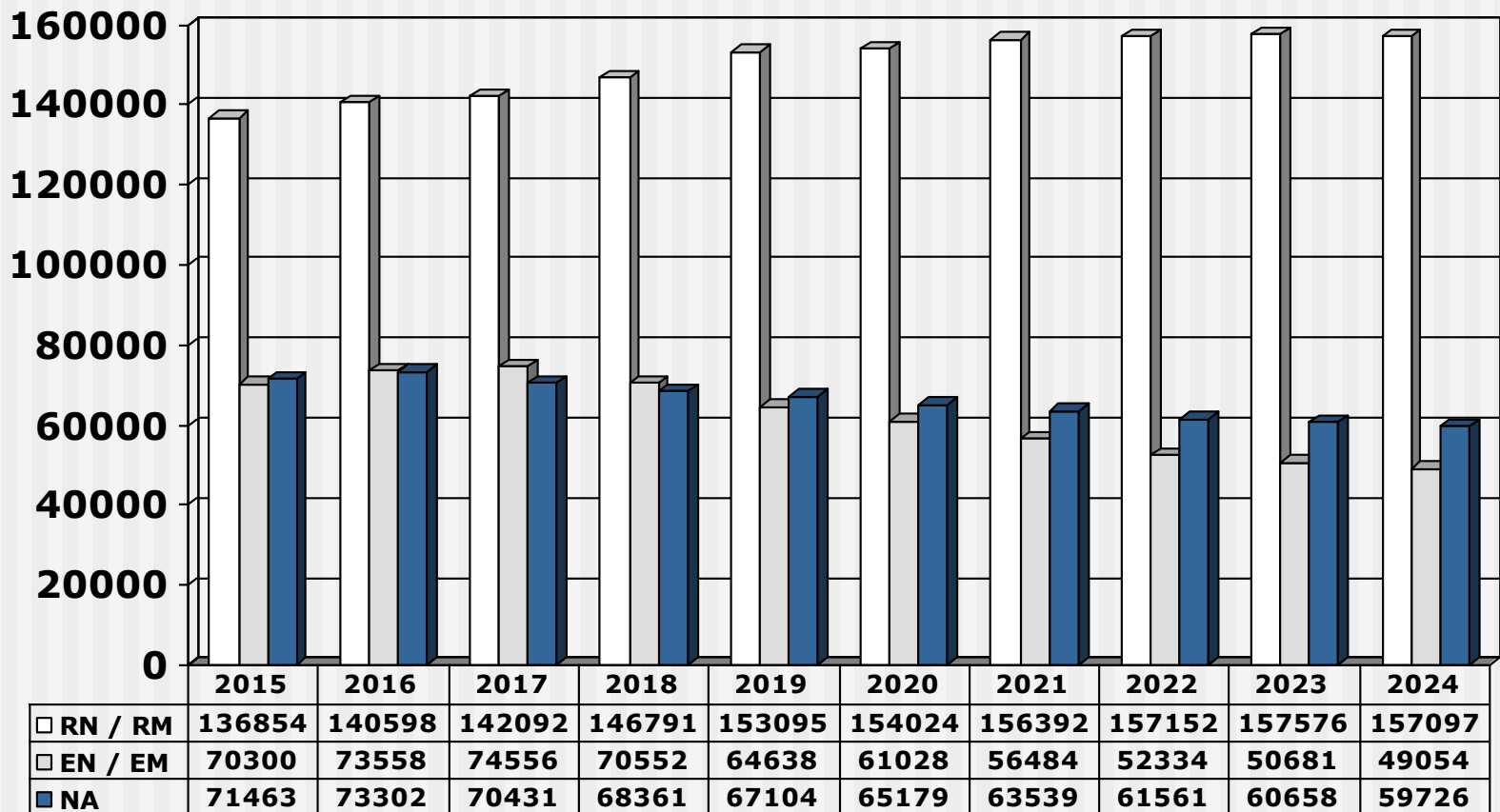


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## Changes in the Register



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### Explanatory notes:

Over the 9-year period 2015 to 2024, the total number of nurses on the register has decreased from 278 617 to 265 877 – i.e., a net decrease of 12 740 (-4,6%).

- The Registered Nurse/Registered Midwife category has increased by 20 243 practitioners (+14,8%).
- The Enrolled Nurse/Enrolled Midwife category has decreased by 21 246 practitioners (-30,2%).
- The Nursing Auxiliary category has decreased by 11 737 practitioners (-16,4%).

During the same period, the population of South Africa increased by 14,7% from approximately 54,957 million in 2015 (mid-year estimate) to 63,016 million in 2024 (mid-year estimate).

