

KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING EDUCATION AND NURSE REGISTRATION

Annual Report

July 1, 1975 - June 30, 1976

The Kentucky Board of Nursing Education and Nurse Registration is pleased to provide you with the Annual Report for the fiscal year 1975 - 1976.

The progress identified in this Annual Report reflects the continued interest and support in the improvement of nursing education and nursing services in Kentucky by the Kentucky General Assembly, Governor Julian M. Carroll, Department of Finance and Administration, other governmental agencies, professional and voluntary associations and individuals.

The Kentucky Board of Nursing appreciates the opportunity of serving the people of Kentucky by approving programs for nursing education and in assuring, through licensure, safe nursing care for all who need it.

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August 1976

The Kentucky Board of Nursing Education and Nurse Registration is a state agency which, under the authority of KRS 314, issues licenses to qualified registered nurses and practical nurses and approves schools of nursing. The agency is entirely self-supporting through nurses' license fees and uses no tax dollars. The present renewal fee of \$4 for both registered nurses and licensed practical nurses is one of the lowest fees of any nursing board in the United States. The \$4 fee is the lowest fee of any regulatory board in Kentucky. Without an increase in renewal fees, the Kentucky Board of Nursing has been able to totally computerize the renewal of licenses and to add two additional educational consultants to the professional staff during the 1975 - 1976 fiscal year.

The new computer system provides a more efficient and effective office operation. It makes possible the production of statistical data that, in the past, was very difficult and time consuming to obtain. It offers the opportunity to look at nursing and nursing education from a management information system perspective. One of the chief features of the system is the use of a self-addressed, computer printed packet for renewals and licenses. This packet eliminates all hand stuffing, sealing, and stamping operations.

The two additional educational consultants will provide the needed manpower to schedule annual visits to schools of nursing.

KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING EDUCATION AND NURSE REGISTRATION

The members of the Kentucky Board of Nursing Education and Nurse Registration for this period, July 1, 1975 - June 30, 1976 include:

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>4-year Term Ending</u>
Mrs. Imogene Carter	Owensboro, KY	1976
Mrs. Charlotte Denny	Lexington, KY	1977
Mrs. Nadine Turner	Murray, KY	1977
Miss Irma Bolte	Lexington, KY	1977
Mrs. Martha Knudson	Elizabethtown, KY	1978
Miss Mary Kearney	Lexington, KY	1978
Sister Carol Slater (appointed to replace Miss Marian Meyer)	Evarts, KY	1980
Miss Marian Meyer	Louisville, KY	Feb. 1976

<u>Assistant Board Member (Licensed Practical Nurses)</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>3-year Term Ending</u>
Mrs. Elizabeth Devine	Covington, KY	1977
Mrs. Elizabeth Jenkins (appointed to complete Bola Cottrell's term)	Louisville, KY	1977
Mrs. Thelma Hannah (appointed to replace Mary Shirley)	Louisville, KY	1979
Mrs. Bola Cottrell	Lexington, KY (resig'd)	Mar 1976
Mrs. Mary Shirley	Lexington, KY	Mar 1976

The staff of the Kentucky Board of Nursing Education and Nurse Registration, June 30, 1976:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
Mrs. Doris McDowell, RN	Executive Director
Miss Elda Hartung, RN	Educational Consultant
Miss Hazel Kellams, RN	Educational Consultant
Mrs. Marie Jones, RN	Educational Consultant
Mrs. Marzetta Hagan	Business Manager
Mrs. Ruby Wilder	Secretary
Miss Mary Beth Watt	Secretary
Mrs. Delores Kopp	Secretary
Miss Donna Bliss	Exam Coordinator
Mrs. Lisa Eubank	Endorsement Coordinator
Mrs. Beverly Bridwell	Renewals Coordinator
Miss Sharon Douglas	Renewals Clerk
Miss Dorothy Curry	Microfilm Clerk

Board Meetings

The Kentucky Nurse Practice Act requires that the Board hold one annual meeting "... in Frankfort within thirty days after each annual appointment... (and) shall hold such other meetings during the year as may be deemed necessary to transact business." During the fiscal year the Board met on the following dates:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type of Meeting</u>
July 29, 1975	Meeting with the Indiana Board of Nursing on a common problem
August 26, 1975	Meeting with out-of-state consultant
September 25-26, 1975	Scheduled business meeting
October 29, 1975	Scheduled business meeting
November 20-21, 1975	Scheduled business meeting
December 4-5, 1975	Called business meeting
January 28, 1976	Exam review
January 29-30, 1976	Scheduled business meeting
March 24, 1976	Annual meeting in Frankfort
March 25-26, 1976	Scheduled business meeting
May 24-25, 1976	Scheduled business meeting
June 23, 1976	Exam review
June 25-26, 1976	Scheduled business meeting

