

Recruitment Hotsheet – Nursing

As the largest healthcare occupation, registered nurses held about 2.6 million jobs in 2008. Hospitals employed the majority of RNs, with 60% of such jobs. About 8% of jobs were in offices of physicians, 5% in home healthcare services, 5% in nursing care facilities and 3% in employment services. The remainder worked mostly in government agencies, social assistance agencies and educational services. 20% of RNs worked part-time in 2008.

Employment Trends

Overall job opportunities for registered nurses are expected to be excellent; however, some employers report difficulty in attracting and retaining an adequate number of RNs. Employment of registered nurses is expected to grow by 22% from 2008 to 2018, much faster than the average for all occupations. However, employment of RNs will not grow at the same rate in every industry. The projected growth rates for RNs are highest for offices of physicians (43%) and home health services (33%). Employment is expected to grow more slowly in hospitals (17%)—healthcare’s largest industry—than in most other healthcare industries. Additionally, hundreds of thousands of job openings will result from the need to replace experienced nurses who leave the occupation. Growth will be driven by technological advances in patient care, which permit a greater number of health problems to be treated, and by an increasing emphasis on preventive care.

Reports

[2011 National Healthcare & RN Retention Report](#) by NSI

[Nursing by the Numbers](#) by ANA

[Nursing Shortage Fact Sheet](#) by AACN

[State of Nursing Salaries: 2011](#) by Advance for Nurses

Top Markets

1. New York, NY
2. Chicago, IL
3. Los Angeles, CA
4. Boston, MA
5. Philadelphia, PA

Top Programs

[Johns Hopkins University](#)

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[University of California – San Francisco](#)

[University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill](#)

Media Spotlight: Blogs

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[All Nurses Blogs](#)

[NurseZone Blog](#)

[Emeriblog](#)

[The Nurse Practitioner's Place](#)

[National Nurse](#)

Online Networks

[ANA Nurse Space](#)

[Cyber Nurse](#)

[Nurse Connect](#)

[Nurse Groups](#)

[Nurse Together](#)

[Nursing Discussions](#)

E-Newsletters

[Advance for Nurse Practitioners E-News](#)

[AllNurses.com Nurse-zine](#)

[Nurse.com E-zine](#)

[Nursing Insider](#)

[Nurses.com Community Newsletter](#)

[RN Wanted Nursing Newsletter](#)

Upcoming Events

American Academy of Nurse Practitioners, Jun 22-26, 2011 – Las Vegas, NV

National Black Nurses Association, Jul 13-17, 2011 – Indianapolis, IN

National Association of Hispanic Nurses, Jul 19-22, 2011 – Las Vegas, NV

National Council of State Boards of Nursing, Aug 2-5, 2011 – Indianapolis, IN

National League for Nursing, Sep 21-24, 2011 – Orlando, FL

American Nurses Credentialing Center, Oct 4-6, 2011 – Baltimore, MD

American College of Nurse Practitioners, Oct 5-9, 2011 – Denver, CO

American Academy of Nursing, Oct 13-15, 2011 – Washington, DC

American Assembly of Men in Nursing, Oct 20-22, 2011 – Lexington, KY

American Association of Colleges of Nursing - Fall, Oct 22-25, 2011 – Washington, DC

Nursing Management Congress, Oct 24-28, 2011 – Las Vegas, NV

National Student Nurses Association - Midyear, Oct 27-30, 2011 – Memphis, TN

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