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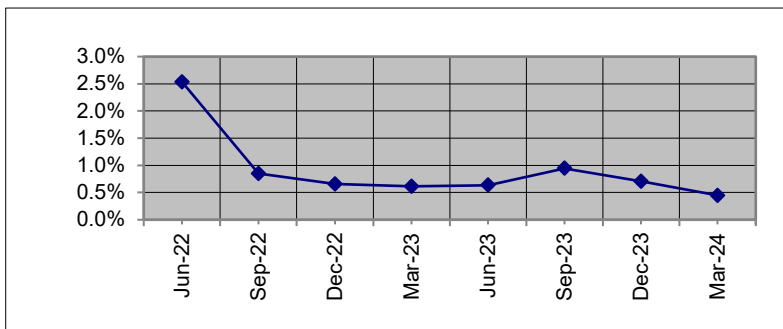
SUMMARY TREND TREATMENT POPULATION STATISTICS

TREATMENT POPULATION BY QUARTER

TABLE: TOTAL AND % CHANGE BY QUARTER

Quarter	Tpop	% Change
Mar-22	269,376	
Jun-22	276,205	2.54%
Sep-22	278,554	0.85%
Dec-22	280,387	0.66%
Mar-23	282,115	0.62%
Jun-23	283,907	0.64%
Sep-23	286,591	0.95%
Dec-23	288,620	0.71%
Mar-24	289,915	0.45%

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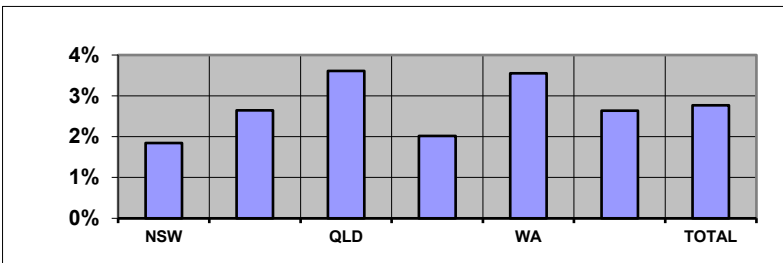


TREATMENT POPULATION BY STATE: MAR 23 and MAR 24

TABLE: TOTAL AND % CHANGE

	Mar-23	Mar-24	% Change
NSW	85,707	87,286	1.84%
VIC	42,500	43,623	2.64%
QLD	90,551	93,821	3.61%
SA	26,756	27,296	2.02%
WA	27,644	28,625	3.55%
TAS	7,131	7,319	2.64%
TOTAL	282,115	289,915	2.76%

CHART: PERCENT CHANGE



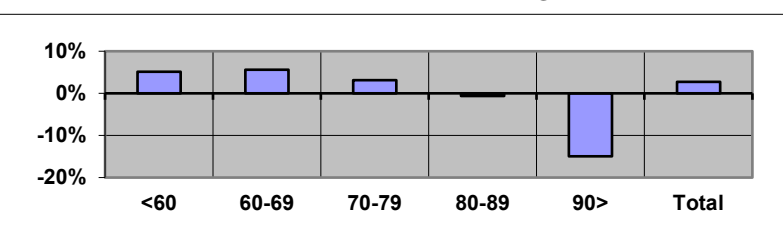
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TREATMENT POPULATION BY AGE GROUP: MAR 23 and MAR 24

TABLE: TOTAL AND % CHANGE

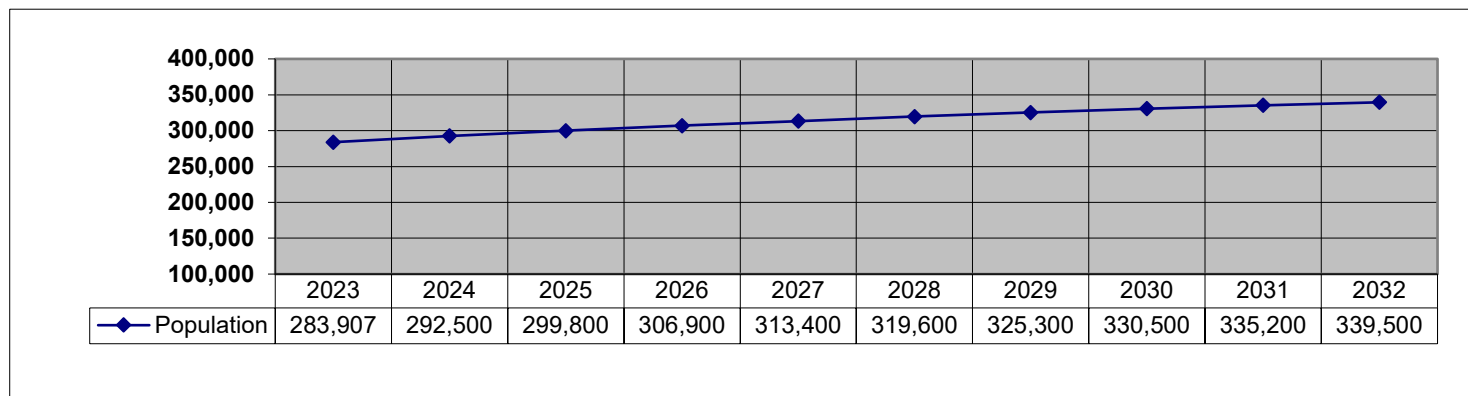
	Mar-23	Mar-24	% Change
<60	142,761	150,091	5.13%
60-69	35,914	37,923	5.59%
70-79	59,284	61,118	3.09%
80-89	22,525	22,387	-0.61%
90>	21,629	18,393	-14.96%
Total	282,115	289,915	2.76%

CHART: PERCENT CHANGE



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TREATMENT POPULATION PROJECTIONS AS AT 30 JUNE



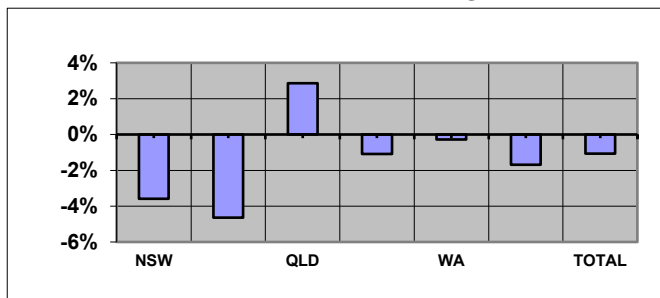
SUMMARY TREND (Continuation)
TREATMENT POPULATION STATISTICS

NUMBER OF GOLD CARDS BY STATE: MAR 23 and MAR 24

TABLE: TOTAL AND % CHANGE

	Mar-23	Mar-24	% Change
NSW	30,955	29,842	-3.60%
VIC	17,719	16,898	-4.63%
QLD	33,290	34,240	2.85%
SA	8,575	8,481	-1.10%
WA	10,384	10,355	-0.28%
TAS	3,146	3,093	-1.68%
TOTAL	104,800	103,688	-1.06%