The Board met ten times during the year 1975 - 1976 for a total of twenty days. Two of the scheduled business meetings were "traveling" Board meetings. One was held in Owensboro, Kentucky and the November meeting was held in the Covington area. The traveling Board meetings gave the public and licensees an opportunity to observe the Board in operation. An informational evening session with question and answer period was scheduled at both locations.

During the fiscal year the Board reviewed and refiled all administrative regulations. The Manual For Schools of Nursing was revised and updated and prepared for final draft.

The Board members participated in other activities including examinations, committee meetings, and survey visits to schools of nursing.

Advisory Council

The Advisory Council to the Kentucky Board of Nursing Education and Nurse Registration was created by the Kentucky Legislature in 1966. KRS 314.121(5) "The Governor shall appoint an Advisory Council to the board consisting of seven members to be selected one each from lists submitted by Kentucky Medical Association, Kentucky Hospital Association, Kentucky Nursing Home Association, Kentucky Nurses Association, Kentucky State Association of Licensed Practical Nurses, Kentucky Dental Association and Kentucky Pharmaceutical Association." The Advisory Council met for an annual meeting with the Board in June of the 1975 - 1976 fiscal year. The Advisory Council members present and the organization they represent were:

<u>Advisory Council Member</u>	<u>Organization</u>
Mr. Earl Becknell	Ky. Pharmacy Association
Mrs. Nancy Pratt	Ky. Nurses' Association
<u>Members absent were:</u>	
Mr. Ben R. Brewer	Ky. Hospital Association
Mrs. Johnnie M. Crider	Ky. State Association of Licensed Practical Nurses
Dr. S. Randolph Scheen	Ky. Medical Association
Mrs. Anna Lee Tasker	Ky. Association of Health Care Facilities
<u>Vacancy:</u>	
_____	Ky. Dental Association

Nursing Education

The Board and staff participate in numerous activities relating to both developing and on-going nursing education programs. In addition to setting standards for nursing education programs which prepare for licensure as registered nurses and licensed practical nurses, the Board provides consultation at a school's written request and informational services to institutions and groups interested in developing new nursing education programs.

During the fiscal year, survey visits were completed for four programs; two associate degree and two practical nurse programs. Continued approval was granted to all four programs. An interim visit was completed for an associate degree program. Two visits of concern were made; one to an associate degree program and one to a baccalaureate program. Two additional educational consultants were added to the staff during the last part of the fiscal year. A plan has been structured to provide each school with an annual visit starting in the fall of 1976. A self-evaluation tool has been developed to use for biennial school visits with follow-up visits the second year.

Change has been the foremost characteristic of nursing education for the past 20 years. Some changes have been transitory, but others seem to be permanent. Nationally, the numbers of associate and baccalaureate programs has increased at a very rapid rate while many diploma programs have closed. Kentucky has followed the national trend over the last decade as shown in the figures below.

Type of Program	1965 - 66		1975 - 76	
	No.	%	No.	%
Baccalaureate	3	16.6	5	18.5
Associate Degree	4	22.2	18	66.6
Diploma	11	61.1	4	14.8

Two Kentucky diploma programs closed at the end of the 1975 - 76 school year leaving only two diploma programs to start the 1976 - 77 school year. The first nursing school established in Kentucky (1866), Norton Memorial School of Nursing, graduated its last class in May 1976. King's Daughters' Hospital School of Nursing in Ashland also graduated its last class in May. A new associate degree program was implemented in Ashland in the fall of 1975.

During the fiscal year the Board went on record with a position statement in favor of mandatory continuing education for relicensure.

Following is a list of nursing schools in Kentucky by type of program. Also shown is the number of graduates from each school for the fiscal year.

