India

**Country capacity on:**
- **EDUCATION REGULATION**
  - Master list of accredited education institutions
  - Accreditation mechanisms for education institutions
  - Standards for duration and content of education
  - Standards for interprofessional education
  - Standards for faculty qualifications
- **PRACTICE REGULATION**
  - Nursing council/authority for regulation of nursing
  - Fitness for practice examination
  - Continuing professional development
- **WORKING CONDITIONS**
  - Regulation on working hours and conditions
  - Regulation on minimum wage
  - Regulation on social protection
  - Measures to prevent attacks on HWs
- **GOVERNANCE AND LEADERSHIP**
  - Chief Nursing Officer position
  - Nursing leadership development program
  - National association for pre-licensure students

### Nursing personnel (latest year)

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### Share of nurses within the health workforce

- **Nurses**: 47.0%
- **Doctors**: 23.3%
- **Midwives**: 0.0%
- **Dentists**: 5.5%
- **Pharmacists**: 24.1%

### Nursing stock and density 2013-2018

- **Number of nurses** (Millions):
  - 2013: 2.0
  - 2014: 2.3
  - 2015: 2.6
  - 2016: 2.9
  - 2017: 3.2
  - 2018: 3.5
  - 2030 Projection: 4.8

- **Density per 10,000 population**:
  - 2013: 0
  - 2014: 6
  - 2015: 12
  - 2016: 18
  - 2017: 24
  - 2018: 30
  - 2030 Projection: 40

### Age distribution

- <35: NR
- 35-54: NR
- 55+: NR

### Sex distribution

- **Female**: 88%
- **Male**: 12%

### Nurse mobility

- Foreign trained: NR
- Foreign born: NR

### Issues for consideration

**Density above threshold, no estimation for shortage.**

*As compared to a benchmark density. Details in State of the world’s nursing 2020 report and Global Strategy on Human Resources for Health: Workforce 2030.

Source: National Health Workforce Accounts (NHWA), 2020 except †. Latest available data are displayed. Includes multiple data sources such as the OECD/Eurostat/WHO EURO Joint Data Collection, labour force survey, census data and estimates from WHO for shortages. Stock and density projection by 2030 based on a simple stock and flow model. See full report for further details.

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