CHART: PERCENT CHANGE

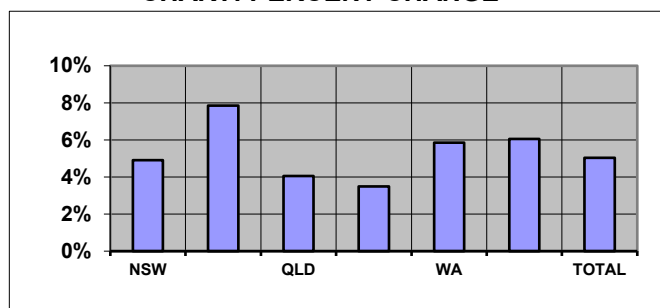


NUMBER OF WHITE CARDS BY STATE: MAR 23 and MAR 24

TABLE: TOTAL AND % CHANGE

	Mar-23	Mar-24	% Change
NSW	54,752	57,444	4.92%
VIC	24,781	26,725	7.84%
QLD	57,261	59,581	4.05%
SA	18,181	18,815	3.49%
WA	17,260	18,270	5.85%
TAS	3,985	4,226	6.05%
TOTAL	177,315	186,227	5.03%

CHART: PERCENT CHANGE

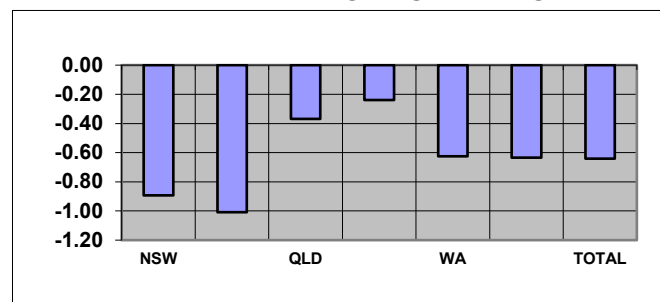


AVERAGE AGE BY STATE: MAR 23 and MAR 24

TABLE: AVERAGE AGE CHANGE

	Mar-23	Mar-24	Yrs Change
NSW	57.65	56.76	-0.89
VIC	61.65	60.64	-1.01
QLD	56.18	55.82	-0.37
SA	54.94	54.70	-0.24
WA	59.12	58.49	-0.63
TAS	62.36	61.73	-0.63
TOTAL	57.80	57.15	-0.64

CHART: AVERAGE AGE CHANGE

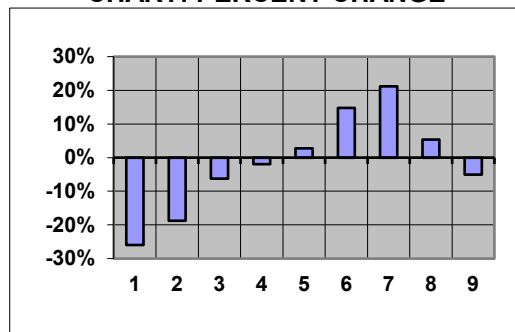


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TABLE: TREATMENT POPULATION BY CONFLICT (TOTAL)

Conflict	Mar-23	Mar-24	% Change
1. First World War	27	20	-25.93%
2. Second World War	25,875	21,033	-18.71%
3. Korea, Malaya & FESR	13,404	12,571	-6.21%
4. Vietnam	44,162	43,306	-1.94%
5. Gulf War	1,384	1,422	2.75%
6. East Timor, Afghanistan & Iraq	26,550	30,471	14.77%
7. Peacekeeping & Other Operations	14,145	17,132	21.12%
8. No Operational Service	170,195	179,359	5.38%
9. British Commonwealth & Allied	2,124	2,017	-5.04%

CHART: PERCENT CHANGE



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Definition

The "treatment population" consists of veterans and dependants who have been issued a Gold or White card entitling them to medical and other treatment at Department expense under the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*, the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004*, the *Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation (Defence-related Claims) Act 1988*, the *Australian Participants in British Nuclear Tests and British Commonwealth Occupation Force (Treatment) Act 2006* or the *Treatment Benefits (Special Access) Act 2019*.

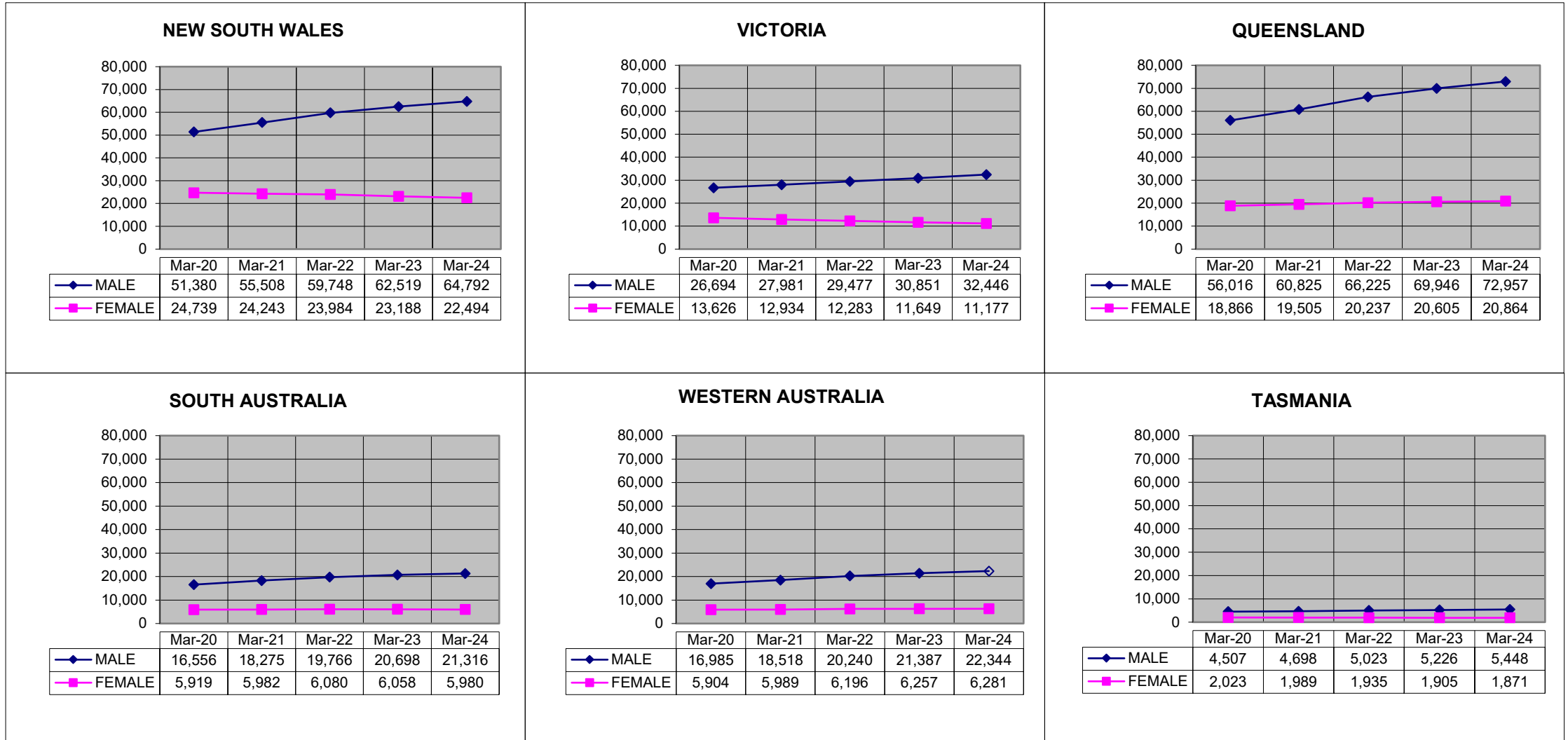
Revisions

From September 2013 table 5 reports card holders by the legislation under which treatment expenses are paid.

