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## Membership breakdown

In the 2015-16 financial year, ADEA experienced a membership increase of 100 members.

Student memberships have continued to increase. During 2015-16, there were 86 members who joined the Student membership category. This membership category provides opportunities for students who have a special interest in diabetes to join ADEA. On expiry of student membership, they can continue as an associate member or upgrade to full membership to work towards initial credentialling application. ADEA have had one student member successfully credentialled since the introduction of the category in November 2014.

ADEA also introduced a new retired membership category that offers retired members an opportunity to stay in touch with ADEA and their networks.

As indicated in Figure 1, the majority (86%) of ADEA members are full members. 8.6% are associate and 5% are student members.

Please note:

- Statistics of full member CDEs were not available before 2014-15.
- Statistics of student and international membership were not available before 2014-15.

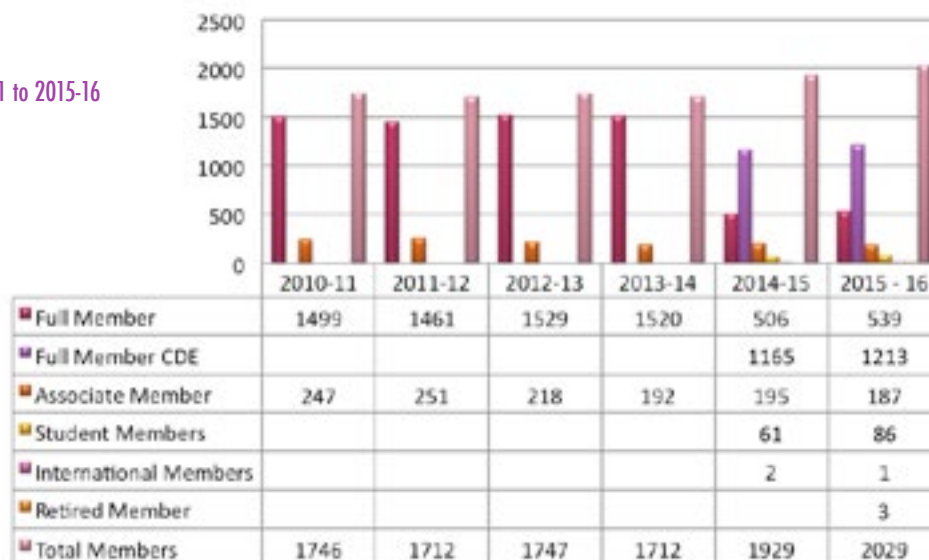
In this period ADEA did lose some members mainly due to:

1. Age of the workforce: senior members retired from the workforce
2. Shift in employment: members no longer working in the area of diabetes management.

ADEA will continue to promote the benefits of its membership within the industry and the community during the 2016-17 year. This will include promotional campaigns focusing on students undertaking studies in the allied health sector and those undertaking the Graduate Certificate in Diabetes Education and Management.

ADEA will also endeavor to contact the various primary health discipline associations where their members are eligible to apply for credentialling status to encourage the promotion of ADEA membership and being a CDE.

Figure 1:  
Annual membership  
by financial year from 2010-11 to 2015-16



## Membership in branches and overseas

Figure 2 - ADEA membership by branches and overseas



Currently Victoria (33%), New South Wales (21%) and Queensland (20%) represent the majority of our membership with Western Australia (9%) and South Australia (7%) being next in progression. The remainder, 10%, are distributed in Tasmania (3%), the Northern Territory (2%), the Australian Capital Territory (2%) and 11 members are currently living overseas.