Nursing Programs Approved By The
Kentucky Board of Nursing Education and Nurse Registration

June 30, 1976

<u>Name of Program</u>	<u>No. Students Graduated 1975 - 1976</u>
<u>Baccalaureate Programs</u>	
Berea College	20
Eastern Ky. University	64
Murray State University	36
Spalding College	32
University of Kentucky	107
Total Baccalaureate Graduates	303
<u>Diploma Programs</u>	
Appalachian Reg. Hosps. Inc.	20
Ky. Baptist Hospital	73
King's Daughters' Hosp.	33
Norton Memorial Inf.	56
Total Diploma Graduates	182
<u>Associate Degree Programs</u>	
Ashland Comm. College (New Pgm)	0
Cumberland College	35
Eastern Ky. University	59
Elizabethtown Comm. College	41
Henderson Comm. College	36
Jefferson Community College	78
Kentucky State University	14
Lexington Tech. Institute	74
Maysville Community College	27
Midway College	40
Morehead State University	42
Northern Kentucky University	83

Associate Degree Programs Cont.

Paducah Community College	39	
Pennyryle Regional	48	
Prestonsburg Community College	22	
Somerset Community College	28	
University of Louisville	40	
Western Kentucky University	76	
Total Associate Degree Graduates		821
*Total Graduates from RN Programs		1306

Practical Nurse Programs

Appalachian School of P.N.	47	
Ashland Area Voc. School of P.N.	16	
Wm. Booth Mem. Hosp. Sch. of PN Educ.	47	
Danville School of P.N.	27	
Glasgow School for P.N.	28	
Hazard School of P.N.	36	
Jefferson County School of P.N.	56	
Madisonville School for P.N.	16	
Mayo State Voc. School Dept. of P.N.	20	
Murray School of P.N.	15	
Northern Ky. Voc. School of P.N.	75	
Owensboro School for P.N.	18	
Paducah School of P.N.	26	
Pineville School of P.N.	51	
Total Practical Nurse Graduates		478 478
Total Nurses Graduated from Kentucky Schools		1784

*This number is not reflected in the number of candidates taking the examination. Some graduates of Ky. schools chose to take their examination in another state.

FACULTY IN KENTU / NURSING PROGRAMS
AS OF OCTOBER 1975

SUMMARY - FACULTY

NURSING PROGRAM	NUMBER OF PROGRAMS	NUMBER OF FACULTY			APPOINTMENT		BASIC NSG. PREP.			PRESENT PREPARATION					
		Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Before 8/73	Since 8/73	DI.	ADN	BSN	Doc.	MS Nsg.	MS Other	Bacc. Nsg.	Bacc. Other	Di.
SN	5	84	11	95	35	60	42	3	50	7	62	3	23		
DN	18	156	24	180	58	122	74	8	98	1	67	35	74	3	
DIPLOMA	4	38	5	43	27	16	26	0	17		7	6	24	2	4
TOTAL: R.N. Preparatory	27	278	40	318	120	198	142	11	165	8	136	44	121	5	4
.N.	14	83	4	87	59	28	81	2	4		1	1	13	9	63
ALL PROGRAMS	41	361	44	405	179	226	223	13	169	8	137	45	134	14	67

FACULTY IN KENTUCKY NURSING PROGRAMS
AS OF OCTOBER 1975

NURSING PROGRAM -BSN	ESTABLISHED	NUMBER OF FACULTY			APPOINTMENT		BASIC NSG. PREP			PRESENT PREPARATION					
	1st Class Admitted	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Before 8/73	Since 8/73	DI.	ADN	BSN	Doc.	MS Nsg.	MS Other	Bacc. Nsg.	Bacc. Other	Di.
Area College	1956	9	1	10	3	7	4	0	6	1	6		3		
Eastern Ky. Univ.	1971	14	3	17	1	16	8	1	8		8	1	8		
Murray State Univ.	1964	17	0	17	7	10	4	0	13	1	10		6		
Spalding College	1949	15	1	16	8	8	8	1	7	1	7	2	6		
Univ. of Kentucky	1960	29	6*	35	16	19	18	1	16	4	31				
Total		84	11	95	35	60	42	3	50	7	62	3	23		

*Part-Time generic program and also in grad program
** Does not include faculty members for graduate program only.

NURSING PROGRAM -DI.

