

6 Enrolled nurses

Overall numbers

- There were 58,299 enrolled nurses in 1995, of whom 48,892 were employed in Australia, with an additional 695 employed nurses on leave for three months or more.
- Enrolled nurses employed in nursing (excluding those on extended leave) were comprised of 90.4% working as clinicians, 0.6% as administrators, 0.9% as teachers or educators and the remaining 8.2% in other nursing occupations.
- Employment of enrolled nurses was higher in Victoria than in other States and Territories, primarily as a result of different staffing regulations for aged care in Victoria – 7,678 enrolled nurses were employed in gerontology and geriatric care in that State compared with 4,143 in New South Wales and 1,583 in Queensland.
- The nursing labour force included 2,580 enrolled nurses (4.9%) who were not employed in nursing and who were looking for work in nursing: 918 were employed in an occupation other than nursing, and the remaining 1,661 were unemployed.
- 200 enrolled nurses were working in other countries.
- 5,931 enrolled nurses were not employed in nursing and not looking for work in nursing. These included 2,687 with jobs in other occupations.

Main area of practice

- 44,207 enrolled nurses were working mainly in clinical practice, 37.4% were employed in gerontology or geriatric nursing and 35.5% were employed in medical and surgical practice. This distribution differed across the States and Territories. In Victoria, 54.2% of enrolled nurse clinicians were employed in gerontology or geriatric nursing, compared with 22.6% in the Northern Territory.

Age

- The average age of employed enrolled nurses in 1995 was 37.9 years. On average, female nurses were slightly older than males – 38.0 years compared with 36.7 years.

Hours worked

- Enrolled nurses in 1995 worked an average of 31.1 hours per week – 37.3 hours for males and 30.7 hours for females. This difference was a result of the higher proportion of female nurses working part-time hours (57.7%) compared with the proportion of male nurses (28.0%).
- Average hours worked among States were lowest at 27.7 hours in South Australia, where the highest proportion of enrolled nurses worked part-time (67.8%).

Sector of employment

- The public sector employed 67.1% of enrolled nurses. This proportion varied from a high of 77.6% in South Australia to a low of 56.9% in Tasmania. Of enrolled nurses employed in the public sector, 57.7% worked in acute and psychiatric hospitals and a further 23.6% worked in nursing homes. In the private sector, 45.0% worked in nursing homes, 25.5% worked in acute and psychiatric hospitals and 8.9% worked in private medical rooms.

