.5%	148	20.3%			4.7%
Solo with assistants	9	5.1%	48	8.7%	57	7.8%			15.8%
Partnership	13	7.3%	63	11.4%	76	10.4%			17.1%
Associateship	20	11.2%	79	14.3%	99	13.6%			20.2%
Assistant	71	39.9%	85	15.4%	156	21.4%			45.5%
Locum	8	4.5%	10	1.8%	18	2.5%			44.4%
Public practice:									
Dental Hospital	11	6.2%	21	3.8%	32	4.4%			34.4%
Other Hospital	12	6.7%	24	4.3%	36	4.9%			33.3%
School dental service	2	1.1%	5	0.9%	7	1.0%			28.6%
Health centre	5	2.8%	19	3.4%	24	3.3%			20.8%
Defence forces	2	1.1%	10	1.8%	12	1.6%			16.7%
Other public	5	2.8%	10	1.8%	15	2.1%			33.3%
Tertiary education	9	5.1%	25	4.5%	34	4.7%			26.5%
Industry	0	0.0%	1	0.2%	1	0.1%			0.0%
Other	4	2.2%	11	2.0%	15	2.1%			26.7%
Total	178	100.0%	552	100.0%	730	100.0%			24.4%
<i>Non-response:</i>	540	75.2%	1628	74.7%	2168	74.8%			

Table 3.11: Type of practice, third practice location - dentists working in NSW, 2002

Type of practice, 3rd practice location	No.		%		No.		%		Per cent Female
	Female		Male		Total				
Private practice:									
Solo	2	6.7%	27	18.6%	29	16.6%			6.9%
Solo with assistants	2	6.7%	6	4.1%	8	4.6%			25.0%
Partnership	2	6.7%	13	9.0%	15	8.6%			13.3%
Associateship	4	13.3%	17	11.7%	21	12.0%			19.0%
Assistant	8	26.7%	23	15.9%	31	17.7%			25.8%
Locum	1	3.3%	4	2.8%	5	2.9%			20.0%
Public practice:									
Dental Hospital	5	16.7%	7	4.8%	12	6.9%			0.0%
Other Hospital	0	0.0%	8	5.5%	8	4.6%			0.0%
School dental service	0	0.0%	1	0.7%	1	0.6%			0.0%
Health centre	0	0.0%	7	4.8%	7	4.0%			0.0%
Defence forces	1	3.3%	5	3.4%	6	3.4%			0.0%
Other public	1	3.3%	2	1.4%	3	1.7%			33.3%
Tertiary education	4	13.3%	20	13.8%	24	13.7%			16.7%
Industry	0	0.0%	2	1.4%	2	1.1%			0.0%
Other	0	0.0%	3	2.1%	3	1.7%			0.0%
Total	30	100.0%	145	100.0%	175	100.0%			17.1%
<i>Non-response:</i>	688	95.8%	2035	93.3%	2723	94.0%			

Table 3.12: Work pattern, main practice location - dentists working in NSW, 2002

Work pattern, main practice location	No.		%		No.		%		Per cent female
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Total	Total	Total		
Self-employed	333	1675	49.0%	79.0%	2008	71.7%		16.6%	
Salaried, private sector	206	212	30.3%	10.0%	418	14.9%		49.3%	
Salaried, public sector	114	187	16.8%	8.8%	301	10.8%		37.9%	
Other	27	46	4.0%	2.2%	73	2.6%		37.0%	
Total	680	2120	100.0%	100.0%	2800	100.0%		24.3%	
<i>Non-response:</i>	38	60	5.3%	2.8%	98	3.4%			

Table 3.13: Work pattern, second practice location - dentists working in NSW, 2002

Work pattern, 2nd practice location	No.		%		No.		%		Per cent female
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Total	Total	Total		
Self-employed	65	347	36.9%	63.9%	412	57.3%		15.8%	
Salaried, private sector	61	87	34.7%	16.0%	148	20.6%		41.2%	
Salaried, public sector	38	75	21.6%	13.8%	113	15.7%		33.6%	
Other	12	34	6.8%	6.3%	46	6.4%		26.1%	
Total	176	543	100.0%	100.0%	719	100.0%		24.5%	
<i>Non-response:</i>	542	1637	75.5%	75.1%	2179	75.2%			

Table 3.14: Work pattern, third practice location - dentists working in NSW, 2002

