

# VOLLEYBALL

Volleyball includes indoor and outdoor volleyball.

## PROFILE

There are just over 82,000 people aged over 18 years of age participating in volleyball in Australia.

On average, volleyball participants:

- Are male, aged 34 years and under
- Will be married
- Reside in the capital city regions of Queensland, Victoria or New South Wales
- Are Australian born

Participants in this sport will usually only play this sport. Of those who do participate in other sports and physical activity aerobics and fitness, basketball, netball and tennis are popular.

## AGE AND GENDER

There are 82,100 adult Australians who participate in organised volleyball, a participation rate of six persons in every one thousand (0.6%). The proportions of men and women who participate in this activity are 54.8% and 45.2% respectively and they are similar to the proportions of men and women participating in all sports and activities.

Volleyball is a younger person's activity. The greatest number of players is in the 25-34 year age group. However, participation rates are highest for 18-24 year olds (1.5%) and progressively decline to 0.1% for the 45 years and older age group.

## RESIDENCE

In terms of absolute numbers, Queensland has the largest number of volleyball players, with 19,400 players and a participation rate of 0.8%. It is followed by Victoria with 19,000 players at a rate of 0.6%. States with even higher participation rates than for Queensland are the Northern Territory with 2.9%, the Australian Capital Territory at a rate of 1.1%, and South Australia, where 1% of the population participates in volleyball. New South Wales has the lowest participation rate at 0.4%.

For all sports and organised activities, people living in non-capital city regions have a higher participation rate of 31% compared to capital city participants where 26.2% of the population participates in sports and physical activity. This is also true for volleyball participation rates, where 0.7% of non-capital city residents and 0.6% of capital city participants participate in this sport.

## **BIRTHPLACE**

Australian-born people comprise 83.9% of all volleyball players (68,800 participants), a participation rate of 0.7%. The participation rates for both persons born in the United Kingdom, Ireland or New Zealand, and for persons born in “other countries” are the same. The rate for these populations is 0.4%.

## **MARITAL STATUS**

The proportion of married people participating in volleyball (49.2%) is both less than the proportion of married people participating in organised sport and physical activities (61.1%) and the percentage of Australians who are married (64.5%). The situation is reversed for people who have never been married – 44.9% of volleyball participants have never been married, while for organised sport and physical activity participants, and all people aged 18 years or more, the proportions in this category are 29.5% and 22.1% respectively.

## **LABOUR FORCE STATUS**

The proportion of volleyball participants who work full time (71%) is substantially higher than the proportion of Australian adults employed full time (43.8%) and is also higher than the percentage of participants in all sport and physical activities engaged in full time work (53.3%). This position is reversed for part time workers – 9.9% of volleyball participants work part time, while the corresponding proportions for all adults and participants in all sport and physical activities who work less than 35 hours per week is 17.9% and 19.8% respectively.

## **OCCUPATION AND INDUSTRY**

While almost 81% of adults participating in volleyball are employed, there is no one occupation in which players are more likely to work.

Over 22% of all adults who participate in organised volleyball work in the retail industry. This is more than double the percentage of all sport and physical activity participants in this industry (10.5%) and the percentage of all people in the retail trade (0.9%).

## **INCOME**

Nearly 31% of people who participate in volleyball have an income in the range of \$25,001-\$38,000, which is higher than the proportions for all sport and physical activity participants (22.6%) and all Australian adults (18.8%) whose incomes are in this range. For both lower and higher incomes, the position is reversed. About 55% of Australian adults and 48% of sport and physical activity participants have incomes of \$25,000 or less, while just 44.3% of persons who take part in volleyball have incomes in this group.

## **HIGHEST EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION**

The highest educational qualification attained by more volleyball participants than any other qualification is a secondary school certificate, held by 43.7% of people involved. However, this percentage is lower than the proportions of all organised

sport and physical activities participants with a secondary school certificate (45.2%) and of all persons with this qualification (51.6%).