Considerable changes have been made to table 6 and so it is no longer comparable to historical reports. Prior to September 2013, table 6 grouped clients by conflict using DVA file number. This resulted in veterans from recent conflicts being counted in a single group (Defence/Peace Keeping). From September 2013, clients are now counted under each conflict or operation in which they are known to have served. This change has made it possible to report figures for conflicts such as East Timor, Afghanistan and Iraq. Merchant mariners from the second world war are now included in the count of all former servicemen and women from World War II. Veterans from the Far East Strategic Reserve (FESR) are now included with those who served in Korea or Malaya.

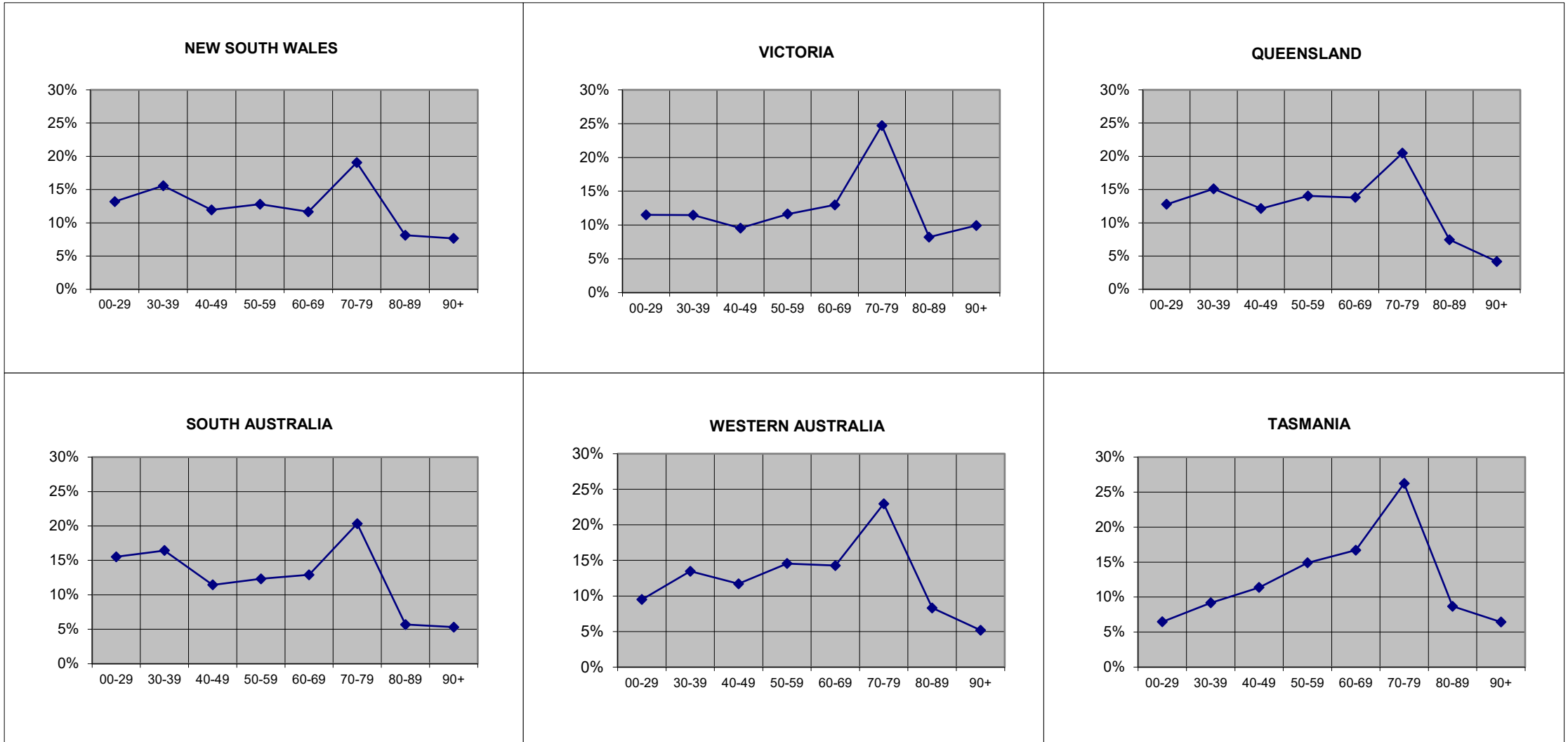
Veterans with service in more than one of the specified conflict groups are counted under each relevant conflict. For this reason, individual conflicts can not be summed. Net totals for multiple conflicts can be requested by emailing 'statistical.services@dva.gov.au'.

GRAPH 1: TREATMENT POPULATION BY STATE AND SEX FROM MARCH 2020 - MARCH 2024



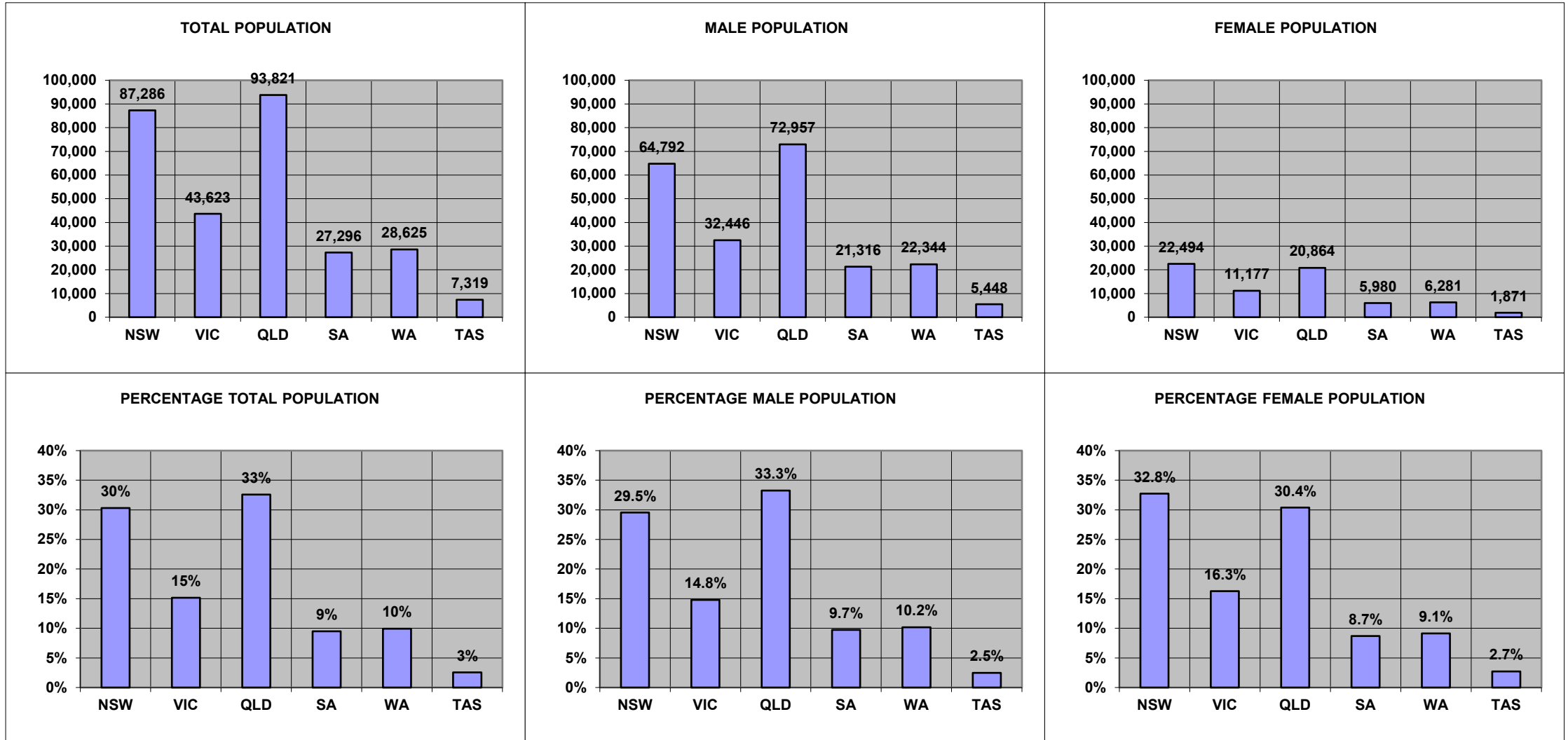
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GRAPH 2: TREATMENT POPULATION BY STATE AND AGE GROUP, AS AT 29 March 2024



