

# New Business Index

• September 2025 •



# Executive Summary

## Statistics For September 2025

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

## Started this month with Lawpath

Celebrating founders who chose Lawpath's faster, easier, and more affordable way to launch their business.

# Monthly ABN registrations

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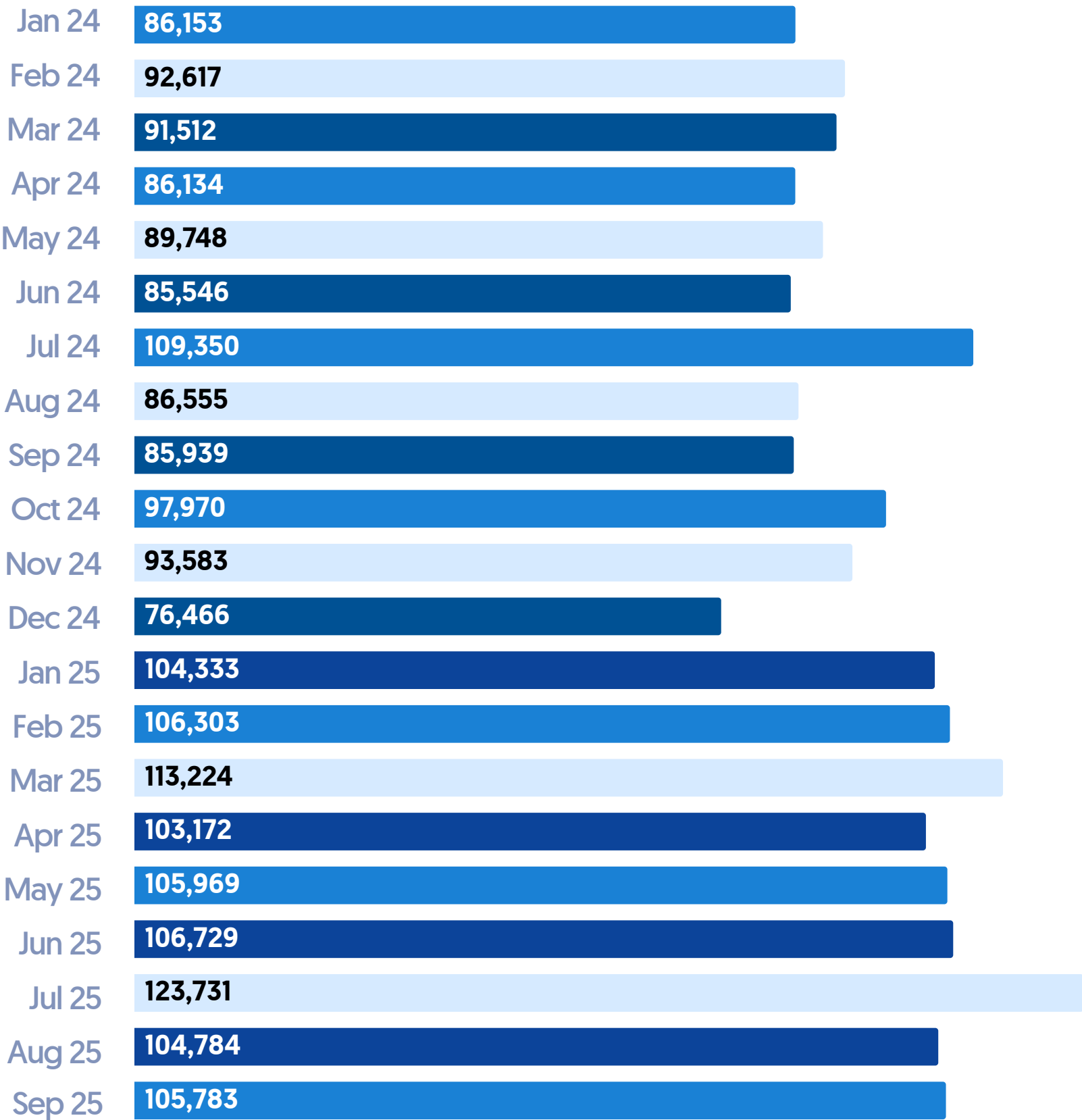
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Source: [Australian Business Register – ABN Bulk Extract](#)



