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## SNAPSHOT OF NURSING EDUCATION CAPACITY AND NURSING SUPPLY IN LOUISIANA

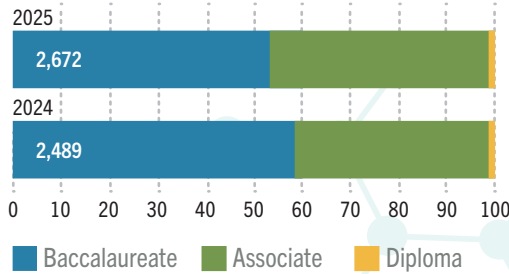
### PRE-RN EDUCATION CAPACITY

Reasons Why Qualified Applicants Are Not Admitted to Pre-RN Licensure Programs in Louisiana

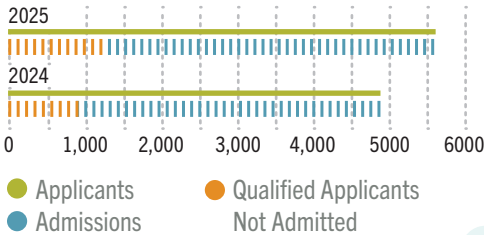
- #1** Faculty Salary Not Competitive
- #2** Budgeted Faculty Positions Not Available
- #3** Qualified Faculty Not Available
- #4** Lack of Clinical Specialty Sites



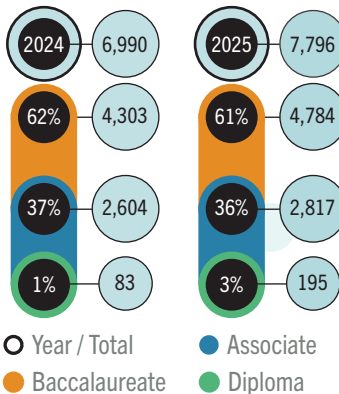
GRADUATES OF PRE-RN LICENSURE PROGRAMS IN LA ACCORDING TO PROGRAM TYPE (2024-2025)



APPLICANTS & ADMISSIONS TO PRE-RN LICENSURE PROGRAMS IN LA (2024-2025)



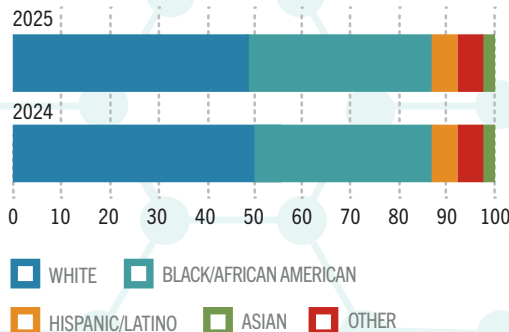
PRE-RN LICENSURE PROGRAMS ENROLLMENT IN LA (2024-2025)



GENDER OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN PRE-RN LICENSURE PROGRAMS IN LA



RACIAL DISTRIBUTION OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN PRE-RN LICENSURE PROGRAMS IN LA (2024-2025)



44%

OF THE NURSE FACULTY IN LOUISIANA WERE 51 AND OLDER

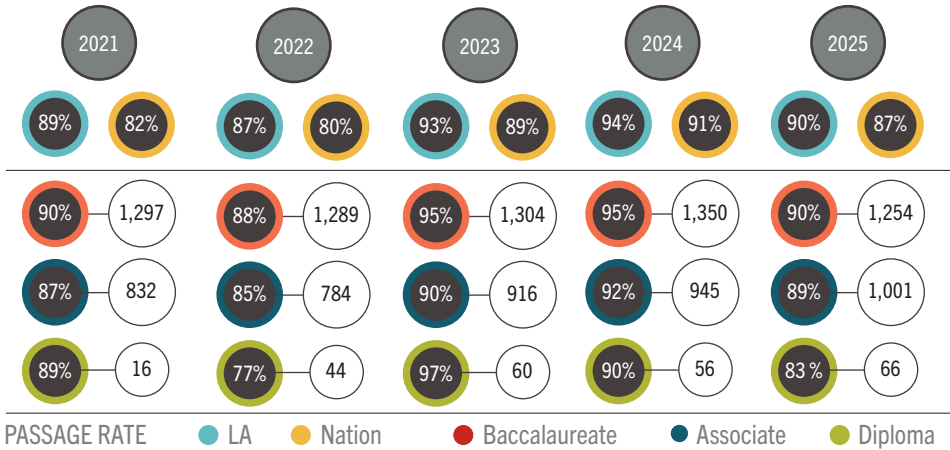
20%

197 (20%) FACULTY CURRENTLY TEACHING IN LOUISIANA'S PRE-RN LICENSURE PROGRAMS ARE 61+ YEARS.