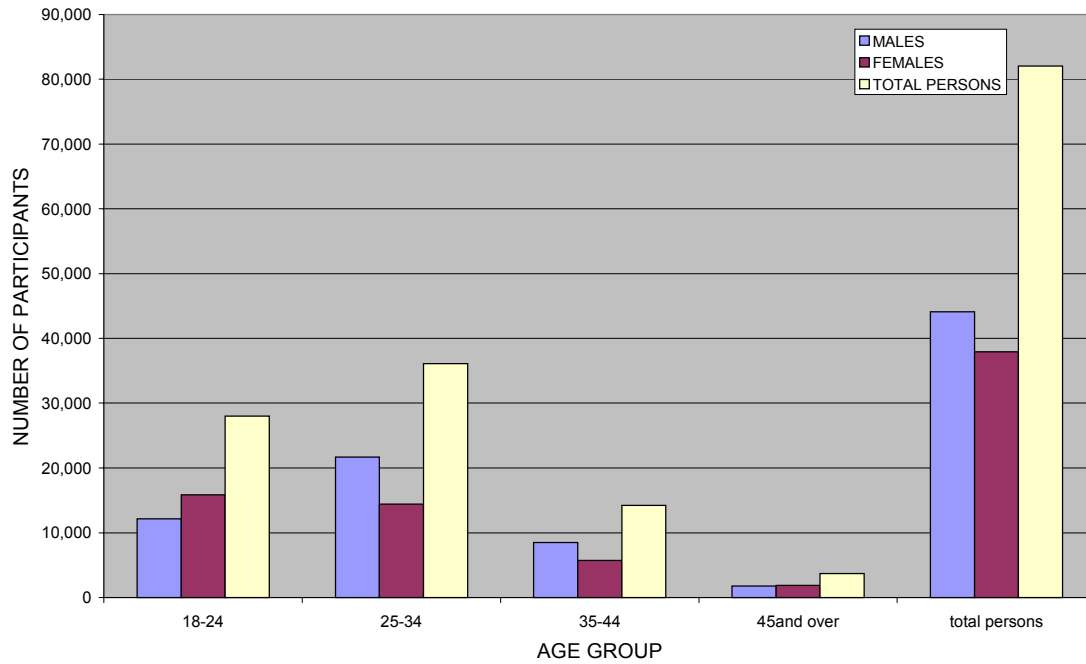
Over 27% of persons who participate in organised volleyball have an other certificate, that is, a certificate other than a school or trade certificate or apprenticeship. This proportion is almost twice that of participants in all sport and physical activities (16.5%) and the percentage of all people with this type of certificate (14.8%).

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

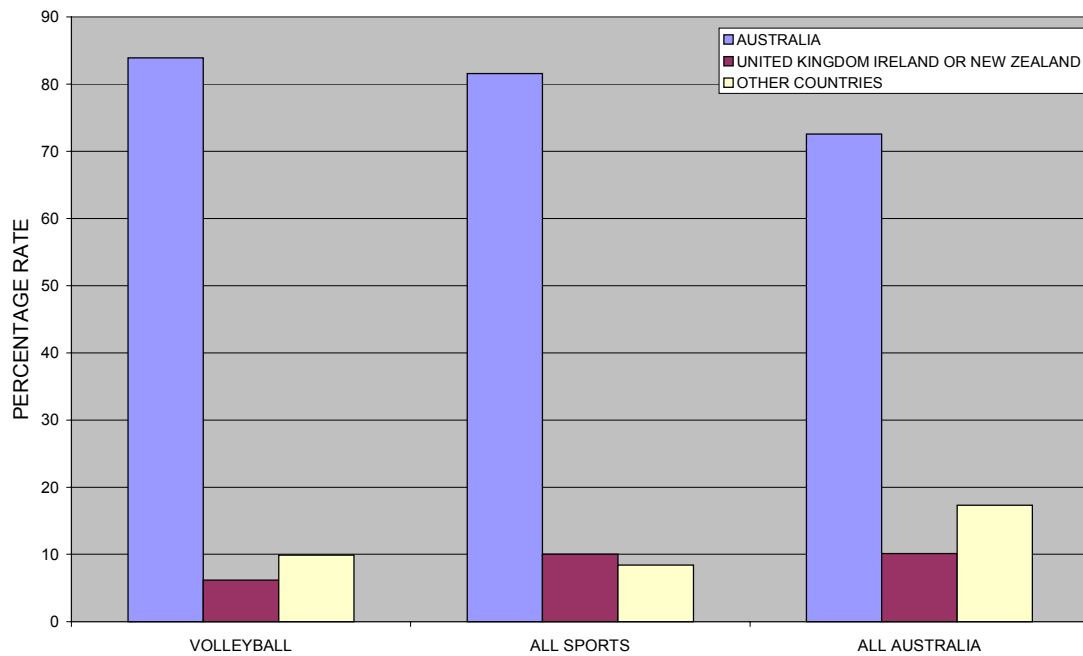
Volleyball is the only sport or physical activity undertaken by 42.5% (34,900 people) of players. Another 31.4% (25,800 people) participate in one additional sport and physical activity, while 19.9% (16,400 people) take part in two other sports or physical activities and 6.1% take part in three or more other sports or physical activities.

