

Eye and Tissue Donation in Australia

Monthly Report February 2025

Preliminary Data

Data collected from Australian Eye and Tissue Banks This report supersedes any monthly interim summaries previously released for 2025

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1 Acknowledgements

According to the Eye Bank Association of Australia and New Zealand (EBAANZ), since the end of 2011, the number of corneal transplants in Australia each year has exceeded the number of new patients requiring transplants each year. This means the current demand for corneal transplants in Australia is being met and should be noted when comparing 2025 corneal transplantation numbers to previous years published.



2 Counting Methodology

Each tissue bank and Queensland eye bank uses a Minimum Data Set Template (MDS) to provide the Registry de-identified donor information for each tissue type, as well as aggregate data for reporting of notified tissue graft implants and notified tissue graft recipients.

Each eye bank (excluding Queensland eye bank) use a generated report from the Electronic Donor Record (EDR), which collects data about eye donation activity in Australia.

Data received undergoes reconciliation and cross checking between the solid organ sector (ANZOD), the eye sector (participating eye banks) and the tissue sector (participating tissue banks) to ensure accuracy at the time of reporting.

The Registry declares:

- All donations of eye tissue have come from deceased donors.
- Eye donors include those who have donated 2 whole eyes, 2 corneas or one whole eye or one cornea.
- Eye and Tissue Graft Implants and Transplant Recipient data includes transplant events that have occurred in a different jurisdiction to where the tissue was donated.
- Graft Implants and Transplant Recipient data may or may not be a direct outcome of tissue donations reported for the month, as tissue can be stored for a period of time before the graft is implanted.
- Outcome data does not capture tissue that has been supplied for implant but not yet notified as implanted to the distributing tissue bank.
- This report supersedes previous monthly reports and as data reported is subject to revision it may change in subsequent reporting.



3 Eye and Tissue Donors

3.1 Unique Tissue Donors

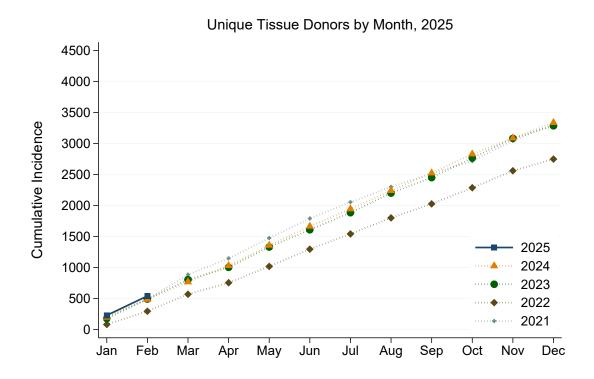


Figure 1: Unique Tissue Donors by Month, 2025



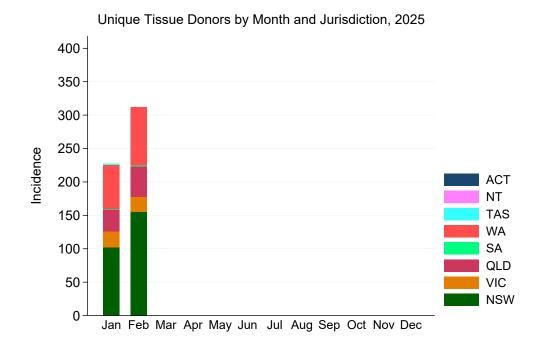


Figure 2: Unique Tissue Donors by Month and Jurisdiction, 2025

Table 1: Unique Tissue Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Month, 2025

_	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	102	155											257
VIC	24	23											47
QLD	33	45											78
SA	1	2											3
WA	67	87											154
TAS	1	0											1
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	0											0
AUSTRALIA	228	312											540



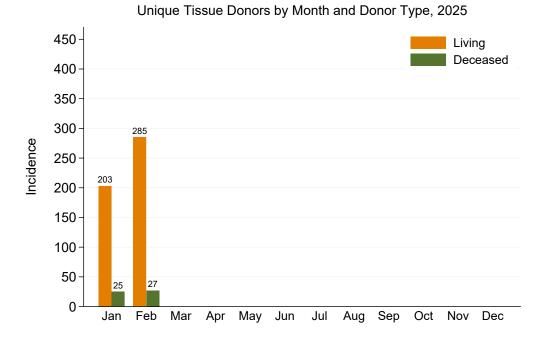


Figure 3: Unique Tissue Donors by Month and Donor Type, 2025

Table 2: Unique Living Tissue Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Month, 2025

