

New Business Index

• June 2026 •

Executive Summary

Statistics For June 2026

Key growth signals from the ABN registry and Australia's latest new business registrations.

Australia's Business Formation

A closer look at how Australia's new businesses are taking shape, from the structures they choose to the regions driving growth.

Demographic Analysis

Age distribution and geographic origins of Lawpath company founders

Monthly ABN registrations

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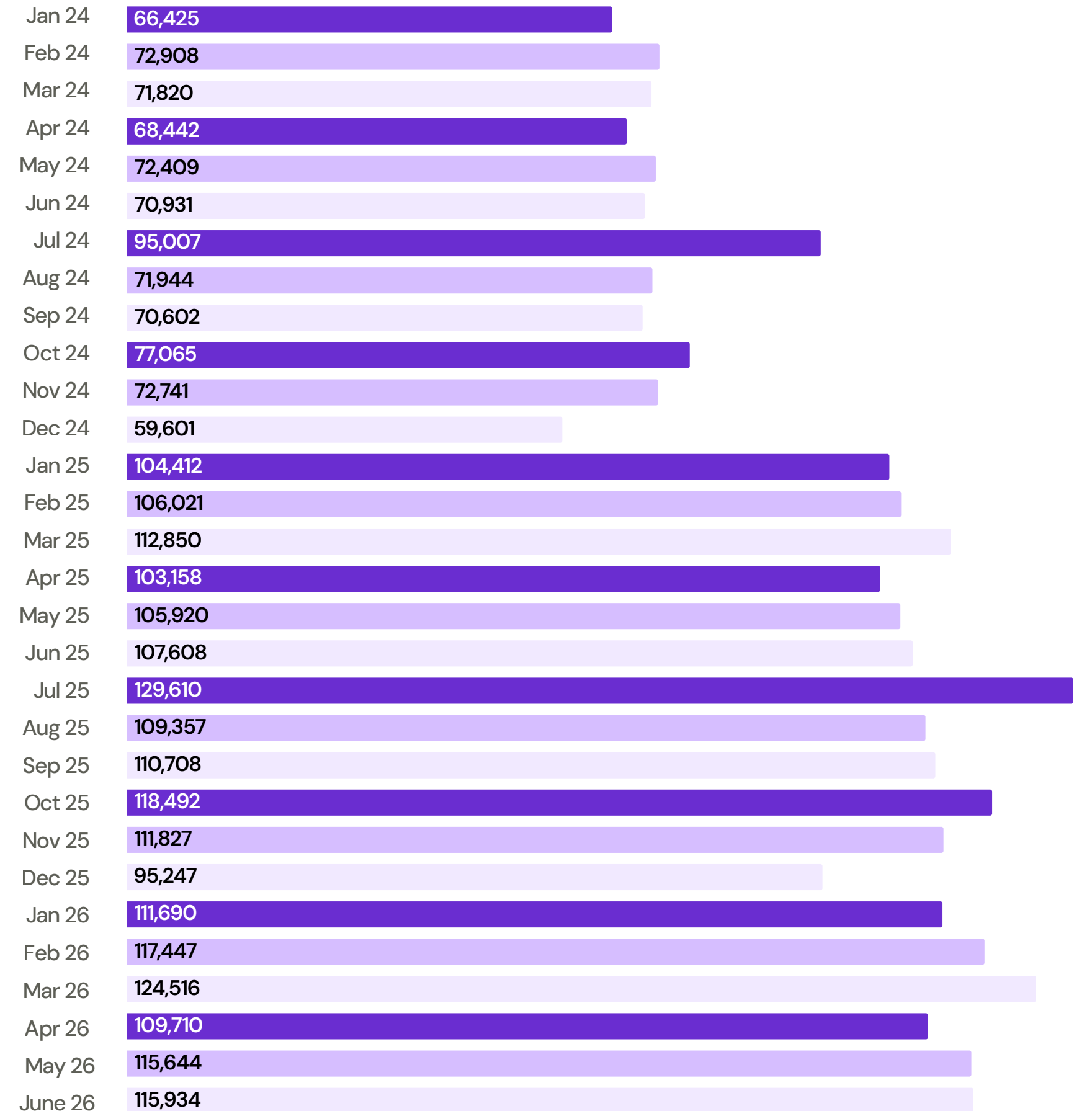
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Source: [Australian Business Register – ABN Bulk Extract](#)