Volleyball participants take part in a wide variety of other sports and physical activities, the most popular of which are aerobics and fitness and basketball, both with 8,400 participants each. Among the other sports popular with volleyball participants are netball (7,800 players), tennis (4,800 participants) and indoor cricket (4,500 participants).

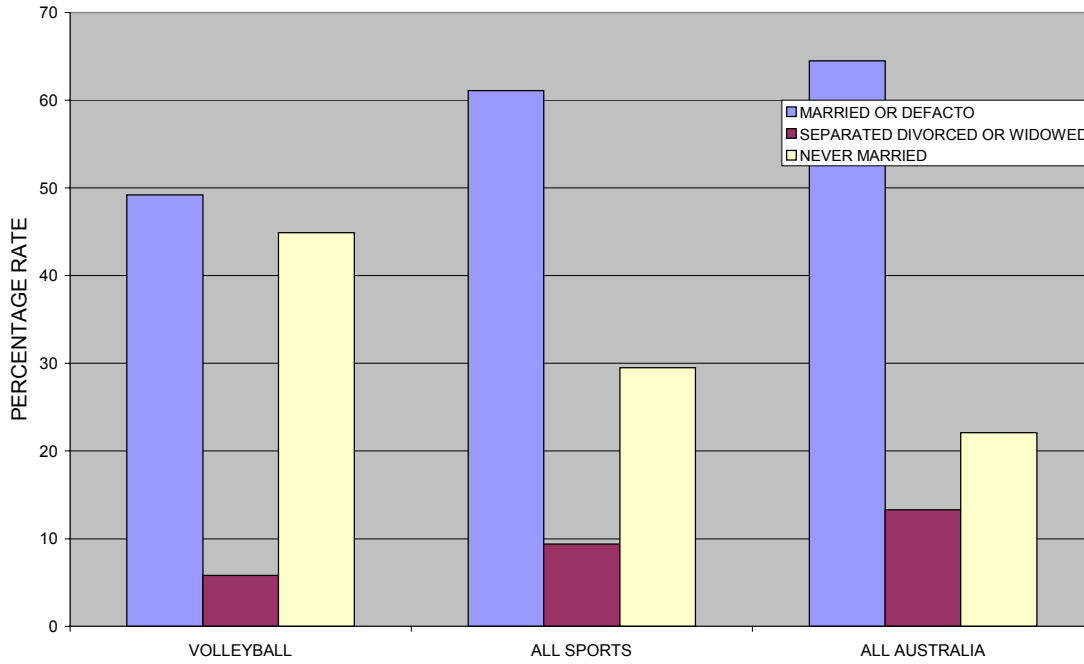
NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS BY AGE AND GENDER