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	97	150											247
VIC	15	19											34
QLD	24	31											55
SA	0	0											0
WA	67	85											$\bf 152$
TAS	0	0											0
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	0											0
AUSTRALIA	203	285											488

Table 3: Unique Deceased Tissue Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Month, 2025

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	5	5											10
VIC	9	4											13
QLD	9	14											23
SA	1	2											3
WA	0	2											2
TAS	1	0											1
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	0											0
AUSTRALIA	25	27											52



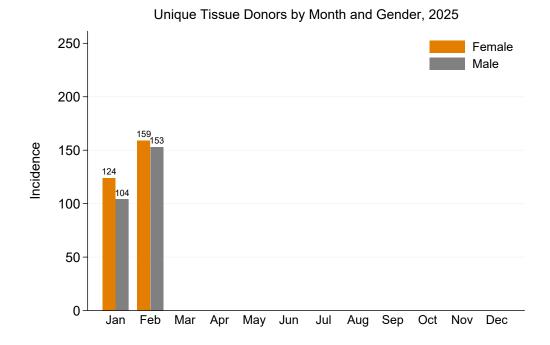


Figure 4: Unique Tissue Donors by Month and Gender, 2025

Table 4: Unique Female Tissue Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Month, 2025

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	67	83											150
VIC	11	9											20
QLD	11	24											35
SA	0	1											1
WA	35	42											77
TAS	0	0											0
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	0											0
AUSTRALIA	124	159											283

Table 5: Unique Male Tissue Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Month, 2025

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	35	72											107
VIC	13	14											27
QLD	22	21											43
SA	1	1											2
WA	32	45											77
TAS	1	0											1
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	0											0
AUSTRALIA	104	153											257



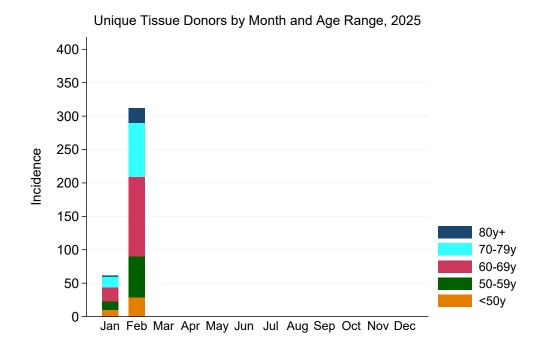


Figure 5: Unique Tissue Donors by Month and Age Range, 2025

Table 6: Unique Tissue Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Age Range, 2025

	<50y	50-59y	60–69y	70-79y	80y+	Total
NSW	16	35	60	51	13	175
VIC	6	3	14	7	2	32
QLD	7	18	24	5	1	55
SA	2	0	0	0	0	2
WA	8	17	42	34	7	108
TAS	0	1	0	0	0	1
NT	0	0	0	0	0	0
ACT	0	0	0	0	0	0
AUSTRALIA	39	74	140	97	23	373



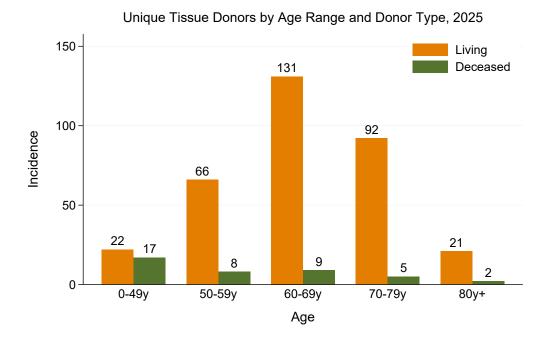


Figure 6: Unique Tissue Donors by Age Range and Donor Type, 2025

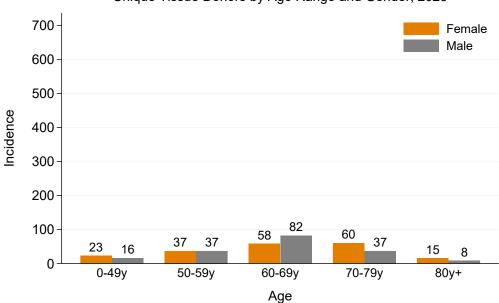
Table 7: Unique Living Tissue Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Age Range, 2025