Appalachian Reg.	1957	8		8	5	3	6		2		2		4	2	
Kentucky Baptist	1924	18	5	23	10	13	10		13		4	4	15		
King's Daughters'	1959	6		6	6		6					1	1		4
Porton Infirmary	1886	6		6	6		4		2		1	1	4		
Total		38	5	43	27	16	26		17		7	6	24	2	4

FACULTY IN KENTUCKY NURSING PROGRAMS
AS OF OCTOBER 1975

NURSING PROGRAM - ADN	ESTABLISHED	NUMBER OF FACULTY			APPOINTMENT		BASIC NSG. PREP.			PRESENT PREPARATION					
	1st Class Admitted	Full- Time	Part- Time	Total	Before 8/73	Since 8/73	DI.	ADN	BSN	Doc.	MS Nsg.	MS Other	Bacc. Nsg.	Bacc. Other	Di.
hland Comm. Coll.	1975	4	0	4		4	1		3			2	2		
umberland College	1973	8	0	8	2	6	5		3		3	2	3		
stern Ky. Univ.	1965	19	8	27	7	20	11	1	15		6	5	16		
Elizabethtown Comm. Coll.	1965	6	0	6	4	2	3		3		4	1	1		
Anderson Comm. Coll.	1963	6	0	6	2	4	1	1	4		2		4		
fferson Comm. Coll.	1968	13	1	14	9	5	5		9		5	3	6		
ntucky State Univ.	1967	7	0	7	1	6	5		2		3	2	2		
Kingston Tech. Institute	1965	8	3	11	3	8	3	1	7		4	1	5	1	
ysville Comm. Coll.	1972	5	0	5	2	3	4		1		3		2		
lway College	1967	6	6	12	5	7	4	2	6		6	2	3	1	
thead State Univ.	1971	11		11	4	7	8	1	2		2	5	3	1	
thern Ky. State Coll.	1964	9	3	12	5	7	4	1	7		5	1	6		
lucah Comm. Coll.	1964	7	1	8	4	4	2		6		1	3	4		
nyrile Regional	1970	8	1	9	4	5	3	1	5		4		5		
estonsburg Comm. Coll.	1/1973	6	0	6	1	5	0		6		3		3		
herset Comm. Coll.	1969	5	1	6	1	5	2		4		3	1	2		
v. of Louisville	1974	12		12	0	12	6		6	1	5	6	0		
stern Ky. Univ.	1964	16		16	4	12	7		9		8	1	7		
Total:		156	24	180	58	122	74	8	98	1	67	35	74	3	

FACULTY IN KENTUCKY NURSING PROGRAMS
AS OF OCTOBER 1975

NURSING PROGRAM C.N.	ESTABLISHED	NUMBER OF FACULTY			APPOINTMENT		BASIC NSG. PREP.			PRESENT PREPARATION					
	1st Class	Full- Time	Part- Time	Total	Before 8/73	Since 8/73	DI.	ADN	BSN	Doc.	MS Nsg.	MS Other	Bacc. Nsg.	Bacc. Other	Di.
Appalachian	1951	9	0	9	8	1	9						2	2	5
Ashtland	1967	3	0	3	3	0	2		1				1		2
Booth	1959	4	3	7	4	3	6	1			1		3		3
Cynthiana	1955	7	0	7	7	0	7							4	3
Glasgow	1957	6	0	6	6	0	6							1	5
Hazard	1964	5	0	5	3	2	5						1	1	3
Jefferson County	1957	9	0	9	6	3	9								9
Madisonville	1965	6	0	6	4	2	6						1		5
Mayfield	1955	5	0	5	1	4	4		1				1		4
Murray	1967	2	0	2	2	0	2								2
Northern Kentucky	1962	10	0	10	7	3	10							1	9
Owensboro	1960	7	1	8	4	4	6	1	1				2		6
Paducah	1971	5	0	5	3	2	4		1				2		3
Unionville	1961	5	0	5	1	4	5				1				4
Total		83	4	87	59	28	81	2	4		1	1	13	9	63

Annual Renewal of License

The Kentucky Nurse Practice Act provides "The license of every person under the provisions of KRS 314... shall be annually renewed..." By administrative regulation KAR 20:080 the Kentucky Board of Nursing has determined that the annual year for the registered nurse shall be May 1 - April 30 and November 1 - October 31 for the licensed practical nurse. Renewal applications and licenses were issued by data processing during this fiscal year completing the conversion to a computer system. Renewal applications to licensed practical nurses were mailed in July 1975 and renewal applications to registered nurses were mailed in late December 1975 to avoid the expected postage increase in early January.

