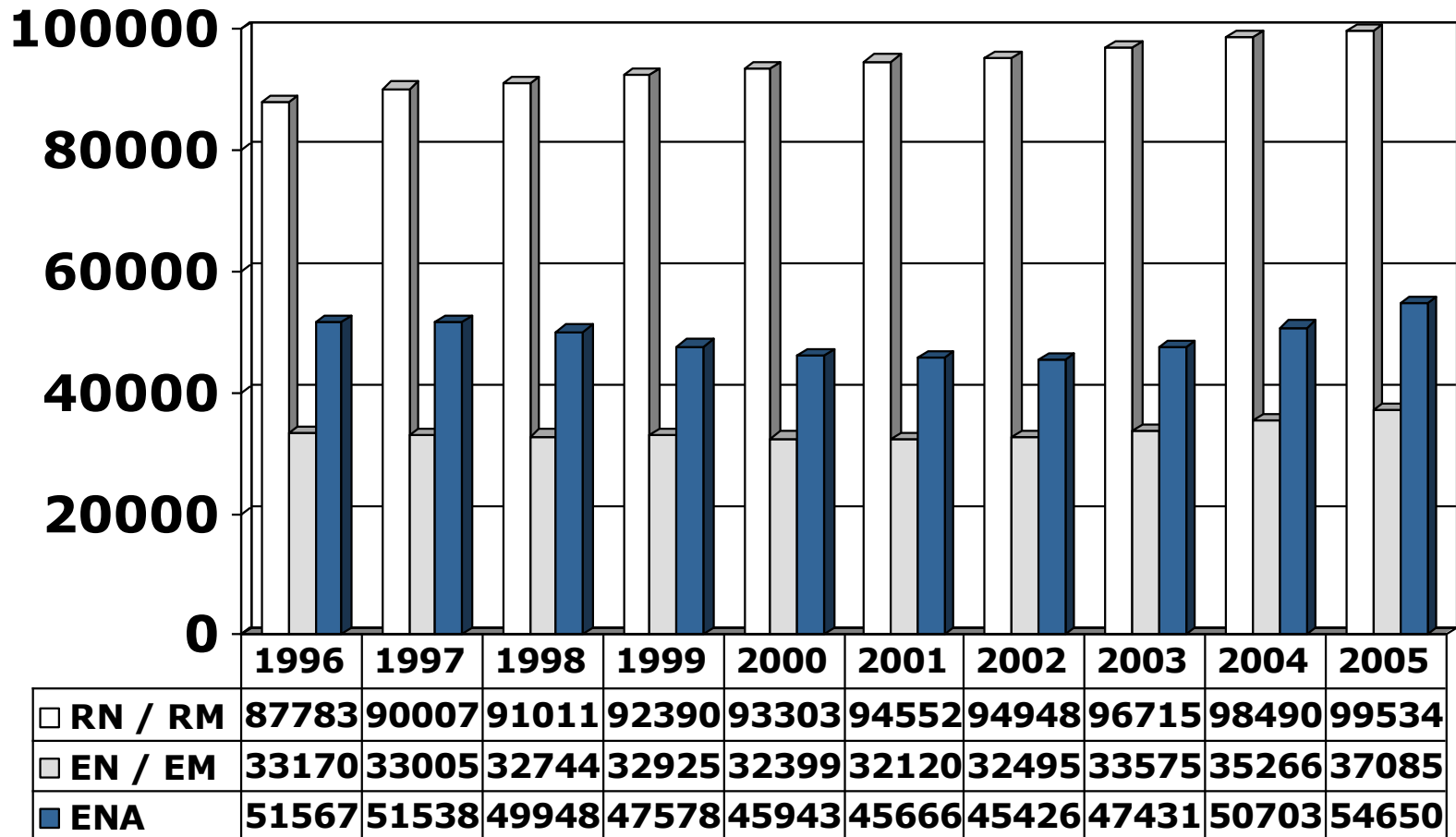


S A Nursing Council Growth in the Registers



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Explanatory notes:

Over the 9 year period 1996 to 2005, the total number of nurses on the register has grown from 172 520 to 191 269 – i.e. a net increase of 18 749 (+10.9%).

- The Registered Nurse/Registered Midwife category has grown by 11 751 practitioners (+13.4%).
- The Enrolled Nurse/Enrolled Midwife category has grown by 3915 practitioners (+11.8%).
- The Enrolled Nursing Auxiliary category has grown by 3083 (+6.0%).

During the same period, the population of South Africa increased by 11.3% from approximately 42.130 million in 1996 (mid-year estimate) to 46.888 million in 2005 (mid-year estimate).