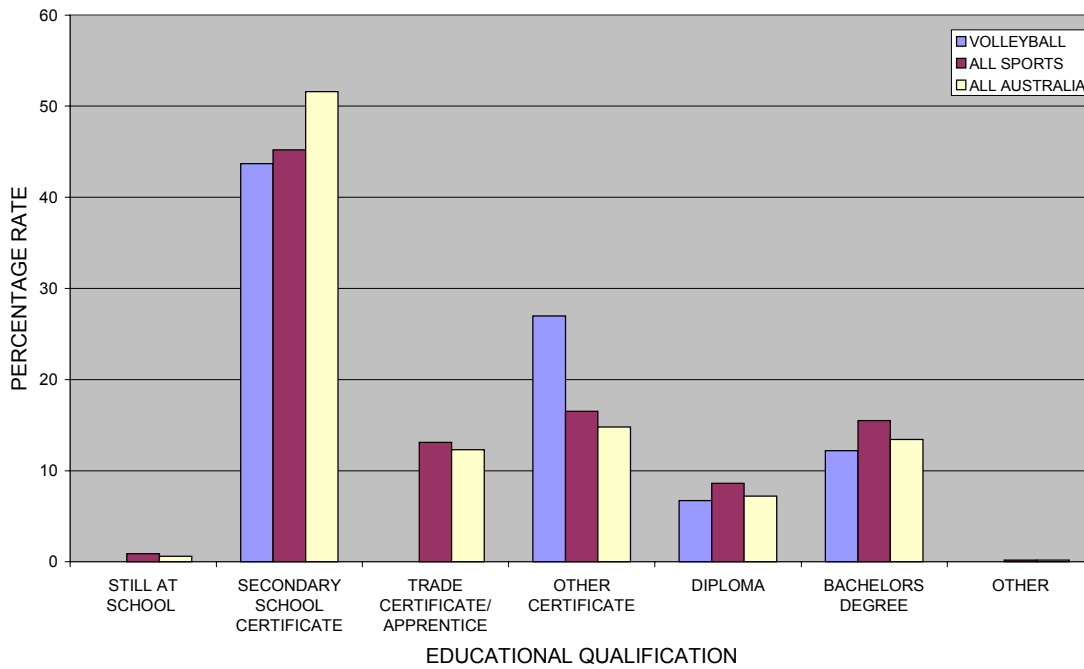
RATE OF PARTICIPATION BY COUNTRY OF BIRTH