	<50y	50-59y	60-69y	70-79y	80y+	Total
NSW	12	34	58	51	12	167
VIC	2	1	10	6	2	21
QLD	2	14	21	1	0	38
SA	0	0	0	0	0	0
WA	6	17	42	34	7	106
TAS	0	0	0	0	0	0
NT	0	0	0	0	0	0
ACT	0	0	0	0	0	0
AUSTRALIA	22	66	131	92	21	332

Table 8: Unique Deceased Tissue Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Age Range, 2025

	<50 y	50-59y	60-69y	70 - 79y	80y+	Total
NSW	4	1	2	0	1	8
VIC	4	2	4	1	0	11
QLD	5	4	3	4	1	17
SA	2	0	0	0	0	2
WA	2	0	0	0	0	2
TAS	0	1	0	0	0	1
NT	0	0	0	0	0	0
ACT	0	0	0	0	0	0
AUSTRALIA	17	8	9	5	2	41





Unique Tissue Donors by Age Range and Gender, 2025

Figure 7: Unique Tissue Donors by Age Range and Gender, 2025

Table 9: Unique Female Tissue Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Age Range, 2025

	<50y	50-59y	60-69y	70-79y	80y+	Total
NSW	11	19	26	33	9	98
VIC	1	0	5	4	2	12
QLD	5	10	9	3	1	28
SA	1	0	0	0	0	1
WA	5	8	18	20	3	54
TAS	0	0	0	0	0	0
NT	0	0	0	0	0	0
ACT	0	0	0	0	0	0
AUSTRALIA	23	37	58	60	15	193

Table 10: Unique Male Tissue Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Age Range, 2025

	<50v	50-59y	60–69v	70–79v	80v±	Total
NSW	$\frac{300y}{5}$	16	34	18	4	77
VIC	5	3	9	3	0	20
QLD	$\overset{\circ}{2}$	8	15	$\overset{\circ}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{27}$
SA	1	0	0	0	0	1
WA	3	9	24	14	4	54
TAS	0	1	0	0	0	1
NT	0	0	0	0	0	0
ACT	0	0	0	0	0	0
AUSTRALIA	16	37	82	37	8	180



3.2 Eye Donors

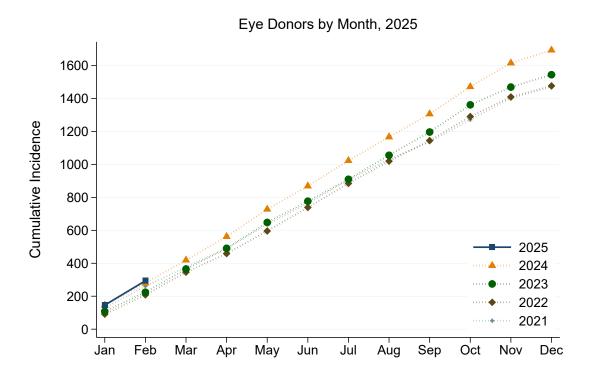


Figure 8: Eye Donors by Month, 2025

Note: The total number of eye donors for January 2020 has increased by 1 due to revision of data provided to the Eye and Tissue Donation Registry.



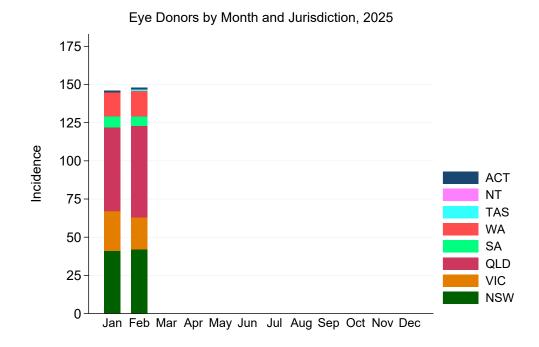


Figure 9: Eye Donors by Month and Jurisdiction, 2025

Table 11: Eye Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Month, 2025

-	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	41	42											83
VIC	26	21											47
QLD	55	60											115
SA	7	6											13
WA	16	17											33
TAS	0	1											1
NT	0	0											0
ACT	1	1											2
AUSTRALIA	146	148											294