Work pattern, 3rd practice location	No.		%		No.		%		Per cent female
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Total	Total	Total		
Self-employed	8	68	28.6%	49.6%	76	46.1%		10.5%	
Salaried, private sector	9	29	32.1%	21.2%	38	23.0%		23.7%	
Salaried, public sector	8	25	28.6%	18.2%	33	20.0%		24.2%	
Other	3	15	10.7%	10.9%	18	10.9%		16.7%	
Total	28	137	100.0%	100.0%	165	100.0%		17.0%	
<i>Non-response:</i>	690	2043	96.1%	93.7%	2733	94.3%			

Table 3.15: Estimated full-time equivalent dentists in workforce using average hours worked per week in total

FTE by hours worked per week	No.		%		No.		%		Per cent female
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Total	Total	Total		
1-9	4.8	5.2	0.7%	0.2%	10.0	0.3%		47.9%	
10-19	24.5	24.3	3.7%	1.0%	48.8	1.6%		50.2%	
20-29	63.4	75.6	9.5%	3.2%	139.0	4.5%		45.6%	
30-34	74.3	123.0	11.1%	5.1%	197.3	6.5%		37.7%	
35-39	120.5	288.7	18.1%	12.1%	409.1	13.4%		29.4%	
40-44	182.7	633.2	27.4%	26.5%	815.9	26.7%		22.4%	
45-49	70.7	439.6	10.6%	18.4%	510.3	16.7%		13.9%	
50-59	47.1	495.1	7.1%	20.7%	542.2	17.7%		8.7%	
60-69	24.3	204.5	3.6%	8.6%	228.7	7.5%		10.6%	
70+	55.1	99.7	8.3%	4.2%	154.8	5.1%		35.6%	
Total	667.5	2388.9	100.0%	100.0%	3056.3	100.0%		21.8%	
<i>No hours reported</i>	66	196	5.8%	6.6%	262	6.4%			

Notes: 1. Table 3.15 calculates the full-time equivalent (FTE) workforce assuming that 1 FTE works a 35 hour week. The total hours worked per week by the dentist numbers in Table 3.23a are divided by 35 to calculate the FTE numbers.

Table 3.16: Hours usually worked per week in direct patient care in dentistry - main practice location

Hours per week	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
	Female		Male		Total		Per cent female
1-9	51	7.8%	47	2.4%	98	3.7%	52.0%
10-19	110	16.8%	165	8.3%	275	10.4%	40.0%
20-29	177	27.1%	371	18.7%	548	20.8%	32.3%
30-34	109	16.7%	368	18.5%	477	18.1%	22.9%
35-39	106	16.2%	409	20.6%	515	19.5%	20.6%
40-44	77	11.8%	399	20.1%	476	18.0%	16.2%
45-49	9	1.4%	118	5.9%	127	4.8%	7.1%
50-59	13	2.0%	90	4.5%	103	3.9%	12.6%
60-69	0	0.0%	14	0.7%	14	0.5%	0.0%
>70	1	0.2%	5	0.3%	6	0.2%	16.7%
Total	653	100.0%	1986	100.0%	2639	100.0%	24.7%
<i>No hours reported</i>	65	9.1%	194	8.9%	259	8.9%	

Table 3.17: Hours usually worked per week in direct patient care in dentistry - second practice location

Hours per week	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
	Female		Male		Total		Per cent female
1-9	92	54.1%	243	44.5%	335	46.8%	27.5%
10-19	67	39.4%	219	40.1%	286	39.9%	23.4%
20-29	9	5.3%	75	13.7%	84	11.7%	10.7%
30-34	0	0.0%	5	0.9%	5	0.7%	0.0%
35-39	0	0.0%	2	0.4%	2	0.3%	0.0%
40-44	1	0.6%	1	0.2%	2	0.3%	50.0%
45-49	0	0.0%	1	0.2%	1	0.1%	0.0%
50-59	1	0.6%	0	0.0%	1	0.1%	0.0%
60-69	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
>70	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
Total	170	100.0%	546	100.0%	716	100.0%	23.7%
<i>No hours reported</i>	548	76.3%	1634	75.0%	2182	75.3%	

Table 3.18: Hours usually worked per week in direct patient care in dentistry - third practice location

