

# Australian Adult Guardianship Orders 2020/21

## Report on adult guardianship and administration/financial management applications and new orders

1 July 2020 – 30 June 2021

The table below contains statistics on the number of adult guardianship and administration/financial management applications made to, and new orders made by, state and territory administrative tribunals during the period 1 July 2020 and 30 June 2021. Where the appropriate data is available, orders are categorised as public orders where the Public Advocate or Public Guardian is appointed as guardian, and where the Public Trustee (or State Trustees in Victoria) is appointed as administrator or financial manager. Other appointments are categorised as private orders.

### Guardianship and Administration/Financial Management Applications and Orders between 1 July 2020 and 30 June 2021

	Applications			Orders						
	Guardianship	Administration/ Financial Management	Total	Guardianship			Administration/ Financial Management			Total Orders
				Public	Private	Total	Public	Private	Total	
<b>ACT</b>	203	170	<b>373</b>	50	153	<b>203</b>	54	145	<b>199</b>	<b>402</b>
<b>NSW</b>	4569	3525	<b>8094</b>	1483	1425	<b>2908</b>	1325	1240	<b>2565</b>	<b>5473</b>
<b>NT<sup>†</sup></b>	-	-	<b>259</b>	92	121	<b>213</b>	101	92	<b>193</b>	<b>406</b>
<b>QLD</b>	2622	2708	<b>5330</b>	707	871	<b>1578</b>	800	1370	<b>2170</b>	<b>3748</b>
<b>SA<sup>†</sup></b>	-	-	<b>2093</b>	592	1013	<b>1605</b>	461	563	<b>1024</b>	<b>2629</b>
<b>TAS</b>	373	341	<b>714</b>	140	78	<b>218</b>	155	114	<b>269</b>	<b>487</b>
<b>VIC<sup>#</sup></b>	2776	2784	<b>5560</b>	558	778	<b>1336</b>	605	1432	<b>2037</b>	<b>3373</b>
<b>WA<sup>†</sup></b>	-	-	<b>2405</b>	741	968	<b>1709</b>	680	892	<b>1572</b>	<b>3281</b>
<b>Total</b>	10543	9528	<b>24828</b>	4363	5407	<b>9770</b>	4181	5848	<b>10029</b>	<b>19799</b>

Notes:

<sup>†</sup> SA, WA and NT case management systems do not enable separate totals of different application types to be provided.

<sup>#</sup> As with previous years the Victorian data draws on information provided by the Office of the Public Advocate and State Trustees Limited.

The data in this report details applications made to, and orders made by, the following bodies: ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal, NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal, Northern Territory Civil and Administrative Tribunal, Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal, South Australian Civil and Administrative Tribunal, Guardianship and Administration Board (Tas), Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal, State Administrative Tribunal (WA).

The aim of this report is to capture the number of people subject to guardianship and administration/financial management orders during 2020/2021. We have sought to exclude from these figures temporary, emergency or interim orders in situations where these short-term orders translate into longer-term orders (so as to count the people subject to orders, rather than the simple number of orders). However, case management systems in some jurisdictions do not easily enable identification of situations when a temporary, emergency or interim order translates into a longer-term order, therefore a small amount of double counting exists.

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