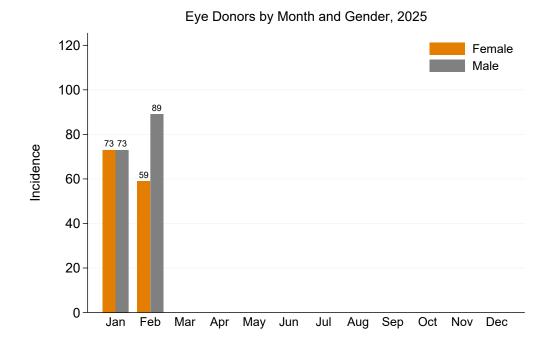


Figure 10: Eye Donors by Month and Gender, $2025\,$

Table 12: Female Eye Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Month, 2025

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	22	12											34
VIC	15	9											${\bf 24}$
QLD	25	29											$\bf 54$
SA	4	2											6
WA	7	7											14
TAS	0	0											0
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	0											0
AUSTRALIA	73	59											132

Table 13: Male Eye Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Month, 2025

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	19	30											49
VIC	11	12											23
QLD	30	31											61
SA	3	4											7
WA	9	10											19
TAS	0	1											1
NT	0	0											0
ACT	1	1											2
AUSTRALIA	73	89											162



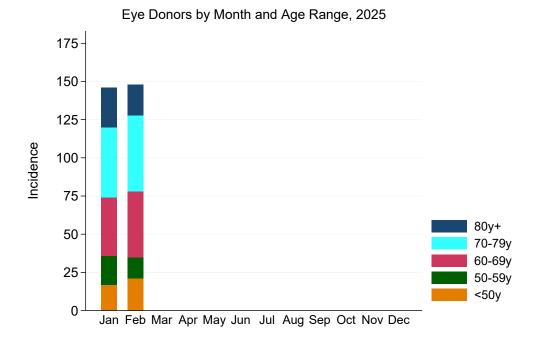


Figure 11: Eye Donors by Month and Age Range, 2025

Table 14: Eye Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Age Range, 2025

	<50y	50-59y	60–69y	70-79y	80y+	Total
NSW	5	6	23	31	18	83
VIC	11	7	19	7	3	47
QLD	14	11	25	43	22	115
SA	1	3	5	4	0	13
WA	6	5	8	11	3	33
TAS	0	1	0	0	0	1
NT	0	0	0	0	0	0
ACT	1	0	1	0	0	2
AUSTRALIA	38	33	81	96	46	294



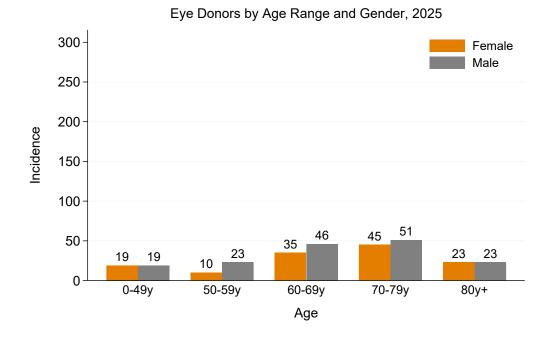


Figure 12: Eye Donors by Age Range and Gender, $2025\,$

Table 15: Female Eye Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Age Range, 2025

	<50 y	50-59y	60-69y	70 - 79y	80y+	Total
NSW	4	2	9	11	8	34
VIC	5	4	8	5	2	24
QLD	6	2	11	22	13	54
SA	1	1	2	2	0	6
WA	3	1	5	5	0	14
TAS	0	0	0	0	0	0
NT	0	0	0	0	0	0
ACT	0	0	0	0	0	0
AUSTRALIA	19	10	35	45	23	132

Table 16: Male Eye Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Age Range, 2025

	<50y	50-59y	60–69y	70-79y	80y+	Total
NSW	1	4	14	20	10	49
VIC	6	3	11	2	1	23
QLD	8	9	14	21	9	61
SA	0	2	3	2	0	7
WA	3	4	3	6	3	19
TAS	0	1	0	0	0	1
NT	0	0	0	0	0	0
ACT	1	0	1	0	0	2
AUSTRALIA	19	23	46	51	23	162



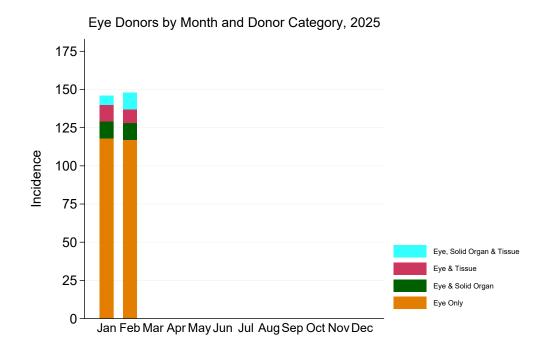


Figure 13: Eye Donors by Month and Donor Category, 2025

Table 17: Eye Donors by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Donor Category, 2025

