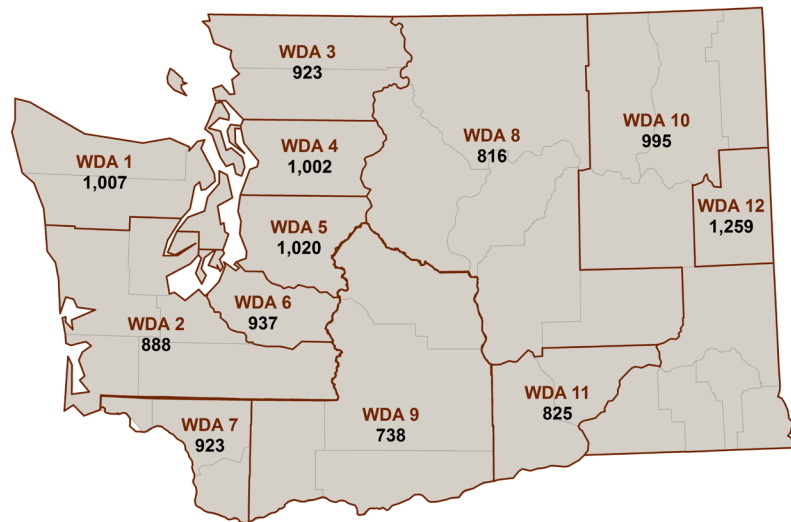




# Registered Nurses (RNs)

Registered nurses (RNs) in Washington State are licensed through the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission. The following Washington statistics were calculated based on data from these RN license files, which contain licensee name, mailing address, birthdate, and gender.

**RNs per 100,000 Population  
with Washington Licenses by Workforce Development Area (WDA),\* 2016**

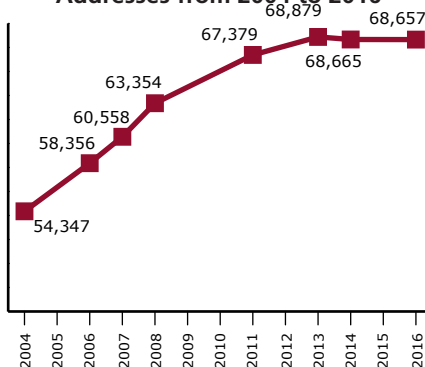


Year	Washington
2016	972
2014	998
2013	1,010
2011	1,001
2008	962
2007	946
2006	925
2004	859

**Characteristics of RNs with Washington Licenses  
by Workforce Development Area (WDA), 2016**

WDA*	Licensed RNs	2015 Population	Number of RNs/100,000 Population	Average RN Age	% Male RNs
1	3,643	361,730	1,007	50.1	9.7%
2	4,446	500,590	888	48.8	11.8%
3	3,942	427,190	923	48.9	9.3%
4	7,593	757,600	1,002	47.1	10.4%
5	20,947	2,052,800	1,020	46.1	11.3%
6	7,778	830,120	937	46.4	11.1%
7	5,172	560,080	923	46.6	11.8%
8	2,206	270,220	816	47.4	12.4%
9	2,399	325,070	738	47.2	11.5%
10	2,110	211,960	995	48.4	12.0%
11	2,275	275,740	825	45.4	10.4%
12	6,146	488,310	1,259	47.8	13.3%
State	68,657	7,061,410	972	47.1	11.3%

**Number of RNs with Washington Licenses  
and Washington  
Addresses from 2004 to 2016**



Note: In 2014, new requirements for minimum practice hours and continuing education for RNs and LPNs were implemented.

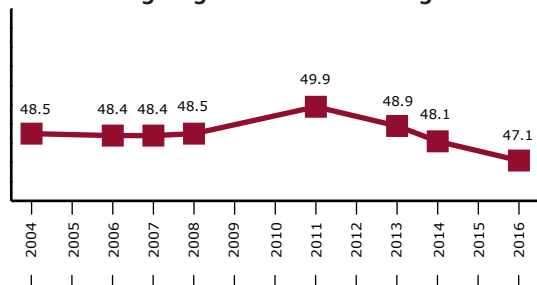
\* Location determined by license mailing address. Counties comprising WDAs: 1 = Clallam, Jefferson, Kitsap; 2 = Grays Harbor, Mason, Thurston, Pacific, Lewis; 3 = Whatcom, Skagit, Island, San Juan; 4 = Snohomish; 5 = King; 6 = Pierce; 7 = Wahkiakum, Cowlitz, Clark; 8 = Okanogan, Chelan, Douglas, Grant, Adams; 9 = Skamania, Klickitat, Yakima, Kittitas; 10 = Ferry, Stevens, Pend Oreille, Lincoln, Whitman, Walla Walla, Columbia, Garfield, Asotin; 11 = Benton, Franklin; 12 = Spokane.