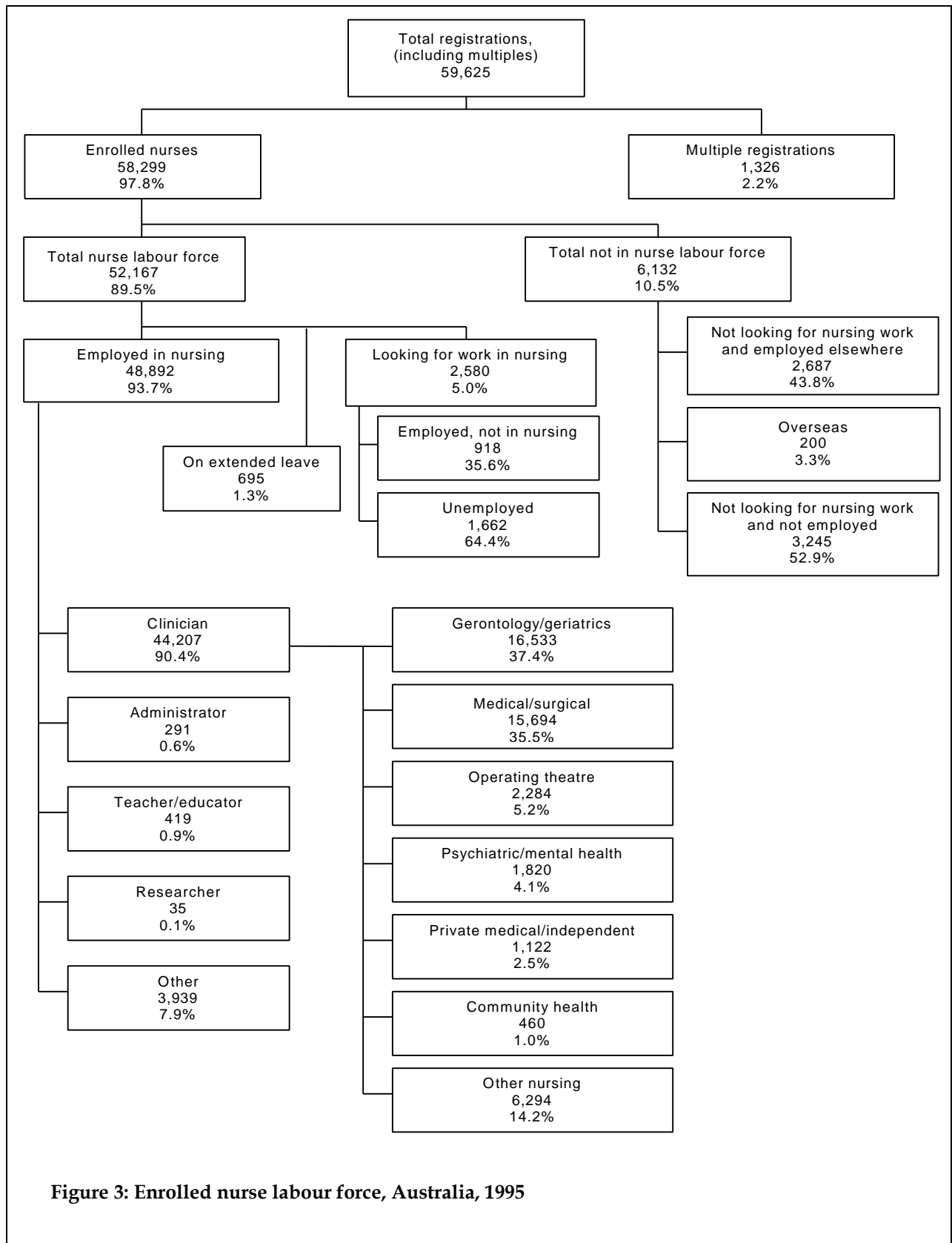


Figure 3: Enrolled nurse labour force, Australia, 1995

Table 39: Enrolled nurses: professional employment status and occupation, States and Territories, 1995

Professional employment status/occupation	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
Employed in nursing (a), only or mainly in State/Territory									
Clinician	12,080	14,176	6,290	4,865	5,001	1,035	500	261	44,207
Administrator	6	227	22	23	7	6	0	2	291
Teacher/educator	13	367	6	25	7	0	0	2	419
Researcher	4	22	5	4	0	0	0	0	35
Other	269	2,654(c)	365	394	118	78	50	11	3,939
Total	12,372	17,446	6,688	5,310	5,132	1,119	550	276	48,892
On extended leave (b)	n.a.	399	n.a.	94	117	38	24	22	695
Looking for work in nursing									
Employed elsewhere	299	277	123	78	65	38	21	17	918
Not employed	604	441	268	144	137	44	13	10	1,662
Total	903	718	391	222	203	82	34	28	2,580
Nursing labour force	13,275	18,563	7,078	5,626	5,452	1,239	609	325	52,167
Overseas	66	76	22	19	4	0	8	5	200
Not looking for work in nursing									
Employed elsewhere	1,342	564	320	190	95	43	78	56	2,687
Not employed	1,474	657	588	222	165	64	48	26	3,245
Total	2,816	1,221	908	412	260	107	126	82	5,931
Not in nursing labour force	2,881	1,297	930	431	264	107	134	87	6,132
Total enrolled nurses	16,156	19,860	8,009	6,056	5,716	1,346	743	413	58,299
Multiple registrations	409	463	179	90	54	41	37	53	1,326
Total registrations	16,565	20,323	8,188	6,146	5,770	1,387	780	466	59,625
(per cent of employed nurses)									
Employed in nursing (a)									
Clinician	97.6	81.3	94.0	91.6	97.4	92.5	90.9	94.6	90.4
Administrator	0.0	1.3	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.0	0.7	0.6
Teacher/educator	0.1	2.1	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.9
Researcher	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Other	2.2	15.2(c)	5.5	7.4	2.3	7.0	9.1	4.1	8.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
(per cent of total enrolled nurses)									
Employed in nursing (a)	76.6	87.8	83.5	87.7	89.8	83.1	74.0	66.8	83.9
On extended leave (b)	n.a.	2.0	n.a.	1.6	2.0	2.8	3.3	5.4	1.2
Looking for work in nursing	5.6	3.6	4.9	3.7	3.5	6.1	4.6	6.7	4.4
Nursing labour force	82.2	93.5	88.4	92.9	95.4	92.1	81.9	78.9	89.5
Overseas	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.0	1.1	1.2	0.3
Not looking for work in nursing	17.4	6.1	11.3	6.8	4.5	7.9	17.0	19.9	10.2
Not in nursing labour force	17.8	6.5	11.6	7.1	4.6	7.9	18.1	21.1	10.5
Total enrolled nurses	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Excludes nurses on extended leave.

(b) On leave for three months or more. This option was not included in the New South Wales or Queensland surveys.

(c) In Victoria, an investigation of those nurses who indicated that they were not employed in one of the listed occupations showed that 36.4% did indicate an area of clinical nursing.

