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# California's Registered Nurses

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## Employment

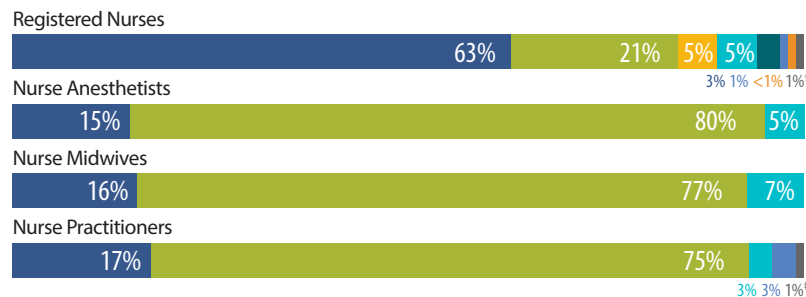
				PER 100K POPULATION	
	2012	2019	CHANGE	2012	2019
<b>CALIFORNIA</b>					
Registered Nurses*	249,980	302,770	+21%	685.7	766.3
Nurse Anesthetists	940	1,270	+35%	2.5	3.2
Nurse Midwives	400	690	+73%	1.1	1.7
Nurse Practitioners	9,720	13,900	+43%	25.6	35.2
<b>UNITED STATES</b>					
Registered Nurses*	2,633,980	2,982,280	+13%	839.3	908.6
Nurse Anesthetists	34,180	43,570	+27%	10.9	13.3
Nurse Midwives	5,710	6,930	+21%	1.8	2.1
Nurse Practitioners	105,780	200,600	+90%	33.7	61.1

\*According to BLS, the estimate for registered nurses does not include nurse anesthetists, nurse midwives, and nurse practitioners; they are estimated separately (see [www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes291141.htm](http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes291141.htm)).

Sources: Occupational Employment Survey (2012 and 2019), US Bureau of Labor Statistics; and "Annual Estimates of the Resident Population for the United States, Regions, States, and Puerto Rico: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2019 (NST-EST2019-01)," US Census Bureau, December 2019.

## Work Setting, 2019

■ Hospitals 
 ■ Ambulatory Care 
 ■ Nursing Care\* 
 ■ Government 
 ■ Support Services 
 ■ Educational Services 
 ■ Social Assistance 
 ■ Other



\*Includes residential care facilities.

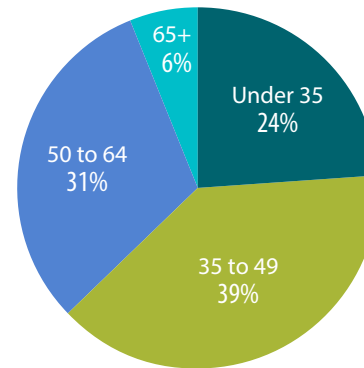
†Other includes manufacturing, retail trade, information, finance and insurance, professional, scientific, and technical services, management of companies and enterprises, and other services (except public administration). Employment estimate not available for wholesale trade and arts, entertainment, and recreation.

‡Other includes finance and insurance, administrative and support services, and other services (except public administration). Employment estimate not available for nursing and residential care facilities and social assistance.

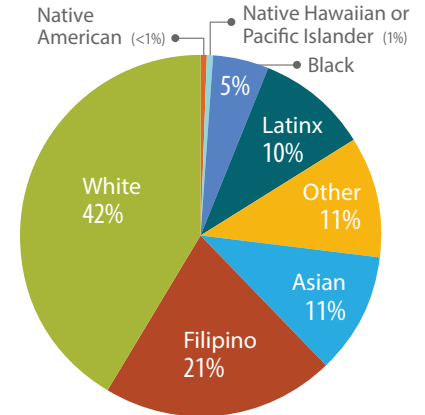
Note: Source uses administrative and support services. Segments may not total 100% due to rounding.

Source: OES Research Estimates by State and Industry (2019), US Bureau of Labor Statistics.

## Age, 2018



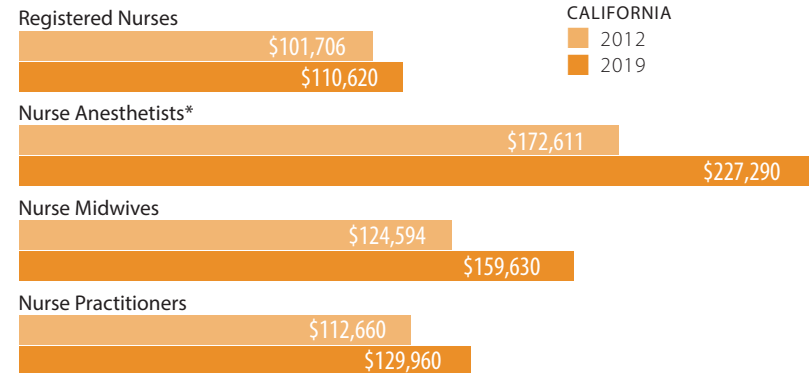
## Race/Ethnicity, 2018



Notes: Data include RNs with active licenses who are employed in California. Other includes two or more races. Source uses Latino, African American, and American Indian or Alaska Native. Segments may not total 100% due to rounding.

Source: Survey of Registered Nurses (2018), California Board of Registered Nursing.

## Real Median Annual Wages, 2012 v. 2019



\*Mean wages — median wages were not available.

Note: 2012 values have been adjusted for inflation and are expressed as 2019 dollars.

Sources: Occupational Employment Survey (2012 and 2019), US Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS); and Consumer Price Index Inflation Calculator, BLS.