RNs with Washington Licenses*: Number and Percent by State and Advanced Practice Status						
	2006	2008	2011	2013	2014	2016
Total RN+ licenses	71,048	80,209	80,615	83,447	83,349	87,398
With address in†:						
Washington	58,356 (82%)	63,354 (79%)	67,379 (84%)	68,879 (83%)	68,665 (82%)	68,657 (79%)
Oregon	2,610 (4%)	3,297 (4%)	3,452 (4%)	3,971 (5%)	3,888 (5%)	4,026 (5%)
Idaho	1,256 (2%)	1,465 (2%)	1,452 (2%)	1,539 (2%)	1,521 (2%)	1,632 (2%)
Other	8,826 (12%)	12,093 (15%)	8,332 (10%)	9,058 (11%)	9,275 (11%)	13,083 (15%)
Licensed RNs who also have an advanced registered nurse practitioner§ (ARNP) license with Washington address	3,150 (4%)	3,589 (4%)	3,955 (5%)	4,354 (5%)	4,598 (6%)	5,158 (6%)

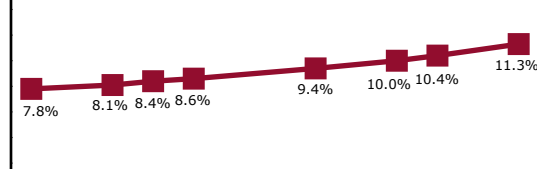
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 † Ages 18 through 75.  
 ‡ Due to rounding, these percentages may not sum to 100.  
 § ARNPs in Washington are required to maintain an RN license.

### RN Age and Gender

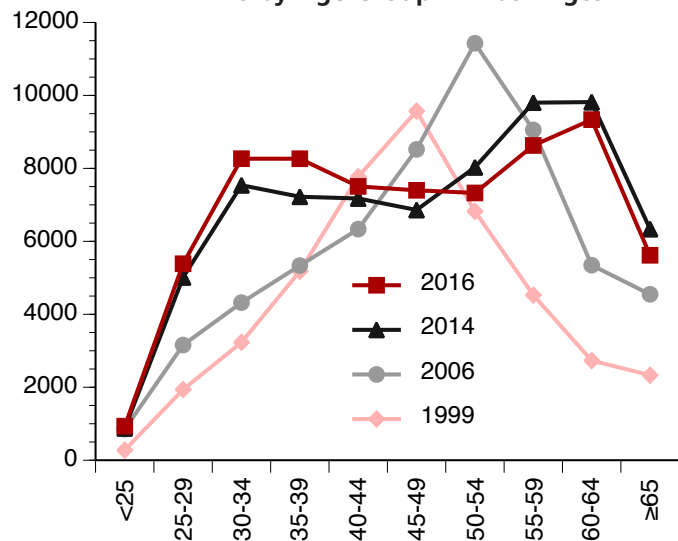
Average Age of RNs in Washington



Percent of RNs Who Are Male in Washington

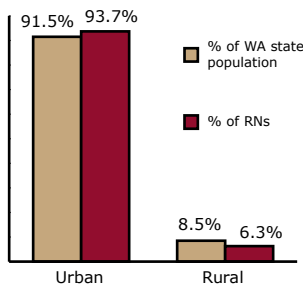


RNs by Age Group in Washington

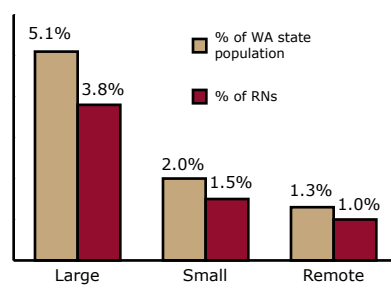


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2016 Urban-Rural Population and RN Distribution in Washington



2016 Population and RN Distribution by Rural Area Type in Washington



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