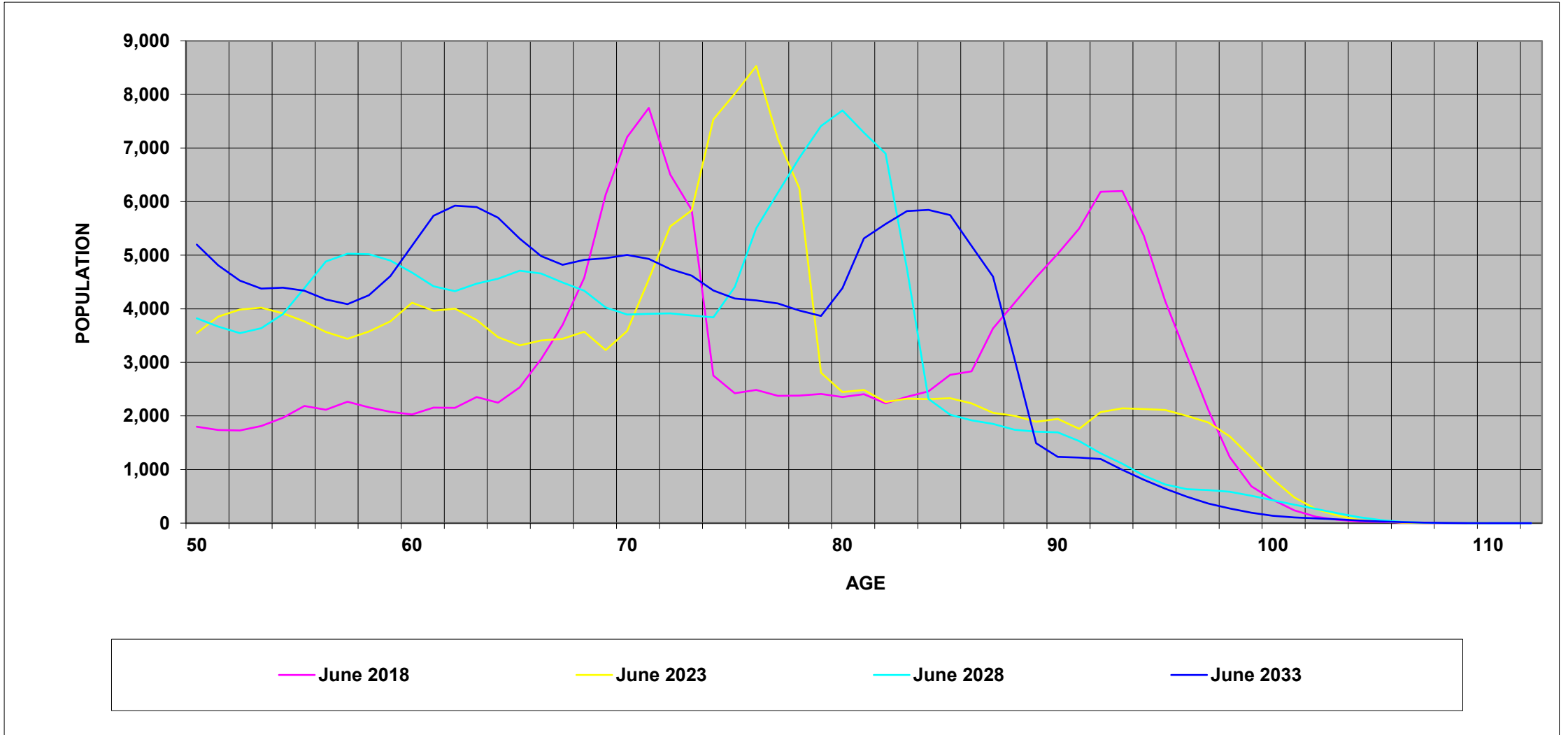
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GRAPH 3: TREATMENT POPULATION BY STATE AND SEX, AS AT 29 March 2024



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**GRAPH 4: TOTAL TREATMENT POPULATION BY AGE TREND FROM JUNE 2018 TO JUNE 2033
DATA AS AT JUNE 2023**



GRAPH 5: TREATMENT POPULATION BY STATE AND CARD HOLDER, AS AT 29 March 2024



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TABLE 1 : TREATMENT POPULATION BY STATE AND AGE GROUP, AS AT 29 March 2024

	UNDER 30	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90 & OVER	TOTAL
NEW SOUTH WALES	9,055 12.4%	11,155 15.2%	8,089 11.1%	8,684 11.9%	8,436 11.5%	15,071 20.6%	6,384 8.7%	6,327 8.6%	73,202 100.0%
VICTORIA	5,023 11.5%	5,005 11.5%	4,164 9.5%	5,072 11.6%	5,660 13.0%	10,785 24.7%	3,584 8.2%	4,330 9.9%	43,623 100.0%
QUEENSLAND	11,991 12.8%	14,179 15.1%	11,387 12.1%	13,164 14.0%	12,960 13.8%	19,220 20.5%	6,999 7.5%	3,921 4.2%	93,821 100.0%
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	2,485 11.7%	2,893 13.6%	2,207 10.4%	2,539 11.9%	3,054 14.4%	5,203 24.5%	1,460 6.9%	1,424 6.7%	21,265 100.0%
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	2,720 9.5%	3,860 13.5%	3,355 11.7%	4,168 14.6%	4,084 14.3%	6,574 23.0%	2,378 8.3%	1,486 5.2%	28,625 100.0%
TASMANIA	474 6.5%	672 9.2%	833 11.4%	1,090 14.9%	1,223 16.7%	1,920 26.2%	636 8.7%	471 6.4%	7,319 100.0%
NORTHERN TERRITORY	1,754 29.1%	1,593 26.4%	919 15.2%	826 13.7%	469 7.8%	348 5.8%	93 1.5%	29 0.5%	6,031 100.0%
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	2,446 17.4%	2,446 17.4%	2,325 16.5%	2,492 17.7%	1,728 12.3%	1,571 11.2%	725 5.1%	350 2.5%	14,084 100.0%
OVERSEAS	46 2.4%	250 12.9%	322 16.6%	408 21.0%	309 15.9%	426 21.9%	128 6.6%	55 2.8%	1,945 100.0%
TOTAL	35,994 12.4%	42,053 14.5%	33,601 11.6%	38,443 13.3%	37,923 13.1%	61,118 21.1%	22,387 7.7%	18,393 6.3%	289,915 100.0%

Unknown ages included in total but not reported separately.