Table 40: Enrolled nurses employed as clinicians: area of clinical nursing, States and Territories, 1995

Area of clinical nursing	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
Mixed medical and surgical	2,682	2,123	1,786	1,519	1,182	176	105	53	9,627
Medical	1,841	777	547	482	271	91	50	12	4,072
Surgical	790	305	281	204	289	41	59	25	1,995
Operating theatre	885	268	464	217	363	41	27	18	2,284
Intensive care	18	39	59	11	20	3	0	8	158
Paediatric	n.a.	118	144	153	144	23	14	24	619
Obstetrics and gynaecology	69	53	53	22	28	0	0	2	227
Midwifery	87	169	74	29	26	3	0	0	387
Psychiatric/mental health	315	726	321	239	177	29	5	8	1,820
Developmental disability	117	169	102	64	68	35	0	2	556
Gerontology/geriatric	4,143	7,678	1,583	1,190	1,366	363	150	59	16,533
Accident and emergency	12	98	100	57	80	3	0	6	355
Community	29	87	30	132	96	53	27	6	460
Child health	433	65	6	7	14	3	9	2	539
School medical	9	22	5	4	0	3	0	0	44
District/domiciliary	n.a.	67	31	37	100	3	0	0	238
Occupational health	12	57	4	13	12	0	5	0	103
Private medical practice/ independent practice	n.a.	527	219	134	173	41	9	20	1,122
No one principal area	215	173	341	153	243	62	5	8	1,200
Other	420	655	140	197	349	62	36	10	1,869
Total	12,080	14,176	6,290	4,865	5,001	1,035	500	261	44,207
	(per cent)								
Mixed medical and surgical	22.2	15.0	28.4	31.2	23.6	17.0	20.9	20.3	21.8
Medical	15.2	5.5	8.7	9.9	5.4	8.8	10.0	4.5	9.2
Surgical	6.5	2.2	4.5	4.2	5.8	4.0	11.8	9.8	4.5
Operating theatre	7.3	1.9	7.4	4.5	7.3	4.0	5.5	6.8	5.2
Intensive care	0.2	0.3	0.9	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.0	3.0	0.4
Paediatric	n.a.	0.8	2.3	3.2	2.9	2.3	2.7	9.0	1.4
Obstetrics and gynaecology	0.6	0.4	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.5
Midwifery	0.7	1.2	1.2	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.9
Psychiatric/mental health	2.6	5.1	5.1	4.9	3.5	2.8	0.9	3.0	4.1
Developmental disability	1.0	1.2	1.6	1.3	1.4	3.4	0.0	0.8	1.3
Gerontology/geriatric	34.3	54.2	25.2	24.5	27.3	35.1	30.0	22.6	37.4
Accident and emergency	0.1	0.7	1.6	1.2	1.6	0.3	0.0	2.3	0.8
Community	3.6	0.6	0.5	2.7	1.9	5.1	5.5	2.3	1.0
Child health	0.0	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3	1.8	0.8	1.2
School medical	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1
District/domiciliary	n.a.	0.5	0.5	0.8	2.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.5
Occupational health	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.2
Private medical practice/ independent practice	n.a.	3.7	3.5	2.7	3.5	4.0	1.8	7.5	2.5
No one principal area	1.8	1.2	5.4	3.2	4.9	5.9	0.9	3.0	2.7
Other	3.5	4.6	2.2	4.1	7.0	5.9	7.3	3.8	4.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 41: Employed enrolled nurses: age and sex, States and Territories, 1995