	Eye Only	Eye and Solid Organ	Eye and Tissue	Eye, Solid Organ and Tissue
NSW	72	6	2	3
VIC	27	9	6	5
QLD	97	1	12	5
SA	10	1	0	2
WA	27	4	0	2
TAS	1	0	0	0
ACT	1	1	0	0
AUSTRALIA	235	22	20	17



4 Tissue Donations

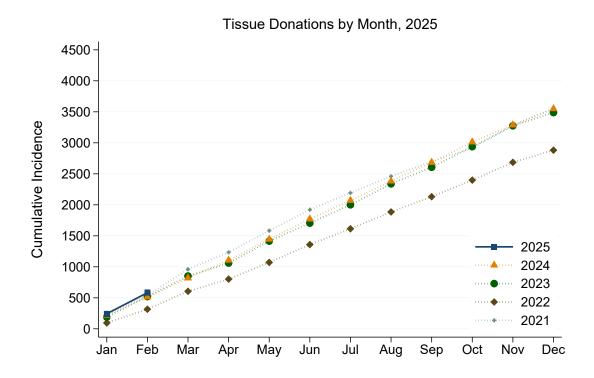


Figure 14: Tissue Donations by Month, 2025



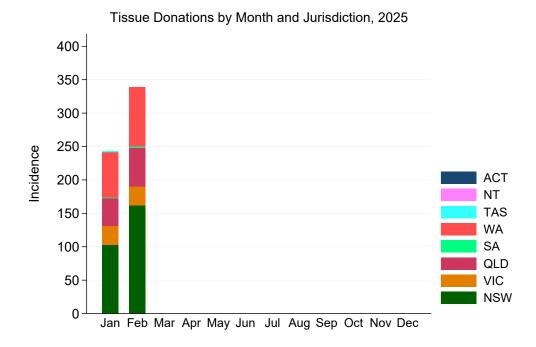


Figure 15: Tissue Donations by Month and Jurisdiction, 2025

Table 18: Tissue Donations by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Month, 2025

_	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	103	162											265
VIC	28	28											56
QLD	42	58											100
SA	1	2											3
WA	68	89											157
TAS	1	0											1
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	0											0
AUSTRALIA	243	339											582



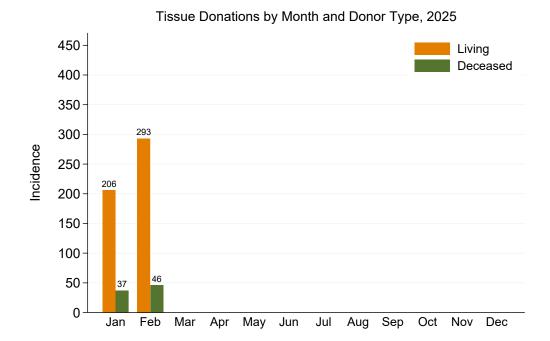


Figure 16: Tissue Donations by Month and Donor Type, 2025

Table 19: Living Tissue Donations by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Month, 2025

-	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	98	156											254
VIC	15	19											34
QLD	25	31											56
SA	0	0											0
WA	68	87											155
TAS	0	0											0
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	0											0
AUSTRALIA	206	293											499



Table 20: Living Tissue Donations by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Tissue Type, 2025

	Amnion	Cardiovascular	Musculoskeletal
NSW	7	5	242
VIC	0	2	32
QLD	0	0	56
SA	0	0	0
WA	0	0	155
TAS	0	0	0
NT	0	0	0
ACT	0	0	0
AUSTRALIA	7	7	485

Table 21: Deceased Tissue Donations by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Month, 2025

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	5	6											11
VIC	13	9											${\bf 22}$
QLD	17	27											44
SA	1	2											3
WA	0	2											2
TAS	1	0											1
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	0											0
AUSTRALIA	37	46											83

Table 22: Deceased Tissue Donations by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Donor Category, 2025

	Sc	olid Org	an/Tissi	ue		Tissue	e Only			To	tal	
	cv	ms	skin	pi	cv	ms	skin	pi	cv	ms	skin	pi
NSW	8	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	8	3	0	0
VIC	6	2	3	0	3	1	7	0	9	3	10	0
QLD	5	7	5	0	0	15	12	0	5	22	17	0
SA	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
WA	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
TAS	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
NT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ACT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AUSTRALIA	23	12	8	0	3	18	19	0	26	30	27	0