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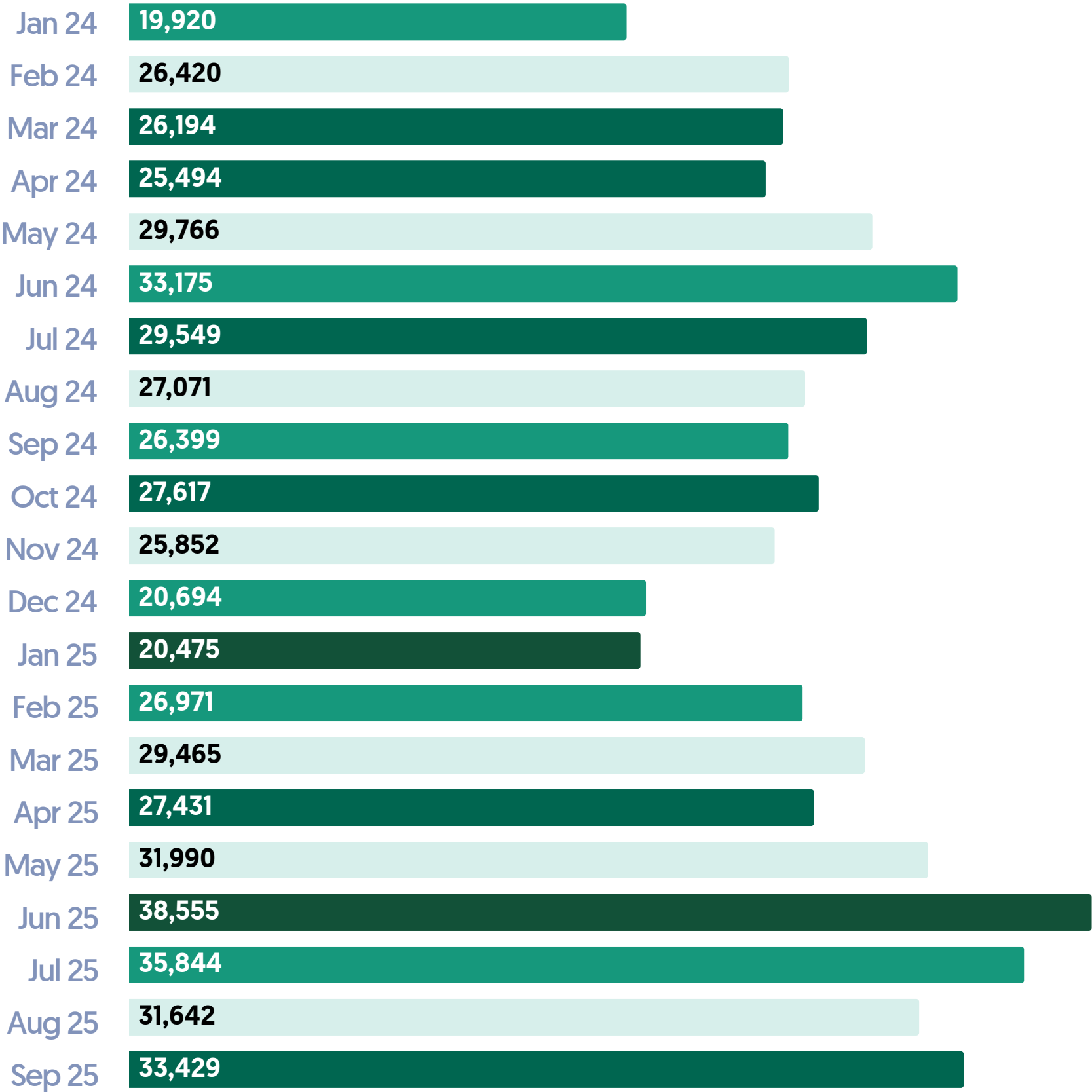
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Source: [ASIC – Company registration statistics](#)