Hours per week	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
	Female		Male		Total		Per cent female
1-9	20	76.9%	111	84.1%	131	82.9%	15.3%
10-19	5	19.2%	20	15.2%	25	15.8%	20.0%
20-29	1	3.8%	0	0.0%	1	0.6%	100.0%
30-34	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
35-39	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
40-44	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
45-49	0	0.0%	1	0.8%	1	0.6%	0.0%
50-59	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
60-69	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
>70	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
Total	26	100.0%	132	100.0%	158	100.0%	16.5%
<i>No hours reported</i>	692	96.4%	2048	93.9%	2740	94.5%	

Table 3.19: Hours usually worked per week in direct patient care in dentistry - all practice locations

Hours per week	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
	Female		Male		Total		Per cent female
1-9	40	6.1%	35	1.8%	75	2.8%	53.3%
10-19	78	11.9%	89	4.5%	167	6.3%	46.7%
20-29	143	21.8%	198	9.9%	341	12.9%	41.9%
30-34	126	19.2%	336	16.9%	462	17.4%	27.3%
35-39	121	18.4%	456	22.9%	577	21.8%	21.0%
40-44	111	16.9%	527	26.4%	638	24.1%	17.4%
45-49	18	2.7%	187	9.4%	205	7.7%	8.8%
50-59	15	2.3%	129	6.5%	144	5.4%	10.4%
60-69	1	0.2%	25	1.3%	26	1.0%	3.8%
>70	3	0.5%	11	0.6%	14	0.5%	21.4%
Total	656	100.0%	1993	100.0%	2,649	100.0%	24.8%
<i>No hours reported</i>	62	8.6%	187	8.6%	249	8.6%	

Table 3.20: Total hours usually worked per week in dentistry - main practice location

Hours per week	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
	Female		Male		Total		Per cent female
1-9	36	5.5%	43	2.2%	79	3.0%	45.6%
10-19	84	12.9%	107	5.4%	191	7.3%	44.0%
20-29	133	20.5%	265	13.4%	398	15.1%	33.4%
30-34	89	13.7%	202	10.2%	291	11.1%	30.6%
35-39	99	15.2%	271	13.7%	370	14.1%	26.8%
40-44	126	19.4%	491	24.8%	617	23.5%	20.4%
45-49	39	6.0%	254	12.8%	293	11.1%	13.3%
50-59	23	3.5%	233	11.8%	256	9.7%	9.0%
60-69	12	1.8%	90	4.5%	102	3.9%	11.8%
>70	9	1.4%	24	1.2%	33	1.3%	27.3%
Total	650	100.0%	1980	100.0%	2,630	100.0%	24.7%
<i>No hours reported</i>	68	9.5%	200	9.2%	268	9.2%	

Table 3.21: Total hours usually worked per week in dentistry - second practice location

Hours per week	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
	Female		Male		Total		Per cent female
1-9	76	45.5%	195	37.9%	271	39.7%	28.0%
10-19	65	38.9%	203	39.4%	268	39.3%	24.3%
20-29	14	8.4%	93	18.1%	107	15.7%	13.1%
30-34	4	2.4%	11	2.1%	15	2.2%	26.7%
35-39	1	0.6%	4	0.8%	5	0.7%	0.0%
40-44	6	3.6%	3	0.6%	9	1.3%	0.0%
45-49	0	0.0%	3	0.6%	3	0.4%	0.0%
50-59	1	0.6%	2	0.4%	3	0.4%	33.3%
60-69	0	0.0%	1	0.2%	1	0.1%	0.0%
>70	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
Total	167	100.0%	515	100.0%	682	100.0%	24.5%
<i>No hours reported</i>	551	76.7%	1665	76.4%	2,216	76.5%	

Table 3.22: Total hours usually worked per week in dentistry - third practice location

Hours per week	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
	Female		Male		Total		Per cent female
1-9	21	67.7%	98	74.2%	119	73.0%	17.6%
10-19	7	22.6%	30	22.7%	37	22.7%	18.9%
20-29	2	6.5%	2	1.5%	4	2.5%	50.0%
30-34	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
35-39	1	3.2%	0	0.0%	1	0.6%	100.0%
40-44	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
45-49	0	0.0%	1	0.8%	1	0.6%	0.0%
50-59	0	0.0%	1	0.8%	1	0.6%	0.0%
60-69	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
>70	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
Total	31	100.0%	132	100.0%	163	100.0%	19.0%
<i>No hours reported</i>	687	95.7%	2048	93.9%	2735	94.4%	

Table 3.23: Total hours usually worked per week in dentistry - all practice locations