Age (years)	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
Males									
Less than 25	157	53	21	21	8	0	0	0	260
25–29	183	124	76	12	45	11	12	3	467
30–34	180	206	93	33	69	5	0	2	587
35–39	178	232	83	44	72	5	4	2	620
40–44	107	138	77	44	35	19	4	5	430
45–49	52	118	50	25	15	11	4	3	278
50–54	37	73	39	21	11	3	0	0	185
55–59	23	31	21	14	8	3	4	0	103
60–64	10	15	3	6	1	0	0	0	36
65 and over	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	6
<i>Total</i>	<i>927</i>	<i>992</i>	<i>466</i>	<i>222</i>	<i>265</i>	<i>57</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>2,973</i>
<i>Average age</i>	<i>34.1</i>	<i>38.0</i>	<i>38.0</i>	<i>39.6</i>	<i>36.1</i>	<i>39.6</i>	<i>37.7</i>	<i>38.3</i>	<i>36.7</i>
Females									
Less than 25	988	891	247	311	177	16	8	5	2,644
25–29	1,660	2,076	881	473	585	71	66	29	5,842
30–34	2,200	2,810	1,050	795	933	235	66	53	8,142
35–39	2,833	3,312	1,392	1,283	1,368	281	149	74	10,692
40–44	1,634	3,133	1,093	930	914	224	91	50	8,068
45–49	1,017	2,180	764	695	497	134	108	33	5,427
50–54	611	1,280	402	432	254	63	25	14	3,081
55–59	363	569	275	147	108	33	0	3	1,498
60–64	100	153	93	17	29	3	8	0	404
65 and over	39	49	23	6	1	3	0	0	121
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,445</i>	<i>16,454</i>	<i>6,222</i>	<i>5,088</i>	<i>4,867</i>	<i>1,061</i>	<i>521</i>	<i>260</i>	<i>45,919</i>
<i>Average age</i>	<i>36.7</i>	<i>38.5</i>	<i>38.6</i>	<i>38.5</i>	<i>37.6</i>	<i>38.8</i>	<i>38.8</i>	<i>37.7</i>	<i>38.0</i>
All nurses									
Less than 25	1,145	944	268	332	185	16	8	5	2,905
25–29	1,843	2,200	958	484	630	82	79	33	6,309
30–34	2,379	3,017	1,143	828	1,002	240	66	55	8,730
35–39	3,011	3,543	1,476	1,327	1,440	287	153	75	11,312
40–44	1,741	3,271	1,170	974	949	243	95	55	8,498
45–49	1,069	2,297	814	720	512	145	112	36	5,705
50–54	648	1,353	442	453	265	65	25	14	3,266
55–59	386	600	296	160	116	35	4	3	1,601
60–64	110	169	96	23	31	3	8	0	440
65 and over	39	51	25	8	1	3	0	0	127
Total	12,372	17,446	6,688	5,310	5,132	1,119	550	276	48,892
Average age	36.5	38.5	38.6	38.6	37.5	38.9	38.8	37.7	37.9

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Table 41 (continued): Employed enrolled nurses: age and sex, States and Territories, 1995

Age (years)	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
(percentage of males)									
Less than 25	17.0	5.3	4.5	9.6	3.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.8
25–29	19.8	12.5	16.4	5.2	16.9	19.0	42.9	22.2	15.7
30–34	19.4	20.8	19.9	14.8	25.9	9.5	0.0	11.1	19.8
35–39	19.2	23.4	17.9	20.0	27.0	9.5	14.3	11.1	20.9
40–44	11.5	13.9	16.6	20.0	13.2	33.3	14.3	33.3	14.5
45–49	5.6	11.9	10.7	11.3	5.8	19.0	14.3	22.2	9.4
50–54	4.0	7.4	8.4	9.6	4.2	4.8	0.0	0.0	6.2
55–59	2.4	3.1	4.5	6.1	3.2	4.8	14.3	0.0	3.5
60–64	1.0	1.5	0.7	2.6	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2
65 and over	0.0	0.2	0.5	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>
(percentage of females)									
Less than 25	8.6	5.4	4.0	6.1	3.6	1.5	1.6	2.0	5.8
25–29	14.5	12.6	14.2	9.3	12.0	6.7	12.7	11.2	12.7
30–34	19.2	17.1	16.9	15.6	19.2	22.1	12.7	20.4	17.7
35–39	24.8	20.1	22.4	25.2	28.1	26.5	28.6	28.3	23.3
40–44	14.3	19.0	17.6	18.3	18.8	21.1	17.5	19.1	17.6
45–49	8.9	13.2	12.3	13.7	10.2	12.6	20.6	12.5	11.8
50–54	5.3	7.8	6.5	8.5	5.2	5.9	4.8	5.3	6.7
55–59	3.2	3.5	4.4	2.9	2.2	3.1	0.0	1.3	3.3
60–64	0.9	0.9	1.5	0.3	0.6	0.3	1.6	0.0	0.9
65 and over	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.3
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>
(percentage of all nurses)									
Less than 25	9.3	5.4	4.0	6.3	3.6	1.5	1.5	1.9	5.9
25–29	14.9	12.6	14.3	9.1	12.3	7.3	14.3	11.8	12.9
30–34	19.2	17.3	17.1	15.6	19.5	21.5	12.0	19.9	17.9
35–39	24.3	20.3	22.1	25.0	28.1	25.6	27.8	27.3	23.1
40–44	14.1	18.7	17.5	18.4	18.5	21.7	17.3	19.9	17.4
45–49	8.6	13.2	12.2	13.6	10.0	12.9	20.3	13.0	11.7
50–54	5.2	7.8	6.6	8.5	5.2	5.9	4.5	5.0	6.7
55–59	3.1	3.4	4.4	3.0	2.3	3.2	0.8	1.2	3.3
60–64	0.9	1.0	1.4	0.4	0.6	0.2	1.5	0.0	0.9
65 and over	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 42: Employed enrolled nurses: total hours worked per week and sex, States and Territories, 1995