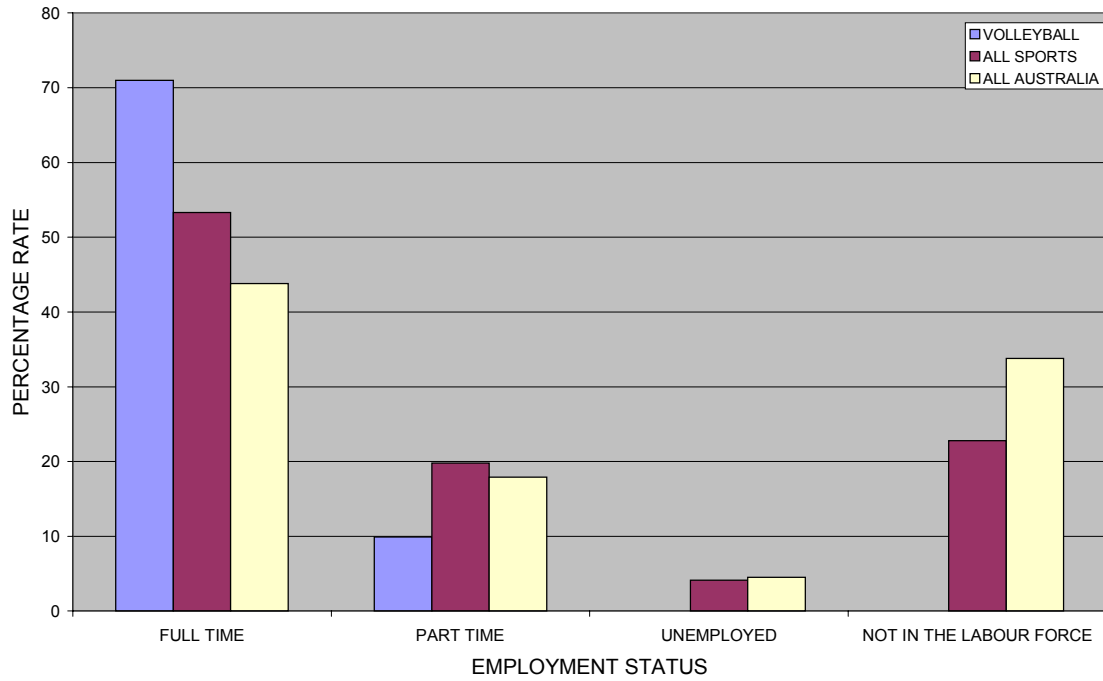
RATE OF PARTICIPATION BY MARITAL STATUS



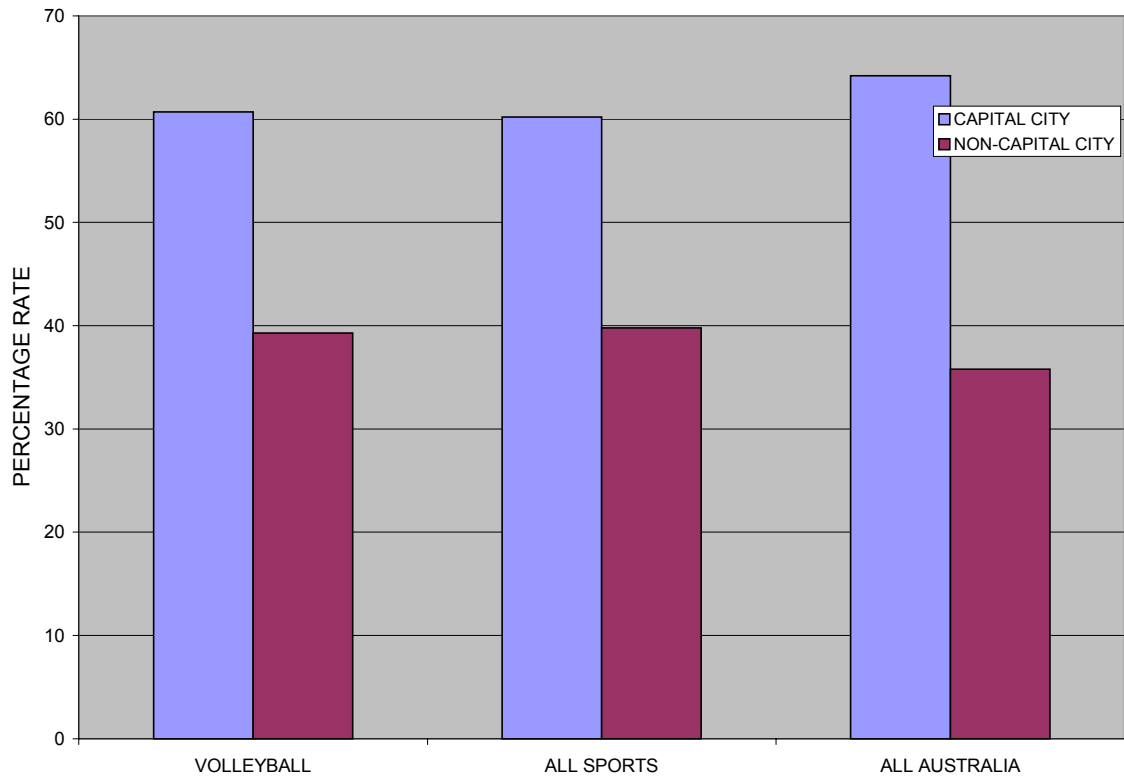
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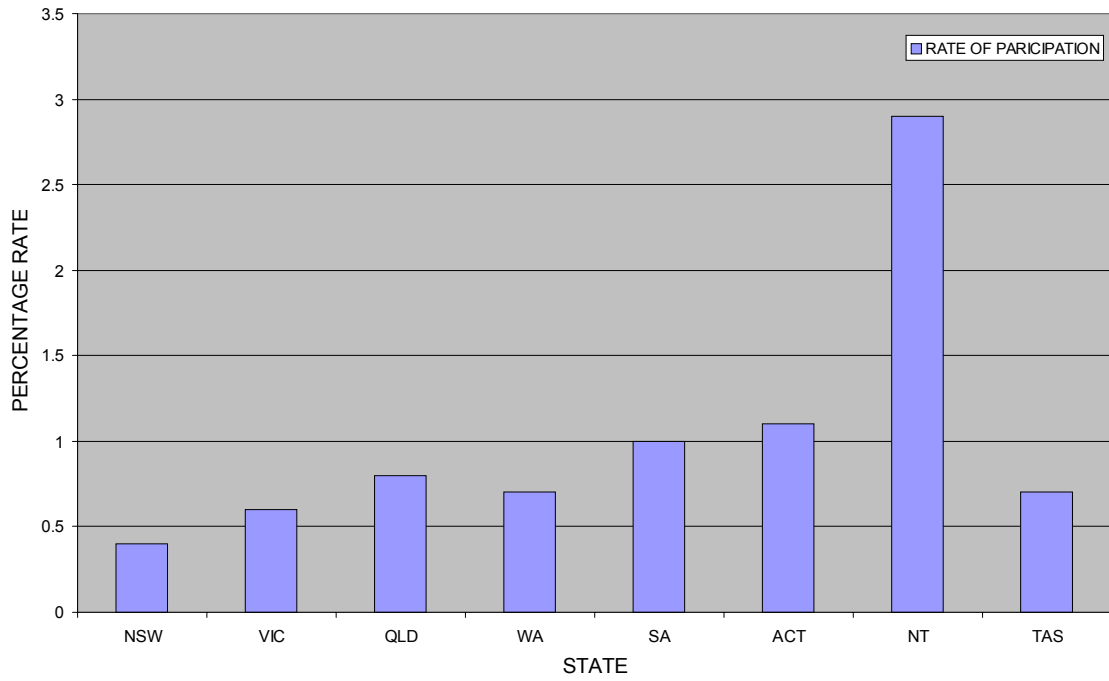
### RATE OF PARTICIPATION BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS



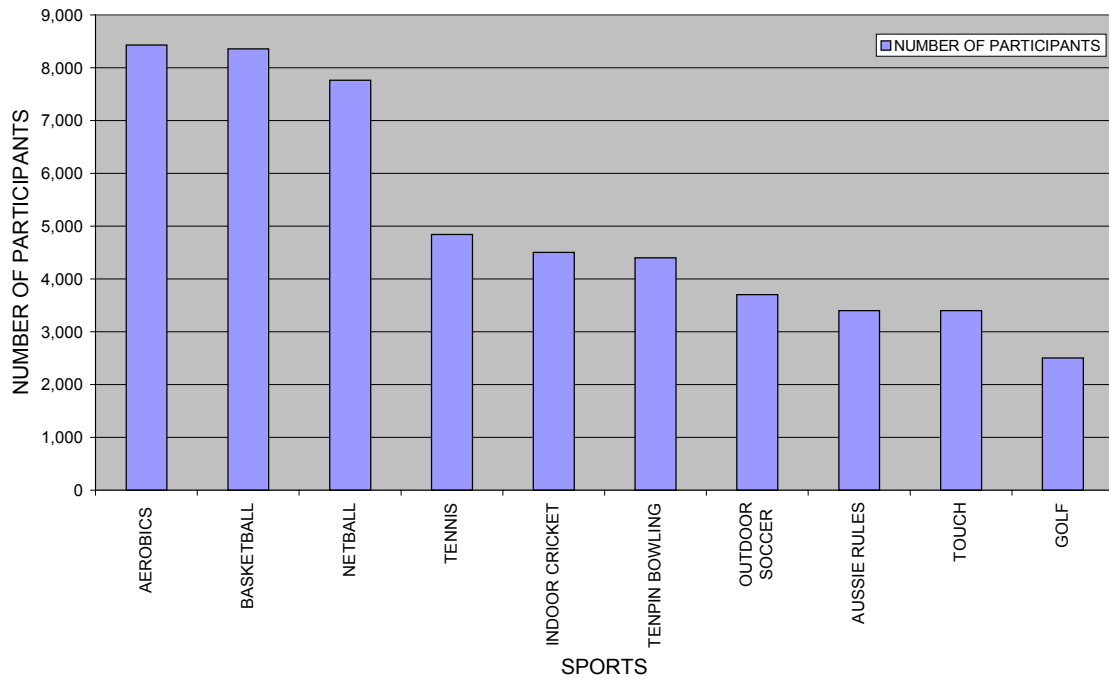
RATE OF PARTICIPATION BY CAPITAL CITY VS NON CAPITAL CITY



### RATE OF PARTICIPATION BY STATE



### OTHER SPORTS PLAYED BY VOLLEYBALL PARTICIPANTS



NUMBER OF OTHER SPORTS PLAYED BY VOLLEYBALL PARTICIPANTS  
AND ALL PARTICIPANTS

