

KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING

Biennial Report

July 1, 1976 - June 30, 1978

The Kentucky Board of Nursing is pleased to provide you with a report of the fiscal years 1976-77 and 1977-78.

The progress identified in this Biennial 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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The Kentucky Board of Nursing is a State Regulatory Agency which under KRS314 has the authority to approve schools of nursing and to examine and license graduates of the approved schools of nursing.

The Agency is entirely self-supporting through nurses' license fees. No tax monies are used.

Change has been the foremost characteristic of nursing and nursing education for the past twenty years. Several amendments to the Nurse Practice Act enacted by the General Assembly in 1978 indicate that Kentucky is following national trends.

The composition of the Board of Nursing now includes eleven (11) members. Seven (7) members are licensed registered nurses, three (3) are licensed practical nurses and one (1) is a citizen at large. All have equal voting power. Formerly, there were seven (7) licensed registered nurses on the Board and three (3) licensed practical nurses on the Assistant Board. The latter voted only on matters pertaining to the licensed practical nurse.

The Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner will now be recognized in Kentucky and will be registered by the Kentucky Board of Nursing. This group includes but is not limited to the nurse anesthetist, the nurse midwife and the nurse practitioner.

Continuing education will now be a prerequisite for each license renewed in Kentucky and each endorsee wishing to become licensed in Kentucky. The continuing education requirements are:

- Five (5) contact hours in 1982;
- Ten (10) contact hours in 1983;
- Fifteen (15) contact hours yearly thereafter.

Those persons previously licensed by the board and not engaged in the practice of nursing in Kentucky, but desiring to maintain the right to use the title "R.N." may now apply and be granted inactive status. Such inactive status shall require a yearly renewal and those persons granted inactive status shall not be governed by the continuing education provision. To again go to active status, those persons shall pay the renewal fee and meet the continuing education requirement.

Not related to the amendments of the Nurse Practice Act but a part of widespread scrutiny and criticism among the public is the credentialing of all health care professions. The statement following these introductory remarks describes the recent formation of the National Council of State Boards of Nursing of which the Kentucky Board of Nursing is a member.

The new computer system continues to provide for an efficient and effective office operation as yearly one sees the perimeter of the work of the Board of Nursing and the staff expanding. This past fiscal year there were 22,737 licenses issued to registered nurses and 9,881 issued to licensed practical nurses. (Over and above these numbers of licensees are those from out-of-state seeking licensure in Kentucky.) From the twenty six (26) state approved RN programs, there were 1,340 graduates and from the fourteen (14) state approved practical nurse programs, there were 495 graduates. First time writers of the graduates from RN programs totalled 1,162 and first time writers of the graduates from practical nurse programs totalled 450. A cost item that has yet to be dealt with is that of covering the expense of reviewing credentials and registering the Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner. No provision was made for this in the law. We have yet to see what impact the record keeping of the continuing education prerequisite will be.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF STATE BOARDS OF NURSING  
A New Organization

On June 5, 1978, the National Council of State Boards of Nursing, Inc. came into existence. It is composed of the State Boards of Nursing of the fifty-three (53) jurisdictions of the United States.

State Boards of Nursing are governmental agencies with responsibility for regulating the practice of nursing through the administration of the Nurse Practice Act in each state, the District of Columbia, Guam and the Virgin Islands. Until June of 1978, representatives of State Boards of Nursing belonged to the American Nurses' Association's Council of State Boards of Nursing. All representatives were registered nurses nominated by their respective Boards and appointed to the Council by the Board of Directors of ANA.

The new Council is composed of member Boards and each Board is at liberty to appoint its own representative from among its members, or staff, to the Delegate Assembly which is the voting body of the National Council.

Although the issue of independence has been a recurring one throughout the years, the Council has had a very happy and productive liaison with ANA. Within the last decade, however, the increasing scrutiny and criticism of credentialing of all health care professionals and charges of domination and restrictive practices leveled at professional associations have led the Council members to conclude that as representatives of state government with regulatory powers, it was imperative for the Council to establish itself as an independent body.

Elected officers of the Association are:

Mrs. Elaine F. Ellibee, President	(Wisconsin)
Mrs. D. Gertrude Malone, Vice President	(Montana)
Miss Helen P. Keefe, Secretary	(Florida)
Dr. Mildred S. Schmidt, Treasurer	(New York)
Ms. Elaine J. Laeger, Area I Director	(Arizona)
Ms. Joyce Schowalter, Area II Director	(Minnesota)
Mrs. Margaret L. Rowland, Area III Director	(Texas)
Ms. Marianna Bacigalupo, Area IV Director	(New Jersey)
Mrs. Ruth Q. Seigler, Director-at-Large	(South Carolina)

Nominating Committee:

Mrs. Doris McDowell, Area III	(Kentucky)
Mr. Michael Buggy, Area I	(California)
Ms. Marguerite Hastings, Area IV	(New Hampshire)
Ms. Nancy Wilson, P.N. Board, Area II	(West Virginia)

The primary objective of the new organization will be to continue to strengthen and coordinate the credentialing of nurses on a national scale. To this end, the National Council of State Boards of Nursing, Inc. will assume control of the State Board Test Pool Licensing Examination and begin a systematic program for solving problems plaguing member Boards as components of state government.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

Mrs. Doris McDowell has been appointed to serve on the SBTPE Security/Administration Committee. This committee establishes criteria and procedures for jurisdictional examination security measures and makes recommendations for improvement in the administration procedures.

## KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING

The members of the Kentucky Board of Nursing for the period ending June 30, 1978, included:

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Address</u>
Miss Mary Kearney, RN	Lexington, Ky.
Mrs. Martha Knudson, RN	Louisville, Ky.
Mrs. Janet Lattin, RN	Owensboro, Ky.
Sr. Carol Slater, RN	Evarts, Ky.
Mrs. Gaynor Hatfield, RN	Danville, Ky.
Sr. Patricia Ferrell, RN	Louisville, Ky.
Mrs. Romanza Johnson (consumer)	Bowling Green, Ky.

<u>Assistant Board Member</u>	<u>Address</u>
Mrs. Elizabeth Devine, LPN	Covington, Ky.
Mrs. Elizabeth Jenkins, LPN	Louisville, Ky.
Mrs. Thelma Hannah, LPN	Louisville, Ky.

The staff of the Kentucky Board of Nursing, June 30, 1978, included:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
Mrs. Doris McDowell, RN	Executive Director
Miss Hazel Kellams, RN	Educational Consultant
Mrs. Marie Jones, RN	Educational Consultant
Mrs. Alta Haunsz, RN	Investigator
Mrs. Marzetta Hagan	Business Manager
Mrs. Dee Kopp	Executive Secretary
Miss Karen Kayse	Secretary/Receptionist
Mrs. Donna Rosenberg	Exam Coordinator
Mrs. Lisa Eubank	Endorsement Coordinator
Mrs. Beverly Bridwell	Renewals Coordinator
Miss Sharon Douglas	Keypunch Operator
Mrs. Mona Stevens	Microfilm Clerk
Mrs. Kathy Lewis	Renewals Clerk



Board Meetings

The Kentucky Nurse Practice Act states that the Board shall meet at least annually.

During the biennium, the Board met on the following dates:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type of Meeting</u>
<u>1976-77</u>	
September 1, 1976	Called business meeting
September 21, 1976	Scheduled business meeting
November 17, 1976	Exam review
November 18, 19, 1976	Scheduled business meeting
January 19, 1977	Exam review
January 20, 21, 1977	Scheduled business meeting
March 24, 25, 1977	Scheduled business meeting
May 12, 13, 1977	Scheduled business meeting
May 12, 1977	Inservice luncheon meeting Speaker: Ms. Judy Wood, Consultant, Ohio Commission on Nursing, <u>Defining Practice and the Practitioner</u>
June 22, 1977	Exam review
June 23, 24, 1977	Scheduled business meeting
June 24, 1977	Advisory Committee luncheon meeting
<u>1977-78</u>	
September 29, 30, 1977	Scheduled business meeting
November 9, 1977	Exam review
November 10, 11, 1977	Scheduled business meeting
March 2, 3, 1978	Rescheduled business meeting of January 19, 20, 1977 Cancelled because of bad weather

<u>Date (cont.)</u>	<u>Type of Meeting (cont.)</u>
March 30, 31, 1978	Scheduled business meeting
March 31, 1978	Inservice meeting Speaker: Dr. James Kinchloe, University of Kentucky, <u>Boardsmanship</u>
May 22, 1978	Exam review
May 23, 24, 1978	Scheduled business meeting

The Board met seven times during the year 1976-77 for a total of fifteen days and five times during the year 1977-78 for a total of twelve days.

During the fiscal year 1977-78, the Board Members reviewed drafts of the proposed admendments of the Nurse Practice Act which was passed by the 1978 General Assembly and became effective June 17, 1978.

The Board Members also 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 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 members of the Advisory Council and their respective organization for the period ending June 30, 1978 include:

<u>Advisory Council Member</u>	<u>Organization</u>
Mr. Earl Becknell	Ky. Pharmacy Association
Miss Martha Lyon	Ky. Nurses' Association
Mr. Ben R. Brewer	Ky. Hospital Association
Mrs. Thelma Hannah	Ky. State Association of Licensed Practical Nurses
Dr. S. Randolph Scheen	Ky. Medical Association
Mrs. Anna Lee Tasker	Ky. Association of Health Care Facilities
Dr. T. E. Logan, Jr.	Ky. Dental Association

During the biennium, the Advisory Council met for an annual meeting with the Board on June 24, 1977.

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## NURSING EDUCATION

The Kentucky Board of Nursing is the legally authorized body in Kentucky to approve schools or programs of nursing. Under the provisions of KRS 314.011 to 314.193 and 314.991, the Board prescribes curricula and standards for schools of nursing and courses preparing persons for licensure as nurses. It provides for surveys of schools and approves schools and courses which must meet the requirements of the law.

During the biennium, the Board has provided for annual visits to each nursing program. Also, consultation services have been available to the schools upon request. Informational services have been provided to institutions and groups interested in establishing a nursing program.

The annual visits were made by the two staff nursing consultants. Using the self-evaluation tool, recommendations based on their findings were then made to the Board for final action.

Four colleges requested permission to establish nursing programs: Southeast Community College, Cumberland, an associate degree program; Kentucky Wesleyan College, Owensboro, an associate degree program; Thomas More College, Fort Mitchell, a generic baccalaureate program; Spencerian College, Louisville, a practical nursing program. Consultation services and a site visit were provided to each institution by the staff.

Following the national trend, changes have continued to occur in the nursing programs in Kentucky. The University of Kentucky generic baccalaureate program established in 1960 is being phased out and being replaced with a baccalaureate program for registered nurses only. In addition, Harlan Appalachian Regional Hospital School of Nursing, a diploma program established in 1957 is being phased out.