TABLE 2: TREATMENT POPULATION BY STATE, CARD AND AGE GROUP, AS AT 29 March 2024

		UNDER 30	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90 & OVER	TOTAL
NEW SOUTH WALES	GOLD	250	1,035	1,050	1,375	2,293	10,489	4,950	5,961	27,404
	WHITE	8,805	10,120	7,039	7,309	6,143	4,582	1,434	366	45,798
	TOTAL	9,055	11,155	8,089	8,684	8,436	15,071	6,384	6,327	73,202
VICTORIA	GOLD	122	455	533	804	1,328	7,011	2,595	4,050	16,898
	WHITE	4,901	4,550	3,631	4,268	4,332	3,774	989	280	26,725
	TOTAL	5,023	5,005	4,164	5,072	5,660	10,785	3,584	4,330	43,623
QUEENSLAND	GOLD	636	2,273	2,312	2,984	4,189	12,844	5,368	3,634	34,240
	WHITE	11,355	11,906	9,075	10,180	8,771	6,376	1,631	287	59,581
	TOTAL	11,991	14,179	11,387	13,164	12,960	19,220	6,999	3,921	93,821
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	GOLD	86	262	265	378	742	3,663	1,129	1,319	7,844
	WHITE	2,399	2,631	1,942	2,161	2,312	1,540	331	105	13,421
	TOTAL	2,485	2,893	2,207	2,539	3,054	5,203	1,460	1,424	21,265
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	GOLD	120	381	466	695	1,090	4,429	1,833	1,341	10,355
	WHITE	2,600	3,479	2,889	3,473	2,994	2,145	545	145	18,270
	TOTAL	2,720	3,860	3,355	4,168	4,084	6,574	2,378	1,486	28,625
TASMANIA	GOLD	19	74	130	219	356	1,340	505	450	3,093
	WHITE	455	598	703	871	867	580	131	21	4,226
	TOTAL	474	672	833	1,090	1,223	1,920	636	471	7,319
NORTHERN TERRITORY	GOLD	17	62	67	89	84	223	69	26	637
	WHITE	1,737	1,531	852	737	385	125	24	3	5,394
	TOTAL	1,754	1,593	919	826	469	348	93	29	6,031
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	GOLD	42	105	115	192	198	884	574	327	2,438
	WHITE	2,404	2,341	2,210	2,300	1,530	687	151	23	11,646
	TOTAL	2,446	2,446	2,325	2,492	1,728	1,571	725	350	14,084
OVERSEAS	GOLD	13	39	78	90	106	306	100	47	779
	WHITE	33	211	244	318	203	120	28	8	1,166
	TOTAL	46	250	322	408	309	426	128	55	1,945
TOTAL	GOLD	1,305	4,686	5,016	6,826	10,386	41,189	17,123	17,155	103,688
	WHITE	34,689	37,367	28,585	31,617	27,537	19,929	5,264	1,238	186,227
	TOTAL	35,994	42,053	33,601	38,443	37,923	61,118	22,387	18,393	289,915

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TABLE 3: AVERAGE AGE OF THE TREATMENT POPULATION BY CARD AND STATE, AS AT 29 March 2024

CARD	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	OS	TOTAL
GOLD	76.24	77.39	69.88	75.05	73.56	74.32	63.92	73.37	67.55	73.70
WHITE	47.20	50.05	47.73	48.77	49.95	52.52	38.79	45.03	52.97	47.94
TOTAL	58.07	60.64	55.82	58.46	58.49	61.73	41.45	49.94	58.81	57.15

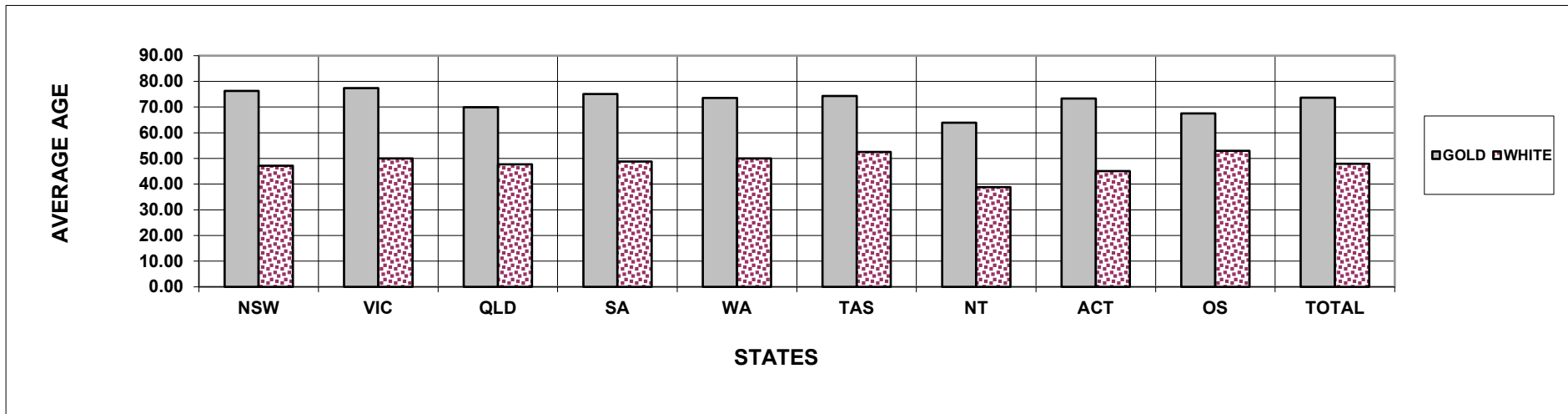


TABLE 4: TREATMENT POPULATION BY STATE, SEX AND AGE GROUP, AS AT 29 March 2024
GOLD AND WHITE CARDS

		UNDER 30	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90 & OVER	TOTAL
NEW SOUTH WALES	MALE	6,738	9,170	6,740	7,264	7,015	12,561	3,435	1,245	54,168
	FEMALE	2,317	1,985	1,349	1,420	1,421	2,510	2,949	5,082	19,034
	TOTAL	9,055	11,155	8,089	8,684	8,436	15,071	6,384	6,327	73,202
VICTORIA	MALE	3,916	4,200	3,455	4,161	4,661	9,172	2,046	835	32,446
	FEMALE	1,107	805	709	911	999	1,613	1,538	3,495	11,177
	TOTAL	5,023	5,005	4,164	5,072	5,660	10,785	3,584	4,330	43,623
QUEENSLAND	MALE	9,074	11,675	9,374	10,726	10,758	15,939	4,422	989	72,957
	FEMALE	2,917	2,504	2,013	2,438	2,202	3,281	2,577	2,932	20,864
	TOTAL	11,991	14,179	11,387	13,164	12,960	19,220	6,999	3,921	93,821
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	MALE	1,954	2,412	1,850	2,103	2,547	4,367	900	300	16,433
	FEMALE	531	481	357	436	507	836	560	1,124	4,832
	TOTAL	2,485	2,893	2,207	2,539	3,054	5,203	1,460	1,424	21,265
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	MALE	2,008	3,139	2,747	3,443	3,417	5,629	1,530	431	22,344
	FEMALE	712	721	608	725	667	945	848	1,055	6,281
	TOTAL	2,720	3,860	3,355	4,168	4,084	6,574	2,378	1,486	28,625
TASMANIA	MALE	392	551	649	836	978	1,611	348	83	5,448
	FEMALE	82	121	184	254	245	309	288	388	1,871
	TOTAL	474	672	833	1,090	1,223	1,920	636	471	7,319
NORTHERN TERRITORY	MALE	1,338	1,291	774	721	392	290	65	12	4,883
	FEMALE	416	302	145	105	77	58	28	17	1,148
	TOTAL	1,754	1,593	919	826	469	348	93	29	6,031
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	MALE	1,767	1,878	1,723	1,922	1,390	1,316	508	120	10,624
	FEMALE	679	568	602	570	338	255	217	230	3,460
	TOTAL	2,446	2,446	2,325	2,492	1,728	1,571	725	350	14,084
OVERSEAS	MALE	29	204	269	331	254	366	71	20	1,545
	FEMALE	17	46	53	77	55	60	57	35	400
	TOTAL	46	250	322	408	309	426	128	55	1,945
TOTAL	MALE	27,216	34,520	27,581	31,507	31,412	51,251	13,325	4,035	220,848
	FEMALE	8,778	7,533	6,020	6,936	6,511	9,867	9,062	14,358	69,067
	TOTAL	35,994	42,053	33,601	38,443	37,923	61,118	22,387	18,393	289,915