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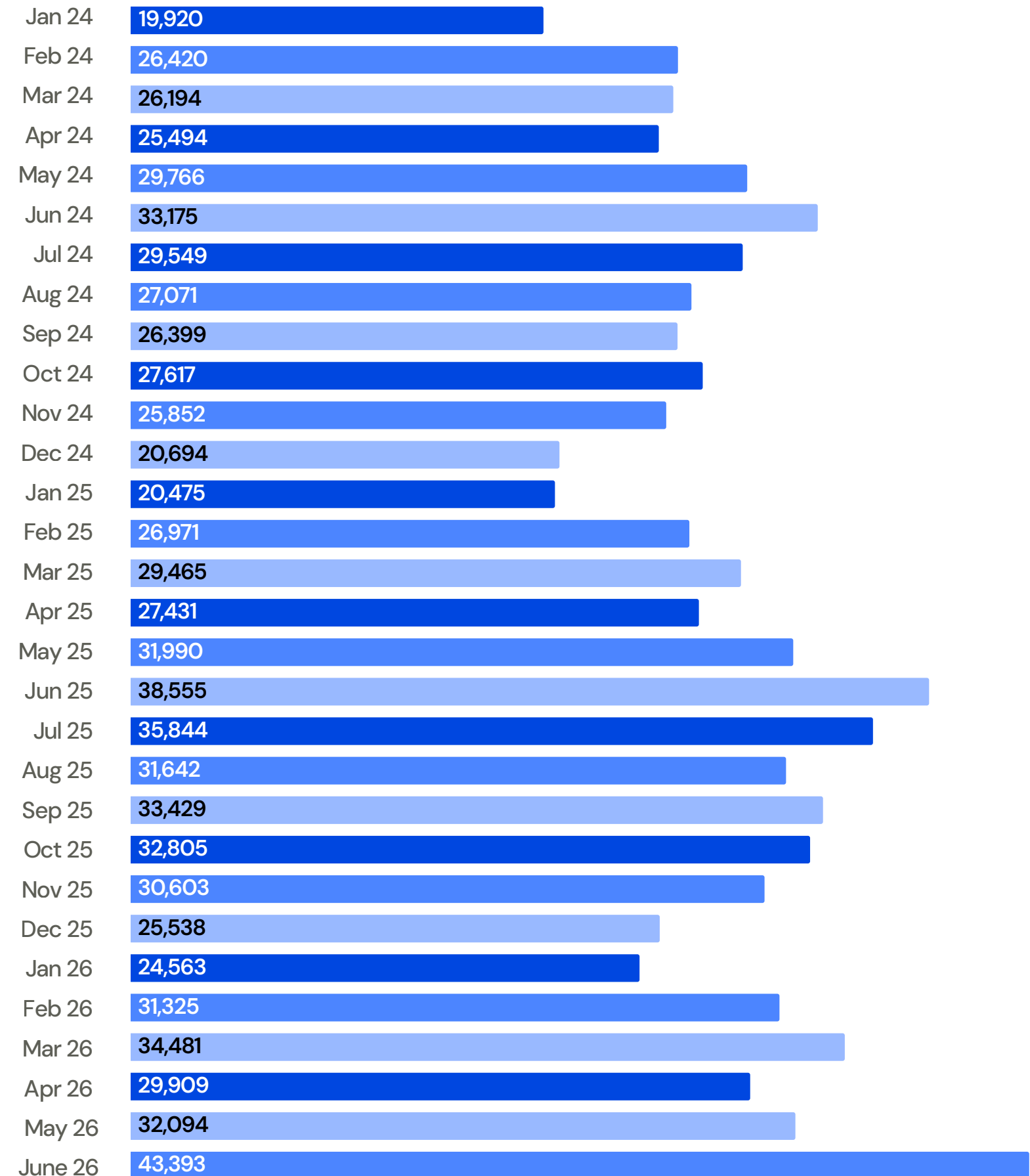
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Total ACN registrations this month

Source: [ASIC – Company registration statistics](#)



