

2015-2016

EDUCATION SURVEY RESULTS

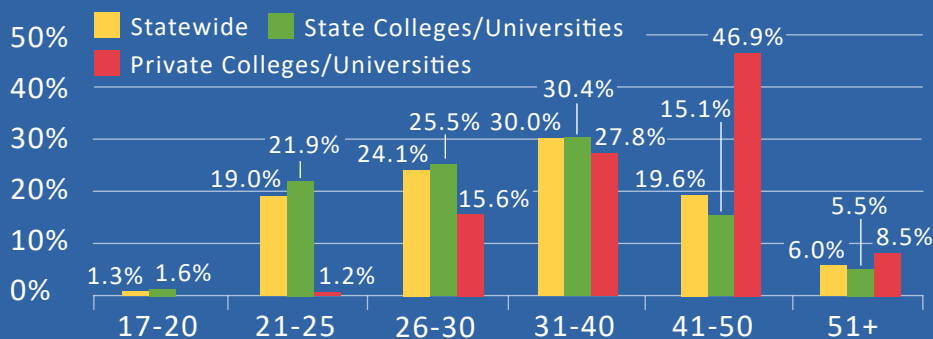
RN-BSN PROGRAMS

EACH YEAR the Florida Center for Nursing surveys nursing programs in the state to analyze trends in nursing education capacity and faculty supply and demand. The information below represents the key findings regarding the **RN-BSN (Bachelor of Science in Nursing)** programs in Florida designed for licensed RNs with an associate degree or diploma in nursing who want to advance to baccalaureate education.

TWENTY-FIVE SCHOOLS WITH THE RN-BSN CURRICULUM responded to the survey of which 16 were Florida College System or State University System programs; these schools are referred to as "State Colleges/Universities" in this summary. The remaining nine schools are referred to as "Private Colleges/Universities".

AGE OF NURSING STUDENTS

Nearly one third of nursing students enrolled in state colleges/universities are in the 31-40 age group while almost half of students in private colleges/universities (47%) are in the 41-50 age group.



GENDER OF NURSING STUDENTS

Statewide:



Male 14% Female 86%

State Colleges/Universities:



Male 14% Female 86%

Private Colleges/Universities:



Male 13% Female 87%

GENDER OF NURSING FACULTY

Statewide:



Male 9% Female 91%

State Colleges/Universities:



Male 8% Female 92%

Private Colleges/Universities:



Male 11% Female 89%

Nursing students and faculty are predominately **FEMALE**



5,762

students enrolled in RN-BSN PROGRAMS



50%

of all enrollees are in STATE COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES



2,624

RN-BSN graduates are PREPARED TO ASSUME new roles and apply new knowledge to their work



63.6%

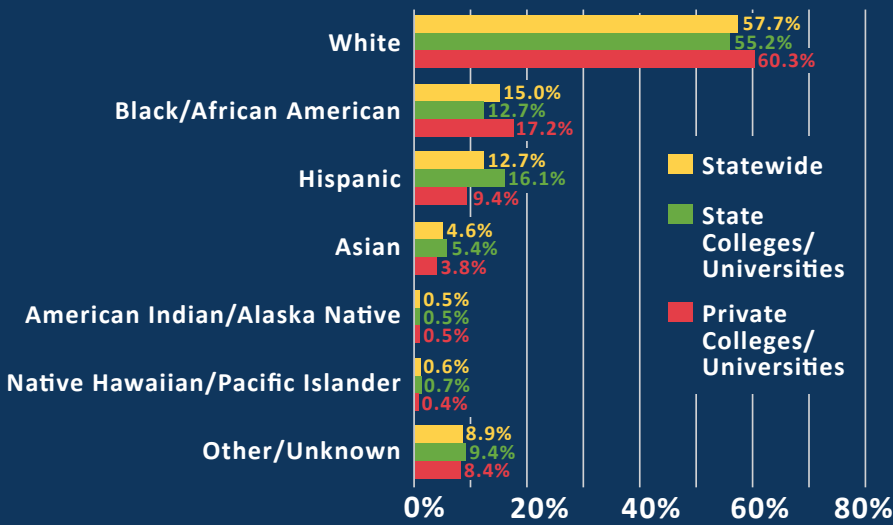
of nurses who reported they work in an academic setting are OVER THE AGE OF 50 (According to the 2014-2015 nurse supply survey)



1,299

full-time and part-time faculty are at schools offering an RN-BSN PROGRAM

RACE/ETHNICITY OF NURSING STUDENTS



BARRIERS TO FACULTY RECRUITMENT

RN-BSN programs cite a non-competitive salary and a limited qualified applicant pool as the primary barriers to faculty recruitment.



Limited Qualified Applicant Pool

18 total (72.0%)	12 total (75.0%)	6 total (66.7%)
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Salary Not Competitive

17 total (68.0%)	13 total (81.3%)	4 total (44.4%)
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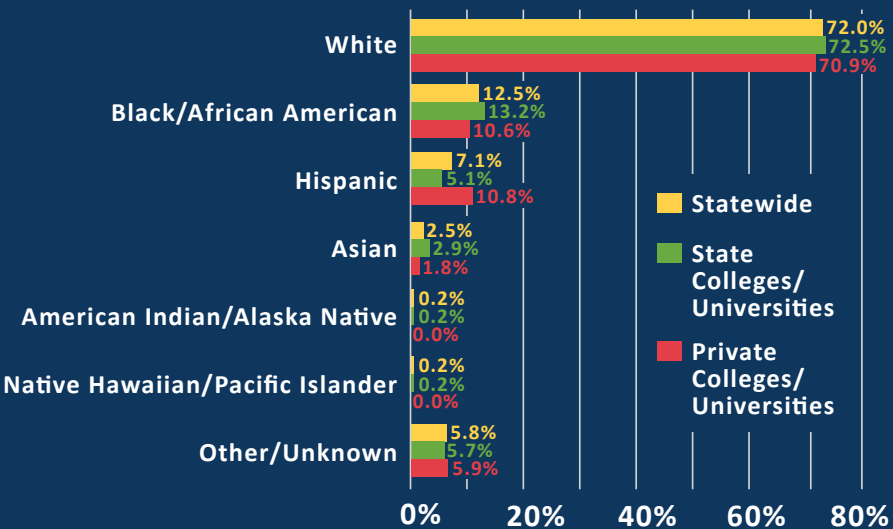
Geographic Location

5 total (20.0%)	4 total (25.0%)	1 total (11.1%)
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Cost of Living

4 total (16.0%)	3 total (18.8%)	1 total (11.1%)
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TRENDS IN RN-BSN GRADUATES

THE NUMBER OF RN-BSN GRADUATES has more than doubled since academic year 2006-2007. This growth is due to community colleges transitioning to state colleges and offering the RN-BSN curriculum as well as an increasing emphasis on baccalaureate education as a preference for employers.

ANOTHER FACTOR INFLUENCING THIS GROWTH

is the Institute of Medicine's *The Future of Nursing: Leading Change, Advancing Health* report released in 2010. This report recommends that nurses achieve higher levels of education and training through an improved education system that promotes seamless academic progression. It further recommends that the proportion of working nurses with a BSN or higher degree increase to 80% by 2020. Florida's percentage of working RNs meeting this recommendation has increased from a baseline of 39.5% in 2011 to 45.6% in 2015.

