

SOUTH AFRICAN NURSING COUNCIL

PROVINCIAL DISTRIBUTION OF NURSING MANPOWER VERSUS THE POPULATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

PROVINCE	POPULATION (ESTIMATE) 2022	NURSING MANPOWER AS AT 2023/12/31				STUDENTS IN TRAINING 2023/12/31		
		REGISTERED CATEGORIES	ENROLLED NURSES	NURSING AUXILIARIES	TOTAL ON REGISTER	NURSING / MIDWIFERY	ENROLLED NURSING	NURSING AUXILIARY
PERSONS *****								
Eastern Cape								
- FEMALES	3 520 934	14363	3569	5100	23032	2045	49	185
- MALES	3 155 757	2512	764	962	4238	826	29	54
- TOTAL	6 676 691	16875	4333	6062	27270	2871	78	239
Free State								
- FEMALES	1 507 922	7143	1351	2264	10758	718	47	104
- MALES	1 413 689	1283	339	272	1894	194	11	25
- TOTAL	2 921 611	8426	1690	2536	12652	912	58	129
Gauteng								
- FEMALES	8 047 327	38062	11455	14902	64419	3339	637	612
- MALES	8 051 244	3772	1119	980	5871	803	77	57
- TOTAL	16 098 571	41834	12574	15882	70290	4142	714	669
KwaZulu/Natal								
- FEMALES	6 016 579	31243	16276	10643	58162	1300	330	136
- MALES	5 521 746	4222	1865	1042	7129	612	69	26
- TOTAL	11 538 325	35465	18141	11685	65291	1912	399	162
Limpopo								
- FEMALES	3 118 814	11739	3796	8683	24218	748	40	13
- MALES	2 822 625	1905	436	756	3097	326	12	8
- TOTAL	5 941 439	13644	4232	9439	27315	1074	52	21
Mpumalanga								
- FEMALES	2 396 620	7878	1614	3414	12906	446	27	170
- MALES	2 323 877	1316	186	199	1701	103	6	21
- TOTAL	4 720 497	9194	1800	3613	14607	549	33	191
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POPULATION PER QUALIFIED NURSE (IN THE SAME PROVINCE) *****								
Eastern Cape		396:1	1541:1	1101:1	245:1			
Free State		347:1	1729:1	1152:1	231:1			
Gauteng		385:1	1280:1	1014:1	229:1			
KwaZulu/Natal		325:1	636:1	987:1	177:1			
Limpopo		435:1	1404:1	629:1	218:1			
Mpumalanga		513:1	2622:1	1307:1	323:1			
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Note: Population figures - Statistics South Africa.

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PERSONS *****								
North West								
- FEMALES	2 058 028	9459	2204	3470	15133	1211	5	148
- MALES	2 128 956	1651	275	418	2344	306	1	43
- TOTAL	4 186 984	11110	2479	3888	17477	1517	6	191
Northern Cape								
- FEMALES	661 075	2135	268	746	3149	88	-	31
- MALES	647 658	281	39	77	397	21	-	16
- TOTAL	1 308 733	2416	307	823	3546	109	-	47
Western Cape								
- FEMALES	3 652 811	16867	4740	6240	27847	1656	108	219
- MALES	3 559 331	1745	385	490	2620	356	20	27
- TOTAL	7 212 142	18612	5125	6730	30467	2012	128	246
T O T A L S (R.S.A.)								
- FEMALES	30 980 110	138889	45273	55462	239624	11551	1243	1618
- MALES	29 624 883	18687	5408	5196	29291	3547	225	277
- TOTAL	60 604 993	157576	50681	60658	268915	15098	1468	1895
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POPULATION PER QUALIFIED NURSE (IN THE SAME PROVINCE) *****								
North West		377:1	1689:1	1077:1	240:1			
Northern Cape		542:1	4263:1	1590:1	369:1			
Western Cape		387:1	1407:1	1072:1	237:1			

T O T A L S (R.S.A.)		385:1	1196:1	999:1	225:1			
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