Monthly GST registrations

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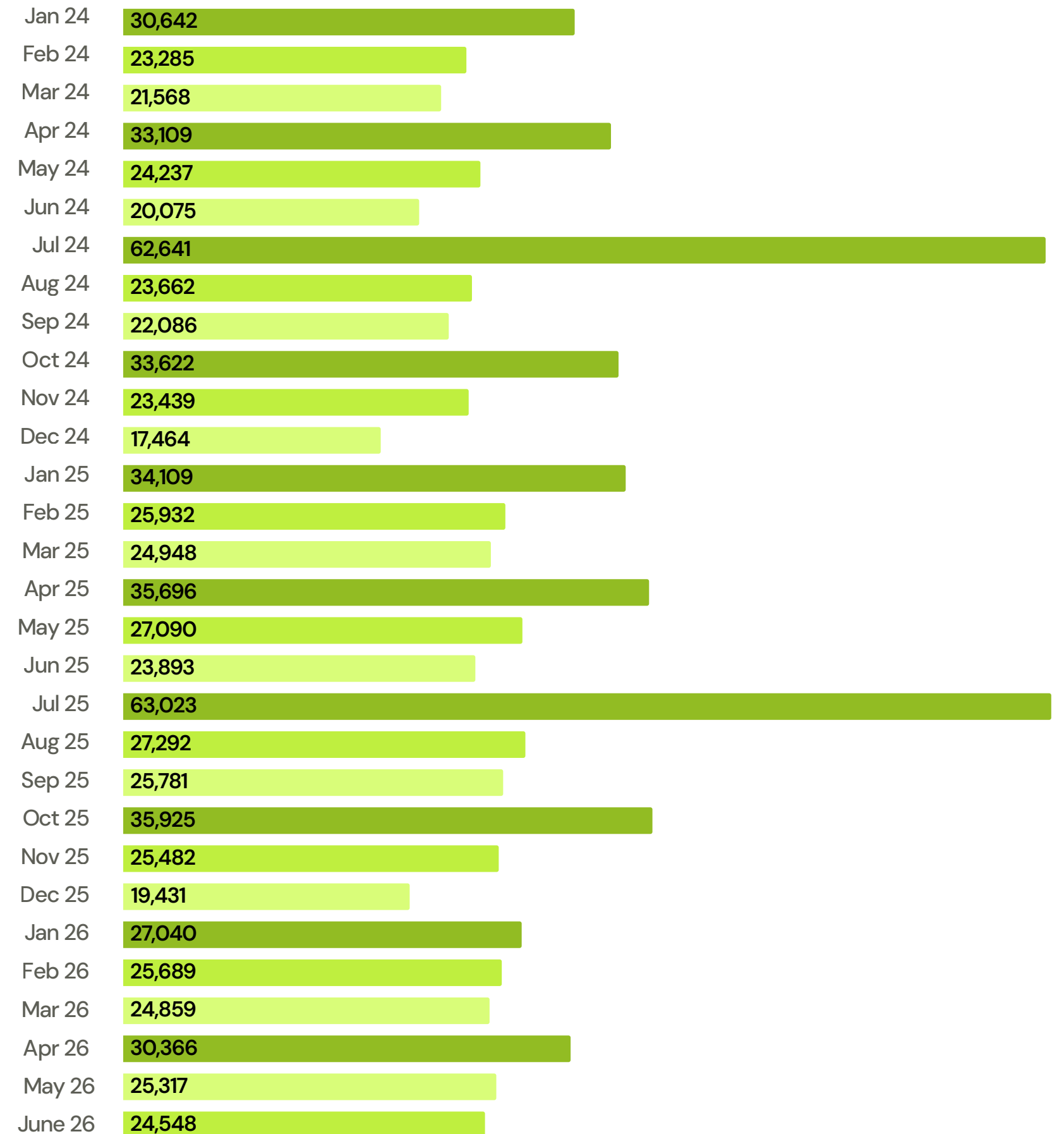
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June's numbers show Australia's new business growth holding firm, and the geographic story keeps shifting further from the CBDs. 115,934 new businesses were registered, up 7.83% YoY, while 43,393 companies were registered, up 9.03%.