Unknown ages included in total but not reported separately.

TABLE 4: TREATMENT POPULATION BY STATE, SEX AND AGE GROUP, AS AT 29 March 2024**GOLD CARD**

		UNDER 30	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90 & OVER	TOTAL
NEW SOUTH WALES	MALE	156	887	906	1,110	1,602	8,286	2,075	920	15,942
	FEMALE	94	148	144	265	691	2,203	2,875	5,041	11,462
	TOTAL	250	1,035	1,050	1,375	2,293	10,489	4,950	5,961	27,404
VICTORIA	MALE	82	382	457	655	905	5,619	1,084	587	9,771
	FEMALE	40	73	76	149	423	1,392	1,511	3,463	7,127
	TOTAL	122	455	533	804	1,328	7,011	2,595	4,050	16,898
QUEENSLAND	MALE	448	1,960	1,969	2,432	3,258	10,224	2,908	732	23,931
	FEMALE	188	313	343	552	931	2,620	2,460	2,902	10,309
	TOTAL	636	2,273	2,312	2,984	4,189	12,844	5,368	3,634	34,240
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	MALE	59	230	228	301	514	2,952	578	200	5,062
	FEMALE	27	32	37	77	228	711	551	1,119	2,782
	TOTAL	86	262	265	378	742	3,663	1,129	1,319	7,844
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	MALE	77	313	375	574	801	3,667	1,036	305	7,148
	FEMALE	43	68	91	121	289	762	797	1,036	3,207
	TOTAL	120	381	466	695	1,090	4,429	1,833	1,341	10,355
TASMANIA	MALE	12	60	99	168	252	1,082	225	64	1,962
	FEMALE	7	14	31	51	104	258	280	386	1,131
	TOTAL	19	74	130	219	356	1,340	505	450	3,093
NORTHERN TERRITORY	MALE	12	57	62	73	56	179	43	9	491
	FEMALE	5	5	5	16	28	44	26	17	146
	TOTAL	17	62	67	89	84	223	69	26	637
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	MALE	28	81	82	144	131	715	367	99	1,647
	FEMALE	14	24	33	48	67	169	207	228	791
	TOTAL	42	105	115	192	198	884	574	327	2,438
OVERSEAS	MALE	5	30	55	48	63	250	43	12	506
	FEMALE	8	9	23	42	43	56	57	35	273
	TOTAL	13	39	78	90	106	306	100	47	779
TOTAL	MALE	879	4,000	4,233	5,505	7,582	32,974	8,359	2,928	66,460
	FEMALE	426	686	783	1,321	2,804	8,215	8,764	14,227	37,228
	TOTAL	1,305	4,686	5,016	6,826	10,386	41,189	17,123	17,155	103,688

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TABLE 4: TREATMENT POPULATION BY STATE, SEX AND AGE GROUP, AS AT 29 March 2024
WHITE CARD

		UNDER 30	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90 & OVER	TOTAL
NEW SOUTH WALES	MALE	6,582	8,283	5,834	6,154	5,413	4,275	1,360	325	38,226
	FEMALE	2,223	1,837	1,205	1,155	730	307	74	41	7,572
	TOTAL	8,805	10,120	7,039	7,309	6,143	4,582	1,434	366	45,798
VICTORIA	MALE	3,834	3,818	2,998	3,506	3,756	3,553	962	248	22,675
	FEMALE	1,067	732	633	762	576	221	27	32	4,050
	TOTAL	4,901	4,550	3,631	4,268	4,332	3,774	989	280	26,725
QUEENSLAND	MALE	8,626	9,715	7,405	8,294	7,500	5,715	1,514	257	49,026
	FEMALE	2,729	2,191	1,670	1,886	1,271	661	117	30	10,555
	TOTAL	11,355	11,906	9,075	10,180	8,771	6,376	1,631	287	59,581
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	MALE	1,895	2,182	1,622	1,802	2,033	1,415	322	100	11,371
	FEMALE	504	449	320	359	279	125	9	5	2,050
	TOTAL	2,399	2,631	1,942	2,161	2,312	1,540	331	105	13,421
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	MALE	1,931	2,826	2,372	2,869	2,616	1,962	494	126	15,196
	FEMALE	669	653	517	604	378	183	51	19	3,074
	TOTAL	2,600	3,479	2,889	3,473	2,994	2,145	545	145	18,270
TASMANIA	MALE	380	491	550	668	726	529	123	19	3,486
	FEMALE	75	107	153	203	141	51	8	2	740
	TOTAL	455	598	703	871	867	580	131	21	4,226
NORTHERN TERRITORY	MALE	1,326	1,234	712	648	336	111	22	3	4,392
	FEMALE	411	297	140	89	49	14	2	0	1,002
	TOTAL	1,737	1,531	852	737	385	125	24	3	5,394
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	MALE	1,739	1,797	1,641	1,778	1,259	601	141	21	8,977
	FEMALE	665	544	569	522	271	86	10	2	2,669
	TOTAL	2,404	2,341	2,210	2,300	1,530	687	151	23	11,646
OVERSEAS	MALE	24	174	214	283	191	116	28	8	1,039
	FEMALE	9	37	30	35	12	4	0	0	127
	TOTAL	33	211	244	318	203	120	28	8	1,166
TOTAL	MALE	26,337	30,520	23,348	26,002	23,830	18,277	4,966	1,107	154,388
	FEMALE	8,352	6,847	5,237	5,615	3,707	1,652	298	131	31,839
	TOTAL	34,689	37,367	28,585	31,617	27,537	19,929	5,264	1,238	186,227

Unknown ages included in total but not reported separately.