At the present, there are five generic baccalaureate programs, nineteen associate degree, two diploma and fourteen practical nursing programs. In contrast, ten years ago, there were four generic baccalaureate programs, nine associate degree, eleven diploma and fifteen practical nursing programs.

Following is a list of nursing schools in Kentucky by type of program which includes the number of graduates from each school for each year of the biennium.

Nursing Programs Approved By The  
Kentucky Board of Nursing

June 30, 1978

<u>Name of Program</u>	<u>No. Students Graduated</u>	
<u>Baccalaureate Programs</u>	<u>1976-77</u>	<u>1977-78</u>
Berea College	24	21
Eastern Ky. University	43	68
Murray State University	61	57
Spalding College	60	59
University of Kentucky	1277	1388
Total Baccalaureate Graduates	315	343
<u>Diploma Programs</u>		
Appalachian Reg. Hosps. Inc.	25	30
Ky. Baptist Hospital	58	69
Total Diploma Graduates	83	99
<u>Associate Degree Programs</u>		
Ashland Comm. College	38	39
Cumberland College	20	18
Eastern Ky. University	99	94
Elizabethtown Comm. Coll.	47	52
Henderson Comm. Coll.	42	28
Jefferson Comm. Coll.	117	87
Kentucky State University	16	9
Lexington Technical Institute	84	106
Maysville Community College	21	26
Midway College	36	41
Morehead State University	42	47
Northern Kentucky University	96	97
Paducah Community College	33	51

Associate Degree Programs (cont.)

Pennyrile Regional	42	37
Prestonsburg Community College	30	23
Somerset Community College	26	25
University of Louisville	40	42
Western Kentucky University	83	76
Total Associate Degree Graduates	912	898
*Total Graduates from RN Programs	1,310	1,340

Practical Nurse Programs

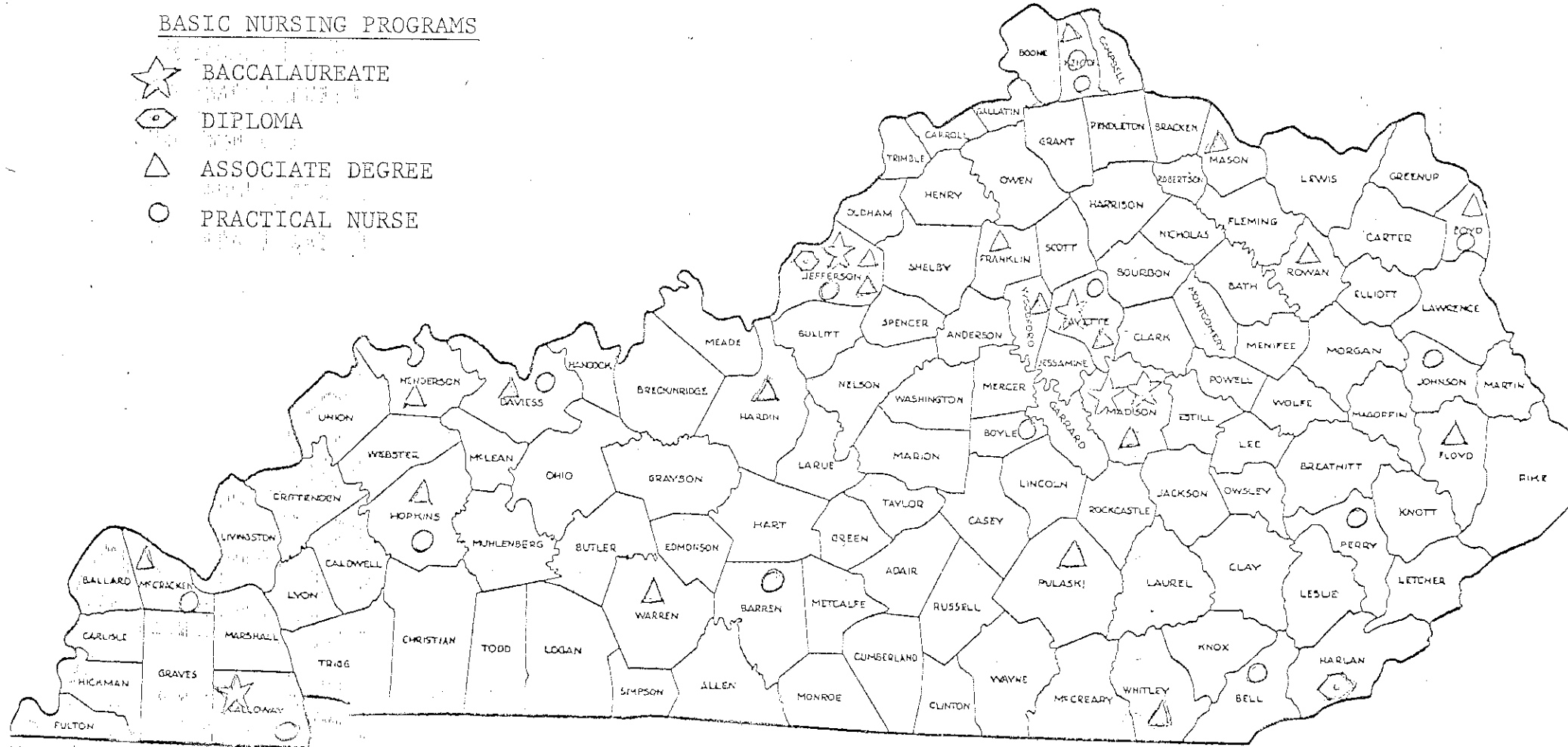
Appalachian School of PN	71	47
Ashland Area Voc. School of PN	18	12
Wm. Booth Mem. Hosp. Sch. of PN Ed.	37	40
Danville School of PN	34	25
Glasgow School for PN	33	50
Hazard School of PN	21	33
Jefferson State School of PN	51	56
Madisonville School for PN	41	30
Mayo State School of PN	18	34
Murray School of PN	14	18
Northern Ky. Voc. School of PN	67	60
Owensboro School for PN	46	42
Paducah School of PN	28	31
Pineville School of PN	15	17
Total Practical Nurse Graduates	494	495
Total Nurses Graduated from Kentucky Schools	1,804	1,835

\*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.

# KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING

## BASIC NURSING PROGRAMS

- ★ BACCALAUREATE
- ◊ DIPLOMA
- △ ASSOCIATE DEGREE
- PRACTICAL NURSE



FACULTY IN KENTUCKY NURSING PROGRAMS  
AS OF JUNE 30, 1978

	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
NURSING PROGRAM - ADN															
Ashland Comm. Coll.	1975	7	0	7	0	7	3	0	4	0	1	3	3	0	0
Cumberland College	1973	10	0	10	0	10	6	0	4	0	1	6	3	0	0
Eastern Ky. Univ.	1965	19	3	22	19	3	9	1	12	0	6	5	8	0	0
Elizabethtown Comm. Coll.	1965	7	0	7	4	3	1	1	5	0	4	0	3	0	0
Henderson Comm. Coll.	1963	6	0	6	2	4	2	0	4	0	2	1	3	0	0
Jefferson Comm. Coll.	1968	13	0	13	5	8	5	0	8	0	4	6	3	0	0
Kentucky State Univ.	1967	7	0	7	2	5	5	1	1	0	2	3	2	0	0
Kentucky Wesleyan Coll.	1977	3	0	3	0	3	2	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	0
Lexington Tech. Institute	1965	12	2	14	2	12	3	1	10	0	3	5	6	0	0
Maysville Comm. Coll.	1972	5	0	5	1	4	4	0	1	0	3	2	0	0	0
Midway College	1967	7	8	15	4	11	5	2	8	0	6	3	6	0	0
Morehead State Univ.	1971	10	1	11	3	8	9	0	2	0	1	8	2	0	0
Northern Ky. State Univ.	1964	11	3	14	5	9	4	0	10	0	5	2	7	0	0
Paducah Comm. Coll.	1964	8	1	9	3	6	1	0	8	0	1	4	4	0	0
Pennyriple Regional	1970	9	1	10	4	6	4	2	4	0	5	0	5	0	0
Prestonsburg Comm. Coll.	1/1973	6	0	6	0	6	1	0	5	0	2	0	4	0	0
Somerset Comm. Coll.	1969	7	0	7	1	6	4	0	3	0	3	1	3	0	0
Univ. of Louisville	1974	9	0	9	0	9	4	0	5	0	7	2	0	0	0
Western Ky. Univ.	1964	20	0	20	3	17	7	3	10	1	12	1	6	0	0
		173	10	192	58	128	77	11	103	1	49	52	60	0	0



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AS OF JUNE 30, 1978

	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
NURSING PROGRAM -BSN															
Berea College	1956	7	0	7	3	4	4	0	3	1	4	2	0	0	0
Eastern Ky. Univ.	1971	15	3	18	1	17	12	0	6	0	13	4	1	0	0
Murray State Univ.	1964	17	0	17	6	11	5	0	12	1	11	2	3	0	0
Spalding College	1949	20	2	22	2	20	8	1	13	0	12	1	9	0	0
Univ. of Kentucky	1960	30	3	33	11	22	13	3	17	0	26	5	2	0	0
Total		89	8	97	23	74	42	4	51	2	66	14	15	0	0
NURSING PROGRAM -DI															
Appalachian Reg.	1957	5	0	5	1	4	4	0	1	0	0	2	1	2	0
Kentucky Baptist	1924	20	1	21	10	10	10	0	10	0	2	2	15	0	2
Total		25	1	26	11	14	14	0	11	0	2	4	16	2	2

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AS OF JUNE 30, 1978

	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	Ass Deg
NURSING PROGRAM - PN																
Appalachian	1951	9	0	9	7	2	7	1	1	0	0	0	2	3	1	3
Ashland	1967	4	0	4	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0
Booth	1959	5	3	8	1	7	3	1	4	0	1	0	5	0	2	0
Danville	1955	7	0	7	6	1	6	0	1	0	0	0	1	4	2	0
Glasgow	1957	6	0	6	6	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	0
Hazard	1964	7	0	7	2	5	6	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	3	0
Jefferson State	1957	10	0	10	4	6	8	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	8	0
Madisonville	1965	8	0	8	4	4	6	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	2
Mayo	1955	5	0	5	1	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	0
Murray	1967	2	0	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Northern Kentucky	1962	10	0	10	4	6	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	4
Owensboro	1960	9	0	9	4	5	7	0	2	0	0	0	3	0	6	0
Paducah	1971	5	0	5	2	3	4	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	1
Pineville	1961	6	0	6	1	5	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	5	0
Total		93	3	96	45	52	80	6	10	0	1	1	16	16	52	10

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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.	Assoc. Deg.
BSN	5	89	8	97	23	74	42	4	51	2	66	14	15	0	0	
ADN	19	173	19	192	58	128	77	11	103	1	68	52	68	0	0	
DIPLOMA	2	25	1	26	11	14	14	0	11	0	2	4	16	2	2	
TOTAL: R.N. Preparatory	26	287	28	315	92	216	133	15	165	3	136	70	99	2	2	
P.N.	14	93	3	96	45	52	80	6	10	0	1	1	16	16	52	10
ALL PROGRAMS	40	380	31	403	137	268	213	21	175	3	137	71	115	18	54	10

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.

