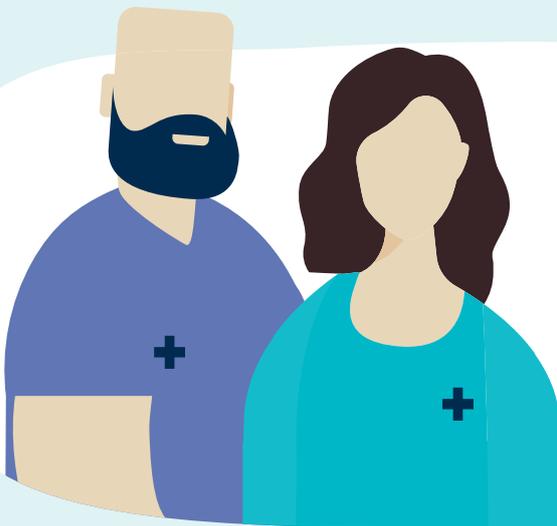


Mid-year update

1 April – 30 September 2019

There are now more than 700,000 people on our register – more than ever. This includes nurses and midwives eligible to practise in the UK and nursing associates eligible to practise in England.



The number of **nurses, midwives and nursing associates** on our register grew from 698,237 in April to **706,252** in September.

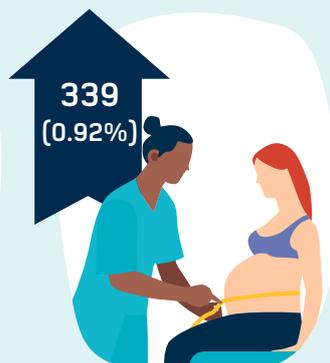
In comparison, our register grew by 3,340 people during the same period the previous year, April to September 2018.

8,015
(1.15%)



The number of **nurses** on our register grew from 653,544 in April to **660,213** in September.

From April to September 2018 the number of nurses grew by 2,982.



The number of **midwives** on our register increased from 36,916 in April to **37,255** in September.

From April to September 2018 the number of midwives increased by 579.



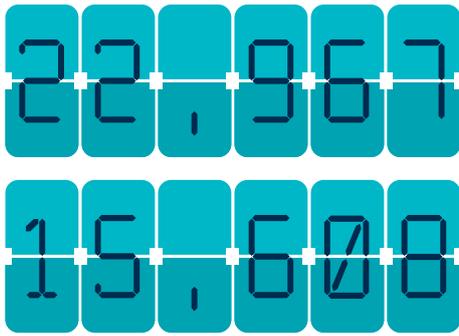
The number of **dual registrants** (people registered as a nurse and midwife) rose from 7,288 in April to **7,296** in September.

From April to September 2018 the number of dual registrants fell by 221.



The number of **nursing associates** grew from 489 in April to **1,488** in September.

A new profession on our register since January 2019, which bridges the gap between registered nurses and health and care assistants in England.



For the first time, we have published the number of people with additional recordable qualifications.

Specialist health visitor qualifications and **specialist district nurse qualifications** are the largest of these groups. In September 2019 there were **22,967** people with specialist health visitor qualifications and **15,608** people with specialist district nurse qualifications.

▲
5,012
(0.85%)



The number of **professionals whose initial registration was in the UK** grew from 591,894 in April to **596,906** in September.

From April to September 2018, the number of professionals whose initial registration was in the UK grew by 2,528.

▼
1,062
(-3.21%)



The number of **professionals from the European Economic Area (EEA)** on our register fell from 33,035 in April to **31,973** in September.

From April to September 2018, the number of professionals from the EEA fell by -1,241.

▲
4,065
(5.55%)



The number of **professionals from outside the EEA** increased from 73,308 to **77,373**. Of these professionals, **30,666** (39.6%) were trained in the **Philippines** and **21,035** (27.2%) in **India**.

From April to September 2018, the number of professionals from outside the EEA grew by 2,053.



The number of **nurses in all four fields of practice** has increased. However, while the number of **learning disabilities nurses has grown by 21** (+0.12%) to a total of **17,146**, this is more than 1,000 fewer than five years ago.



The number of people in the **61-65** age bracket grew by **2,220** (5.57%), compared to **1,659** (1.48%) in the **21-30** bracket. This means the number of **people on our register approaching retirement age** is growing quicker than the number of under-30s.

From April to September 2018, the number of people aged 61-65 grew by 2,088 and those aged 21-30 increased by 1,454.

Figure 1

Number of nurses, midwives and nursing associates* on the UK register

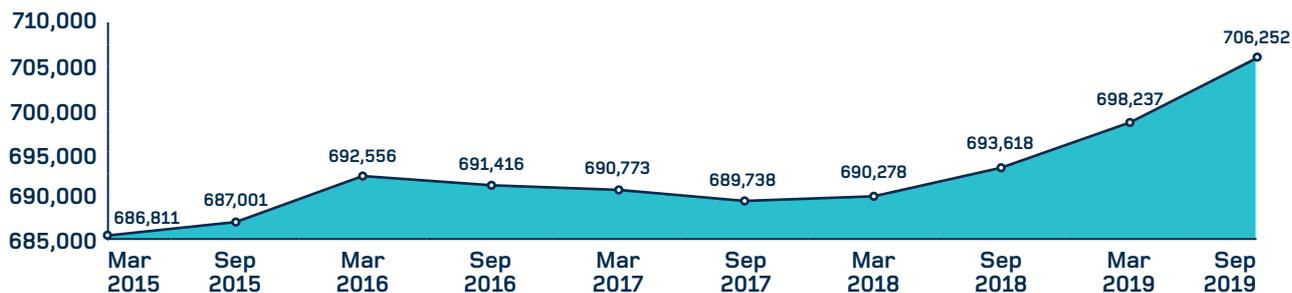


Figure 2

Number of nurses, midwives and nursing associates* joining the UK register for the first time



Figure 3

Number of nurses, midwives and nursing associates* leaving the UK register



* Nursing associates is a new professional role in England, introduced in January 2019. As of 30 September 2019, there were 1,488 nursing associates on our register.

Joiners' data doesn't include those re-joining the register having previously left. Also, the overall number on the register is from one point in time, whereas the joiners' and leavers' data are the sum of activity over six months. Therefore, these figures won't add up exactly.