TABLE 5: TREATMENT POPULATION BY ACT, CARD TYPE, SEX AND AGE GROUP, AS AT 29 March 2024

			UNDER 30	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90 & OVER	TOTAL
VEA	GOLD	MALE	91	5	595	3,121	6,466	32,780	8,165	2,773	53,996
		FEMALE	92	20	170	923	2,660	8,181	8,719	14,225	34,992
		TOTAL	183	25	765	4,044	9,126	40,961	16,884	16,998	88,988
WHITE	MALE		22,969	21,004	17,103	21,601	20,996	17,020	4,519	1,049	126,262
		FEMALE	7,210	4,958	3,835	4,754	3,321	1,581	285	131	26,075
		TOTAL	30,179	25,962	20,938	26,355	24,317	18,601	4,804	1,180	152,337
TOTAL	MALE		23,060	21,009	17,698	24,722	27,462	49,800	12,684	3,822	180,258
		FEMALE	7,302	4,978	4,005	5,677	5,981	9,762	9,004	14,356	61,067
		TOTAL	30,362	25,987	21,703	30,399	33,443	59,562	21,688	18,178	241,325
MRCA	GOLD	MALE	788	3,995	3,638	2,384	1,100	170	3	0	12,078
		FEMALE	334	666	613	398	144	22	0	0	2,177
		TOTAL	1,122	4,661	4,251	2,782	1,244	192	3	0	14,255
WHITE	MALE		3,368	9,497	5,731	3,780	2,446	349	4	0	25,175
		FEMALE	1,142	1,879	1,227	690	303	23	0	0	5,264
		TOTAL	4,510	11,376	6,958	4,470	2,749	372	4	0	30,439
TOTAL	MALE		4,156	13,492	9,369	6,164	3,546	519	7	0	37,253
		FEMALE	1,476	2,545	1,840	1,088	447	45	0	0	7,441
		TOTAL	5,632	16,037	11,209	7,252	3,993	564	7	0	44,694
DRCA	WHITE	MALE	0	19	514	621	388	908	443	58	2,951
		FEMALE	0	10	175	171	83	48	13	0	500
		TOTAL	0	29	689	792	471	956	456	58	3,451
BNT/BCOF	GOLD	MALE	0	0	0	0	16	19	160	151	346
		FEMALE	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
		TOTAL	0	0	0	0	16	20	160	151	347
SEATO	GOLD	MALE	0	0	0	0	0	5	31	4	40
		FEMALE	0	0	0	0	0	11	45	2	58
		TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	16	76	6	98

Note:

This table shows the Act liable to pay for all eligible treatment. Where a client has treatment eligibility under multiple Acts, all treatment costs are paid under a single Act.

VEA - Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986

MRCA - Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004

DRCA - Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation (Defence-related Claims) Act 1988

BNT/BCOF - Australian Participants in British Nuclear Tests and British Commonwealth Occupation Force (Treatment) Act 2006

SEATO - Treatment Benefits (Special Access) Act 2019

TABLE 6: TREATMENT POPULATION BY CONFLICT, CARD AND SEX, AS AT 29 March 2024

	Sex	Card	CONFLICTS - AUSTRALIAN FORCES											Total
			First World War	Second World War	Korea, Malaya & FESR	Vietnam	Gulf War	East Timor	Afghanistan	Iraq	Other Operations	Peace-keeping Forces	No Operational Service	
Veterans	Male	Gold	0	1,399	6,813	33,134	682	5,187	5,823	3,064	4,283	1,633	15,770	66,077
		White	0	214	189	186	604	5,914	10,859	5,815	8,490	1,440	131,049	152,457
		Total	0	1,613	7,002	33,320	1,286	11,101	16,682	8,879	12,773	3,073	146,819	218,534
	Female	Gold	0	86	11	119	43	350	535	287	407	77	1,874	3,207
		White	0	80	44	335	32	562	1,220	615	1,152	184	28,742	31,753
		Total	0	166	55	454	75	912	1,755	902	1,559	261	30,616	34,960
Total	Gold	0	1,485	6,824	33,253	725	5,537	6,358	3,351	4,690	1,710	17,644	69,284	
	White	0	294	233	521	636	6,476	12,079	6,430	9,642	1,624	159,791	184,210	
	Total	0	1,779	7,057	33,774	1,361	12,013	18,437	9,781	14,332	3,334	177,435	253,494	
Dependants	Male	Gold	5	96	13	42	10	49	65	26	37	6	94	383
		White	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Total	5	96	13	42	10	49	65	26	37	6	94	383
	Female	Gold	15	19,158	5,501	9,490	51	169	177	73	155	165	1,830	34,021
		White	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Total	15	19,158	5,501	9,490	51	169	177	73	155	165	1,830	34,021
Total	Gold	20	19,254	5,514	9,532	61	218	242	99	192	171	1,924	34,404	
	White	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	Total	20	19,254	5,514	9,532	61	218	242	99	192	171	1,924	34,404	
Total			20	21,033	12,571	43,306	1,422	12,231	18,679	9,880	14,524	3,505	179,359	287,898
			British Commonwealth and Allied veterans with a White card											2,017
Grand Total														289,915

Notes:

- (1) For veterans, the conflict categories have been derived from a combination of the conflict(s) to which any accepted disabilities have been attributed, the conflict from which the veteran has Qualifying Service (QS) or the conflict(s) listed in the veterans' service details (where known by DVA). Where none of these are known, DVA File Number is used.
- (2) For dependants the conflict categories have been derived from a combination of the conflict(s) to which any accepted disabilities for the deceased veteran have been attributed or the conflict(s) listed in the deceased veterans' service details (where known by DVA). Where neither of these are known, DVA File Number is used.
- (3) Veterans and dependants of veterans who have served in multiple conflicts are counted once under each relevant conflict group. For this reason the reported numbers for each conflict must not be summed.

**TABLE 7: PRISONERS OF WAR, BY POW COUNTRY AND STATE
WITH A GOLD CARD, AS AT 29 March 2024**

	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	OS	AUS
EUROPE										7
JAPAN	Due to the low number of prisoners of war the breakdown by state is no longer published.									3
KOREA										2
TOTAL										12

**TABLE 8: DVA TREATMENT POPULATION COMPARED WITH AUSTRALIAN POPULATION
BY AGE GROUP OVER 64 AND SEX, AS AT 29 March 2024**

Age Groups	Males			Females			Persons		
	Total Population ¹	Treatment Population	% of Total Population	Total Population ¹	Treatment Population	% of Total Population	Total Population ¹	Treatment Population	% of Total Population
65-69	637,784	14,350	2.2%	689,990	3,321	0.5%	1,327,774	17,671	1.3%
70-74	553,535	19,941	3.6%	602,398	4,582	0.8%	1,155,933	24,523	2.1%
75-79	446,238	31,310	7.0%	485,242	5,285	1.1%	931,480	36,595	3.9%
80-84	269,013	7,713	2.9%	314,269	4,245	1.4%	583,282	11,958	2.1%
85 & over	223,748	9,647	4.3%	337,157	19,175	5.7%	560,905	28,822	5.1%
65 & over	2,130,318	82,961	3.9%	2,429,056	36,608	1.5%	4,559,374	119,569	2.6%
70 & over	1,492,534	68,611	4.6%	1,739,066	33,287	1.9%	3,231,600	101,898	3.2%
75 & over	938,999	48,670	5.2%	1,136,668	28,705	2.5%	2,075,667	77,375	3.7%
80 & over	492,761	17,360	3.5%	651,426	23,420	3.6%	1,144,187	40,780	3.6%
85 & over	223,748	9,647	4.3%	337,157	19,175	5.7%	560,905	28,822	5.1%

Source:

ABS - Quarterly Population Estimates (ERP), National, State and Territory Population - June 2023