Hours worked	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
Males									
1-9	21	26	14	8	7	0	0	2	78
10-19	73	56	34	6	11	0	0	2	182
20-29	71	101	38	20	30	3	0	0	263
30-34	66	122	44	24	37	12	4	0	308
35-39	303	342	141	61	107	15	0	7	976
40-49	283	261	178	69	61	21	21	5	899
50-59	27	26	9	8	0	0	4	0	74
60-69	12	14	2	6	3	3	0	0	41
70-79	32	14	0	10	7	3	0	0	66
80 and over	37	30	5	12	3	0	0	0	86
<i>Total</i>	<i>927</i>	<i>992</i>	<i>466</i>	<i>222</i>	<i>265</i>	<i>57</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>2,973</i>
<i>Average weekly hours</i>	<i>38.8</i>	<i>37.1</i>	<i>35.4</i>	<i>40.3</i>	<i>36.1</i>	<i>39.6</i>	<i>40.0</i>	<i>31.9</i>	<i>37.3</i>
Females									
1-9	359	823	233	180	303	33	25	9	1,965
10-19	1,624	2,458	762	658	972	147	63	20	6,703
20-29	2,260	4,332	1,392	1,227	1,373	373	146	68	11,171
30-34	1,119	2,655	905	934	749	160	113	27	6,662
35-39	2,562	2,753	1,349	779	887	119	46	45	8,540
40-49	2,913	2,481	1,508	966	493	194	96	80	8,730
50-59	146	290	39	87	19	8	13	2	604
60-69	73	159	6	52	33	8	4	2	337
70-79	155	195	1	85	16	3	0	4	459
80 and over	233	309	26	119	22	17	17	5	747
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,445</i>	<i>16,454</i>	<i>6,222</i>	<i>5,088</i>	<i>4,867</i>	<i>1,061</i>	<i>521</i>	<i>260</i>	<i>45,919</i>
<i>Average weekly hours</i>	<i>32.5</i>	<i>30.5</i>	<i>30.6</i>	<i>31.5</i>	<i>27.2</i>	<i>29.1</i>	<i>31.0</i>	<i>32.8</i>	<i>30.7</i>
All nurses									
1-9	380	849	247	188	310	33	25	11	2,044
10-19	1,697	2,514	796	664	983	147	63	21	6,885
20-29	2,331	4,433	1,430	1,247	1,403	376	146	68	11,434
30-34	1,185	2,777	949	957	786	172	117	27	6,970
35-39	2,865	3,095	1,490	840	994	134	46	51	9,516
40-49	3,196	2,742	1,686	1,034	554	215	117	85	9,629
50-59	173	316	49	95	19	8	17	2	678
60-69	86	173	8	57	36	11	4	2	378
70-79	188	209	1	95	23	6	0	4	525
80 and over	271	338	30	131	25	17	17	5	833
Total	12,372	17,446	6,688	5,310	5,132	1,119	550	276	48,892
Average weekly hours	32.9	30.9	31.0	31.9	27.7	29.6	31.6	32.7	31.1

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Table 42 (continued): Employed enrolled nurses: total hours worked per week and sex, States and Territories, 1995

Hours worked	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
(percentage of males)									
1-9	2.3	2.6	3.1	3.5	2.7	0.0	0.0	11.1	2.6
10-19	7.9	5.6	7.4	2.7	4.3	0.0	0.0	11.1	6.1
20-29	7.7	10.2	8.1	8.8	11.2	5.3	0.0	0.0	8.8
30-34	7.1	12.3	9.4	10.6	13.8	21.1	14.3	0.0	10.4
35-39	32.7	34.4	30.3	27.4	40.4	26.3	0.0	44.4	32.8
40-49	30.6	26.4	38.2	31.0	22.9	36.8	71.4	33.3	30.2
50-59	2.9	2.6	2.0	3.5	0.0	0.0	14.3	0.0	2.5
60-69	1.3	1.4	0.5	2.7	1.1	5.3	0.0	0.0	1.4
70-79	3.5	1.4	0.0	4.4	2.7	5.3	0.0	0.0	2.2
80 and over	4.0	3.0	1.0	5.3	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.9
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>
(percentage of females)									
1-9	3.1	5.0	3.7	3.5	6.2	3.1	4.8	3.4	4.3
10-19	14.2	14.9	12.2	12.9	20.0	13.8	12.0	7.5	14.6
20-29	19.7	26.3	22.4	24.1	28.2	35.2	28.0	26.0	24.3
30-34	9.8	16.1	14.5	18.4	15.4	15.1	21.6	10.3	14.5
35-39	22.4	16.7	21.7	15.3	18.2	11.2	8.8	17.1	18.6
40-49	25.5	15.1	24.2	19.0	10.1	18.2	18.4	30.8	19.0
50-59	1.3	1.8	0.6	1.7	0.4	0.8	2.4	0.7	1.3
60-69	0.6	1.0	0.1	1.0	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7
70-79	1.4	1.2	0.0	1.7	0.3	0.3	0.0	1.4	1.0
80 and over	2.0	1.9	0.4	2.3	0.4	1.6	3.2	2.1	1.6
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>
(percentage of all nurses)									
1-9	3.1	4.9	3.7	3.5	6.0	3.0	4.5	3.9	4.2
10-19	13.7	14.4	11.9	12.5	19.2	13.1	11.4	7.7	14.1
20-29	18.8	25.4	21.4	23.5	27.3	33.6	26.5	24.6	23.4
30-34	9.6	15.9	14.2	18.0	15.3	15.4	21.2	9.7	14.3
35-39	23.2	17.7	22.3	15.8	19.4	12.0	8.3	18.7	19.5
40-49	25.8	15.7	25.2	19.5	10.8	19.2	21.2	31.0	19.7
50-59	1.4	1.8	0.7	1.8	0.4	0.7	3.0	0.6	1.4
60-69	0.7	1.0	0.1	1.1	0.7	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.8
70-79	1.5	1.2	0.0	1.8	0.4	0.5	0.0	1.3	1.1
80 and over	2.2	1.9	0.5	2.5	0.5	1.5	3.0	1.9	1.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
(per cent working part-time hours)									
Males	25.0	30.8	28.0	25.7	31.9	26.3	14.3	22.2	28.0
Females	46.9	62.4	52.9	59.0	69.8	67.2	66.4	47.3	57.7
All nurses	45.2	60.6	51.2	57.6	67.8	65.1	63.7	45.9	55.9