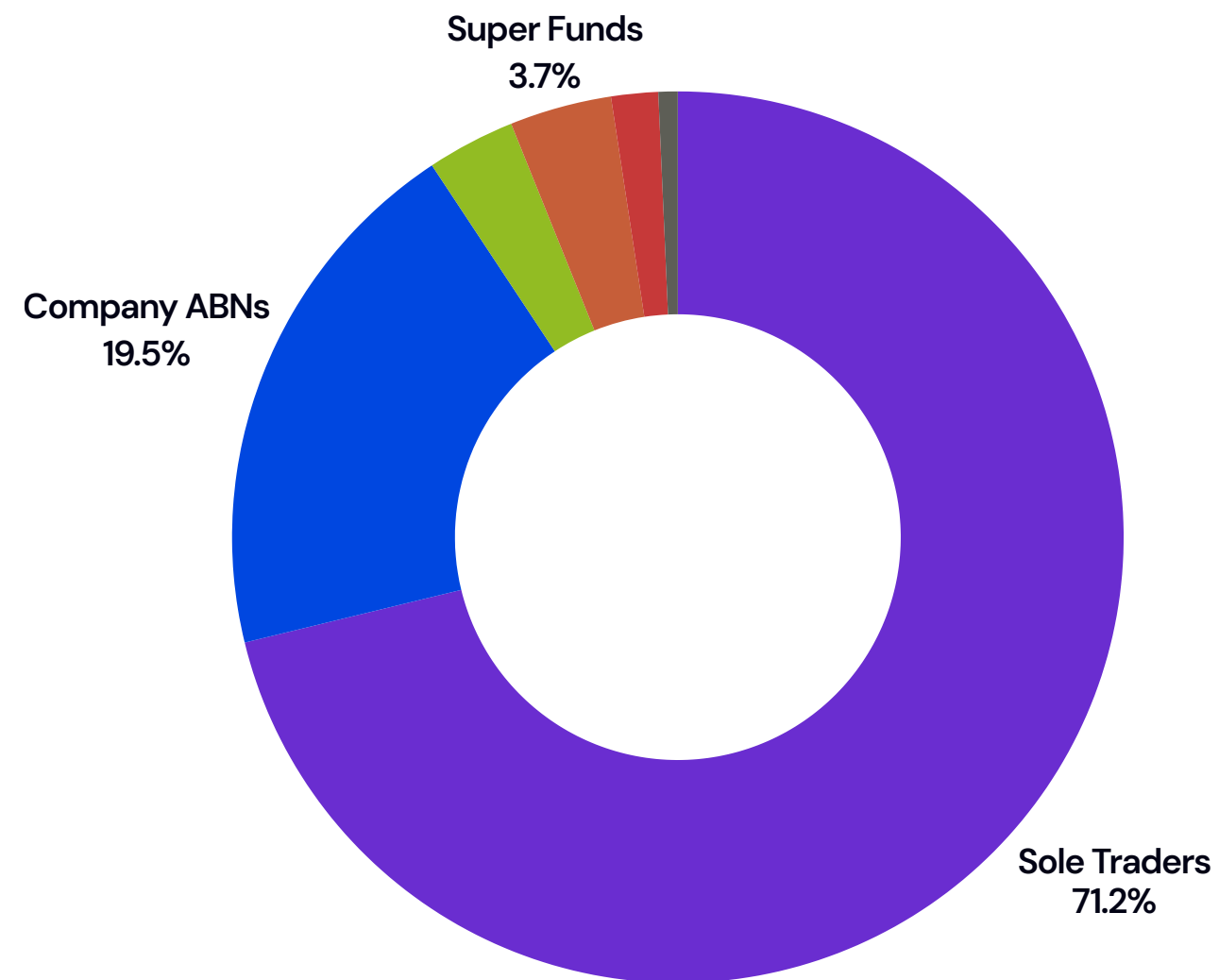
Growth this month came from the smaller jurisdictions again, though the leaderboard reshuffled. Tasmania led at 13.31% YoY growth, followed by the ACT at 13.16%, Western Australia at 9.32%, NSW at 7.58% and Queensland at 7.42%. NSW and Victoria still carried the highest registration volumes, but June's strongest growth rates came from outside the two largest state economies.

At a suburb level, the usual script flipped: Sydney CBD 2000 and Melbourne CBD 3000 both cooled, down 7.41% and 3.64% YoY. Growth instead concentrated in Melbourne's outer suburbs, led by Point Cook 3029 at 20.26%, while Brisbane CBD 4000 bucked the trend, up 27.04%.

The founder profile stayed mature and practical, with 35–39 and 45–54-year-olds tied as the largest cohorts, while Personal Services, Business Services and Construction topped the industry mix. Together, the data points to a business formation wave that's still broad and still older, but one where CBDs can no longer be assumed to be the growth engine.