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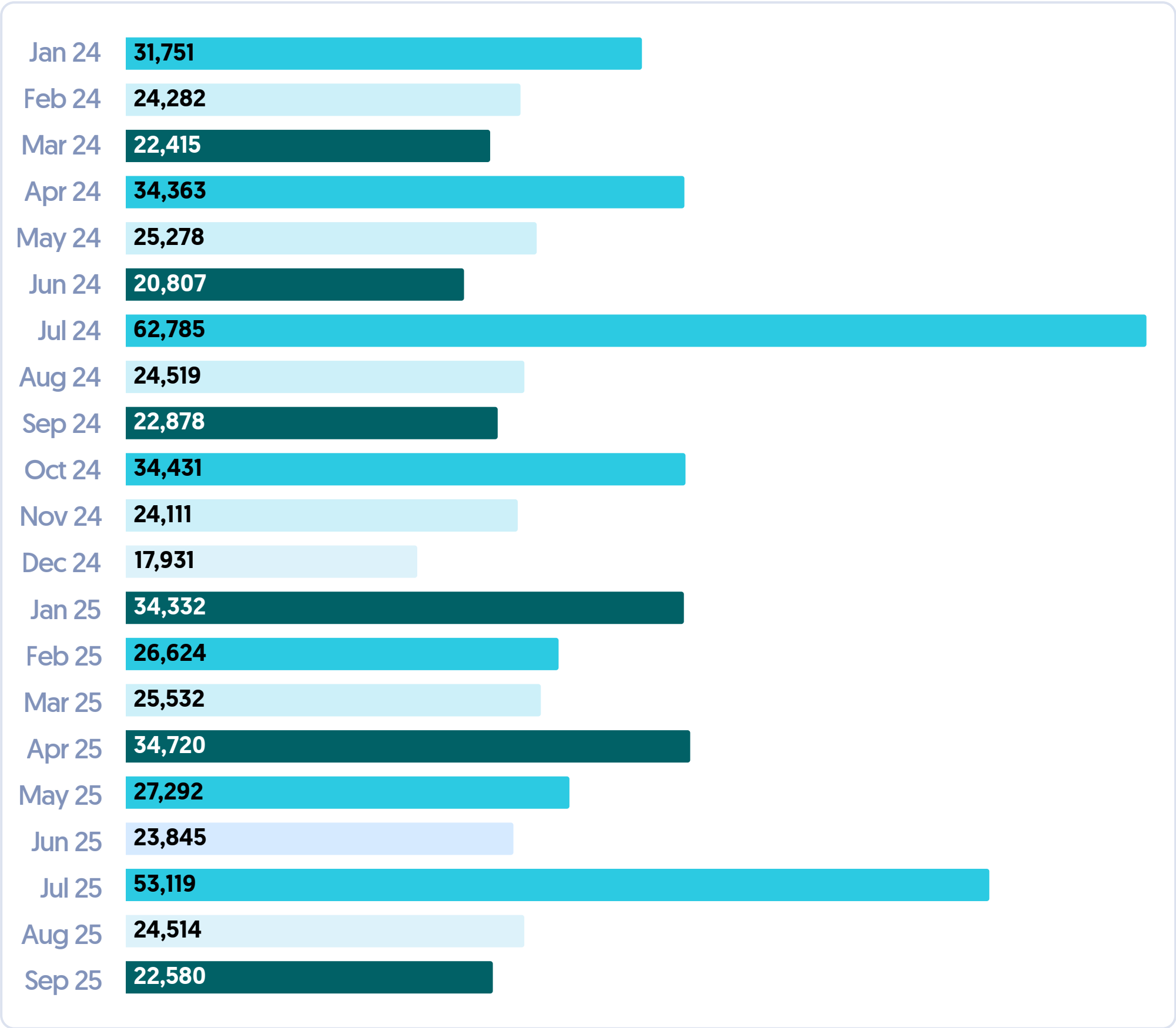
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In September 2025, 105,783 new ABNs were registered across Australia, marking a 21.1% year on year increase. Company formations also gained momentum, with 33,429 new ACNs lodged, a 16.9% lift that signals more founders committing to structured growth and long term planning. GST registrations, however, edged down slightly to 22,580, a modest 0.02% drop year on year, suggesting some businesses are holding off until trading conditions stabilise.

This month reflects a climate of expansion. Entrepreneurs are continuing to move decisively from ideas into operation, even as many take a cautious stance on immediate tax commitments. By setting up their legal frameworks early, they are positioning themselves for resilience and flexibility as conditions shift.

