

Ratio of trainee medical specialists to specialists aged 55+ and aged 60+

As at June 2022 there were 28 specialties (of a total 36) with fewer trainees than there were specialists (private and public) aged 55+ (Table 1).

There were 19 specialties (of a total 36) with fewer trainees than there were specialists (private and public) aged 60+ (Table 2).

Those in red indicate at least 15% or more of the workforce is aged 65+ (44% of specialties)

Table 1: Specialties with fewer trainees than specialists aged 55+, 2022

Anaesthesia	Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
Cardiothoracic Surgery	Orthopaedic Surgery
Clinical Genetics	Otolaryngology Head & Neck Surgery
Dermatology	Paediatric Surgery
Diagnostic & Interventional Radiology	Pain Medicine
Family Planning & Reproductive Health	Palliative Medicine
General Practice	Pathology
General Surgery	Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery
Medical Administration	Psychiatry
Musculoskeletal Medicine	Public Health Medicine
Neurosurgery	Rehabilitation Medicine
Obstetrics & Gynaecology	Sexual Health Medicine
Occupational Medicine	Urology
Ophthalmology	Vascular Surgery

Source: Te Kaunihera Rata o Aotearoa – Medical Council of New Zealand (MCNZ) 2023

Table 2: Specialties with fewer trainees than specialists aged 60+, 2022

Dermatology	Orthopaedic Surgery
Diagnostic & Interventional Radiology	Otolaryngology Head & Neck Surgery
Family Planning & Reproductive Health	Paediatric Surgery
General Practice	Pain Medicine
General Surgery	Palliative Medicine
Medical Administration	Pathology
Musculoskeletal Medicine	Psychiatry
Occupational Medicine	Public Health Medicine
Ophthalmology	Sexual Health Medicine
	Vascular Surgery

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