Hours per week	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
	Female		Male		Total		Per cent female
1-9	27	4.1%	33	1.7%	60	2.3%	45.0%
10-19	59	9.0%	61	3.1%	120	4.6%	49.2%
20-29	93	14.3%	111	5.6%	204	7.7%	45.6%
30-34	82	12.6%	137	6.9%	219	8.3%	37.4%
35-39	115	17.6%	276	13.9%	391	14.8%	29.4%
40-44	157	24.1%	542	27.3%	699	26.5%	22.5%
45-49	54	8.3%	334	16.8%	388	14.7%	13.9%
50-59	32	4.9%	333	16.8%	365	13.8%	8.8%
60-69	14	2.1%	117	5.9%	131	5.0%	10.7%
>70	19	2.9%	40	2.0%	59	2.2%	32.2%
Total	652	100.0%	1984	100.0%	2636	100.0%	24.7%
<i>No hours reported</i>	66	5.8%	196	6.6%	262	6.4%	

Table 3.24: Home location of dentists working in NSW, by Area Health Service

Home location	No.		%		No.		%	
	Female		Male		Total		Per cent Female	
Health Service								
Central Coast	10	1.5%	48	2.3%	58	2.1%	17.2%	
Central Sydney	94	13.8%	203	9.9%	297	10.8%	31.6%	
Hunter	35	5.1%	112	5.4%	147	5.4%	23.8%	
Illawarra	12	1.8%	74	3.6%	86	3.1%	14.0%	
Northern Sydney	215	31.6%	570	27.7%	785	28.6%	27.4%	
South Eastern Sydney	126	18.5%	441	21.4%	567	20.7%	22.2%	
South Western Sydney	45	6.6%	143	6.9%	188	6.9%	23.9%	
Wentworth	15	2.2%	46	2.2%	61	2.2%	24.6%	
Western Sydney	59	8.7%	121	5.9%	180	6.6%	32.8%	
Total Metropolitan Areas	611	89.9%	1758	85.3%	2369	86.5%	25.8%	
Far West	1	0.1%	7	0.3%	8	0.3%	12.5%	
Greater Murray	15	2.2%	40	1.9%	55	2.0%	27.3%	
Macquarie	2	0.3%	15	0.7%	17	0.6%	11.8%	
Mid North Coast	13	1.9%	58	2.8%	71	2.6%	18.3%	
Mid Western	7	1.0%	34	1.7%	41	1.5%	17.1%	
New England	7	1.0%	36	1.7%	43	1.6%	16.3%	
Northern Rivers	10	1.5%	64	3.1%	74	2.7%	13.5%	
Southern	10	1.5%	35	1.7%	45	1.6%	22.2%	
Total Rural Health Services	65	9.6%	289	14.0%	354	12.9%	18.4%	
Interstate	4	0.6%	13	0.6%	17	0.6%	23.5%	
Total	680	100.0%	2060	100.0%	2740	100.0%	24.8%	
<i>Non response:</i>	38	5.3%	120	5.5%	158	5.5%		

Table 3.25: Work location of dentists working in NSW, by Area Health Service - main practice

Work location - main practic	No.		%		No.		%	
	Female		Male		Total		Per cent Female	
Health Service								
Central Coast	15	2.2%	63	3.0%	78	2.8%	19.2%	
Central Sydney	56	8.3%	168	7.9%	224	8.0%	25.0%	
Hunter	32	4.7%	125	5.9%	157	5.6%	20.4%	
Illawarra	16	2.4%	87	4.1%	103	3.7%	15.5%	
Northern Sydney	150	22.3%	378	17.8%	528	18.9%	28.4%	
South Eastern Sydney	163	24.2%	527	24.9%	690	24.7%	23.6%	
South Western Sydney	60	8.9%	191	9.0%	251	9.0%	23.9%	
Wentworth	28	4.2%	71	3.3%	99	3.5%	28.3%	
Western Sydney	86	12.8%	179	8.4%	265	9.5%	32.5%	
Total Metropolitan Areas	606	89.9%	1789	84.4%	2395	85.7%	25.3%	
Far West	2	0.3%	8	0.4%	10	0.4%	20.0%	
Greater Murray	14	2.1%	50	2.4%	64	2.3%	21.9%	
Macquarie	2	0.3%	15	0.7%	17	0.6%	11.8%	
Mid North Coast	13	1.9%	59	2.8%	72	2.6%	18.1%	
Mid Western	6	0.9%	36	1.7%	42	1.5%	14.3%	
New England	9	1.3%	43	2.0%	52	1.9%	17.3%	
Northern Rivers	10	1.5%	82	3.9%	92	3.3%	10.9%	
Southern	12	1.8%	38	1.8%	50	1.8%	24.0%	
Total Rural Health Services	68	10.1%	331	15.6%	399	14.3%	17.0%	
Interstate	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%	
Total	674	100.0%	2120	100.0%	2794	100.0%	24.1%	
<i>Non response:</i>	44	6.1%	60	2.8%	104	3.6%		