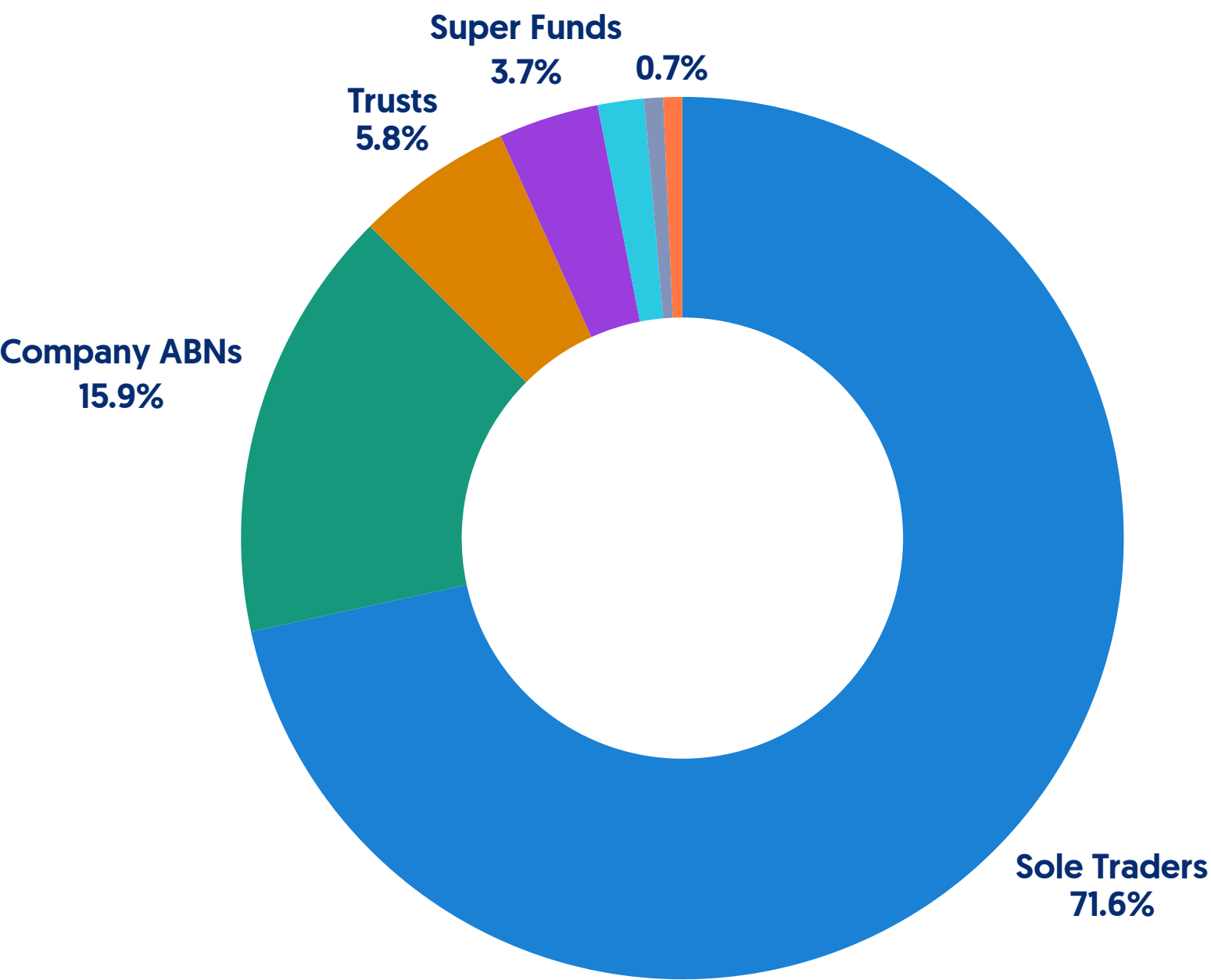
These figures point to a deliberate pace of building. With technology lowering barriers to entry and capital flows encouraging scale, founders are choosing the right time to formalise and grow. The overall trajectory shows that ambition remains high, and the foundations being laid today will underpin Australia's business landscape in the months ahead.

