24% of physiotherapists in the country/territory are members of the Afghan Association for Physical Therapy.

57% of physiotherapists in the region are members of a World Physiotherapy member organisation.

35% of physiotherapists in the world are members of a World Physiotherapy member organisation.

The data in this page includes data from all of World Physiotherapy’s 122 member organisations. Some data has also been collated from other sources available to World Physiotherapy.
Number of new member organisations and member organisations which have increased, decreased or kept the same membership in each World Physiotherapy region

In your region **65%** of member organisations have **increased their membership**

Total membership of the Asia Western Pacific region has **increased by 49,575 individual members**
AFGHANISTAN | GENDER

38% of physiotherapists in Afghanistan are female

63% of physiotherapists globally are female

The 3 countries with the highest % of female physiotherapists in your region:

Kuwait
Mongolia
Myanmar

PERCENTAGE OF FEMALE PHYSIOTHERAPISTS IN WORLD PHYSIOTHERAPY REGIONS

70% in North America Caribbean region
67% in Europe region
62% in Africa region
61% in South America region
54% in Asia Western Pacific region

38% of physiotherapists in Afghanistan are female.
AWP | COVID-19 PANDEMIC IN YOUR REGION

73% of member organisations in the Asia Western Pacific region have carried out advocacy on behalf of their members during the COVID-19 pandemic.

85% of countries/territories in the region had to stop clinical practice at some point during the pandemic.

42% of countries in the Asia Western Pacific region reported challenges for physiotherapists accessing PPE.
What actions did member organisations in your region take to support their members during the COVID-19 pandemic?

- **21** member organisations offered COVID-19 specific online education or training
- **14** member organisations facilitated access to personal protective equipment for physiotherapists
- **7** member organisations arranged other support for their members

73% of national conferences in the Asia Western Pacific region were cancelled or postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic

54% of countries in the Asia Western Pacific region had to cancel or postpone continuous professional development (CPD) activities due to the COVID-19 pandemic
Map showing the number of practising physiotherapists per 10,000 of the population within the Asia Western Pacific region of World Physiotherapy.
1.4 entry-level education programmes in your country/territory per 5 million population

2.1 is the average number of entry-level education programmes per 5 million population in the Asia Western Pacific region of World Physiotherapy
Are physiotherapists permitted to provide telehealth services?

- 65% of respondents reported that physiotherapists in your region are permitted to provide telehealth services in the workforce.
- In your country/territory physiotherapists are not permitted to provide telehealth services.

Can physiotherapists in your country/territory treat people without a referral from a medical doctor?

- 38% of respondents in your region reported full direct access to physiotherapy services.
- In your country/territory full direct access is permitted.
GLOBAL | A PICTURE OF THE PROFESSION

- 74% recognise special interest groups
- 79% provide CPD for their members
- 58% have support personnel to work with physiotherapists

- 16% of countries a physiotherapist has to be a member of our MO to practice
- 71% have postgraduate education
- 48% have access to PhD programmes
GLOBAL | RESPONSE TO SURVEY

WORLD PHYSIOTHERAPY MEMBER ORGANISATIONS FROM THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES RESPONDED:

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