<u>June 30, 1977</u>	<u>RN's</u>	<u>LPN's</u>
Total licensed by Kentucky during fiscal year	21,311	9,491
No. of total living out-of-state	6,302	1,399
No. of total living in Kentucky	15,009	8,092
No. in Kentucky active in nursing	11,384 (75.8%)	6,050 (74.8%)
No. in Kentucky inactive in nursing	3,625 (24.2%)	2,042 (25.2%)
No. active per 100,000 population*	353	187

<u>June 30, 1978</u>		
Total licensed by Kentucky during fiscal year	22,737	9,881
No. of total living out-of-state	6,657	1,487
No. of total living in Kentucky	16,080	8,394
No. in Kentucky active in nursing	12,250 (76.2%)	6,344 (75.6%)
No. in Kentucky inactive in nursing	3,830 (23.8%)	2,050 (24.4%)
No. active per 100,000 population*	380	197

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

1977 - 1978 Statistics of Active Kentucky Nurses  
By County and Type of Nurse

<u>County</u>	<u>RN</u>	<u>LPN</u>
Adair	24	27
Allen	20	34
Anderson	12	4
Ballard	8	7
Barren	99	167
Bath	9	6
Bell	133	206
Boone	69	52
Bourbon	71	31
Boyd	362	158
Boyle	145	189
Bracken	8	5
Breathitt	19	17
Breckinridge	44	13
Bullitt	17	14
Butler	9	12
Caldwell	33	43
Calloway	130	103
Campbell	394	182
Carlisle	2	4
Carroll	34	17
Carter	11	4
Casey	12	24
Christian	260	211
Clark	81	50
Clay	55	28

<u>County</u>	<u>RN</u>	<u>LPN</u>
Clinton	11	7
Crittenden	15	14
Cumberland	12	15
Daviess	486	309
Edmonson	5	3
Elliott	3	0
Estill	13	6
Fayette	2,418	701
Fleming	31	12
Floyd	144	176
Franklin	227	68
Fulton	21	35
Gallatin	2	1
Garrard	24	33
Grant	25	17
Graves	75	75
Grayson	57	14
Green	24	24
Greenup	55	39
Hancock	13	6
Hardin	302	124
Harlan	139	156
Harrison	72	33
Hart	19	17
Henderson	188	117
Henry	21	3
Hickman	10	10
Hopkins	214	217
Jackson	7	3

<u>County</u>	<u>RN</u>	<u>LPN</u>
Jefferson	5,173	1,592
Jessamine	37	36
Johnson	33	66
Kenton	692	481
Knott	18	23
Knox	40	39
Larue	18	14
Laurel	51	59
Lawrence	344	455
Lee	66	44
Leslie	109	66
Letcher	66	97
Lewis	6	3
Lincoln	26	53
Livingston	21	22
Logan	51	59
Lyon	8	7
McCracken	474	283
McCreary	10	2
McLean	15	27
Madison	267	80
Magoffin	8	9
Marion	42	50
Marshall	46	43
Martin	9	9
Mason	110	40
Meade	24	7
Menifee	2	5

<u>County</u>	<u>RN</u>	<u>LPN</u>
Mercer	43	52
Metcalfe	3	9
Monroe	17	24
Montgomery	39	31
Morgan	18	6
Muhlenberg	69	122
Nelson	83	23
Nicholas	26	8
Ohio	43	45
Oldham	73	35
Owen	17	6
Owsley	5	3
Pendleton	12	7
Perry	106	162
Pike	158	228
Powell	6	4
Pulaski	165	105
Robertson	3	0
Rockcastle	17	16
Rowan	95	53
Russell	13	14
Scott	66	39
Shelby	54	28
Simpson	29	21
Spencer	6	2
Taylor	46	17
Todd	9	7
Trigg	22	14



<u>County</u>	<u>RN</u>	<u>LPN</u>
Trimble	3	1
Union	40	34
Warren	398	131
Washington	16	11
Wayne	20	14
Webster	15	24
Whitley	114	37
Wolfe	88	33
Woodford	85	26
Undesignated	4810	2843
TOTAL	16,080	8,394

KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING  
1977 - 1978 Statistics of Kentucky Nurses  
By Field of Employment

	RN's		LPN's	
	No.	*%	No.	*%
Hospitals	8,446	68.9	4,086	64.4
Nursing Homes	666	5.4	1,013	16.0
School of Nursing	472	3.9	14	0.2
Private Duty	116	0.9	272	4.3
Public Health	526	4.3	80	1.3
School Nurse	139	1.1	32	0.5
Industry	256	2.1	69	1.1
Office Nurse	565	4.6	533	8.4
Other	798	6.5	214	3.4
Community Health	266		31	

\*Percentages based on 12,250 active registered nurses in Kentucky and 6,344 active licensed practical nurses.

## KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING

1977 - 1978 Statistics By Type of Nurse and Type of Position

	RN ..		LPN ..	
	Nov. 0.	*%*	Nov. 0.	*%*
Administration	4066	3.3.3	533	0.8.8
Consultant	101	0.8	21	0.3
Supervisor	1,328	10.8	273	4.3
Instructor	577	4.7	20	0.3
Head Nurse	1,455	11.9	482	7.6
General Duty or Staff	6,821	55.7	4,209	66.3
Other	1,269	10.4	1,173	18.5
Clinical Specialist	125	1.0	66	1.0
Nurse Associate	168	1.4	47	0.7

\*Percentages based on 12,250 active registered nurses in Kentucky and 6,344 active licensed practical nurses.

## KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING

1977 - 1978 Statistics on Kentucky  
Licensed Registered Nurses by Highest Educational Level

	<u>No.</u>	<u>%</u>
Diploma	12,181	53.6
Associate Degree	5,095	22.4
BS in Nursing	3,386	14.9
BS in Other Area	679	3.0
Masters in Nursing	575	2.5
Masters in Other Area	317	1.4
Doctorate	57	0.3
No Data	447	2.0
Total Number	22,737	

KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING

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.	175	52	69	23	58	19	9	1	406
Consultant	53	15	15	2	7	3	1	5	101
Supervisor	780	292	169	34	15	9	0	29	1,328
Instructor	142	33	166	29	136	62	4	5	577
Head Nurse	722	485	197	26	5	3	0	17	1,455
Gen. Duty or Staff	2,961	2,515	1,067	174	19	12	6	67	6,821
Other	710	286	175	38	22	15	2	21	1,269
Clin. Spec.	40	28	19	6	25	5	0	2	125
Nurse Assoc.	61	39	36	10	20	1	0	1	168
Totals	5,644	3,745	1,913	342	307	129	22	148	12,250
Percentages	46.1	30.6	15.6	2.8	2.5	1.1	0.2	1.2	

Date: 1977-1978

KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING  
1977 - 1978 Kentucky Licensed Nurses By  
Type of License and Age

<u>Age</u>	<u>RN/N</u>	<u>LPN/N</u>
15 - 19	2	10
20 - 24	2,268	870
25 - 29	4,321	1,763
30 - 34	3,340	1,470
35 - 39	2,681	1,269
40 - 44	2,226	1,002
45 - 49	2,040	925
50 - 54	1,808	772
55 - 59	1,576	694
60 - 64	1,038	521
65 - 69	878	340
70 - 74	384	172
75 - 99	175	73
TOTAL	22,737	9,831

## KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING

1977 - 1978 Statistics By Sex and Marital Status  
on Kentucky Licensed Nurses

Registered Nurse

	<u>Female</u>		<u>Male</u>	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>%</u>
Single	3,528	15.5	115	0.5
Married	15,787	69.4	351	1.5
Widowed	1,145	5.0	3	0.0
Div./Sep.	1,777	7.8	31	0.1
TOTAL NUMBERS RN	22,237		500	

Licensed Practical Nurse

	<u>Female</u>		<u>Male</u>	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>%</u>
Single	1,029	10.4	55	0.6
Married	6,484	65.6	216	2.2
Widowed	742	7.5	2	0.0
Div./Sep.	1,320	13.4	33	0.3
TOTAL NUMBERS LPN	9,575		306	

Licensure By Interstate Examination

KRS 314.041(4) 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>	
	76-77	77-78	76-77	77-78
No. of licenses issued (Qualified by examination and a current license in another state)	761	850	217	267
No. temporary permits issued (Qualified by current license in another state)	675	748	224	259
No. verifications completed (Kentucky licensed nurses applying to another state for licensure)	859	872	202	211

In the fiscal year 1976-77, ninety-eight more RN's left Kentucky than came to Kentucky, and in the fiscal year 1977-78, twenty-two more RN's left Kentucky than came to Kentucky. The State of Kentucky continues to be a supplier state for nursing manpower.

In the fiscal year 1976-77, Kentucky licensed fifteen more PN's coming from other states than were verified to leave the state. In the fiscal year 1977-78, Kentucky licensed fifty-six more PN's 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 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 1976</u>		<u>Feb. 1977</u>	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>% Passing</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
Kentucky*	1,168	86.0	178	88.8
All U.S. Jurisdictions**	63,860	87.1	12,233	84.8
	<u>First Time Writers</u>			
	<u>July 1977</u>		<u>Feb. 1978</u>	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>% Passing</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
Kentucky	1,120	83.8	180	87.8
All U.S. Jurisdictions	64,761	86.1	12,246	84.6

State Board Test Pool Examination for Practical Nurse Licensure

	<u>First Time Writers</u>			
	<u>October 1976</u>		<u>April 1977</u>	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>% Passing</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
Kentucky	313	94.6	162	96.3
U.S. Jurisdictions	29,240	93.3	14,020	93.1
	<u>First Time Writers</u>			
	<u>October 1977</u>		<u>April 1978</u>	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>% Passing</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
Kentucky	333	91.6	151	96.7
U.S. Jurisdictions	28,832	92.9	13,303	92.6

\*Totals include graduates of Kentucky schools writing out-of-state.