# Business Structures

Australia’s Business Formation

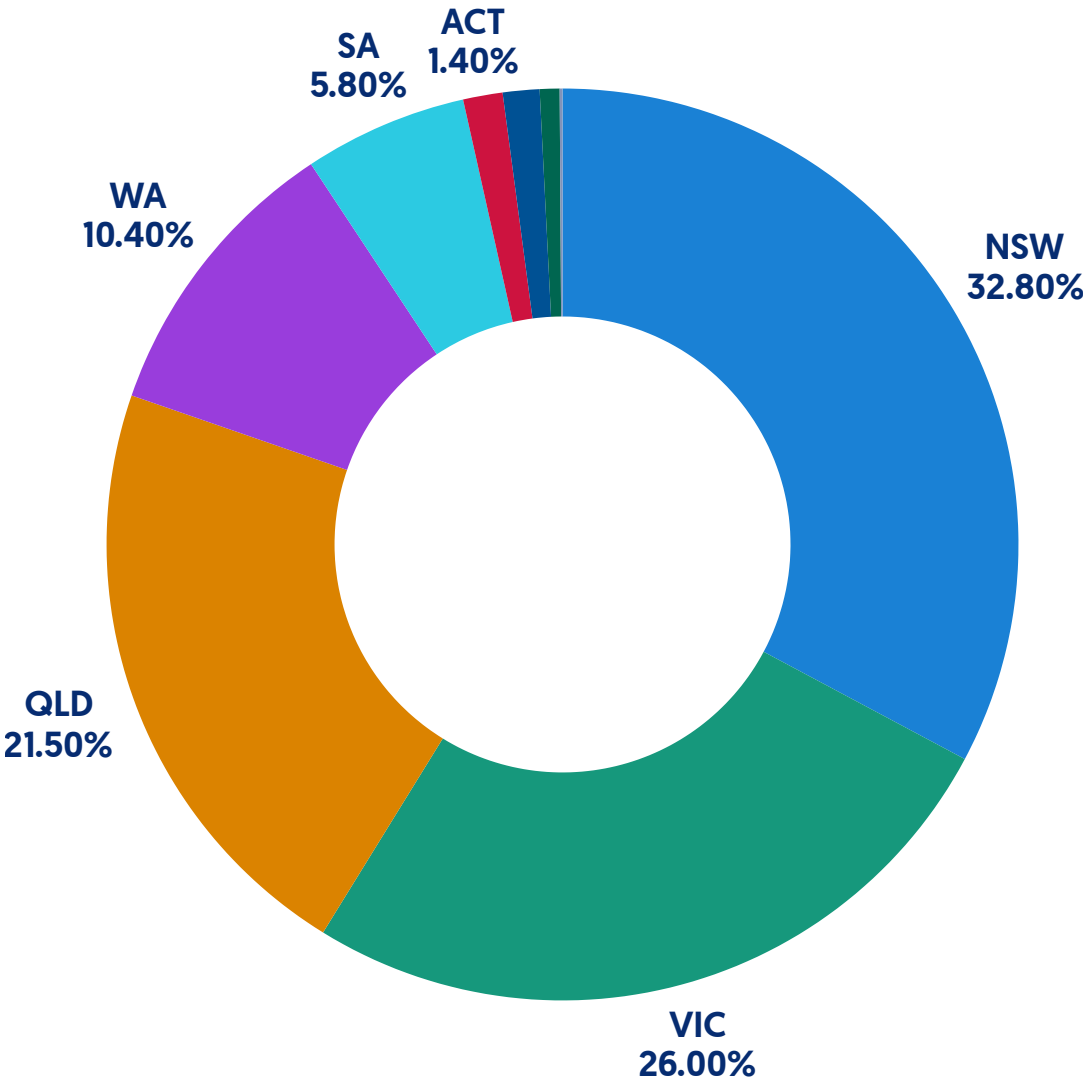
CATEGORY	VALUE	SHARE	YOY GROWTH
• Sole Traders	74,620	72.10%	32.97%
• Company ABNs	16,518	16%	6.61%
• Trusts	5,968	5.80%	-0.20%
• Super Funds	3,844	3.70%	19.90%
• Partnerships	1,736	1.70%	-11.92%
• Other	774	0.70%	-18.70%

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



# States & Territories

Australia’s Business Formation



State	VALUE	SHARE	YOY GROWTH
• NSW	33,554	32.80%	19.68%
• VIC	26,612	26%	20.33%
• QLD	22,057	21.50%	27.47%
• WA	10,697	10.40%	30.24%
• SA	5,955	5.80%	17.57%
• ACT	1,446	1.40%	22.34%
• TAS	1,323	1.30%	19.08%
• NT	735	0.70%	43.55%
• Other	71	0.10%	-39.32%

