

**Number of Basic RN Programs and Percentage Change from Previous Year by  
Program Type: 1981 to 1995 and 2002 to 2011**

YEAR	NUMBER OF SCHOOLS	ALL BASIC RN PROGRAMS		BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS		DIPLOMA PROGRAMS		ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAMS	
		Number of Programs	Percent Change	Number of Programs	Percent Change	Number of Programs	Percent Change	Number of Programs	Percent Change
1981	1,377	1,401	1.2	383	1.6	303	-2.6	715	2.6
1982	1,406	1,432	2.2	402	5.0	288	-5.0	742	3.8
1983	1,432	1,466	2.4	421	4.7	281	-2.4	764	3.0
1984	1,445	1,477	0.8	427	1.4	273	-2.8	777	1.7
1985	1,434	1,473	-0.2	441	3.3	256	-6.2	776	-0.1
1986	1,426	1,469	-0.3	455	3.2	238	-7.0	776	0.0
1987	1,406	1,465	-0.3	467	2.6	209	-12.2	789	1.7
1988	1,391	1,442	-1.6	479	2.6	171	-18.7	792	0.3
1989	1,429	1,457	1.0	488	1.9	157	-8.2	812	2.5
1990	1,412	1,470	0.9	489	0.2	152	-3.2	829	2.1
1991	1,411	1,484	1.0	501	2.4	145	-4.6	838	1.1
1992	1,404	1,484	0.0	501	0.0	135	-6.9	848	1.2
1993	1,415	1,493	0.6	507	1.2	129	-4.4	857	1.1
1994	1,422	1,501	0.5	509	0.4	124	-3.9	868	1.3
1995	1,434	1,516	1.0	521	2.4	119	-4.0	876	0.9
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2002	*	1,459	-3.8	526	1.0	76	-36.1	857	-2.2
2003	1,376	1,444	-1.0	529	0.6	69	-9.2	846	-1.3
2004	1,410	1,504	4.2	553	4.5	71	2.9	880	4.0
2005	1,446	1,544	2.7	573	3.6	62	-12.7	909	3.3
2006	1,538	1,694	9.7	644	12.4	73	17.7	977	7.5
2007	1,626	1,758	3.8	683	6.1	75	2.7	1000	2.4
2008	1,656	1,773	0.9	681	-0.3	69	-8.0	1023	2.3
2009	1,664	1,783	0.6	683	0.3	69	0.0	1031	0.8
2010	1,691	1,812	1.6	694	1.6	70	1.4	1048	1.6
2011	1,712	1,800	-0.7	677	-2.4	63	-10.0	1060	1.1

\*Not available.

Source: National League for Nursing. 2012.  
Annual Survey of Schools of Nursing, Fall 2011.  
[www.nln.org/research/slides/index.htm](http://www.nln.org/research/slides/index.htm).