Table 3.26: Work location of dentists working in NSW, by Area Health Service-second practice

Work location -2nd practice	No.		%		No.		%	
	Female		Male		Total		Per cent Female	
Health Service								
Central Coast	3	1.7%	21	3.6%	24	3.1%	12.5%	
Central Sydney	23	12.8%	48	8.2%	71	9.3%	32.4%	
Hunter	10	5.6%	43	7.4%	53	6.9%	18.9%	
Illawarra	6	3.3%	32	5.5%	38	5.0%	15.8%	
Northern Sydney	28	15.6%	86	14.7%	114	14.9%	24.6%	
South Eastern Sydney	46	25.6%	119	20.4%	165	21.6%	27.9%	
South Western Sydney	12	6.7%	50	8.6%	62	8.1%	19.4%	
Wentworth	7	3.9%	21	3.6%	28	3.7%	25.0%	
Western Sydney	29	16.1%	74	12.7%	103	13.5%	28.2%	
Total Metropolitan Areas	164	91.1%	494	84.6%	658	86.1%	24.9%	
Far West	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%	
Greater Murray	0	0.0%	15	2.6%	15	2.0%	0.0%	
Macquarie	1	0.6%	5	0.9%	6	0.8%	16.7%	
Mid North Coast	2	1.1%	24	4.1%	26	3.4%	7.7%	
Mid Western	2	1.1%	12	2.1%	14	1.8%	14.3%	
New England	3	1.7%	6	1.0%	9	1.2%	33.3%	
Northern Rivers	1	0.6%	13	2.2%	14	1.8%	7.1%	
Southern	0	0.0%	6	1.0%	6	0.8%	0.0%	
Total Rural Health Services	9	5.0%	81	13.9%	90	11.8%	10.0%	
Interstate	7	3.9%	9	1.5%	16	2.1%	43.8%	
Total	180	100.0%	584	100.0%	764	100.0%	23.6%	
<i>Non response:</i>	538	74.9%	1596	73.2%	2134	73.6%		

Table 3.27: Work location of dentists working in NSW, by Area Health Service-third practice

Work location -3rd practice	No.		%		No.		%	
	Female		Male		Total		Per cent Female	
Health Service								
Central Coast	0	0.0%	2	1.3%	2	1.1%	0.0%	
Central Sydney	2	6.3%	11	7.3%	13	7.1%	15.4%	
Hunter	2	6.3%	14	9.3%	16	8.8%	12.5%	
Illawarra	1	3.1%	9	6.0%	10	5.5%	10.0%	
Northern Sydney	3	9.4%	23	15.3%	26	14.3%	11.5%	
South Eastern Sydney	11	34.4%	19	12.7%	30	16.5%	36.7%	
South Western Sydney	6	18.8%	10	6.7%	16	8.8%	37.5%	
Wentworth	2	6.3%	5	3.3%	7	3.8%	28.6%	
Western Sydney	5	15.6%	27	18.0%	32	17.6%	0.0%	
Total Metropolitan Areas	32	100.0%	120	80.0%	152	83.5%	21.1%	
Far West	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%	
Greater Murray	0	0.0%	3	2.0%	3	1.6%	0.0%	
Macquarie	0	0.0%	2	1.3%	2	1.1%	0.0%	
Mid North Coast	0	0.0%	3	2.0%	3	1.6%	0.0%	
Mid Western	0	0.0%	4	2.7%	4	2.2%	0.0%	
New England	0	0.0%	4	2.7%	4	2.2%	0.0%	
Northern Rivers	0	0.0%	4	2.7%	4	2.2%	0.0%	
Southern	0	0.0%	4	2.7%	4	2.2%	0.0%	
Total Rural Health Services	0	0.0%	24	16.0%	24	13.2%	0.0%	
Interstate	0	0.0%	6	4.0%	6	3.3%	0.0%	
Total	32	100.0%	150	100.0%	182	100.0%	17.6%	
<i>Non response:</i>	686	95.5%	2030	93.1%	2716	93.7%		