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



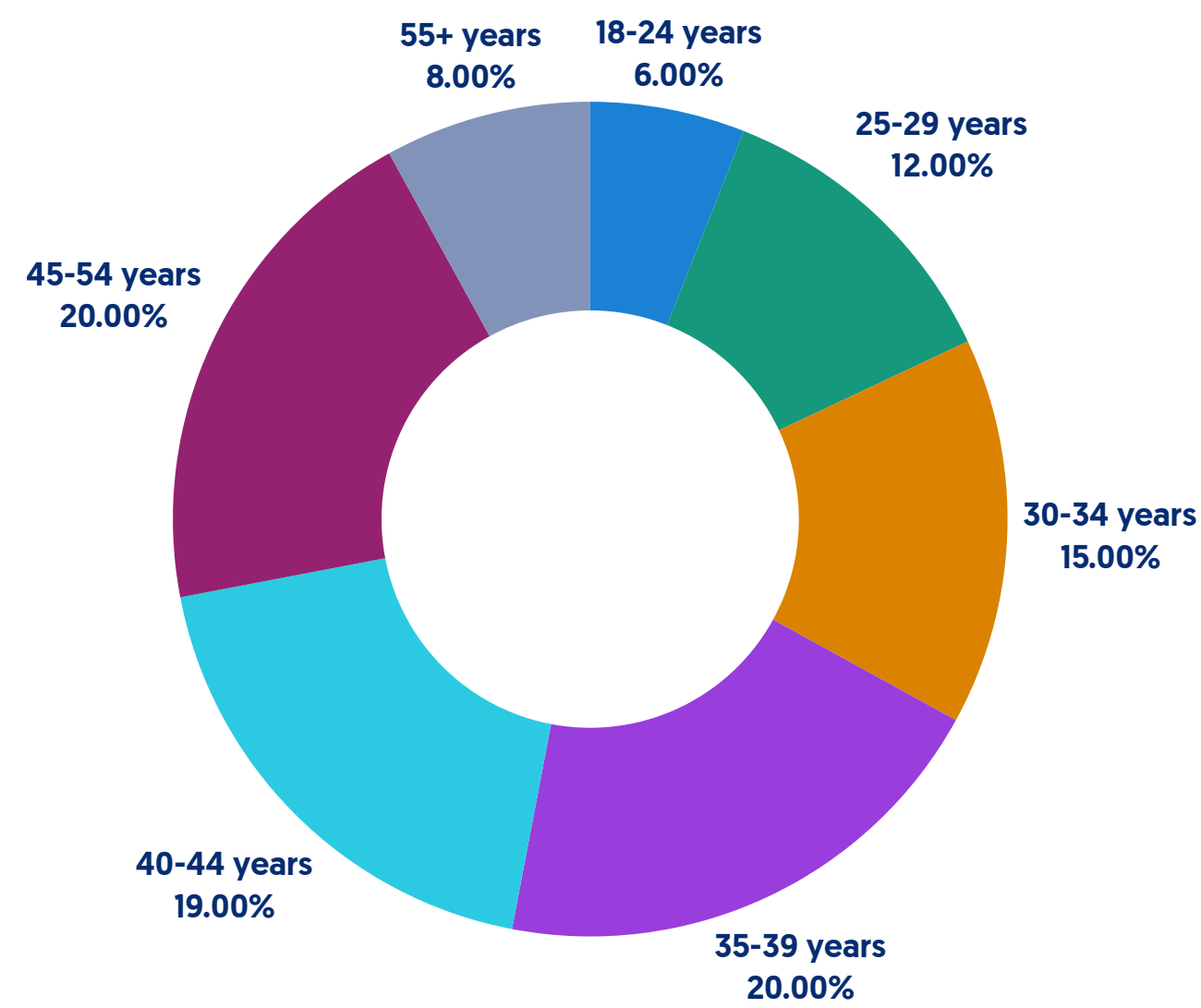
# Suburbs On The Rise

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA	STATE	BUSINESSES REGISTERED (SEPTEMBER 2024)	BUSINESSES REGISTERED (SEPTEMBER 2025)	YOY GROWTH
Hoppers Crossing	Victoria	810	1,120	38.27%
Melbourne CBD	Victoria	757	1,047	38.31%
Sydney CBD	New South Wales	942	959	1.80%
Cragieburn	Tasmania	548	746	36.13%
Werribee	Victoria	443	554	25.06%
Cranebourne	Victoria	389	522	34.19%
Liverpool	New South Wales	382	463	21.20%
Brisbane	Queensland	422	637	50.95%

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# Age Distribution of Founders

