

# **Section 1**

## **Population and nursing home service capacity**

Population data in this section are derived from population estimates compiled by the Australian Bureau of Statistics based on preliminary results of the 1996 Census. Other data are derived from the Commonwealth Department of Health and Family Services database on approved nursing homes for the aged as at 30 June 1996.

**Table 1.1: Population, age by sex and State/Territory, 30 June 1996**

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
<b>Sex/age</b>	<b>Number</b>								
<b>Females</b>									
Under 65	2,679,484	1,983,694	1,459,566	775,558	627,739	206,032	142,580	83,304	7,959,319
65-69	126,464	91,906	59,636	30,056	32,213	9,494	3,895	1,104	354,783
70-74	117,233	85,358	53,966	26,155	31,028	8,971	3,556	753	327,023
75-79	87,562	62,647	41,099	19,224	23,434	6,914	2,428	485	243,797
80-84	62,685	46,323	28,852	14,811	17,007	5,048	1,618	272	176,622
85-89	33,418	25,239	15,324	8,118	9,202	2,586	779	146	94,813
90+	16,390	12,752	7,510	3,940	4,566	1,174	365	90	46,788
<i>Total females</i>	<i>3,123,236</i>	<i>2,307,919</i>	<i>1,665,953</i>	<i>877,862</i>	<i>745,189</i>	<i>240,219</i>	<i>155,221</i>	<i>86,154</i>	<i>9,203,145</i>
<b>Males</b>									
Under 65	2,742,150	2,007,634	1,506,867	806,805	639,975	208,119	143,110	92,752	8,148,987
65-69	119,026	86,371	58,042	29,291	30,498	9,126	3,673	1,427	337,467
70-74	98,097	70,234	47,721	23,035	25,834	7,500	2,928	788	276,141
75-79	64,080	45,201	31,705	14,390	17,078	5,001	1,714	430	179,609
80-84	37,072	27,433	18,158	8,881	10,176	2,987	907	220	105,839
85-89	15,138	11,891	7,822	3,978	4,193	1,253	353	100	44,728
90+	5,095	4,134	2,841	1,496	1,446	387	119	52	15,570
<i>Total males</i>	<i>3,080,658</i>	<i>2,252,898</i>	<i>1,673,156</i>	<i>887,876</i>	<i>729,200</i>	<i>234,373</i>	<i>152,804</i>	<i>95,769</i>	<i>9,108,341</i>
<b>Persons</b>									
Under 65	5,421,634	3,991,328	2,966,433	1,582,363	1,267,714	414,151	285,690	176,056	16,108,306
65-69	245,490	178,277	117,678	59,347	62,711	18,620	7,568	2,531	692,250
70-74	215,330	155,592	101,687	49,190	56,862	16,471	6,484	1,541	603,164
75-79	151,642	107,848	72,804	33,614	40,512	11,915	4,142	915	423,406
80-84	99,757	73,756	47,010	23,692	27,183	8,035	2,525	492	282,461
85-89	48,556	37,130	23,146	12,096	13,395	3,839	1,132	246	139,541
90+	21,485	16,886	10,351	5,436	6,012	1,561	484	142	62,358
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,203,894</b>	<b>4,560,817</b>	<b>3,339,109</b>	<b>1,765,738</b>	<b>1,474,389</b>	<b>474,592</b>	<b>308,025</b>	<b>181,923</b>	<b>18,311,486</b>
<b>Per cent</b>									
<b>Females</b>									
Under 65	85.8	86.0	87.6	88.3	84.2	85.8	91.9	96.7	86.5
65-69	4.0	4.0	3.6	3.4	4.3	4.0	2.5	1.3	3.9
70-74	3.8	3.7	3.2	3.0	4.2	3.7	2.3	0.9	3.6
75-79	2.8	2.7	2.5	2.2	3.1	2.9	1.6	0.6	2.6
80-84	2.0	2.0	1.7	1.7	2.3	2.1	1.0	0.3	1.9
85-89	1.1	1.1	0.9	0.9	1.2	1.1	0.5	0.2	1.0
90+	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.5
<i>Total females</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>
<b>Males</b>									
Under 65	89.0	89.1	90.1	90.9	87.8	88.8	93.7	96.8	89.5
65-69	3.9	3.8	3.5	3.3	4.2	3.9	2.4	1.5	3.7
70-74	3.2	3.1	2.9	2.6	3.5	3.2	1.9	0.8	3.0
75-79	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.6	2.3	2.1	1.1	0.4	2.0
80-84	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.4	1.3	0.6	0.2	1.2
85-89	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.5
90+	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2
<i>Total males</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>
<b>Persons</b>									
Under 65	87.4	87.5	88.8	89.6	86.0	87.3	92.7	96.8	88.0
65-69	4.0	3.9	3.5	3.4	4.3	3.9	2.5	1.4	3.8
70-74	3.5	3.4	3.0	2.8	3.9	3.5	2.1	0.8	3.3
75-79	2.4	2.4	2.2	1.9	2.7	2.5	1.3	0.5	2.3
80-84	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.3	1.8	1.7	0.8	0.3	1.5
85-89	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.4	0.1	0.8
90+	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Source: ABS 1997. Australian demographic statistics, 1996 Census Edition, Cat No. 3101.0. Canberra: ABS: 16-17.

