
Our latest information about nursing and midwifery in the UK

April 2022 to September 2022





We are the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC).



We keep the list of all the nurses and midwives who can work in the UK.



We also keep the list of all the nursing associates who can work in England.



Nurses help people who are sick, injured or need care.



Midwives help deliver babies.



Nursing associates are health staff who work in nursing teams in England.



This list is called a register.



Every 6 months we look at the information on our register and write a paper about it.

Between April 2022 and September 2022:



The number of nurses, midwives and nursing associates on our register grew by 13,144.



In total there are nearly 771,500 people on our register.



Just over 716,000 are nurses. Nearly 41,000 are midwives. Nearly 8,000 are nursing associates and nearly 7,000 are both nurses and midwives.



Nearly 180,500 people have been on our register for 5 years or less.



Nearly 119,000 people have been on our register between 5 and 10 years



Just over 331,000 people have been on our register for between 10 and 30 years.



Just over 141,000 people have been on our register for more than 30 years.



The number of people who come from the UK went up by just under 3,300. There are now over 619,000 nurses, midwives and nursing associates from the UK.



The number of people on our register who came from Europe went down by 430.



There are now nearly 28,500 people from Europe.



The number of people on our register who came from outside Europe went up to nearly 124,000. That's an increase of just over 10,000 people.



Of those people, over 43,000 trained in the Philippines and just over 42,500 trained in India.



The number of learning disability nurses went down again by 72.



The number of mental health nurses went up by just over 1,000.



Over 546,000 people on our register said they are white.



Just over 104,000 said they are Asian.



Over 80,500 said they are Black.



Over 7,500 said they are mixed race.



Over 84,000 of the nurses, midwives and nursing associates on our register are men.



Over 687,000 are women.



29 did not want to say.



Just over 5,500 said their gender is not the same as it was when they were born.

Covid-19 temporary register



We set up a new register to help during Covid-19. This is separate from our main register.



We asked nurses and midwives who had left our main register in the last 5 years to join.



We also asked some people from overseas to join.



These numbers are from 30 September 2022.



There are just over 13,000 people on the Covid-19 register:

Just over 12,000 are nurses



Just over 850 are midwives



And 165 are both.



Nearly 11,700 are women.



Nearly 1,400 are men.



12,500 are from the UK, of these just over 10,000 are from England.



Nearly 250 are from Europe



Just over 250 are from outside Europe.

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