Demographic Analysis



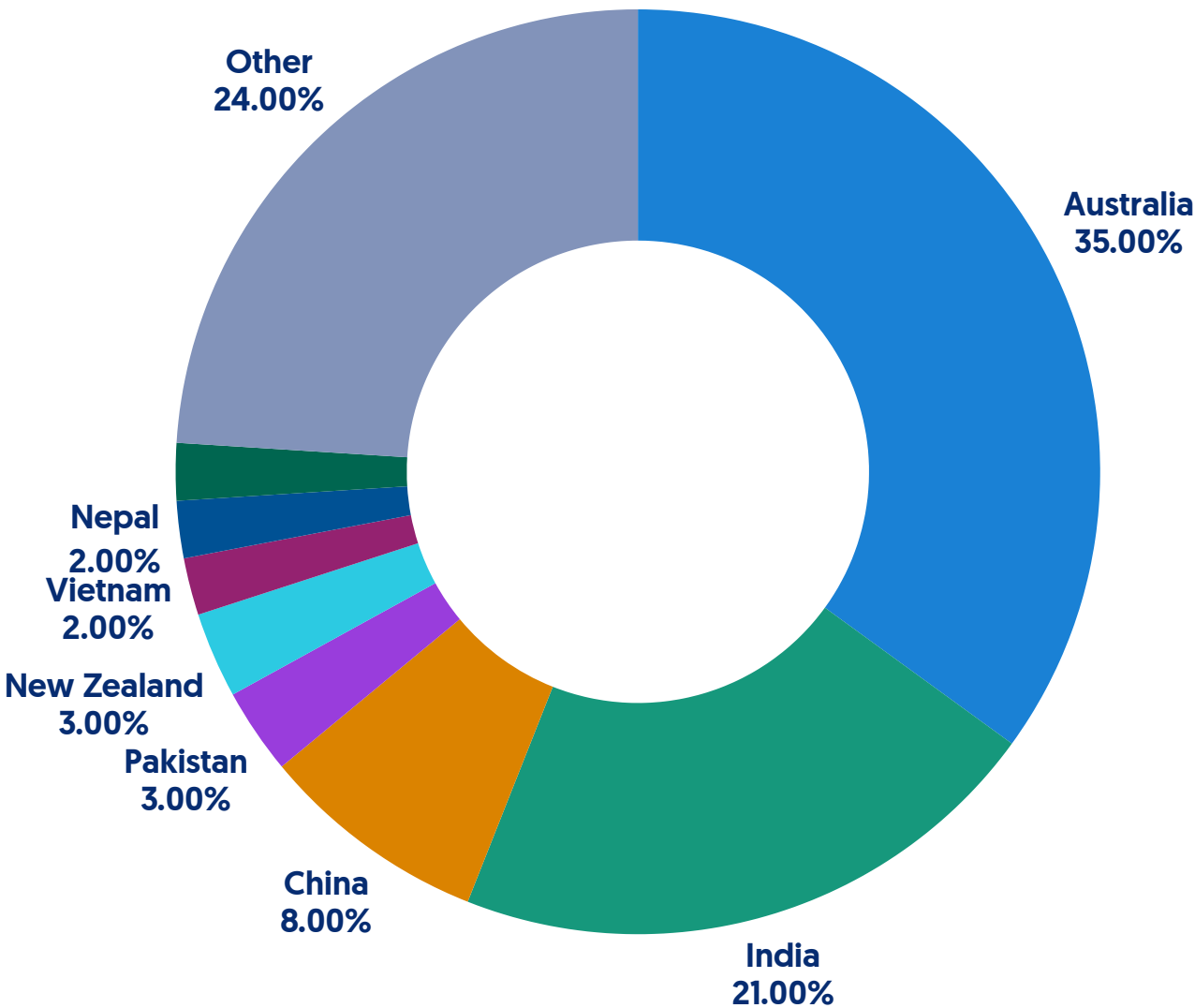
CATEGORY	SHARE	YOY GROWTH
• 18-24 years	6%	44%
• 25-29 years	12%	18%
• 30-34 years	15%	29%
• 35-39 years	20%	22%
• 40-44 years	19%	32%
• 45-54 years	20%	24%
• 55+ years	8%	14%

