

Highlights from AACN's 2020 Annual Survey

Findings published from AACN's latest annual survey are based on responses from **956 (92.4%)** of the nation's nursing schools with baccalaureate and graduate programs that were surveyed in fall 2020. Data reflect actual counts; projections are not used.

Nursing Programs



Entry-Level Baccalaureate	805
RN to Baccalaureate	762
Master's Programs	636
Research Focused Doctorate	147
Doctor of Nursing Programs	386

Program Graduates



Entry-Level Baccalaureate	82,380
RN to Baccalaureate	69,203
Master's Programs	51,386
Research Focused Doctorate	760
Doctor of Nursing Programs	9,158

Growth in Applications



Entry-Level Baccalaureate	1.5%
RN to Baccalaureate	8.9%
Master's Programs	2.8%
Research Focused Doctorate	24.3%
Doctor of Nursing Programs	14.0%

Students from Underrepresented Racial/Ethnic Groups



Baccalaureate Programs	37.9%
Master's Programs	37.1%
Research Focused Doctorate	33.8%
Doctor of Nursing Practice	37.2%

Enrolled Students



Entry-Level Baccalaureate	251,145
RN to Baccalaureate	132,440
Master's Programs	152,341
Research Focused Doctorate	4,626
Doctor of Nursing Programs	39,530

Male Students



Baccalaureate Programs	12.8%
Master's Programs	11.7%
Research Focused Doctorate	10.5%
Doctor of Nursing Practice	14.2%