Table 23: Intended Solid Organ Donor Who Became Eyes and Tissue Donors, 2025

	Evo Only	Tieguo Only	Eye and Tissue
a court		rissue Omy	Eye and Tissue
NSW	3	0	0
VIC	3	0	1
QLD	1	0	0
SA	4	0	0
WA	0	0	0
TAS	1	0	0
NT	0	0	0
ACT	0	0	0
AUSTRALIA	12	0	1



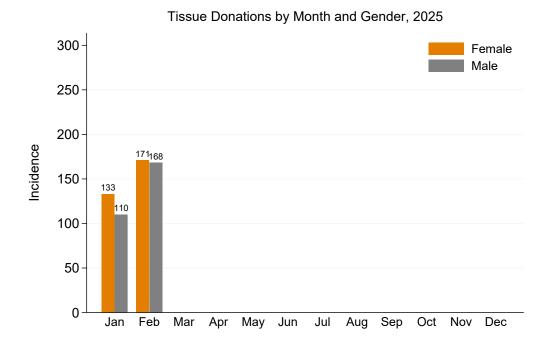


Figure 17: Tissue Donations by Month and Gender, 2025

Table 24: Female Tissue Donations by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Month, 2025

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	68	84											152
VIC	13	9											22
QLD	16	33											49
SA	0	1											1
WA	36	44											80
TAS	0	0											0
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	0											0
AUSTRALIA	133	171											304

Table 25: Male Tissue Donations by Jurisdiction of Retrieval and Month, 2025

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	35	78											113
VIC	15	19											34
QLD	26	25											51
SA	1	1											2
WA	32	45											77
TAS	1	0											1
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	0											0
AUSTRALIA	110	168											278



5 Notified Tissue Grafts Implanted

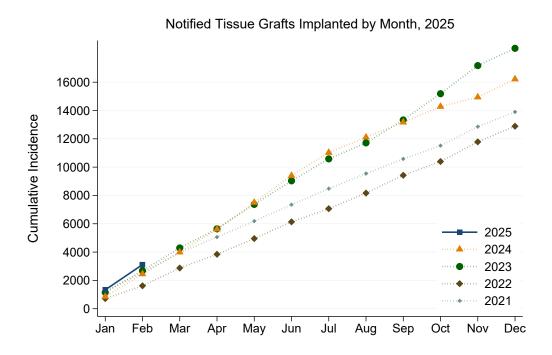
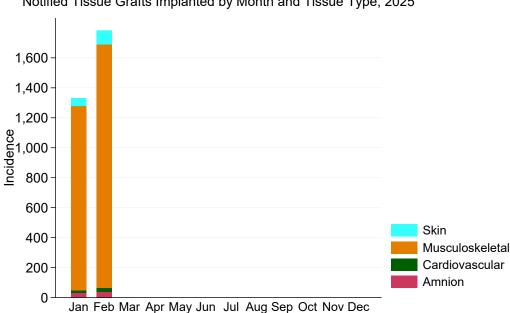


Figure 18: Notified Tissue Grafts Implanted by Month, 2025

Table 26: Notified Tissue Grafts Implanted by Jurisdiction of Retrieving Bank and Month, 2025

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	755	967											1722
VIC	192	186											378
QLD	324	574											898
SA	5	6											11
WA	55	51											106
TAS	0	0											0
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	0											0
AUSTRALIA	1331	1784											3115





Notified Tissue Grafts Implanted by Month and Tissue Type, 2025

Figure 19: Notified Tissue Grafts Implanted by Month and Tissue Type, 2025

Table 27: Notified Tissue Grafts Implanted by Jurisdiction of Retrieving Bank and Tissue Type, 2025

	Amnion	Cardiovascular	Musculoskeletal	Skin
NSW	69	40	1613	0
VIC	0	1	331	46
QLD	0	3	795	100
SA	0	0	11	0
WA	0	0	106	0
AUSTRALIA	69	44	2856	146



