

# INDOOR CRICKET

## PROFILE

There are just over 93,100 adults participating in indoor cricket in Australia, a participation rate of 0.7%.

On average, indoor cricket participants:

- Are male, aged between 25-34 years
- Reside in non-capital city regions of New South Wales, Victoria or Queensland
- Have never been married
- Will be employed as trades persons and related workers

In general, participants of indoor cricket will play only indoor cricket, or one other organised sport. Such sports likely to be played include outdoor cricket, touch football and netball.

## AGE AND GENDER

There are 93,100 people who participate in indoor cricket. Almost 82% of these participants (76,200 participants) are males. This is a participation rate of 1.2%. The participation rate for females is 0.3% (16,900 participants). For both males and females, the number of indoor cricketer's peaks for person's aged between 25-34 years- 52.1% of males and 49% of females who play this sport are aged in this group.

When participation rates are isolated, there is a slight rise from 1.6% to 1.8% between the 18-24 year age group and the 25-34 year age group. For older age groups, the rate declines rapidly, to 0.4% and then to 0.1%. Overall, seven in every one thousand people, or 0.7% of Australians participate in indoor cricket.

## RESIDENCE

The highest participation rate in indoor cricket occurs in the Northern Territory, where 2% of the population participates in this sport. Other areas where indoor cricket is more popular than the Australian average of 0.7% include Tasmania and the Australian Capital Territory both with rates of 1%, and Queensland and Western Australia where 0.9% of these populations participate. Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia have participation rates of 0.7%, 0.6% and 0.5% respectively.

For all organised sports and physical activities, people living in non-capital cities have a higher participation rate than those living in capital cities, 31% compared to 26.2%. In indoor cricket, this trend continues, with 0.8% of non-capital city residents participating in the sport compared to 0.6% of the capital-city population.

## **BIRTHPLACE**

The proportion of Australian-born people who take part in indoor cricket is 92.4%, and is higher than the percentage of Australian-born people in the population, which is 72.6%. The highest participation rate of 0.9% is also shown for this group.

Only 4.7% of indoor cricketers were born in the United Kingdom, Ireland or New Zealand, this is a participation rate of only 0.3%.

Of the population of Australian adults born in "other countries", 0.1% participate in indoor cricket, comprising only 2.9% or 2,700 participants in that sport.

## **MARITAL STATUS**

The proportion of married people participating in indoor cricket (50.2%) is both less than the proportion of married people participating in organised sport and physical activities (61.1%) and the percentage of all Australians who are married (64.5%). The situation was reversed for persons who have never been married- 43.5% if indoor cricketers have never been married, while for organised sport and physical activity participants and all people aged over 18 years or more, the percentages for these categories was 29.5% and 22.1% respectively.

## **LABOUR FORCE STATUS**

The majority of participants in indoor cricket are employed in some fashion. Indeed, 88.9% (84,400 participants) are employed. For all sport and physical activity participants, this proportion of employed people is 73.1%, while the corresponding percentage for all Australian adults is 61.7%.

## **OCCUPATION AND INDUSTRY**

Of all the participants in indoor cricket, 34.5% of them are employed as trades persons and related workers. Another 20.3% work as associate professionals. These figures are higher than the proportions for all Australians with this type of occupation, of which 9.1% of the population to be trades persons and related workers and 5.8% are associate professionals.

For those indoor cricketers who work, 23.5% were employed in the electricity, gas and water supply and construction industries; this is a higher proportion than in any other industry. Another 22.3% of participants worked in the agriculture, forestry and fishing and mining and manufacturing industries.

## **HIGHEST EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

The highest educational qualification attained by more indoor cricketers than any other qualification was a secondary school certificate, held by 50.2% of participants. This percentage was higher than the proportions of all organised sport and physical activity participants with a secondary school certificate - 45.2% - but similar to all Australian adults with this qualification, at 51.6%.

The proportion of indoor cricketers with a trade certificate was 26.1% and almost doubles the percentage of participants in all sports and physical activity with this qualification, which is 13.1%. This reflects the fact those persons whose occupation group is trades persons and related workers account for one third of all indoor cricket players.