Table 43: Enrolled nurses employed as clinicians: area of clinical nursing and total hours worked per week, Australia, 1995

Area of clinical nursing	Hours worked per week							Total	Average
	1-9	10-19	20-29	30-34	35-39	40-49	50+		
Mixed medical and surgical	436	1,359	2,259	1,289	1,727	2,174	382	9,627	30.9
Medical	153	466	822	499	930	996	206	4,072	32.6
Surgical	31	212	412	232	489	544	75	1,995	33.1
Operating theatre	51	253	359	252	526	751	92	2,284	33.7
Intensive care	3	25	37	31	103	78	12	290	35.5
Paediatric	13	84	152	80	150	125	15	619	31.2
Obstetrics and gynaecology	7	22	55	34	44	56	9	227	32.5
Midwifery	18	59	86	59	88	61	16	387	30.6
Psychiatric/mental health	36	129	208	148	589	601	122	1,832	36.5
Developmental disability	9	46	96	72	169	126	37	556	34.6
Gerontology/geriatric	652	2,806	4,774	2,924	2,603	2,080	695	16,533	29.2
Accident and emergency	5	19	81	38	86	93	21	343	34.3
Community	57	109	231	134	154	150	28	863	28.8
Child health	2	11	13	6	44	25	5	106	35.0
School medical	4	6	4	2	9	9	11	44	40.1
District/domiciliary	25	52	54	46	29	25	6	238	25.5
Occupational health	2	18	22	2	20	28	12	103	33.6
Private medical practice/ independent practice	74	202	309	140	202	175	21	1,122	27.9
No one principal area	89	247	272	145	205	208	35	1,200	28.2
Other	67	220	340	235	427	404	73	1,766	31.9
Total	1,734	6,346	10,586	6,367	8,594	8,709	1,873	44,207	31.0

Area of clinical nursing	(per cent)							Total	Per cent working part-time
	1-9	10-19	20-29	30-34	35-39	40-49	50+		
Mixed medical and surgical	4.5	14.1	23.5	13.4	17.9	22.6	4.0	100.0	55.5
Medical	3.8	11.4	20.2	12.2	22.8	24.5	5.1	100.0	47.6
Surgical	1.6	10.6	20.6	11.7	24.5	27.2	3.8	100.0	44.5
Operating theatre	2.2	11.1	15.7	11.0	23.0	32.9	4.0	100.0	40.1
Intensive care	1.1	8.6	12.9	10.8	35.5	26.9	4.3	100.0	33.3
Paediatric	2.1	13.6	24.5	13.0	24.2	20.2	2.4	100.0	53.2
Obstetrics and gynaecology	3.0	9.8	24.1	15.0	19.5	24.8	3.8	100.0	51.9
Midwifery	4.6	15.3	22.2	15.3	22.7	15.7	4.2	100.0	57.4
Psychiatric/mental health	1.9	7.0	11.3	8.1	32.2	32.8	6.6	100.0	28.4
Developmental disability	1.7	8.3	17.3	13.0	30.3	22.7	6.7	100.0	40.3
Gerontology/geriatric	3.9	17.0	28.9	17.7	15.7	12.6	4.2	100.0	67.5
Accident and emergency	1.5	5.5	23.6	11.1	25.1	27.1	6.0	100.0	41.7
Community	6.6	12.7	26.8	15.5	17.8	17.4	3.3	100.0	61.5
Child health	2.3	10.0	12.4	5.4	41.5	23.4	5.0	100.0	30.1
School medical	8.3	12.5	8.3	4.2	20.8	20.8	25.0	100.0	33.3
District/domiciliary	10.6	22.0	22.8	19.5	12.2	10.6	2.4	100.0	74.8
Occupational health	1.9	17.3	21.2	1.9	19.2	26.9	11.5	100.0	42.3
Private medical practice/ independent practice	6.6	18.0	27.6	12.4	18.0	15.6	1.8	100.0	64.5
No one principal area	7.4	20.5	22.7	12.0	17.1	17.3	2.9	100.0	62.7
Other	3.8	12.5	19.3	13.3	24.2	22.9	4.1	100.0	48.8
Total	3.9	14.4	23.9	14.4	19.4	19.7	4.2	100.0	56.6