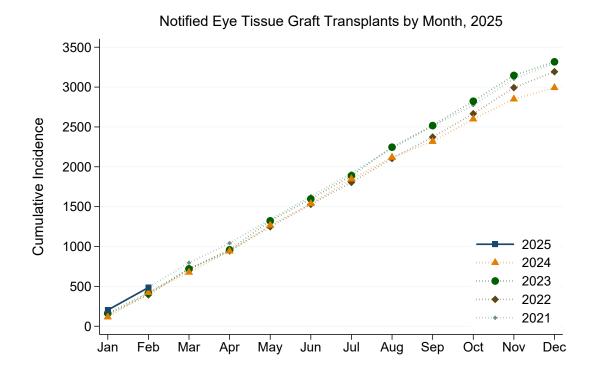


Figure 20: Notified Eye Tissue Graft Transplants by Month, 2025

Table 28: Notified Eye Tissue Graft Transplants by Jurisdiction of Retrieving Bank and Month, 2025

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	44	64											108
VIC	46	66											112
QLD	78	113											191
SA	7	8											15
WA	28	28											56
TAS	0	2											2
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	1											1
AUSTRALIA	203	282											485

Table 29: Cornea Graft Transplants by Jurisdiction of Retrieving Bank and Month, 2025

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	43	62											105
VIC	42	47											89
QLD	73	103											176
SA	7	8											15
WA	28	28											56
TAS	0	2											2
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	1											1
AUSTRALI	A 193	251											444

Table 30: Sclera Unit Graft Transplants by Jurisdiction of Retrieving Bank and Month, 2025

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	1	2											3
VIC	4	19											23
QLD	5	10											15
SA	0	0											0
WA	0	0											0
TAS	0	0											0
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	0											0
AUSTRALIA	10	31											41



6 Notified Tissue Graft Recipients

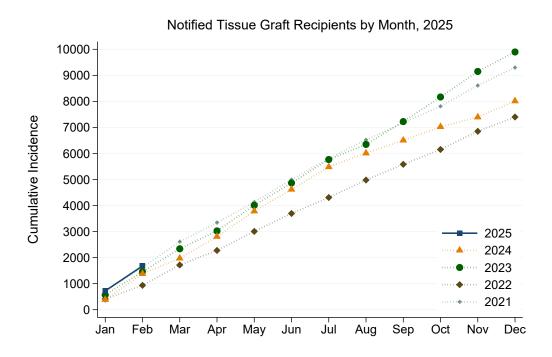


Figure 21: Notified Tissue Graft Recipients by Month, 2025

Table 31: Notified Tissue Graft Recipients by Jurisdiction of Retrieving Bank and Month, 2025

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	471	641											1112
VIC	83	99											182
QLD	134	182											316
SA	3	6											9
WA	32	28											60
TAS	0	0											0
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	0											0
AUSTRALIA	723	956											1679



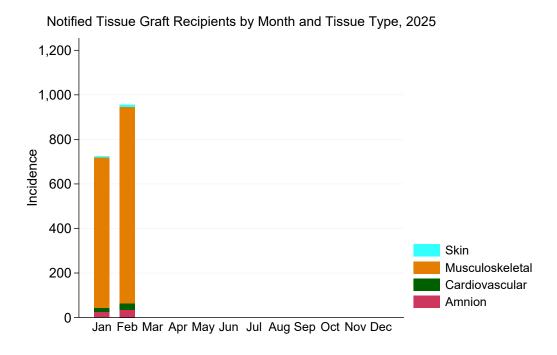


Figure 22: Notified Tissue Graft Recipients by Month and Tissue Type, 2025

Table 32: Notified Tissue Graft Recipients by Jurisdiction of Retrieving Bank and Tissue Type, 2025

	Amnion	Cardiovascular	Musculoskeletal	Skin
NSW	62	40	1010	0
VIC	0	1	177	4
QLD	0	3	305	8
SA	0	0	9	0
WA	0	0	60	0
AUSTRALIA	62	44	1561	12



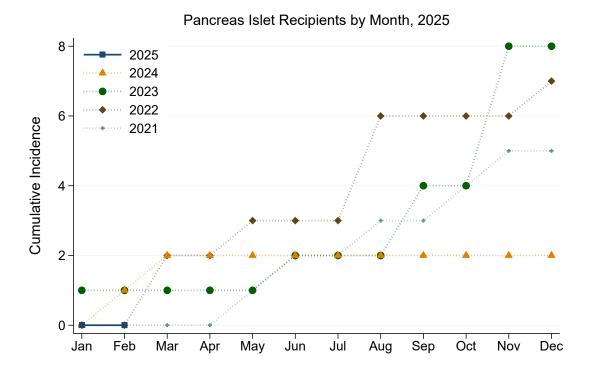


Figure 23: Pancreas Islet Recipients by Month, 2025

Table 33: Pancreas Islet Graft Recipients by Transplant Jurisdiction and Month, 2025