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



# Countries of Birth

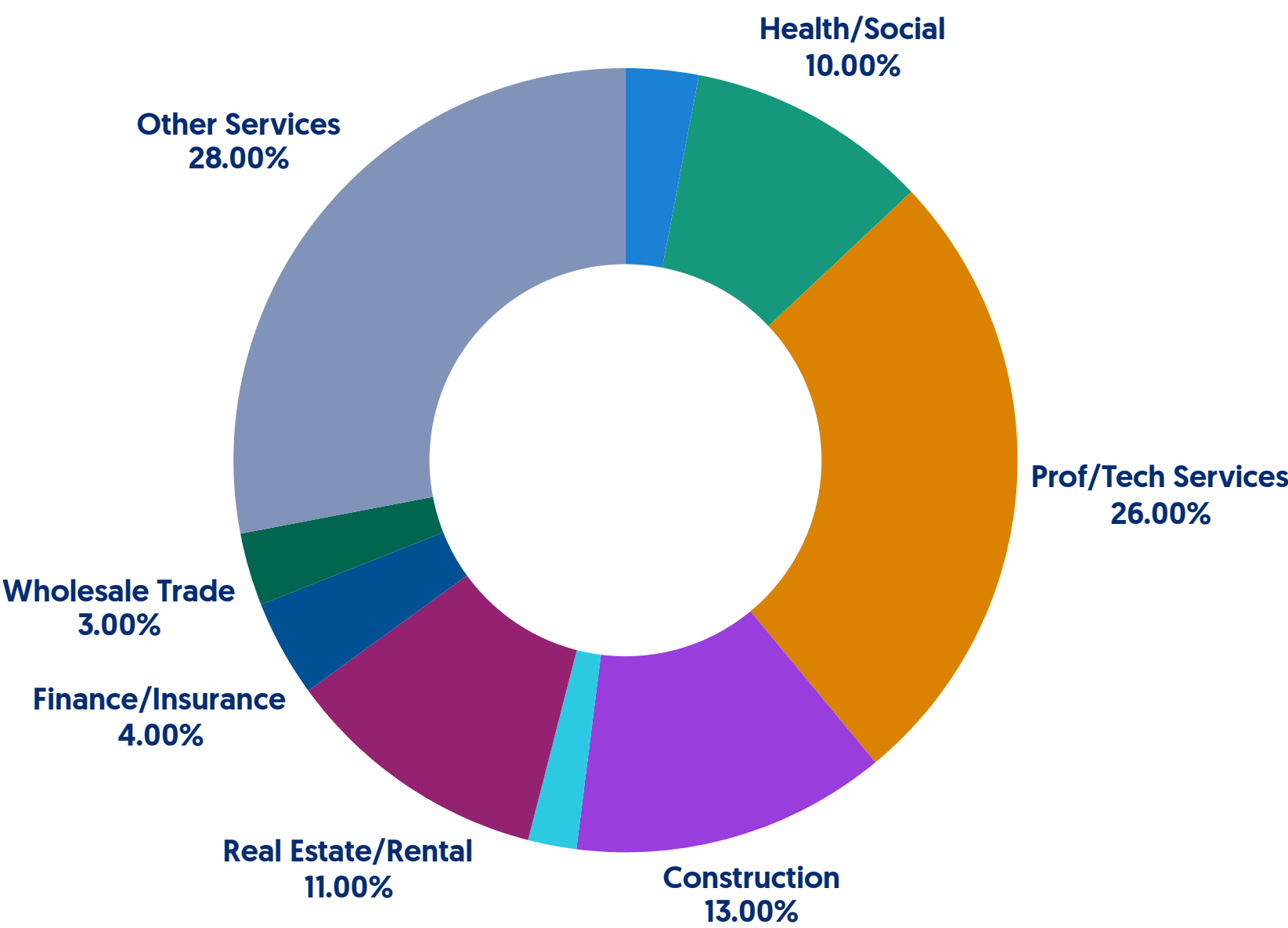
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COUNTRY	SHARE	YOY GROWTH
• Australia	35.00%	26.00%
• India	21.00%	27.00%
• China	8.00%	22.00%
• Pakistan	3.00%	35.00%
• New Zealand	3.00%	72.00%
• Vietnam	2.00%	37.00%
• Nepal	2.00%	-20.00%
• United Kingdom	2.00%	-4.00%
• Other	24.00%	27.00%

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# Industry Distribution



CATEGORY	SHARE	YOY GROWTH
• Media/Telecom	3%	0%
• Health/Social	10%	21%
• Prof/Tech Services	26%	55%
• Construction	13%	78%
• Manufacturing	2%	40%
• Real Estate/Rental	11%	60%
• Finance/Insurance	4%	29%
• Wholesale Trade	3%	90%
• Other Services	28%	12.50%

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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.







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