<u>June 30, 1976</u>	<u>RN</u>	<u>LPN</u>
Total licensed by Kentucky during fiscal year	20,807	9,559
No. of total living out-of-state	5,985	1,501
No. of total living in Kentucky	14,822	8,058
No. in Kentucky active in nursing	11,280 (76.1%)	5,777 (71.7%)
No. in Kentucky inactive in nursing	3,542 (23.9%)	2,281 (28.3%)
No. active per 100,000 population	350	179

(Based on U.S. census January 1, 1970
as Ky. population 3,218,706)

The renewal process became totally computerized during this fiscal year. This has been a great achievement with a minimum of disruption or inconvenience to the licensee and/or employers of licensees. The system is much more efficient than the previous manual method. It is now possible to retrieve and furnish data to health agencies that was impossible before computerization.

1975 - 1976 Statistics of Active Kentucky Nurses
By County and Type of Nurse

<u>County</u>	<u>RN</u>	<u>LPN</u>
Adair	611	23
Allen	185	33
Anderson	108	5
Ballard	75	6
Barren	170	133
Bath	28	7
Bell	131	172
Boone	180	46
Bourbon	216	37
Boyd	286	145
Boyle	102	179
Bracken	9	6
Breathitt	17	12
Breckinridge	35	15
Bullitt	12	12
Butler	10	9
Caldwell	24	37
Calloway	97	97
Campbell	317	168
Carlisle	6	2
Carroll	22	12
Carter	9	5
Casey	11	23
Christian	206	183
Clark	58	54
Clay	56	27

<u>County</u>	<u>RN</u>	<u>LPN</u>
Clinton	15	7
Crittenden	14	13
Cumberland	8	11
Daviess	415	278
Edmonson	7	3
Elliott	3	0
Estill	17	6
Fayette	1946	690
Fleming	24	11
Floyd	84	129
Franklin	163	64
Fulton	14	35
Gallatin	3	1
Garrard	22	29
Grant	20	13
Graves	61	67
Grayson	41	13
Green	18	20
Greenup	49	34
Hancock	8	6
Hardin	237	124
Harlan	105	159
Harrison	57	23
Hart	13	16
Henderson	135	98
Henry	15	6
Hickman	6	12
Hopkins	136	202
Jackson	8	3

<u>County</u>	<u>RN</u>	<u>LPN</u>
Jefferson	4186	1524
Jessamine	26	19
Johnson	33	57
Kenton	564	421
Knott	18	20
Knox	31	36
Larue	13	10
Laurel	42	56
Lawrence	29	44
Lee	4	2
Leslie	79	8
Letcher	45	77
Lewis	9	5
Lincoln	18	41
Livingston	14	15
Logan	39	53
Lyon	7	6
McCracken	379	245
McCreary	9	0
McLean	13	21
Madison	173	70
Magoffin	1	8
Marion	34	37
Marshall	39	41
Martin	6	7
Mason	80	31
Meade	23	5
Menifee	1	3

<u>County</u>	<u>RN</u>	<u>LPN</u>
Mercer	40	52
Metcalfe	0	7
Monroe	14	20
Montgomery	33	17
Morgan	18	6
Muhlenberg	53	110
Nelson	61	16
Nicholas	15	7
Ohio	39	43
Oldham	47	29
Owen	11	4
Owsley	4	2
Pendleton	10	5
Perry	83	132
Pike	130	187
Powell	4	3
Pulaski	112	97
Robertson	5	1
Rockcastle	12	16
Rowan	77	28
Russell	10	11
Scott	53	33
Shelby	39	27
Simpson	23	16
Spencer	5	2
Taylor	39	12
Todd	6	8
Trigg	24	17

<u>County</u>	<u>RN</u>	<u>LPN</u>
Trimble	3	1
Union	36	29
Warren	315	112
Washington	6	9
Wayne	12	10
Webster	11	19
Whitley	76	38
Wolfe	7	2
Woodford	66	28
Undesignated	778	519
TOTAL	14,822	8,058

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1975 - 1976 Statistics of Kentucky Nurses
By Field of Employment

	RN		LPN	
	No	*%	No	*%
Hospitals	6690	59.3	3923	67.9
Nursing Homes	455	4.0	790	13.7
School of Nursing	628	5.6	3	0.1
Private Duty	255	2.3	237	4.1
Public Health	754	6.7	74	1.3
School Nurse	890	7.9	35	0.6
Industry	443	3.9	66	1.1
Office Nurse	427	3.8	432	7.5
Other	724	6.4	216	3.7
Community Health	14		1	

*Percentages based on 11,280 active registered nurses in Kentucky and 5,777 active licensed practical nurses.

KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING EDUCATION AND NURSE REGISTRATION
1975 - 1976 Statistics By Type of Nurse and Type of Position

	RN		LPN	
	No	*%	No	*%
Administration	452	4.0	32	0.6
Consultant	289	2.6	3	0.1
Supervisor	1571	13.9	197	3.4
Instructor	528	4.7	10	0.2
Head Nurse	1258	11.2	389	6.7
General Duty or Staff	5525	49.0	3459	59.9
Other	1392	12.3	1687	29.2
Clinical Specialist	264	2.3	0	0.0
Nurse Associate	1	0.0	0	0.0

*Percentages based on 11,280 active registered nurses in Kentucky and 5,777 active licensed practical nurses.

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Kentucky Licensed Registered Nurses Active in Nursing in
Kentucky by Type of Position and Highest Educational Level

	<u>Diploma</u>	<u>AD</u>	<u>BS Nursing</u>	<u>BS Other</u>	<u>Masters Nursing</u>	<u>Masters Other</u>	<u>Doctoral</u>	<u>No Data</u>	<u>Total</u>
Admin.	160	32	34	13	19	12	4	178	452
Consultant	112	23	41	6	9	1	0	97	289
Supervisor	692	94	149	28	13	3	0	592	1571
Instructor	124	19	97	13	42	28	0	205	528
Head Nurse	577	78	110	20	2	3	2	466	1258
Gen. Duty or Staff	2615	662	639	67	14	10	1	1517	5525
Other	612	85	138	28	29	17	1	482	1392
Clin. Spec.	84	14	40	4	13	3	0	106	264
Nurse Assoc.	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	4976	1007	1248	180	141	77	8	3643	11,280
Percentages	44.1	8.9	11.1	1.6	1.3	0.7	0.1	32.3	

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1975 - 1976 Statistics on Kentucky
Licensed Registered Nurses by Highest Educational Level

	<u>No.</u>	<u>%</u>
Diploma	9691	46.6
Associate Degree	1305	6.3
BS in Nursing	2280	11.0
BS in Other Area	357	1.7
Masters in Nursing	304	1.5
Masters in Other Area	174	0.8
Doctorate	22	0.1
No Data	6674	32.1
Total Number	20,807	

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1975 - 1976 Kentucky Licensed Nurses By
Type of License and Age

<u>Age</u>	<u>RN</u>	<u>LPN</u>
15 - 19	10	87
20 - 24	3,023	1,345
25 - 29	3,552	1,641
30 - 34	2,639	1,305
35 - 39	2,391	1,105
40 - 44	2,002	875
45 - 49	1,852	863
50 - 54	1,832	726
55 - 59	1,289	644
60 - 64	1,079	481
65 - 69	734	286
70 - 74	261	120
75 - 99	143	81
TOTAL	20,807	9,559

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1975 - 1976 Statistics By Sex and Marital Status
on Kentucky Licensed Nurses

Registered Nurse

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Female</u> %	<u>Number</u>	<u>Male</u> %
Single	3,312	15.9	101	0.5
Married	14,541	69.9	263	1.3
Widowed	1,131	5.4	2	0.0
Div./Sep.	1,430	6.9	27	0.1
TOTAL NUMBERS RN	20,414		393	

Licensed Practical Nurse

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Female</u> %	<u>Number</u>	<u>Male</u> %
Single	1,120	11.7	78	0.8
Married	6,192	64.8	210	2.2
Widowed	750	7.8	1	0.0
Div./Sep.	1,183	12.4	25	0.3
TOTAL NUMBERS LPN	9,245		314	

Licensure By Interstate Examination

KRS 314.041(3) states "The board may issue a license to practice nursing as a registered nurse without examination, to an applicant who has been duly licensed as a registered nurse under the laws of another state..."

KRS 314.101(3) states "A temporary work permit may be issued by the board to persons who have completed the requirements for, applied for and paid the fee for licensure by examination or endorsement. Temporary work permits shall be issued only for the length of time required to process applications for endorsement or to conduct and to determine the results of examinations and shall not be renewed."