Business Structures

Australia's Business Formation

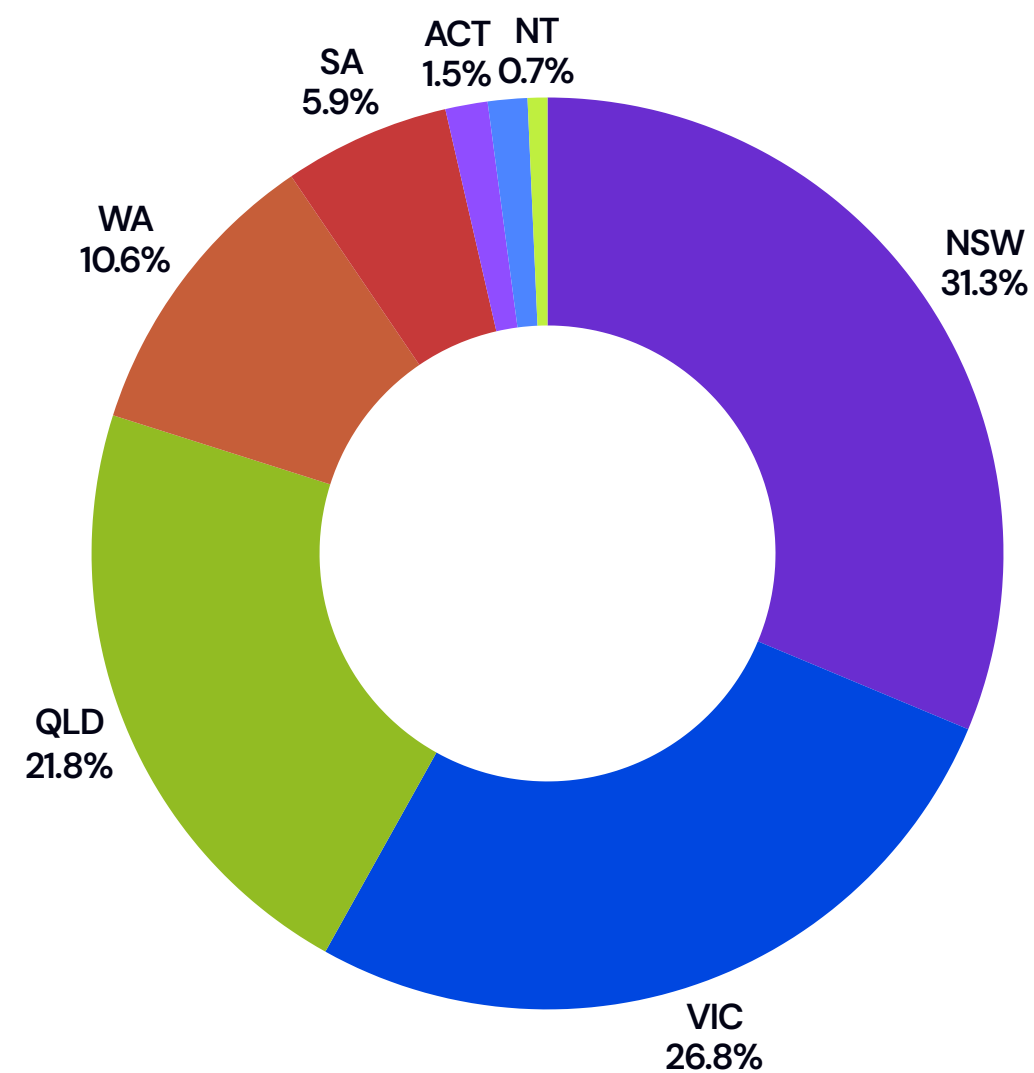


CATEGORY	VALUE	SHARE	YOY GROWTH
• Sole Traders	82,327	71.2%	13.81%
• Company ABNs	22,511	19.5%	11.06%
• Trusts	3,669	3.2%	-56.47%
• Super Funds	4,294	3.7%	24.93%
• Partnerships	1,972	1.7%	-5.78%
• Other	798	0.7%	-15.11%

Source: [Australian Business Register – ABN Bulk Extract](#) (monthly new company registrations)

States & Territories

Australia's Business Formation



STATE	VALUE	SHARE	YOY GROWTH
• NSW	36,116	31.3%	7.58%
• VIC	30,907	26.8%	6.93%
• QLD	25,144	21.8%	7.42%
• WA	12,213	10.6%	9.32%
• SA	6,783	5.9%	4.97%
• ACT	1,745	1.5%	13.16%
• TAS	1,635	1.4%	13.31%
• NT	722	0.7%	-1.66%