### **INCOME**

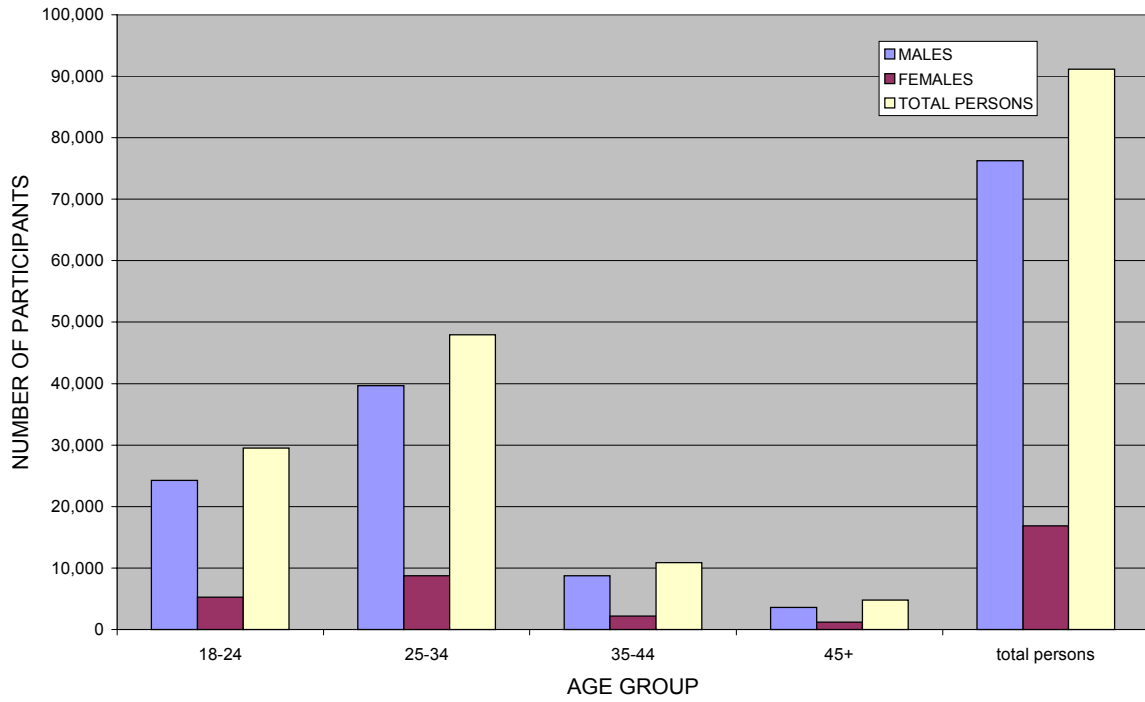
Incomes earned by indoor cricketers are generally higher than those earned by participants in all organised sport and physical activities. Of all indoor cricket players, 27.2% have an income of less than \$25,000, 39.9% earn \$25,001-\$38,000 and 26.8% earn more than \$38,001. In comparison, 48% of participants in all sports and physical activity earn up to \$25,000, 22.7% have incomes of \$25,001-\$38,000, and 23.2% earn over \$38,000.

### **OTHER ORGANISED SPORTS AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN**

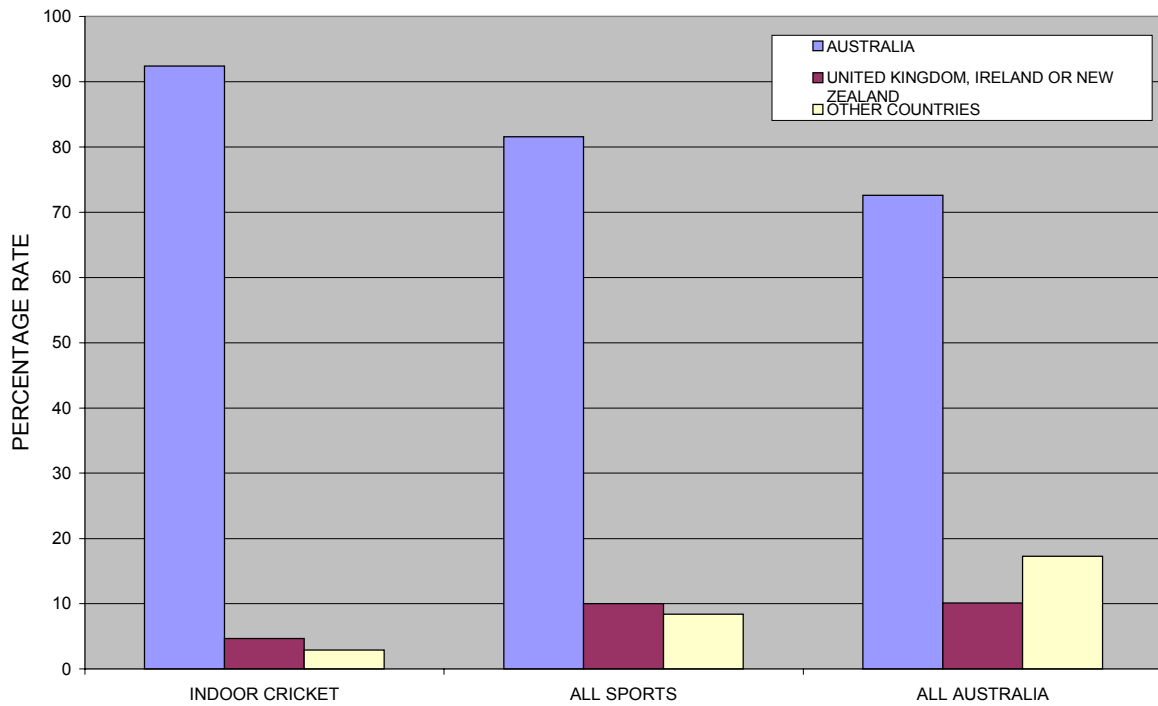
Just under 40,000 people who participate in indoor cricket play only this sport. One-third (32,500 people) participate in one additional sport or physical activity, 14.3% (13,300 players) take part in two other sports and 7.8% (7,300 people) play three sports or more.

