

## **Australian Adult Guardianship Orders 2018/19**

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

## 1 July 2018 – 30 June 2019

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 2018 and 30 June 2019. 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 equivalent (e.g. 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 2018 and 30 June 2019

	Applications			Orders						
	Guardianship	Administration/ Financial management	Total	Guardianship			Administration/ Financial management			Total Orders
				Public	Private	Total	Public	Private	Total	
ACT	195	185	380	38	148	186	54	130	184	370
NSW	3666	3166	6832	1172	1012	2184	1140	1140	2280	4464
NT	186	189	375	107	86	193	110	67	177	370
QLD	2478	2450	4928	648	989	1637	762	1287	2049	3686
SA*†			1389	626	482	1108	444	482	926	2034
TAS	357	422	779	145	66	211	187	121	308	519
VIC†			6637	731	908	1639	743	1800	2543	4182
WA <sup>†</sup>			2303	515	708	1223	590	704	1294	2517
Total			23623	3982	4399	8381	4030	5731	9761	18142

Notes: Joint Public and Private orders are included in Public columns.

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

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

<sup>\*</sup>SA could not separate urgent and limited orders to public and private, so all were included in the public column.

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 new guardianship and administration/financial management orders during 2018/2019. 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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