52%

OF THE STUDENTS ENROLLED IN PRE-RN LICENSURE PROGRAMS IN LOUISIANA WERE MINORITIES

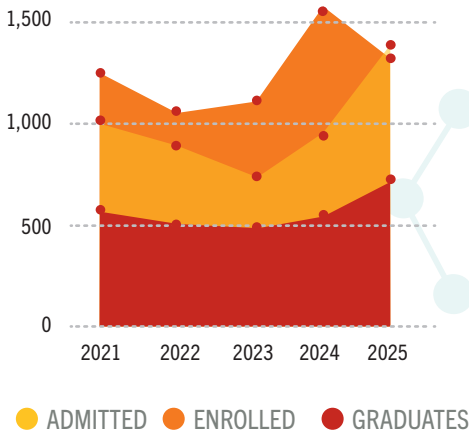
SUMMARY PERFORMANCE OF FIRST-TIME CANDIDATES GRADUATING FROM PRE-RN LICENSURE PROGRAMS IN LA ON NCLEX-RN (2021-2025)



The passage rate on the NCLEX-RN for graduates from Louisiana's pre-RN licensure programs continues to exceed that of the nation.

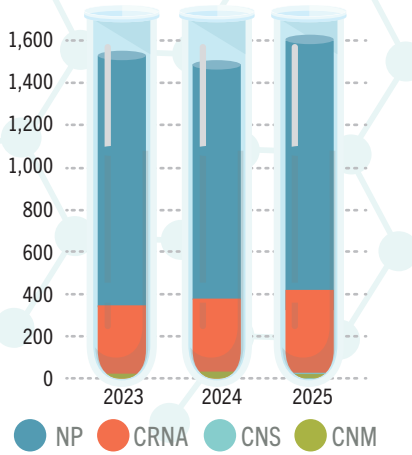
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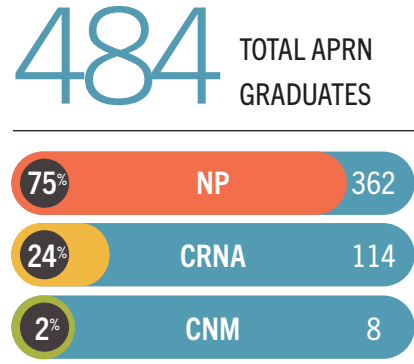


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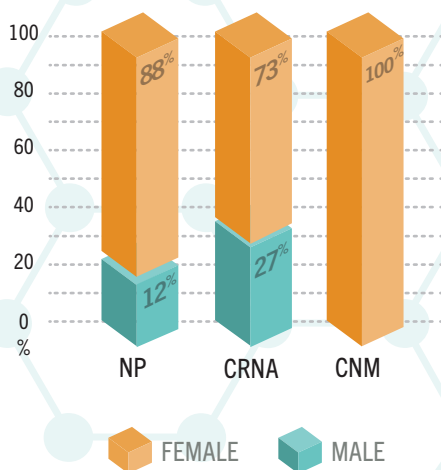
ENROLLMENT IN APRN PROGRAMS IN LA ACCORDING TO ROLE (2023-2025)



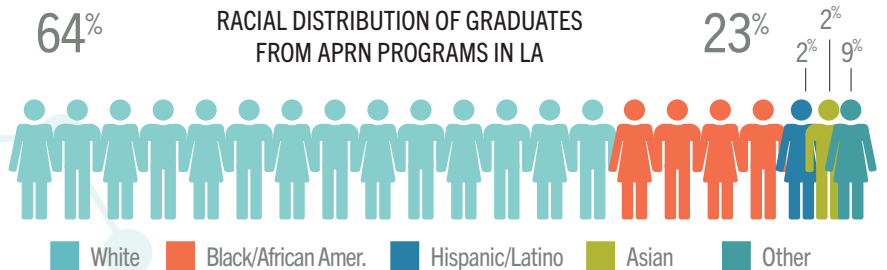
GRADUATES FROM APRN PROGRAMS IN LOUISIANA ACCORDING TO PROGRAM TYPE 2025



GENDER OF GRADUATES FROM APRN PROGRAMS IN LA (2025)



