Registered nurses (RNs) in Washington State are licensed through the State Department of Health. The following Washington statistics were calculated based on data from these license files, which contain licensee name, mailing address, age, and gender. No information is currently available on other licensee demographic or practice characteristics (e.g., no data are available regarding race/ethnicity or employment status).

### Washington RN Licenses, 2006

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<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Total active RN licenses*</td>
<td>71,048</td>
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<tr>
<td>With Washington addresses†</td>
<td>58,356 (82.1%)</td>
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<td>With Oregon addresses†</td>
<td>2,610 (3.7%)</td>
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<td>With Idaho addresses†</td>
<td>1,256 (1.8%)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Actively licensed RNs with advanced practice licenses and Washington addresses</td>
<td>3,150 (4.4%)</td>
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* *Accessed from licensing files August 2006.
† Age 18 through 75.

### RNs with Active Licenses per 100,000 Population

- **Washington (2006)**: 925
- **U.S. (2004)**: 991

### Number of RNs with active licenses by WDA

| WDA 1 | 1,051 |
| WDA 2 | 870   |
| WDA 3 | 907   |
| WDA 4 | 911   |
| WDA 5 | 971   |
| WDA 6 | 801   |
| WDA 7 | 812   |
| WDA 8 | 808   |
| WDA 9 | 727   |
| WDA 10| 1,044 |
| WDA 11| 898   |
| WDA 12| 1,228 |

* Location determined by license mailing address.
### RN Age

**Mean RN Age**

- Washington 1999: 46.4
- Washington 2004: 48.4
- Washington 2006: 48.4
- U.S. 2004: 46.8

### RN Gender

**Percent of RNs Who Are Male**

- Washington 1999: 6.3%
- Washington 2004: 7.8%
- Washington 2006: 8.1%
- U.S. 2004: 5.7%

### Age of Washington State RNs with Active Licenses, by Age Group

![Graph showing age distribution of RNs in Washington State from 1999 to 2006.](image)

- Ages 18 through 75.

### Number of RNs with Active Licenses and Washington Addresses* from 1999 to 2006

![Graph showing the number of RNs with active licenses in Washington State from 1999 to 2006.](image)

* Ages 18 through 75.

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