Table 44: Employed enrolled nurses: work setting of main job and sector, States and Territories, 1995

Work setting	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
Public sector									
Acute/psychiatric hospital	5,822	4,443	2,770	2,709	2,446	383	201	150	18,924
Nursing home	1,455	3,772	1,007	517	811	93	66	30	7,750
Day procedure centre	93	90	n.a.	37	30	6	9	6	270
Hostel	121	301	n.a.	39	219	20	4	0	705
Hospice	67	107	n.a.	4	13	3	9	0	202
Community health centre	284	230	60	84	138	65	17	2	881
Agency	n.a.	325	n.a.	141	179	3	17	0	666
Developmental disability service	455	160	59	17	40	28	4	0	764
School/child health service	12	127	24	17	3	0	0	0	183
Tertiary education institution	12	57	13	19	0	0	0	2	103
Prison medical service	21	4	n.a.	4	2	0	0	0	30
Defence forces	33	39	38	4	10	0	9	6	138
Other	391	1,103	390	182	90	37	13	4	2,209
<i>Total public sector</i>	<i>8,766</i>	<i>10,757</i>	<i>4,361</i>	<i>3,775</i>	<i>3,981</i>	<i>637</i>	<i>349</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>32,825</i>
Private sector									
Acute/psychiatric hospital	1,172	958	958	368	449	141	39	13	4,098
Nursing home	1,601	3,514	818	651	276	206	122	38	7,226
Day procedure centre	68	75	68	39	5	6	4	2	268
Hostel	127	303	n.a.	39	103	54	9	0	635
Hospice	10	4	n.a.	13	3	3	0	0	33
Private medical rooms	172	647	203	151	179	42	13	21	1,429
Agency	185	136	129	56	35	6	0	0	547
Private nursing practice	86	131	n.a.	54	60	3	0	0	333
Developmental disability service	18	35	9	0	0	0	0	0	62
School/child health service	18	40	n.a.	2	3	3	0	0	67
Tertiary education institution	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Private sector	28	101	76	41	10	3	4	0	264
Other	119	744	64	121	28	17	9	2	1,104
<i>Total private sector</i>	<i>3,606</i>	<i>6,689</i>	<i>2,326</i>	<i>1,535</i>	<i>1,151</i>	<i>482</i>	<i>201</i>	<i>76</i>	<i>16,067</i>
All sectors									
Acute/psychiatric hospital	6,994	5,400	3,729	3,077	2,894	524	240	163	23,022
Nursing home	3,056	7,286	1,825	1,167	1,087	299	188	68	14,977
Day procedure centre	161	165	68	76	35	11	13	8	538
Hostel	249	605	n.a.	78	322	73	13	0	1,340
Hospice	77	110	n.a.	17	17	6	9	0	236
Community health centre (a)	284	230	60	84	138	65	17	2	881
Private medical rooms (b)	172	647	203	151	179	42	13	21	1,429
Agency	185	461	129	197	214	8	17	0	1,212
Private nursing practice (b)	86	131	n.a.	54	60	3	0	0	333
Developmental disability service	473	195	68	17	40	28	4	0	825
School/child health service	30	167	24	19	7	3	0	0	249
Tertiary education institution	13	57	13	19	0	0	0	2	105
Private sector (b)	28	101	76	41	10	3	4	0	264
Prison medical service (a)	21	4	n.a.	4	2	0	0	0	30
Defence forces (a)	33	39	38	4	10	0	9	6	138
Other	510	1,847	454	303	118	54	22	6	3,313
Total all sectors	12,372	17,446	6,688	5,310	5,132	1,119	550	276	48,892

(a) Public sector only.

(b) Private sector only.

