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As a nurse, you play a vital role in the health of America. The past few years have been difficult, but you have risen above and beyond to care for us all. Thank you.

Please help us understand the needs of the nursing workforce by completing the 2022 National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses. The U.S. Census Bureau conducts this survey on behalf of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

This important survey is the primary source of data on the experiences of RNs and APRNs in the United States. It provides educators and policymakers with information they need to ensure that resources, tools, and opportunities are available to help nurses perform their invaluable function.

We have enclosed a token of our appreciation for your participation.

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Sincerely,

Robert L. Santos  
Director, U.S. Census Bureau

# NATIONAL SAMPLE SURVEY OF REGISTERED NURSES

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### What is the National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses?

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### How is the information used?

The information you provide will be used to...

- Evaluate and project the supply and demand of nursing requirements at the state and national level.
- Assess the impact of current state and federal programs for nursing and the need for future assistance.
- Identify trends in nurse characteristics such as education and training, employment, income, and demographics.

For other uses and more information, visit [www.census.gov/nssrn](http://www.census.gov/nssrn).

### Why should I participate?

The success of this survey depends on your response. You were randomly selected to participate and you represent hundreds of other nurses in your state. We cannot replace you with another person because it would harm the quality of the data we collect. Your response is voluntary and there are no penalties for not answering individual questions. Please complete the survey even if you do not currently work, are retired, or now work in a field other than nursing.

### Will my information be kept confidential?

The U.S. Census Bureau is required by law to protect your information and is not permitted to publicly release your responses in a way that could identify you or your household. The U.S. Census Bureau is conducting the National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses on the behalf of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) under Title 13, United States Code, Section 8(b), which allows the Census Bureau to conduct surveys on behalf of other agencies. Public Service Act 42, U.S.C., Section 294n(b)(2)(A) and Title 42, U.S.C., Section 295k(a)-(b), allow HHS to collect information for the purpose of understanding the nursing workforce in the United States. Federal law protects your privacy and keeps your answers confidential under 13 U.S.C., Section 9. Per the Federal Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2015, your data are protected from cybersecurity risks through screening of the systems that transmit your data.

### How long will this survey take?

We estimate that completing the NSSRN will take 30 minutes on average. You may email comments regarding the burden estimate or concerns about the survey to [adp.nssrn@census.gov](mailto:adp.nssrn@census.gov).

### Additional information about this survey

This collection has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The eight-digit OMB approval number is 0607-1002. This number also appears on the login screen or back cover of the questionnaire which confirms this approval. If this number were not displayed, we could not conduct this survey.

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Go to: <https://respond.census.gov/nssrn>

Enter Login ID:

The U.S. Census Bureau conducts this survey on behalf of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. You were scientifically selected for this survey to represent you and others just like you. Your individual response is very important.

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A few weeks ago, we sent you a request to participate in the 2022 National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses. Information from this survey is used to help identify shortages in nursing resources that may affect the care of patients across the country. If you have already responded, thank you.

Please complete the survey **by December 31, 2022** even if you do not currently work, are retired, or now work in a field other than nursing.

**Respond now at <https://respond.census.gov/nssrn>**

**Login ID:**

**OR**

**Complete and mail back your paper questionnaire  
with the enclosed envelope**

The success of this survey depends on your participation; we cannot substitute anyone else for you. For help or additional information, see the back of this letter for answers to frequently asked questions, email [adp.nssrn@census.gov](mailto:adp.nssrn@census.gov) or call toll-free at 1-888-369-3598.

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If you have not responded, now is the time to do so. Your individual response is critical to the success of this survey and provides valuable information about the trends in nurse characteristics such as education and training, employment, income, and demographics.

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The survey will end soon. **This is your last chance** to provide input on topics that have an impact on the daily lives of nurses like you and the patients they care for across the country.

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Understanding the supply and distribution of nurses is key to ensuring access to care for patients across the country. That is why the U.S. Census Bureau and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services have requested your participation in this important survey.

Since this survey is vital to capturing the changing landscape in our healthcare system, and because your participation matters greatly, **we have extended the survey operations deadline!**

Please respond quickly to ensure your voice is heard!

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