TABLE 9: TREATMENT POPULATION TRENDS - ACTUAL AND PROJECTIONS AS AT 30 JUNE 2023

	ACTUALS					2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023										
CARD															
Gold	122,536	117,072	112,146	107,665	104,148	102,700	100,800	99,600	99,000	98,800	99,000	99,400	99,900	100,400	101,100
White	84,624	133,539	151,019	168,540	179,759	189,800	199,100	207,200	214,400	220,700	226,200	231,100	235,400	239,000	242,100
GENDER															
Male	139,720	178,878	191,963	205,180	214,206	223,400	231,300	238,400	244,800	250,400	255,400	259,900	263,700	267,000	269,800
Female	67,440	71,733	71,202	71,025	69,701	69,100	68,600	68,400	68,600	69,100	69,800	70,600	71,500	72,500	73,500
AVERAGE AGE															
Male	62.3	58.1	57.0	56.0	55.6	55.5	55.4	55.4	55.4	55.5	55.5	55.6	55.6	55.6	55.5
Female	78.6	73.2	70.5	67.7	65.6	63.9	62.3	60.9	59.8	59.0	58.4	57.9	57.6	57.4	57.2
STATE															
NSW	63,754	77,912	81,343	84,562	86,076	87,900	89,500	91,000	92,300	93,700	94,900	96,000	97,000	97,900	98,700
Vic	35,903	40,774	41,253	42,029	42,753	43,900	44,700	45,500	46,200	46,900	47,500	48,000	48,500	48,900	49,200
Qld	62,988	76,964	82,270	87,809	91,301	94,800	97,900	100,800	103,600	106,100	108,500	110,700	112,700	114,500	116,100
SA	17,938	23,258	24,829	26,156	26,923	27,600	28,300	29,000	29,600	30,200	30,800	31,300	31,700	32,200	32,500
WA	19,278	23,546	25,059	26,807	27,834	29,000	29,900	30,800	31,700	32,500	33,200	33,900	34,500	35,000	35,500
Tas	7,299	8,157	8,411	8,842	9,020	9,300	9,500	9,800	10,000	10,200	10,400	10,600	10,800	11,000	11,100
Total	207,160	250,611	263,165	276,205	283,907	292,500	299,800	306,900	313,400	319,600	325,300	330,500	335,200	339,500	343,100

Notes:

- (1) State figures are by state of residence with ACT and NT included in NSW and SA respectively. Overseas residents included in Tasmania.
- (2) Projected client numbers may not add exactly to totals due to rounding.
- (3) Figures to June 2023 are actual.

TABLE 9: TREATMENT POPULATION TRENDS - ACTUAL AND PROJECTIONS AS AT 30 JUNE 2023 (Continuation)

	ACTUALS					PROJECTIONS									
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033
<u>GOLD AND WHITE CARDS</u>															
<u>AGE GROUP</u>															
<55	55,492	92,105	105,436	118,838	126,602	133,100	138,700	143,500	147,600	151,700	155,700	159,600	163,300	166,600	169,400
55-59	12,508	15,980	16,674	17,532	18,110	19,300	20,700	22,200	23,600	24,200	24,100	23,400	22,500	21,700	21,500
60-64	12,135	14,778	16,294	17,789	19,349	20,500	21,100	21,500	21,800	22,500	23,600	24,900	26,500	27,900	28,400
65-69	17,254	17,924	16,908	16,668	16,968	17,800	18,700	19,800	21,000	22,200	23,200	23,700	24,000	24,400	25,000
70-74	34,402	35,591	34,012	30,552	27,050	24,300	22,200	20,600	19,500	19,400	20,000	20,800	21,700	22,600	23,600
75-79	12,459	16,624	21,254	27,049	32,774	37,300	38,100	36,200	33,800	30,300	26,900	24,200	22,100	20,600	20,300
80-84	11,584	12,149	12,179	12,109	11,833	12,100	15,000	19,900	24,500	28,900	32,500	33,200	31,800	29,900	27,000
85-89	14,702	12,765	11,445	10,986	10,520	10,300	10,000	9,800	9,500	9,200	9,200	11,100	14,300	17,200	20,100
90+	36,624	32,695	28,963	24,682	20,701	17,800	15,400	13,500	12,100	11,000	10,200	9,500	9,100	8,600	8,000
Total	207,160	250,611	263,165	276,205	283,907	292,500	299,900	306,800	313,400	319,500	325,200	330,500	335,200	339,500	343,200
<u>GOLD CARD</u>															
<u>AGE GROUP</u>															
<55	6,533	7,673	8,840	10,163	12,004	14,300	16,100	18,000	19,900	21,800	23,800	25,700	27,600	29,300	31,000
55-59	2,911	3,061	3,108	3,174	3,307	3,700	4,000	4,400	4,800	5,000	5,200	5,200	5,200	5,200	5,500
60-64	4,056	4,081	4,215	4,264	4,513	4,700	4,800	4,900	4,900	5,000	5,300	5,700	6,200	6,600	6,900
65-69	9,620	7,722	6,545	5,931	5,591	5,600	5,600	5,700	5,900	6,100	6,300	6,400	6,500	6,600	6,700
70-74	30,126	28,484	25,273	20,585	16,037	12,500	10,100	8,600	7,700	7,200	7,000	7,000	7,100	7,400	7,700
75-79	10,702	13,896	17,517	21,953	25,877	28,200	27,300	24,000	20,300	16,400	13,200	10,900	9,400	8,400	7,800
80-84	10,047	9,722	9,578	9,530	9,393	9,600	11,900	15,500	18,800	21,800	23,800	23,200	20,700	18,000	15,000
85-89	13,868	11,404	9,585	8,673	7,869	7,500	7,200	7,000	6,900	6,900	7,000	8,600	11,100	13,300	15,100
90+	34,673	31,029	27,485	23,392	19,557	16,500	13,800	11,500	9,800	8,400	7,400	6,600	6,100	5,700	5,400
Total	122,536	117,072	112,146	107,665	104,148	102,700	100,800	99,600	99,000	98,800	99,000	99,400	99,900	100,400	101,100
<u>WHITE CARD</u>															
<u>AGE GROUP</u>															
<55	48,959	84,432	96,596	108,675	114,598	118,800	122,600	125,500	127,700	129,800	131,900	133,900	135,700	137,200	138,400
55-59	9,597	12,919	13,566	14,358	14,803	15,600	16,700	17,800	18,800	19,200	18,900	18,200	17,300	16,500	16,000
60-64	8,079	10,697	12,079	13,525	14,836	15,800	16,300	16,600	16,900	17,400	18,200	19,200	20,300	21,300	21,500
65-69	7,634	10,202	10,363	10,737	11,377	12,200	13,100	14,100	15,100	16,100	16,800	17,300	17,500	17,800	18,200
70-74	4,276	7,107	8,739	9,967	11,013	11,800	12,100	12,000	11,800	12,200	13,000	13,800	14,500	15,300	15,900
75-79	1,757	2,728	3,737	5,096	6,897	9,000	10,800	12,200	13,500	13,900	13,700	13,300	12,700	12,300	12,500
80-84	1,537	2,427	2,601	2,579	2,440	2,400	3,100	4,300	5,700	7,100	8,700	10,000	11,000	11,900	11,900
85-89	834	1,361	1,860	2,313	2,651	2,800	2,800	2,700	2,600	2,300	2,200	2,500	3,200	4,000	4,900
90+	1,951	1,666	1,478	1,290	1,144	1,300	1,700	2,000	2,300	2,600	2,800	2,900	3,000	2,900	2,500
Total	84,624	133,539	151,019	168,540	179,759	189,800	199,100	207,200	214,400	220,700	226,200	231,100	235,400	239,000	242,100