RACIAL DISTRIBUTION OF GRADUATES FROM APRN PROGRAMS IN LA



22%

69 GRADUATE NURSE FACULTY WERE 61+ YEARS OLD

PERFORMANCE OF APRN GRADUATES ON CERTIFICATION EXAMS

In 2025 two hundred eighty-two (282) candidates successfully passed their certification exams resulting in a 92.46% passage rate for the state.

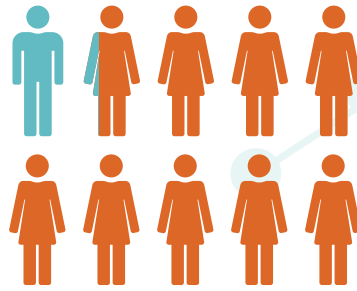
# RN SUPPLY

2025 DATA REPRESENTS RNs HOLDING AN ACTIVE LICENSE TO PRACTICE IN LA ON 12/31/2025.

18% (11,931) OF LICENSED RNs RESIDING IN LA WERE 60+ YEARS OLD



## GENDER DISTRIBUTION OF LICENSED REGISTERED NURSES RESIDING IN LA



59%

OF RNs WERE EMPLOYED BY HOSPITALS



96%

(65,344) OF THE 68,235 RNs WITH AN ACTIVE LICENSE TO PRACTICE IN LOUISIANA RESIDED IN LOUISIANA.

## Top Six Primary Employment Specialty Practice Areas Reported by RNs Residing in LA (2025)

### SPECIALTY AREA

Acute Care / Critical Care	6,416	11%
Other—Clinical Specialties	6,055	11%
Medical-Surgical	5,784	10%
Adult Health / Adult Family	4,931	9%
Emergency Room / Trauma	4,267	7%
OR / PACU / Perioperative	4,082	7%

76% RACIAL DISTRIBUTION OF LICENSED REGISTERED NURSES RESIDING IN LA — RESPONDENTS 65,342

19%



White Black/African Amer. Two or more races Other Asian Amer. Indian/Alaska Native Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