There is a wide range of other organised sports and physical activities played by indoor cricketers. The most popular of which is outdoor cricket, there are 12,700 people who participate in both forms of cricket. Also popular with indoor cricketers are touch football (9,300 participants), netball (6,500) Australian Rules football (6,000) and golf (5,900).

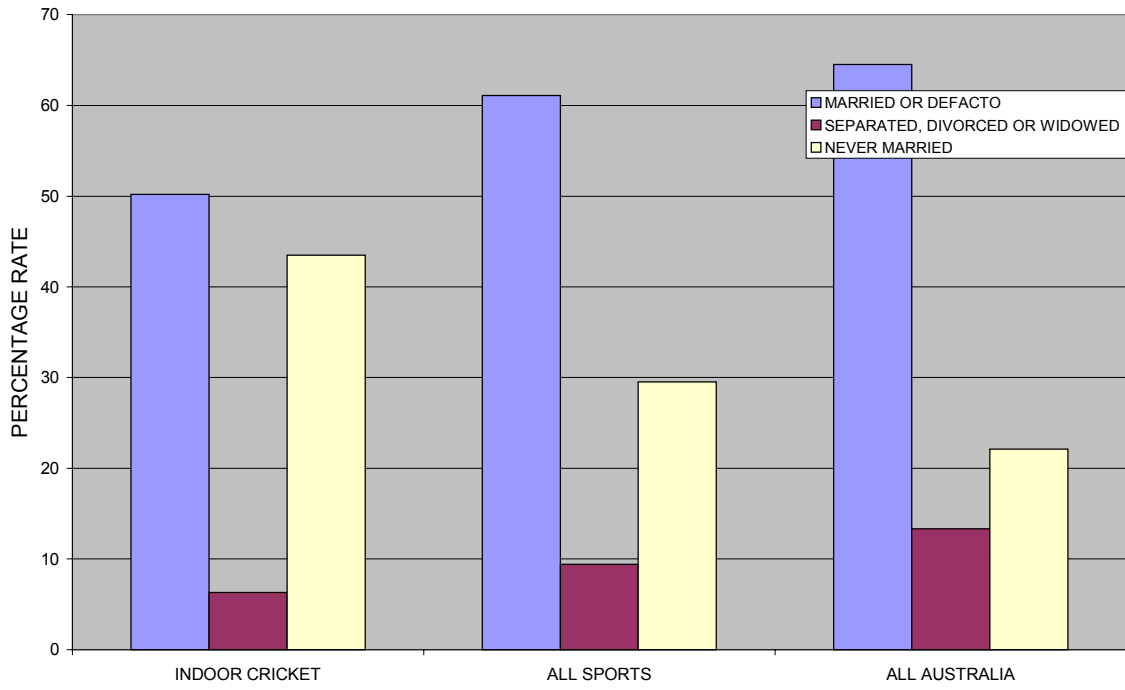
### NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS BY AGE AND GENDER