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
NSW	0	0											0
VIC	0	0											0
QLD	0	0											0
SA	0	0											0
WA	0	0											0
TAS	0	0											0
NT	0	0											0
ACT	0	0											0
AUSTRALIA	0	0											0



7 Glossary and Definitions

- 1 Amnion (am) is the innemost layer of the embryonic membranes.
- 2 Cardiovascular tissue (cv) includes, but not limited to, heart valves, pericardium and annexed vessels.
- 3 Cornea The cornea is the transparent anterior tissue of the eyeball consisting of many layers.
- 4 Deceased solid organ and tissue donation identifies a donation event where one or more solid organs and tissues are retrieved from a deceased donor. Data has been crosschecked with the solid organ and tissue sector to ensure the donor has met the deceased solid organ and tissue donation criteria.
- 5 Deceased tissue donation identifies a donation event where one or more tissues are retrieved from a deceased donor and can comprise of musculoskeletal, cardiovascular, skin or eye tissue.
- 6 Donation event
 - A single retrieval event, within a calendar day, where a living donor can donate one or more musculoskeletal, cardiovascular, or amnion tissues.
 - Retrieval from deceased donors of solid organ, tissue and/or eyes that may occur on differing days but after the donor declaration of death date.
- 7 Eye only donor A deceased donor where eye only retrieval has taken place. A donor is counted as an eye only donor if 2 whole eyes, 2 corneas only, one eye or one cornea only is retrieved. Outcomes of donated eye tissue are not limited to transplantation.
- 8 Eye and solid organ (and tissue) donor A deceased donor where eye and solid organ retrieval has taken place. These donors may or may not have donated an additional tissue(s) e.g. musculoskeletal, cardiovascular or skin. Data has been crosschecked with the solid organ and tissue sector to confirm the donation event and donor classification.
- 9 Eye and tissue only donor A deceased donor where eye and an additional tissue(s) e.g. musculoskeletal, cardiovascular or skin has taken place. Data has been crosschecked with the tissue sector to confirm the donation event and donor classification.
- 10 Eye tissue donation Unless otherwise specified all donors undergo retrieval of both whole eyes or both corneas. This means the number of eye tissue donations can be calculated by doubling the amount of total eye donors.
- 11 Eye tissue graft transplants Corneal or scleral tissue transplanted into an eye tissue recipient within the reporting time period.
- 12 Eye tissue recipient Unless otherwise specified the number of eye tissue recipients is equal to the number of eye tissue graft transplants (consistent with EBAANZ).
- 13 Living tissue donation identifies a donation event where one or more tissues are retrieved from a living donor. Living tissue can be amnion, cardiovascular, but is vastly comprised of donated femoral heads (bone) retrieved during hip replacement surgery. A living musculoskeletal donor can donate one femoral head during one donation event, two femoral heads during one donation event or one femoral head during two separate donation events.
- 14 Musculoskeletal tissue (ms) includes, but not limited to, bone, cartilage and tendon retrieved from areas such as the pelvis, arm and leg.



- 15 Notified tissue graft implants Number of tissue grafts supplied and confirmed by the hospital to the distributing tissue bank to have been implanted. One tissue graft recipient may receive multiple graft implants.
- 16 Notified tissue graft recipients The number of tissue graft recipients, confirmed by the hospital to the distributing bank, who receive one or more graft implants during a single tissue transplant event.
- 17 Pancreas islet (pi) A multicellular structure within the pancreas that maintains normal blood glucose level within the body.
- 18 Sclera unit A unit of the protective outer layer of the eyeball, used for transplantation during ocular surgery.
- 19 Skin tissue (sk) includes, but not limited to, split thickness skin (epidermis and upper part of the dermis), of varying size.
- 20 Tissue transplant event
 - A single tissue transplant event occurs when a tissue graft recipient receives 1 or more tissue grafts on a single occasion. This will be counted as one tissue graft recipient, one tissue transplant event.
 - If a tissue graft recipient receives 1 or more tissue grafts during multiple tissue transplant events, this will be counted as one tissue graft recipient for each tissue transplant event.
- 21 Unique donor A deceased or living donor who donates one or more tissue(s) during a single donation event.



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