3%

PERCENTAGE OF LICENSED RNs IN LA THAT ARE OF HISPANIC ORIGIN

## EMPLOYMENT DISTRIBUTION OF LICENSED RNs RESIDING IN LA

75% FULL-TIME NURSING

7% PART-TIME NURSING

6% PER DIEM NURSING

4% UNEMPLOYED NOT SEEKING WORK AS A NURSE

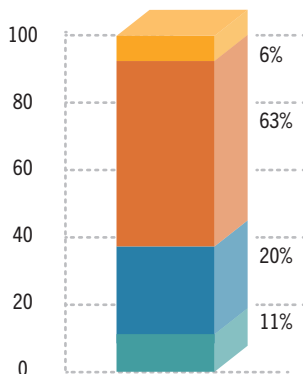
3% RETIRED

3% NOT WORKING IN NURSING

2% UNEMPLOYED SEEKING WORK AS A NURSE

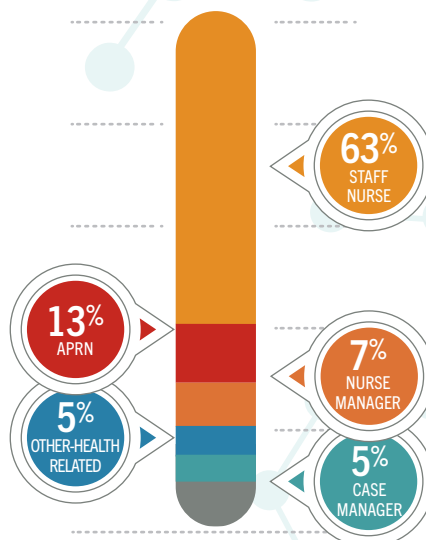
.5% VOLUNTEERS

## TYPES OF DOCTORATES HELD BY LICENSED RNs RESIDING IN LA



PhD in Nursing Doctorate in Other Field DNP Doctorate Nursing Other

## TOP 5 POSITIONS HELD BY LICENSED RNs RESIDING IN LA



63%

41,327 OF ALL LICENSED RNs RESIDING IN LA IN 2025 HAD A BACCALAUREATE OR HIGHER DEGREE IN NURSING

85%

REGISTERED NURSES PROVIDING DIRECT PATIENT CARE

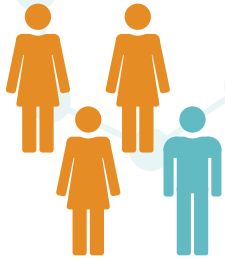
# APRN SUPPLY

2025 DATA REPRESENTS APRNs HOLDING AN ACTIVE LICENSE TO PRACTICE IN LA ON 12/31/2025.

# 78%

(8,851) OF THE 11,317 LICENSED APRNs REPORTED LA AS THEIR STATE OF RESIDENCE

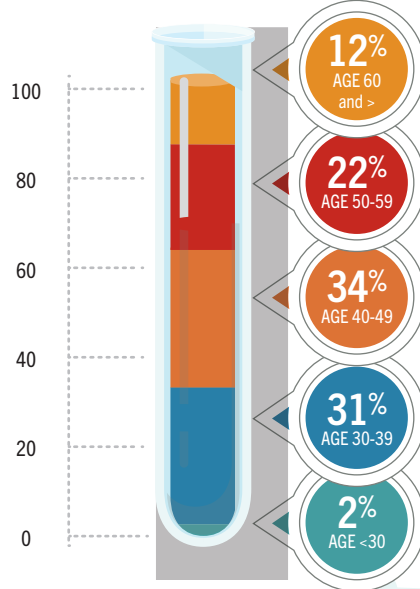
## GENDER



# 82%

OF APRNs ARE FEMALE

## AGE



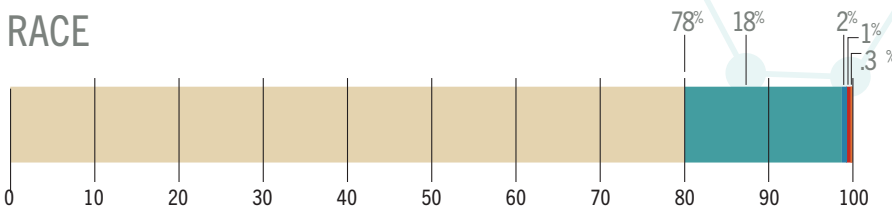
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### SPECIALTY AREA

Adult Health / Adult Family	2,618	31%
Anesthesia	1,503	18%
Other - Clinical Specialties	985	12%
Psych-Mental Health/ Substance Abuse	630	7%
Pediatrics	392	5%
Acute Care / Critical Care	321	4%

**3%** PERCENTAGE OF APRNs RESIDING IN LA THAT ARE OF HISPANIC ORIGIN.

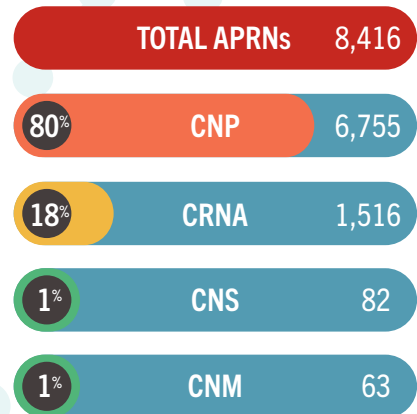
## RACE



Note: Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander (0%) and Other (.8%)

■ WHITE/CAUCASIAN   
 ■ BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN   
 ■ ASIAN   
 ■ AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKA NATIVE   
 ■ TWO OR MORE RACES

## PRIMARY ROLE AS AN ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE RESIDING IN LA



## EMPLOYMENT



# 35%

OF LICENSED APRNs IN LA WORKED IN HOSPITALS

# 31%

WORKED IN AMBULATORY CARE/CLINICS

**73%** 6,452 OF APRNs RESIDING IN LA HAVE PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY

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