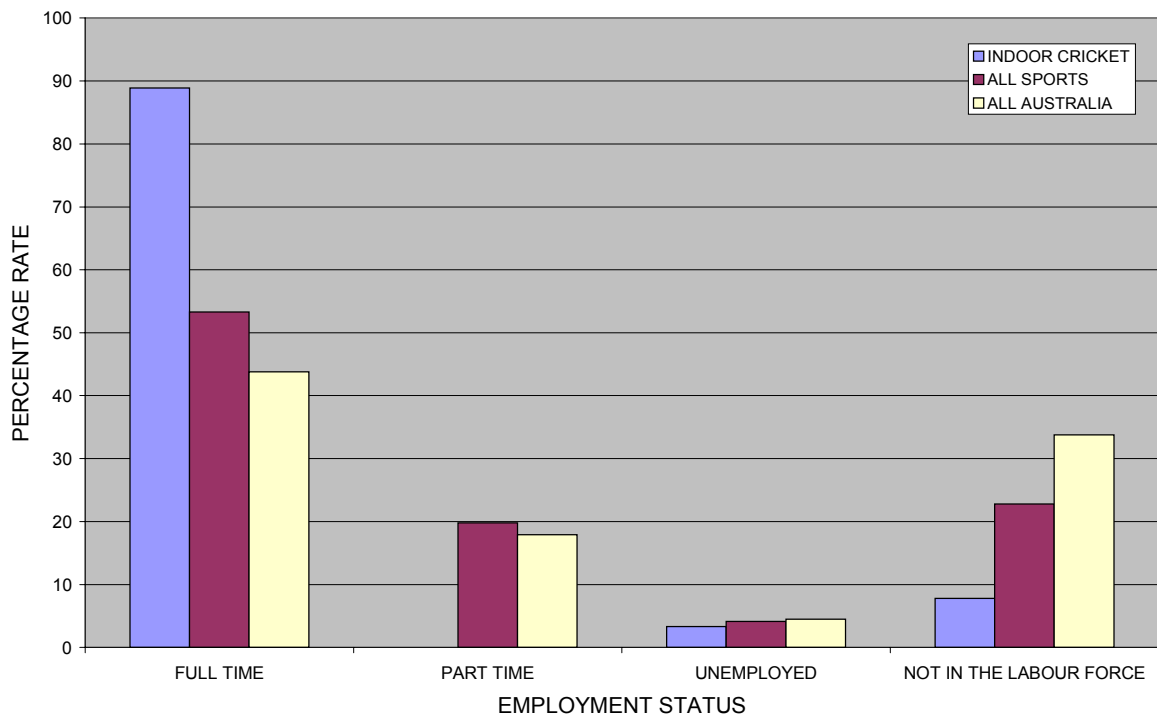
### RATE OF PARTICIPATION BY COUNTRY OF BIRTH



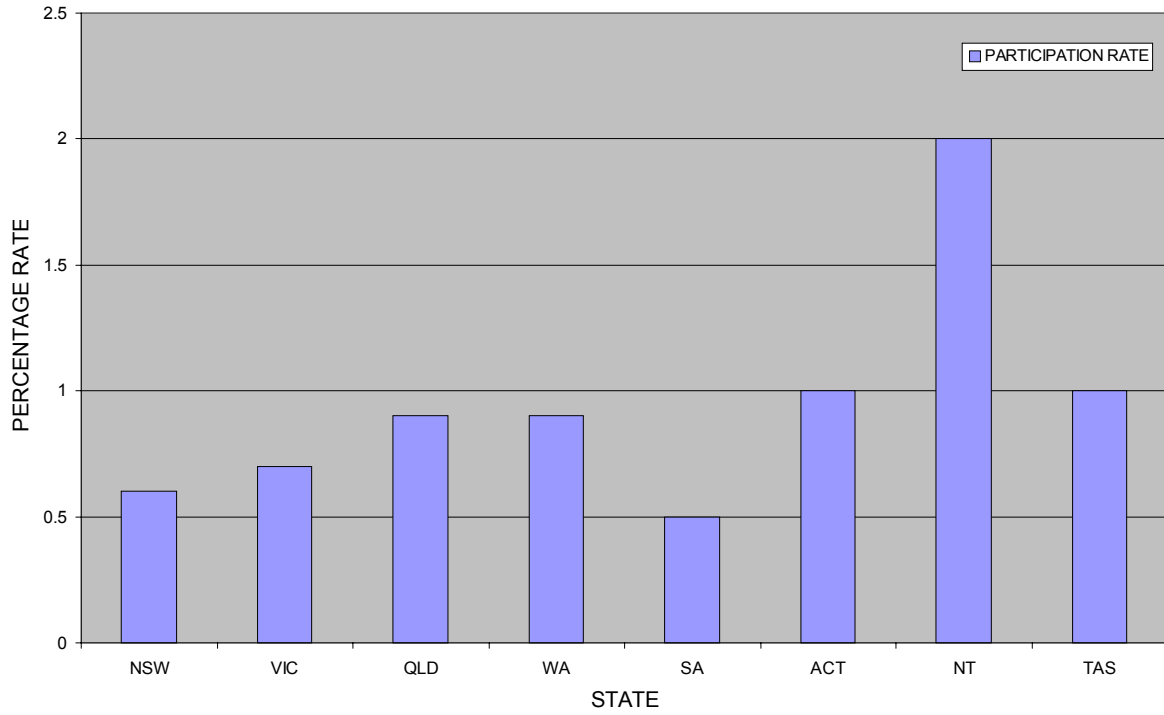
### RATE OF PARTICIPATION BY MARITAL STATUS



### RATE OF PARTICIPATION BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS



### RATE OF PARTICIPATION BY STATE



### NUMBER OF SPORTS PLAYED BY INDOOR CRICKET PARTICIPANTS AND ALL PARTICIPANTS

