## S A Nursing Council
### Growth in the Registers

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>RN / RM</th>
<th>EN / EM</th>
<th>ENA</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2009</td>
<td>111299</td>
<td>48078</td>
<td>62440</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2010</td>
<td>115244</td>
<td>52370</td>
<td>63472</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2011</td>
<td>118262</td>
<td>55408</td>
<td>64526</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2012</td>
<td>124045</td>
<td>58722</td>
<td>65969</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2013</td>
<td>129015</td>
<td>63788</td>
<td>67895</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2014</td>
<td>133127</td>
<td>66891</td>
<td>70419</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2015</td>
<td>136854</td>
<td>70300</td>
<td>71463</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2016</td>
<td>140598</td>
<td>73558</td>
<td>73302</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2017</td>
<td>142092</td>
<td>74556</td>
<td>70431</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2018</td>
<td>146791</td>
<td>70552</td>
<td>68361</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

© 2019 S A Nursing Council
Explanatory notes:

Over the 10 year period 2009 to 2018, the total number of nurses on the register has grown from 221 817 to 285 704 – i.e. a net increase of 63 887 (29%).

- The Registered Nurse/Registered Midwife category has grown by 35 492 practitioners (+32%).
- The Enrolled Nurse/Enrolled Midwife category has grown by 22 474 practitioners (+47%).
- The Enrolled Nursing Auxiliary category has grown by 5 921 practitioners (+9%).

During the same period, the population of South Africa increased by 17% from approximately 49 321 million in 2009 (mid-year estimate) to 57 726 million in 2018 (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
S A Nursing Council
Growth in Students/Pupils

© 2019 S A Nursing Council
Growth in Students/Pupils

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 two 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.

Figures as at 31 December each year

**Students** = Student Nurses and Midwives
**Pupils** = Pupil Nurses
**PNA’s** = Pupil Nursing Auxiliaries

© 2019 S A Nursing Council