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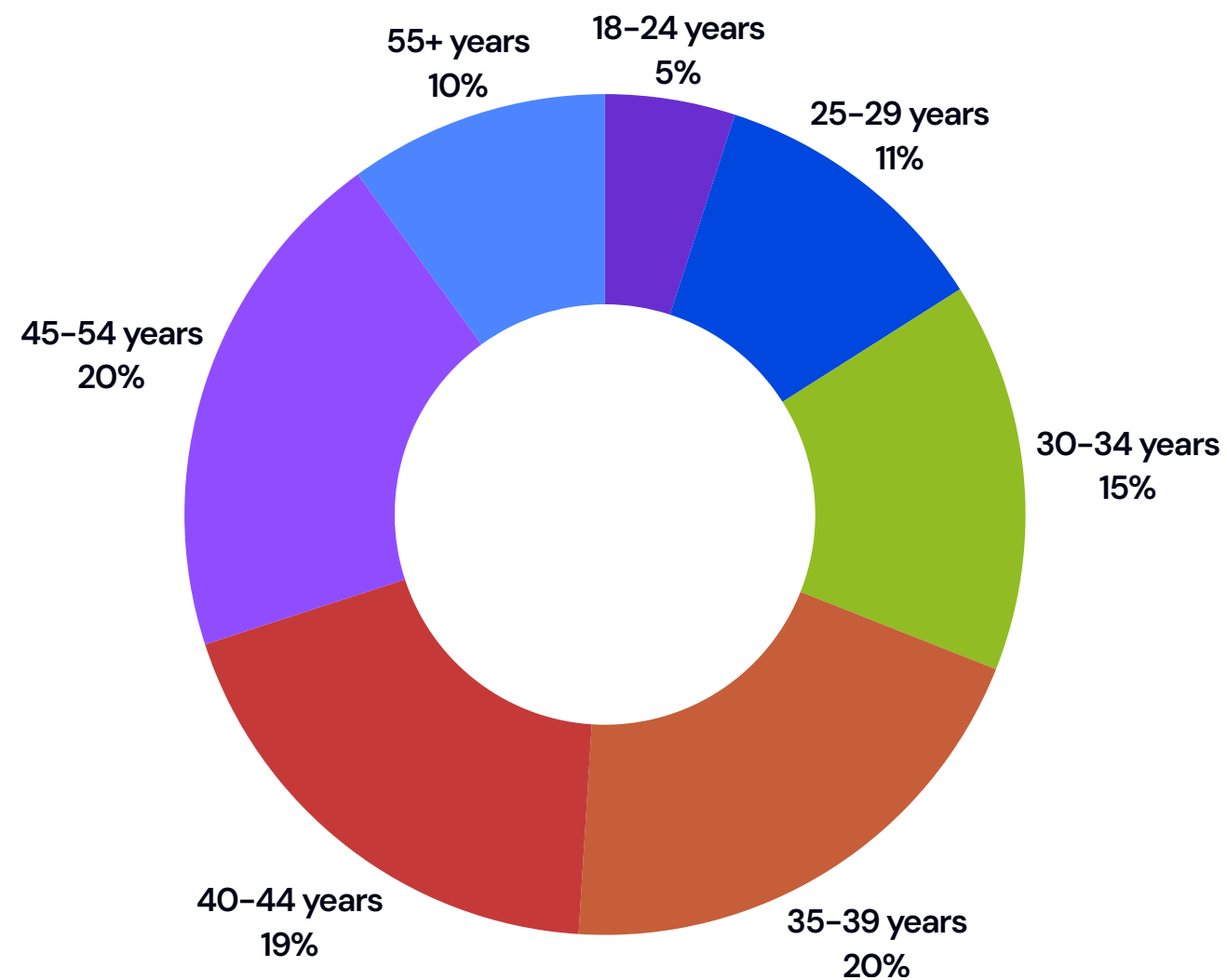
Suburbs On The Rise

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA	STATE	BUSINESSES REGISTERED (June 2025)	BUSINESSES REGISTERED (June 2026)	YOY GROWTH
Wyndham	Victoria	1,017	1,223	20.26%
Melbourne	Victoria	961	926	-3.64%
Sydney	New South Wales	1,039	962	-7.41%
Hume	Victoria	690	762	10.43%
Wyndham	Victoria	576	623	8.16%
Casey	Victoria	535	578	8.04%
Sydney	New South Wales	488	508	4.10%
Brisbane	Queensland	514	653	27.04%

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Age Distribution of Founders