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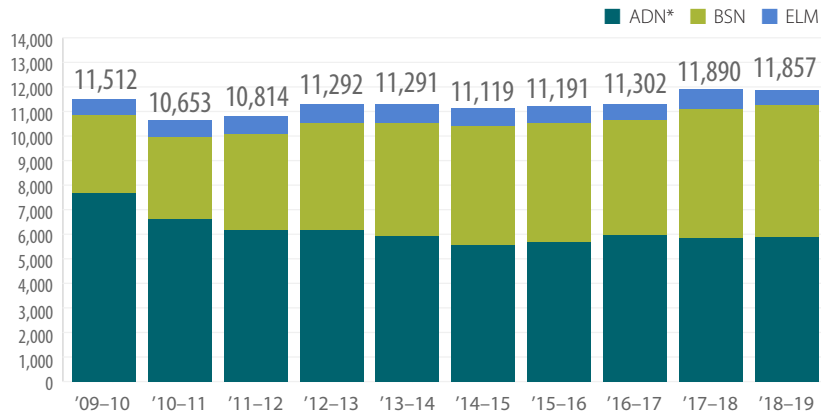
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## Pre-Licensure Education Programs, 2010 to 2019

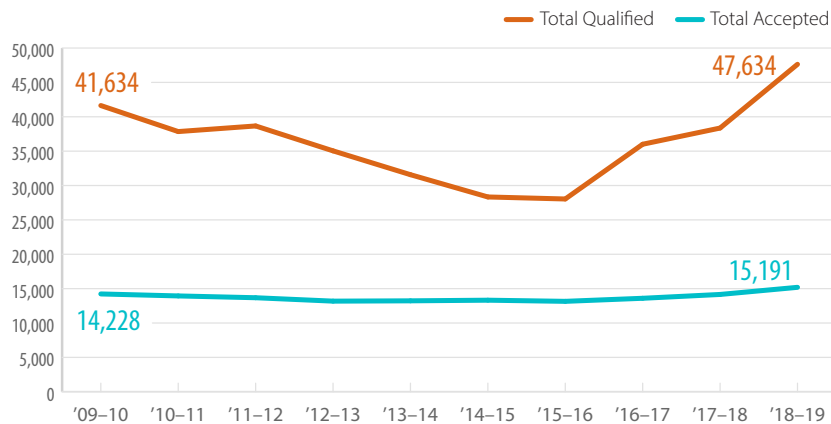
GRADUATES, BY DEGREE LEVEL



\*Includes LVN-to-ADN programs.

Source: 2018-2019 Annual School Report: Data Summary for Pre-Licensure Nursing Programs, California Board of Registered Nursing, March 11, 2020.

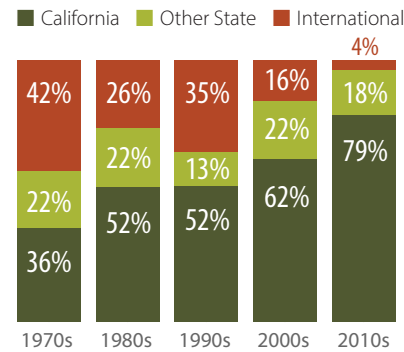
## APPLICATIONS



Note: Qualified applications do not represent individuals; a change in the number of applications may not represent an equivalent change in the number of individuals applying to nursing school.

Source: 2018-2019 Annual School Report: Data Summary and Historical Trend Analysis, California Board of Registered Nursing, February 14, 2020.

## Location of Initial Education



Notes: Includes employed RNs by decade of graduation. 2010s data ends in 2018. Segments may not total 100% due to rounding.

Source: Survey of Registered Nurses (2018), California Board of Registered Nursing.

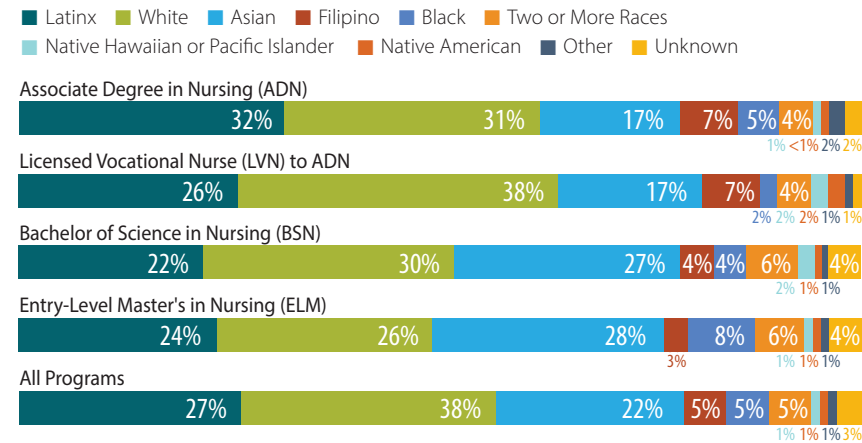
## Pre-Licensure Programs, 2019

	NUMBER	GRADUATES
Associate's*	91	5,888
Bachelor's	39	5,354
Entry-Level Master's	12	615
<b>Total</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>11,857</b>

\*Includes LVN-to-ADN programs.

Source: 2018-2019 Annual School Report: Data Summary for Pre-Licensure Nursing Programs, California Board of Registered Nursing, March 11, 2020.

## Pre-Licensure Program Enrollment, by Race/Ethnicity, 2019



Notes: These percentages differ from those presented in the source publication because in the BRN report, the proportions are calculated using a total that does not include "unknown race/ethnicity." Asian includes Asian Indian. Source uses Hispanic or Latino, Black or African American, and American Indian / Alaska Native. Segments may not total 100% due to rounding.

Source: 2018-2019 Annual School Report: Data Summary for Pre-Licensure Nursing Programs, California Board of Registered Nursing, March 11, 2020.

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