**Table 1.2: Nursing home beds, type of home by State/Territory, 30 June 1996**

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
<b>Type of home</b>	<b>Number</b>								
Private for-profit	16,530	8,119	4,606	2,920	3,163	370	214	40	35,962
Private not-for-profit	10,697	4,408	5,675	2,010	3,635	1,362	219	146	28,152
Government and adjusted fees	2,325	4,898	1,996	832	323	406	86	24	10,890
<b>Total beds</b>	<b>29,552</b>	<b>17,425</b>	<b>12,277</b>	<b>5,762</b>	<b>7,121</b>	<b>2,138</b>	<b>519</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>75,004</b>
	<b>Per cent</b>								
Private for-profit	55.9	46.6	37.5	50.7	44.4	17.3	41.2	19.0	47.9
Private not-for-profit	36.2	25.3	46.2	34.9	51.0	63.7	42.2	69.5	37.5
Government and adjusted fees	7.9	28.1	16.3	14.4	4.5	19.0	16.6	11.4	14.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 1.3: Nursing home beds per 1,000 people aged 70 and over, type of home by State/Territory, 30 June 1996**

<b>Type of home</b>	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
Private for-profit	30.8	20.8	18.1	23.5	22.0	8.8	14.5	12.0	23.8
Private not-for-profit	19.9	11.3	22.3	16.2	25.2	32.6	14.8	43.8	18.6
Government and adjusted fees	4.3	12.5	7.8	6.7	2.2	9.7	5.8	7.2	7.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>55.1</b>	<b>44.5</b>	<b>48.1</b>	<b>46.5</b>	<b>49.5</b>	<b>51.1</b>	<b>35.1</b>	<b>62.9</b>	<b>49.6</b>

Note: This table is derived from Tables 1.1 and 1.2.

**Table 1.4: Nursing home beds, type of home by geographic areas,<sup>(a)</sup> 30 June 1996**

	Capital cities	Other metropolitan centres	Large rural centres	Small rural centres	Other rural areas	Remote zones	Australia
<b>Type of home</b>	<b>Number</b>						
Private for-profit	28,721	2,554	1,574	1,699	1,354	60	35,962
Private not-for-profit	17,954	2,200	1,711	3,036	2,793	458	28,152
Government and adjusted fees	4,591	1,018	1,360	2,428	1,299	194	10,890
<b>Total beds</b>	<b>51,266</b>	<b>5,772</b>	<b>4,645</b>	<b>7,163</b>	<b>5,446</b>	<b>712</b>	<b>75,004</b>
	<b>Per cent</b>						
Private for-profit	56.0	44.2	33.9	23.7	24.9	8.4	47.9
Private not-for-profit	35.0	38.1	36.8	42.4	51.3	64.3	37.5
Government and adjusted fees	9.0	17.6	29.3	33.9	23.9	27.2	14.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Based on Department of Primary Industries and Energy, and Department of Human Services and Health 1994. Rural, Remote, Metropolitan Areas Classification 1991 Census Edition. Canberra: AGPS.

**Table 1.5: Nursing homes, nursing home size by State/Territory, 30 June 1996**

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
<b>Number of beds</b>	<b>Number</b>								
1-20	9	69	6	2	2	9	0	3	100
21-40	135	249	83	42	92	24	0	2	627
41-60	158	87	48	40	49	14	2	2	400
61-80	94	18	32	10	9	5	1	0	169
81-100	52	6	17	5	4	1	1	0	86
101-120	22	3	11	4	3	0	1	0	44
120+	17	10	10	5	2	1	1	0	46
<b>Total homes</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1,472</b>
	<b>Per cent</b>								
1-20	1.8	15.6	2.9	1.9	1.2	16.7	0.0	42.9	6.8
21-40	27.7	56.3	40.1	38.9	57.1	44.4	0.0	28.6	42.6
41-60	32.4	19.7	23.2	37.0	30.4	25.9	33.3	28.6	27.2
61-80	19.3	4.1	15.5	9.3	5.6	9.3	16.7	0.0	11.5
81-100	10.7	1.4	8.2	4.6	2.5	1.9	16.7	0.0	5.8
101-120	4.5	0.7	5.3	3.7	1.9	0.0	16.7	0.0	3.0
120+	3.5	2.3	4.8	4.6	1.2	1.9	16.7	0.0	3.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 1.6: Nursing homes, nursing home size by geographic areas,<sup>(a)</sup> 30 June 1996**

	Capital cities	Other metropolitan centres	Large rural centres	Small rural centres	Other rural areas	Remote zones	Australia
<b>Number of beds</b>	<b>Number</b>						
1-20	24	1	1	62	4	8	100
21-40	414	36	37	101	29	10	627
41-60	278	23	30	35	28	6	400
61-80	109	19	18	9	14	0	169
81-100	65	8	3	3	7	0	86
101-120	32	2	1	3	6	0	44
120+	36	5	1	1	3	0	46
<b>Total homes</b>	<b>958</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1,472</b>
	<b>Per cent</b>						
1-20	2.5	1.1	1.1	29.0	4.4	33.3	6.8
21-40	43.2	38.3	40.7	47.2	31.9	41.7	42.6
41-60	29.0	24.5	33.0	16.4	30.8	25.0	27.2
61-80	11.4	20.2	19.8	4.2	15.4	0.0	11.5
81-100	6.8	8.5	3.3	1.4	7.7	0.0	5.8
101-120	3.3	2.1	1.1	1.4	6.6	0.0	3.0
120+	3.8	5.3	1.1	0.5	3.3	0.0	3.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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