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FIRST TIME WRITERS, R.N.  
GRADUATES OF KY. SCHOOLS  
TAKING SBTPE IN KENTUCKY

	SERIES 776			SERIES 277			TOTAL FY		
	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed
<b>BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS</b>									
Berea	17	4	23.5	--	--	--	17	4	23.5
Eastern Ky. Univ.	53	12	22.6	2	1		55	13	23.6
Murray State Univ.	32	4	12.5	22	3	13.6	54	7	12.9
Spalding College	28	4	14.3	5	0	0.0	33	4	12.1
University of Ky.	93	4	4.3	23	3	13.0	116	7	6.0
ALL BSN PROGRAMS	223	28	12.0	52	7	13.0	275	35	12.0
<b>ASSOCIATE DEGREE PGMS.</b>									
Cumberland	32	3	9.3	1	1		33	4	12.1
Eastern Ky. Univ.	53	12	22.6	37	0	0.0	90	12	13.3
Elizabethtown C.C.	39	5	12.8	1	1		40	6	15.0
Henderson C.C.	36	12	33.3	--	--	--	36	12	33.3
Jefferson C.C.	79	14	17.7	--	--	--	79	14	17.7
Ky. State Univ.	10	4	40.0	1	1		11	5	45.4
Lexington Tech. Inst.	68	9	13.2	--	--	--	68	9	13.2
Maysville C.C.	17	3	17.6	--	--	--	17	3	17.6
Midway College	39	8	20.5	--	--	--	39	8	20.5
Morehead State Univ.	18	4	22.2	19	1	5.3	37	5	13.5
Northern Ky. Univ.	55	3	5.4	--	--	--	55	3	5.4
Paducah C.C.	39	2	5.1	--	--	--	39	2	5.1
Pennyrile C.C.	47	7	14.9	--	--	--	47	7	14.9
Prestonsburg C.C.	22	8	36.4	--	--	--	22	8	36.4
Somerset C.C.	27	9	33.3	--	--	--	27	9	33.3
Univ. of Louisville	38	1	2.6	1	0	0.0	39	1	2.5
Western Ky. Univ.	43	5	11.6	43	4	9.3	86	9	10.4
ALL ADN PROGRAMS	662	109	16.0	103	8	7.0	765	117	15.0

	SERIES 776			SERIES 277			TOTAL FY		
	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed
DIPLOMA PROGRAMS									
App. Regional Hospital	15	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	16	0	0.0
Ky. Baptist Hospital	72	7	9.7	--	--	0.0	72	7	9.7
King's Daughters	27	0	0.0	--	--	--	27	0	0.0
Norton Memorial Inf.	55	1	1.8	--	--	--	55	1	1.8
ALL DIPLOMA PROGRAMS	169	8	4.7	1	0	0.0	170	8	4.7
ALL KENTUCKY PROGRAMS	1,054	145	13.8	156	15	9.6	1,210	160	13.2
ALL U.S. JURISDICTIONS	63,860	---	12.9	12,233	--	15.2	--	---	--

KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING

FIRST TIME WRITERS, R.N.  
GRADUATES OF KY. SCHOOLS  
TAKING SBTPE IN KENTUCKY

	SERIES 777			SERIES 278			TOTAL FY		
	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed
BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS									
Berea	16	3	18.8	--	--	--	16	3	18.8
Eastern Ky. Univ.	34	1	2.9	19	1	5.2	53	2	3.7
Murray State Univ.	30	2	6.7	9	3	33.3	39	5	12.8
Spalding College	53	7	13.2	--	--	--	53	7	13.2
University of Ky.	73	8	11.0	21	0	0.0	94	8	8.5
ALL BSN PROGRAMS	206	21	10.1	49	4	8.1	255	25	9.8
ASSOCIATE DEGREE PGMS.									
Ashland C.C.	34	12	35.3	--	--	--	34	12	35.3
Cumberland	20	5	25.0	--	--	--	20	5	25.0
Eastern Ky. Univ.	47	8	17.0	35	2	5.7	82	10	12.1
Elizabethtown C.C.	44	6	13.6	--	--	--	44	6	13.6
Henderson C.C.	37	6	16.2	2	0	0.0	39	6	15.3
Jefferson C.C.	115	21	18.3	2	1	5.0	117	22	18.8
Ky. State Univ.	14	5	35.7	--	--	--	14	5	35.7
Lexington Tech. Inst.	80	20	25.0	6	3	50.0	86	23	26.7
Maysville C.C.	15	5	33.3	--	--	--	15	5	33.3
Midway College	33	8	24.2	1	0	0.0	34	8	23.5
Morehead State Univ.	18	6	33.3	21	4	19.0	39	10	25.6
Northern Ky. Univ.	75	7	9.3	4	1	25.0	79	8	10.1
Paducah C.C.	33	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	34	0	0.0
Pennyribe C.C.	40	5	12.5	--	--	--	40	5	12.5
Prestonsburg C.C.	28	8	28.6	--	--	--	28	8	28.6
Somerset C.C.	26	7	26.9	1	1	100.0	27	8	29.6
Univ. of Louisville	36	4	11.1	--	--	--	36	4	11.1
Western Ky. Univ.	33	3	9.1	30	4	13.3	63	7	11.1
ALL ADN PROGRAMS	728	136	18.6	103	16	15.0	831	152	18.0

	SERIES 777			SERIES 278			TOTAL FY		
	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed
DIPLOMA PROGRAMS									
App. Regional Hospital	19	1	5.3	--	--	--	19	1	5.3
Ky. Baptist Hospital	57	8	14.0	--	--	--	57	8	14.0
ALL DIPLOMA PROGRAMS	76	9	11.8	0	--	--	76	9	11.8
ALL KENTUCKY PROGRAMS	1,010	166	16.4	152	20	13.2	1,162	186	16.0
ALL U.S. JURISDICTIONS	64,765	---	13.9	12,246	--	15.4	---	---	---

KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING

FIRST TIME WRITERS, P.N. GRADUATES OF KY. SCHOOLS TAKING SBTPE IN KENTUCKY	Form 076			Form 477			Total FY		
	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	No. Failed	% Failed
Appalachian	27	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	28	0	0.0
Ashland	--	--	--	18	0	0.0	18	0	0.0
William Booth	7	0	0.0	15	0	0.0	22	0	0.0
Darville	29	2	6.9	1	0	0.0	30	2	6.6
Glasgow	31	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	33	0	0.0
Hazard	20	3	15.0	--	--	--	20	3	15.0
Jefferson Co.	24	1	4.2	6	1	16.7	30	2	6.6
Madisonville	21	1	4.8	20	1	5.0	41	2	4.8
Mayo	38	6	15.8	--	--	--	38	6	15.8
Murray	2	0	0.0	14	0	0.0	16	0	0.0
Northern Ky.	45	0	0.0	18	3	16.7	63	3	4.7
Owensboro	12	3	25.0	42	1	2.4	54	4	7.4
Paducah	20	0	0.0	--	--	--	20	0	0.0
Pineville	22	1	4.5	12	0	0.0	34	1	2.9
TOTAL	298	17	5.7	149	6	4.0	447	23	5.1

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FIRST TIME WRITERS, P.N.  
GRADUATES OF KY. SCHOOLS  
TAKING SBTPE IN KENTUCKY

	No. Cand.	Form 077 No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	Form 478 No. Failed	% Failed	No. Cand.	Total FY No. Failed	% Failed
Appalachian	22	1	4.5	22	1	4.5	44	2	5.0
Ashland	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
William Booth	7	1	14.3	7	0	0.0	14	1	7.1
Danville	27	6	22.2	25	1	4.0	52	7	1.3
Glasgow	31	5	16.1	3	0	0.0	34	5	1.4
Hazard	40	7	17.5	--	--	--	40	7	17.5
Jefferson Co.	48	1	2.1	22	1	4.5	70	2	2.8
Madisonville	--	--	--	28	0	0.0	28	0	0.0
Mayo	33	5	15.2	--	--	--	33	5	15.2
Murray	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Northern Ky.	46	1	2.2	19	1	5.3	65	2	3.0
Owensboro	16	0	0.0	9	1	11.1	25	1	4.0
Paducah	27	0	0.0	--	--	--	27	0	0.0
Pineville	18	1	5.6	--	--	--	18	1	5.6
TOTAL	315	28	8.9	135	5	3.7	450	33	7.3

RANKED MEANS

	<u>Med. Nsg.</u>	<u>Srg. Nsg.</u>	<u>OB Nsg.</u>	<u>Nsg. of Children</u>	<u>Psych Nsg.</u>
July 1976					
Ky. Mean	501.3	514.3	521.5	511.8	515.6
*Nat. Mean	518.9	523.7	523.0	521.3	524.5
February 1977					
Ky. Mean	496.3	507.8	511.7	514.6	510.8
*Nat. Mean	510.3	510.2	506.8	507.5	507.3
July 1977					
Ky. Mean	504.1	511.2	519.4	504.1	498.4
*Nat. Mean	514.7	519.1	521.5	518.2	514.4
February 1978					
Ky. Mean	500.5	510.3	505.5	515.5	511.2
*Nat. Mean	506.8	506.2	505.6	507.4	507.7

\*All U.S. Jurisdictions

July 1976**	1,163 candidates	July 1977	1,120 candidates
February 1977	178 candidates	February 1978	180 candidates

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

\*\*Totals include graduates of Kentucky schools writing out-of-state.



NURSING PRACTICE  
BIENNIAL REPORT

The position of nurse investigator was filled in January, 1977 and inquiries and reports to the Board concerning individual practice are now referred to the office of the investigator. The continuing increase in the number of complaints is also reflected in the number of hearings which have been scheduled before the Board of Nursing during the two year period.

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 thirty-two licensees and/or candidates for licensure and resulted in the following actions:

July 1, 1976 to June 30, 1978

	<u>RN</u>	<u>LPN</u>
Licenses Revoked	4	4
Licenses Probated	2	0
Removed from Probation	1	1
Applications for Reinstatement of Revoked license on Probationary Basis		
Granted	1	1
Denied	2	1
Applications for Endorsement		
Granted	2	0
Denied	1	2
Applicants Convicted of Crime Requesting Permission to write State Board Test Pool Exam		
Granted	7	2
Denied	1	0

KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING

Summary of Activities With Comparative Data at Specific Intervals

	10 yrs. 1967-68	5 yrs. 1972-73	1 yr. 1976-77	FY 1977-78
No. of Licensees				
RN's Licensed	15,011	18,298	21,311	22,737
LPN's Licensed	<u>5,557</u>	<u>7,936</u>	<u>9,491</u>	<u>9,881</u>
TOTAL LICENSEES	20,568	26,234	30,802	32,618
No. of Schools:				
Baccalaureate Programs	4	5	5	5
Associate Degree Programs	9	14	19	19
Diploma Programs	<u>11</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
TOTAL RN PROGRAMS	24	23	26	26
TOTAL LPN PROGRAMS	<u>15</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>14</u>
TOTAL NURSING PROGRAMS	39	38	40	40
No. of Candidates for Licensure:				
RN Candidates	475	696	1,210	1,162
LPN Candidates	<u>397</u>	<u>587</u>	<u>447</u>	<u>450</u>
TOTAL NURSE CANDIDATES	872	1,283	1,657	1,612
No. of Board Meetings (days)	9	14	15	12
Number of Hearings	0	0	12	20