	<u>RN</u>	<u>LPN</u>
No. of licenses issued (Qualified by examination and a current license in another state)	674	210
No. temporary permits issued (Qualified by current license in another state)	591	232
No. verifications completed (Kentucky licensed nurses applying to another state for licensure)	691	178

Seventeen more RN's left Kentucky than came to Kentucky during this fiscal year. While this is an insignificant number, it does indicate that Kentucky is supplying more nurses to other states than other states are endorsing to Kentucky. Kentucky can ill-afford to be a supplier state for nursing manpower. Kentucky licensed thirty-two more practical nurses coming from other states than were verified to leave the state.

Licensure By Examination

The Kentucky Nurse Practice Act states "An applicant shall be required to pass a written examination in such subjects as the board may prescribe (determine)." This applies to applicants for registered nurse licensure and applicants for practical nurse licensure. The Kentucky Board of Nursing Education and Nurse Registration participates in the State Board Test Pool Examination (a national examination) for both types of licensure examination.

State Board Test Pool Examination for Registered Nurse Licensure

	<u>First Time Writers</u>			
	<u>July 1975</u>		<u>Feb. 1976</u>	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>% Passing</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
Kentucky	1,166	84.9	143	77.6
All U.S. Jurisdictions	62,000	87.9	9,076	81.4

State Board Test Pool Examination for Practical Nurse Licensure

	<u>First Time Writers</u>			
	<u>October 1975</u>		<u>April 1976</u>	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>% Passing</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
Kentucky	233	88.9	215	91.7
U.S. Jurisdictions	Ky. candidates took different exam per decision of KBNENR for security reasons		13,662 (41 jurisdictions)	

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FIRST TIME WRITERS, GRADUATES OF KY. SCHOOLS TAKING SBTPE IN KENTUCKY	SERIES 775			SERIES 276			TOTAL FY		
	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed
BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS									
Berea	17	5	29.4	-	-	-	17	5	29.4
Eastern Ky. Univ.	39	5	14.7	-	-	-	34	5	14.7
Murray State Univ.	33	8	24.2	23	4	17.3	56	12	21.4
Spalding College	39	3	7.6	-	-	-	39	3	7.6
University of Ky.	112	11	9.8	18	3	16.6	130	14	10.7
ALL BSN PROGRAMS	235	32	13.6	41	7	17.0	276	39	14.1
ASSOCIATE DEGREE PGMS.									
Cumberland	29	8	27.5	-	-	-	29	8	27.5
Eastern Ky. Univ.	52	6	11.5	35	5	14.2	87	11	12.6
Elizabethtown C.C.	40	4	10.0	-	-	-	40	4	10.0
Henderson C.C.	32	8	25.0	-	-	-	32	8	25.0
Jefferson C.C.	81	9	11.1	-	-	-	81	9	11.1
Ky. State Univ.	17	10	58.8	-	-	-	17	10	58.8
Lexington Tech. Inst.	47	8	17.0	-	-	-	47	8	17.0
Maysville C.C.	19	6	31.5	1	0	0	20	6	30.0
Midway College	44	11	25.0	-	-	-	44	11	25.0
Morehead State Univ.	16	1	6.2	18	7	38.8	34	8	23.5
Northern Ky. College	75	15	20.0	-	-	-	75	15	20.0
Paducah C.C.	36	2	5.5	-	-	-	36	2	5.5
Pennyrile C.C.	38	7	18.4	-	-	-	38	7	18.4
Prestonsburg C.C.	20	3	15.0	-	-	-	20	3	15.0
Somerset C.C.	25	11	44.0	2	2	100	27	13	48.1
Western Ky. Univ.	86	12	13.9	34	7	20.5	120	19	15.8
ALL ADN PROGRAMS	657	121	18.4	90	21	23.3	747	142	19.0

	SERIES 775			SERIES 276			TOTAL FY		
	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed
DIPLOMA PROGRAMS									
App. Regional Hospital	28	3	10.7	-	-	-	28	3	10.7
Ky. Baptist Hospital	81	5	6.1	-	-	-	81	5	6.1
Kings Daughters Hosp.	21	2	9.5	-	-	-	21	2	9.5
Norton's Mem. Inf.	49	0	0	-	-	-	49	0	0
ALL DIPLOMA PROGRAMS	179	10	5.5	-	-	-	179	10	5.5
ALL KENTUCKY PROGRAMS	1071	163	15.2	131	28	21.3	1202	191	15.8
ALL U.S. JURISDICTIONS	62,000	-	12.1	9,076	-	18.6	-	-	-