Demographic Analysis

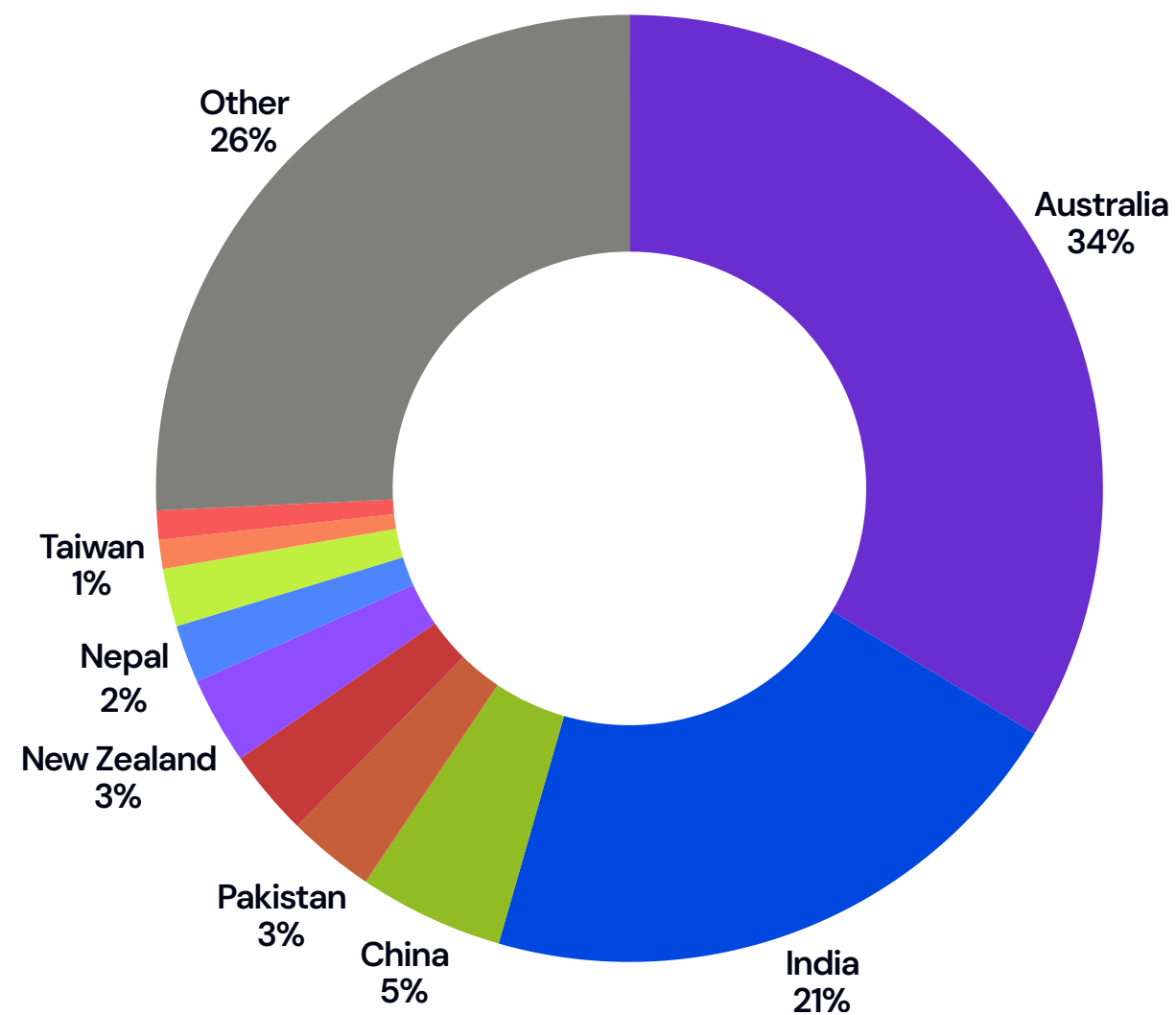


CATEGORY	SHARE	YOY GROWTH
• 18-24 years	5%	-12.31%
• 25-29 years	11%	19.09%
• 30-34 years	15%	1.17%
• 35-39 years	20%	15.74%
• 40-44 years	19%	13.61%
• 45-54 years	20%	5.69%
• 55+ years	10%	34.52%

Source: [The Lawpath Business Index: Uncovering Australia's Hidden Entrepreneurs](#)