Table 45: Employed enrolled nurses: average hours worked per week by work setting of main job and sector, States and Territories, 1995

Work setting	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
Public sector									
Acute/psychiatric hospital	34.8	32.8	32.3	32.7	29.4	32.9	34.3	35.5	32.9
Nursing home	32.6	29.7	30.3	29.6	26.7	29.2	37.2	33.5	30.1
Day procedure centre	30.2	34.2	n.a.	35.2	28.7	10.0	30.0	28.7	31.8
Hostel	31.5	30.8	n.a.	41.0	24.2	25.9	14.0	0.0	29.0
Hospice	34.6	36.0	n.a.	22.5	33.9	30.0	33.0	0.0	35.0
Community health centre	32.4	32.4	30.6	29.9	25.7	24.7	35.3	40.0	30.6
Agency	n.a.	26.1	n.a.	26.0	19.2	30.0	19.8	0.0	24.1
Developmental disability service	35.9	36.6	33.3	38.1	36.1	39.8	20.0	0.0	35.9
School/child health service	23.6	32.6	31.3	32.0	30.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	31.8
Tertiary education institution	26.8	33.9	27.5	30.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	31.2
Prison medical service	44.6	38.0	n.a.	26.0	38.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	41.4
Defence forces	46.5	44.0	42.0	16.5	45.7	0.0	41.0	28.3	42.7
Other	33.4	34.7	31.7	33.7	28.6	29.1	34.7	22.5	33.4
<i>Total public sector</i>	<i>34.3</i>	<i>31.8</i>	<i>31.9</i>	<i>32.1</i>	<i>28.1</i>	<i>31.2</i>	<i>33.8</i>	<i>34.3</i>	<i>32.1</i>
Private sector									
Acute/psychiatric hospital	31.1	30.5	29.2	31.2	26.4	23.9	32.1	30.3	29.8
Nursing home	28.3	28.0	28.3	31.1	24.6	27.6	26.5	29.0	28.2
Day procedure centre	28.9	29.3	30.1	32.1	42.3	18.5	32.0	25.0	29.9
Hostel	28.6	27.6	n.a.	35.2	24.7	28.0	25.5	0.0	27.7
Hospice	35.3	31.0	n.a.	29.6	18.5	30.0	0.0	0.0	30.6
Private medical rooms	31.6	29.6	27.9	29.0	26.7	29.6	20.0	28.9	29.1
Agency	29.7	24.6	22.5	25.8	22.4	21.0	0.0	0.0	25.5
Private nursing practice	29.6	33.1	n.a.	28.5	23.3	22.0	0.0	0.0	29.5
Developmental disability service	27.5	29.4	26.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	28.4
School/child health service	31.9	38.5	n.a.	30.0	34.0	48.0	0.0	0.0	36.6
Tertiary education institution	10.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.0
Private sector	36.9	30.6	33.0	39.5	25.2	38.0	25.0	0.0	33.0
Other	34.6	35.9	30.2	32.2	32.4	40.8	24.0	20.0	34.9
<i>Total private sector</i>	<i>29.8</i>	<i>29.5</i>	<i>28.6</i>	<i>31.0</i>	<i>25.8</i>	<i>27.2</i>	<i>27.1</i>	<i>28.9</i>	<i>29.2</i>
All sectors									
Acute/psychiatric hospital	34.2	32.4	31.5	32.5	29.0	30.5	33.9	35.1	32.3
Nursing home	30.3	28.9	29.4	30.4	26.2	28.1	30.3	31.1	29.2
Day procedure centre	29.7	31.9	30.1	33.6	30.7	15.7	30.7	27.8	30.8
Hostel	30.0	29.2	n.a.	38.1	24.3	27.4	21.7	0.0	28.4
Hospice	34.7	35.9	n.a.	27.6	30.8	30.0	33.0	0.0	34.4
Community health centre (a)	32.4	32.4	30.6	29.9	25.7	24.7	35.3	40.0	30.6
Private medical rooms (b)	31.6	29.6	27.9	29.0	26.7	29.6	20.0	28.9	29.1
Agency	29.7	25.7	22.5	26.0	19.7	24.0	19.8	0.0	24.7
Private nursing practice (b)	29.6	33.1	n.a.	28.5	23.3	22.0	0.0	0.0	29.5
Developmental disability service	35.6	35.3	32.4	38.1	36.1	39.8	20.0	0.0	35.3
School/child health service	28.7	34.0	31.3	31.8	32.0	48.0	0.0	0.0	33.0
Tertiary education institution	24.0	33.9	27.5	30.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	30.8
Private sector (b)	36.9	30.6	33.0	39.5	25.2	38.0	25.0	0.0	33.0
Prison medical service (a)	44.6	38.0	n.a.	26.0	38.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	41.4
Defence forces (a)	46.5	44.0	42.0	16.5	45.7	0.0	41.0	28.3	42.7
Other	33.7	35.2	31.5	33.1	29.5	32.8	30.4	21.7	33.9
Total all sectors	32.9	30.9	31.0	31.9	27.7	29.6	31.6	32.7	31.1

(a) Public sector only.

(b) Private sector only.