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FIRST TIME WRITERS, GRADUATES OF KY. SCHOOLS TAKING SBTPE IN KENTUCKY	Form 075			Form 476			Total FY		
	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed
Appalachian	18	0	0	45	0	0	63	0	0
Ashland	1	0	0	16	1	6.2	17	1	5.8
William Booth	7	0	0	10	0	0	17	0	0
Danville	3	0	0	25	5	20.0	28	5	17.8
Glasgow	35	0	0	2	1	50.0	37	1	2.7
Hazard	24	2	8.3	16	3	18.7	40	5	12.5
Jefferson Co.	28	0	0	29	1	3.4	57	1	1.7
Madisonville	15	2	13.3	15	2	13.3	30	4	13.3
Mayo	38	12	31.5	1	1	100	39	13	33.3
Murray	-	-	-	13	0	0	13	0	0
Northern Ky.	35	4	11.4	23	4	17.3	58	8	13.7
Owensboro	1	0	0	18	0	0	19	0	0
*Paducah	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pineville	28	6	21.4	2	0	0	30	6	20.0
TOTAL	233	26	11.1	215	18	8.3	448	44	9.8

*Graduates from the Paducah program took the SBTPE in April 1975. The May 1976 graduates will take the exam in October 1976.

RANKED MEANS

	<u>Med. Nsg.</u>	<u>Srg. Nsg.</u>	<u>OB Nsg.</u>	<u>Nsg. of Children</u>	<u>Psych. Nsg.</u>
July 1975	44th	41st	44th	43rd	41st
Ky. Mean	498.1	511.6	505.1	496.8	501.3
*Nat. Mean	524.0	525.1	523.8	520.4	518.8
February 1976	47th	43rd	39th	45th	41st
Ky. Mean	466.1	480.7	503.5	466.0	486.9
*Nat. Mean	503.2	504.7	506.9	497.8	502.6

*All U.S. Jurisdictions

July 1975	62,000 candidates
February 1976	9,076 candidates

The Means include only the scores of candidates who wrote the examination for the first time.

Nursing Practice

The inquiries and reports to the Board concerning individual nursing practice has increased significantly during the last few years. Investigations of written complaints are completed by the Board's staff; but because of the great increase in complaints, particularly in the area of drug abuse, a position for an investigator has been established. The position has not as yet been filled. Presently, assistance is given by the Attorney General's office and frequently by the Division of Narcotic Control. During its investigations, the staff keeps in focus both the Board's commitment to the public and the due process to be afforded each licensee.

The Kentucky Nurse Practice Act provides that the Board may ... "deny, revoke, probate or suspend any license to practice nursing, ... or to otherwise discipline a licensee..." for certain causes. Hearings were held for two candidates for licensure and seven licensees:

	<u>RN</u>	<u>LPN</u>
License Revoked	1	4
License Probated	1	0
Application for reinstatement denied	1	0

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Summary of Activities With Comparative Data at Specific Intervals

	10 yrs. 1965 - 66	5 yrs. 1970 - 71	1 yr. 1974 - 75	FY 1975 - 76
No. of Licensees				
RN's Licensed	13,951	15,814	19,242	20,807
LPN's Licensed	4,521	6,869	8,741	9,559
TOTAL LICENSEES	18,472	22,683	27,983	30,366
No. of Schools:				
Baccalaureate Programs	3	4	5	5
Associate Degree Programs	4	12	17	18
Diploma Programs	<u>11</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
TOTAL RN PROGRAMS	18	22	26	27
TOTAL LPN PROGRAMS	<u>13</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>14</u>
TOTAL NURSING PROGRAMS	31	37	40	41
No. of Candidates for Licensure:				
RN Candidates	378*	782	208**	1,458
LPN Candidates	<u>373</u>	<u>487</u>	<u>469</u>	<u>535</u>
TOTAL NURSE CANDIDATES	751	1,269	677	1,993
No. of Board Meetings (days)	8	17	16	20
Number of Hearings	0	0	1	9

*322 RN Candidates took exam July 1966

**1046 RN Candidates took exam June 1974