Countries of Birth

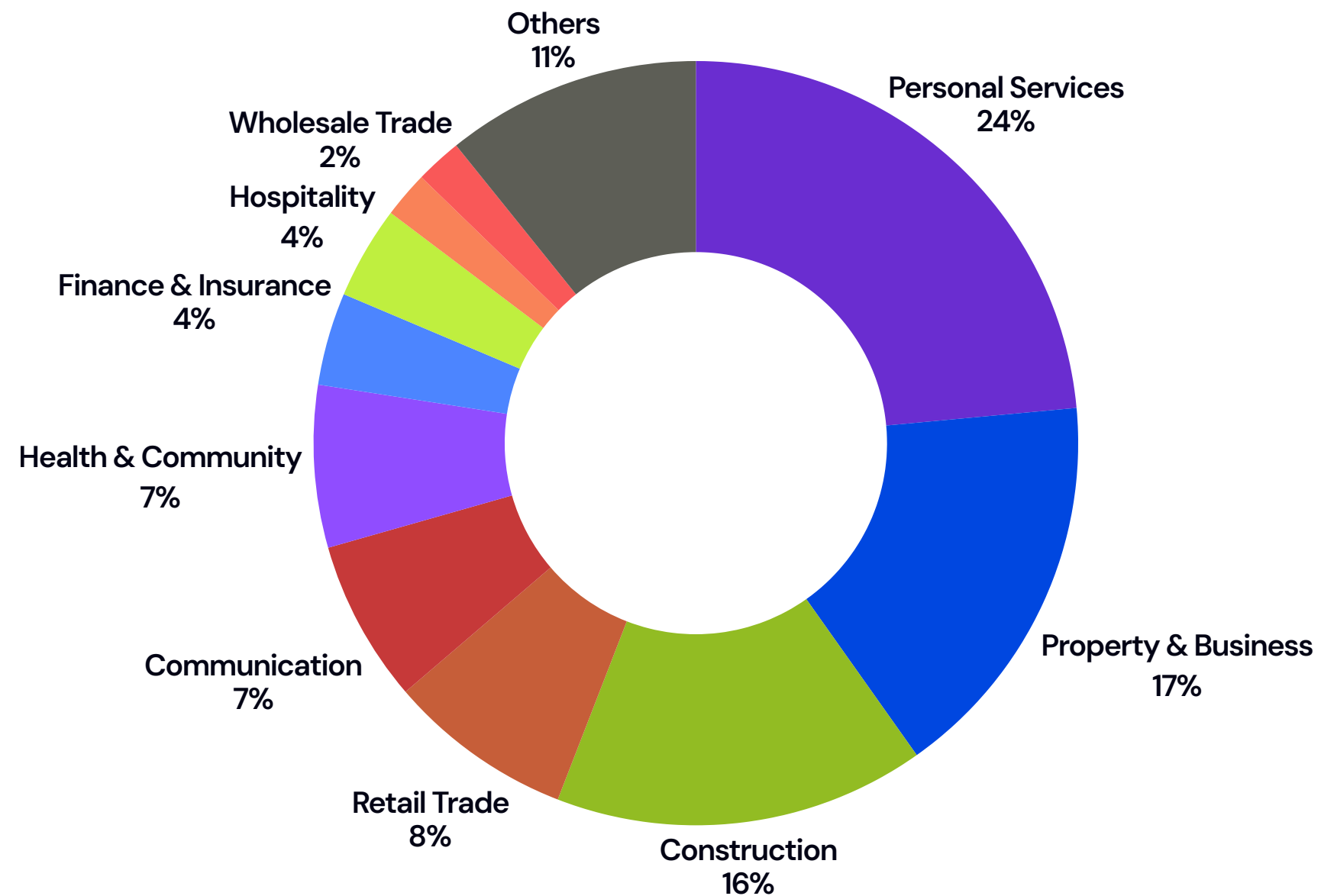
Demographic Analysis



COUNTRY	SHARE	YOY GROWTH
• Australia	34%	9.71%
• India	21%	8.76%
• China	5%	-16.42%
• Pakistan	3%	112.50%
• United Kingdom	3%	6.67%
• New Zealand	3%	107.14%
• Nepal	2%	37.50%
• Sri Lanka	2%	40.00%
• Taiwan	1%	23.08%
• Iraq	1%	200.00%
• Other	26%	5.24%

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Industry Distribution



CATEGORY	SHARE	YOY GROWTH
• Personal Services	24%	45.12%
• Property & Business	17%	60.38%
• Construction	16%	26.23%
• Retail Trade	8%	-11.36%
• Communication	7%	227.27%
• Health & Community	7%	-46.88%
• Finance & Insurance	4%	-22.22%
• Hospitality	4%	-5.00%
• Wholesale Trade	2%	-29.41%
• Manufacturing	2%	-9.09%
• Others	11%	28.14%

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Methodology

Each month, the Lawpath New Business Index captures how entrepreneurship in Australia is evolving.

Using verified data from the Australian Business Register (ABR) and ASIC, combined with anonymised insights from thousands of registrations processed through the Lawpath platform, we deliver a verified, month-by-month view of who is starting businesses, where they are based, and the industries they are choosing.