Population figures: Statistics South Africa (mid-year population estimates)

Nursing figures as at 31 December each year

Excludes persons residing outside South Africa

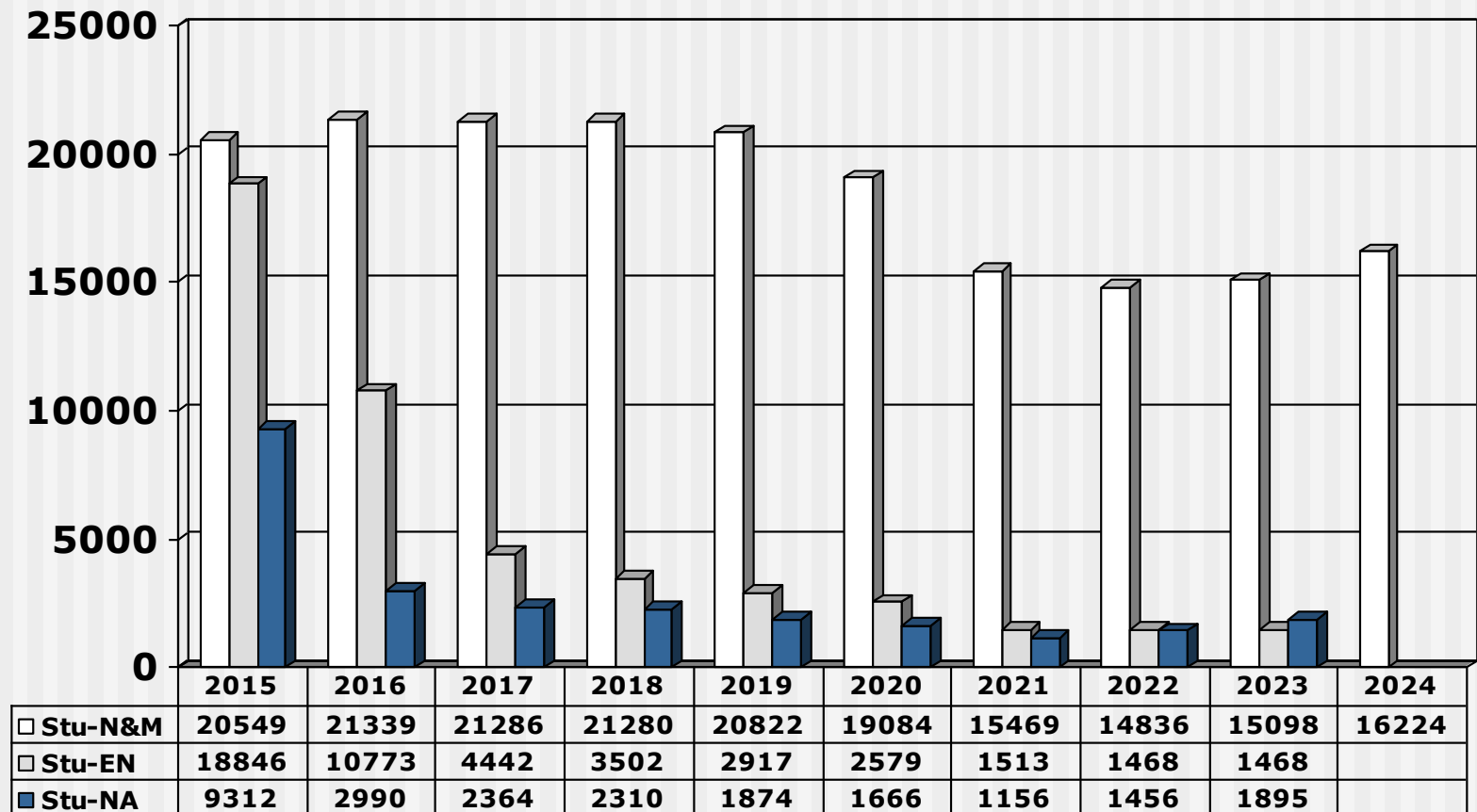
**RN / RM** = Registered Nurses / Registered Midwives

**EN / EM** = Enrolled Nurses / Enrolled Midwives

**NA** = Nursing Auxiliaries

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## Changes in Student Numbers



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### **Explanatory notes:**

This chart reflects persons entering the nursing profession as a students for the first time and does not include those busy with bridging or supplementary basic programmes.

When seeking to interpret the information in this chart please remember two important considerations:

1. These figures represent changing populations – there are complete intakes each year followed by terminations (for various reasons) and completions of large groups (usually from previous years).
2. The normal duration of training is different for the various categories – 4 years for Student Nurses and Midwives, 2 years for Student Enrolled Nurses, and 1 year for Student Nursing Auxiliaries.

Figures as at 31 December each year

**Stu-N&M** = Student Nurses and Midwives

**Stu-EN** = Student Enrolled Nurses

**Stu-NA** = Student Nursing Auxiliaries

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## Notes

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