Population figures: Statistics South Africa (mid-year population estimates)

Nursing figures as at 31 December each year

Excludes persons residing outside South Africa

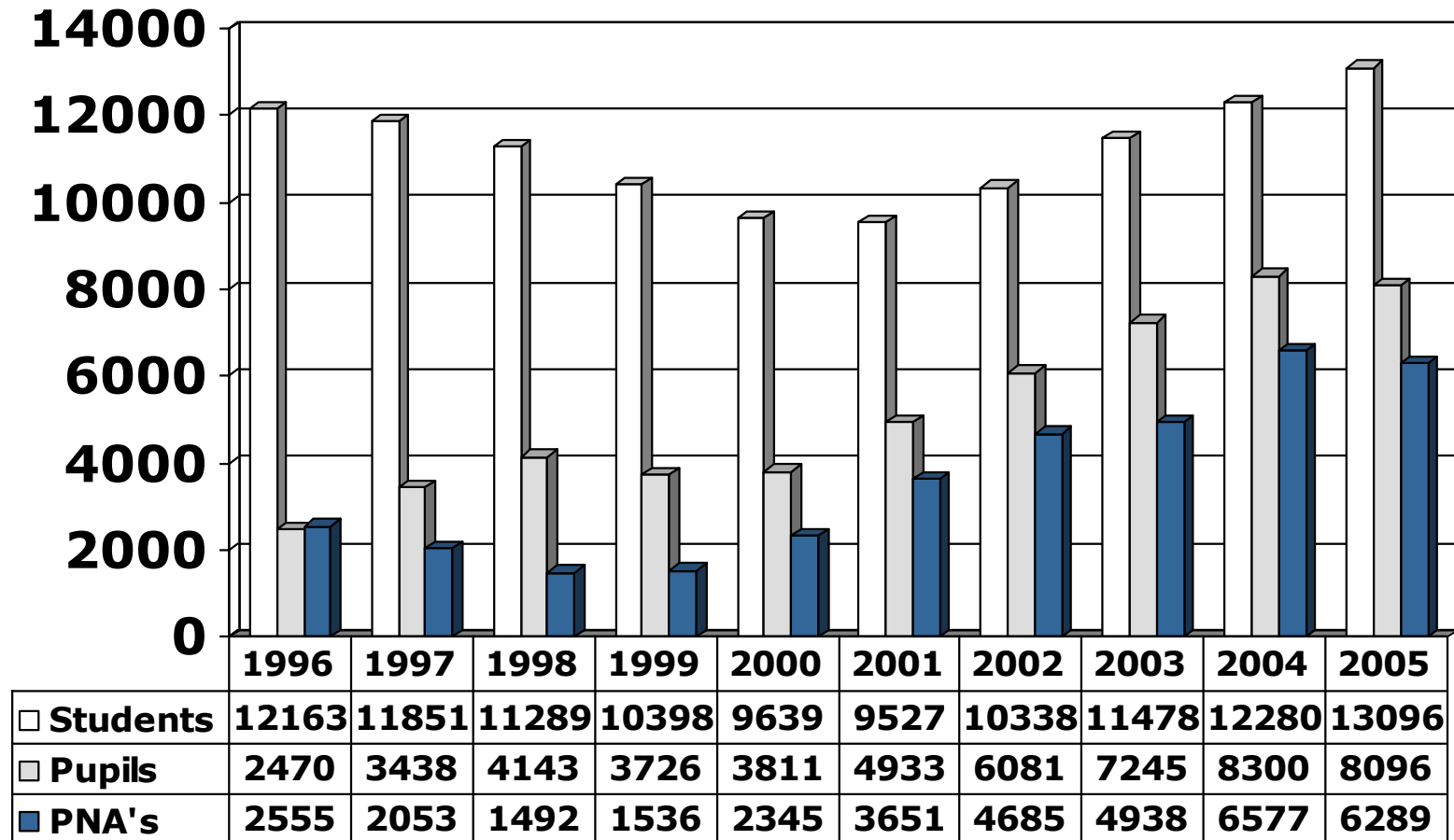
RN / RM = Registered Nurses and Registered Midwives

EN / EM = Enrolled Nurses and Enrolled Midwives

ENA = Enrolled Nursing Auxiliaries

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Growth in Student / Pupils



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Explanatory notes:

This chart reflects persons entering the nursing profession (as students/pupils) for the first time and does not include those busy with bridging or supplementary basic programmes.

When seeking to interpret the information in this chart please remember three important considerations:

1. These figures represent changing populations – there are complete intakes each year followed by terminations (for various reasons) and completions of large groups (usually from previous years).
2. The normal duration of training is different for the three categories – 4 years for Students, 2 years for Pupils and 1 year for Pupil Nursing Auxiliaries.
3. The initial dip in the training of Pupil Nursing Auxiliaries was probably the result of a premature reaction to discussions about the possible phasing out of that programme that took place about that time.

Figures as at 31 December each year

Students = Student Nurses and Midwives

Pupils = Pupil Nurses

PNA's = Pupil Nursing Auxiliaries