

Annex III

Figures relating to registered midwives, enrolled nurses and registered nurses

Currently, nurses and midwives need to register with the Nursing Council of Hong Kong and the Midwives Council of Hong Kong respectively. The table below sets out the number of registered midwives, enrolled nurses and registered nurses in the past four years:

Registration Type	Position of statutory registration as at December 31			
	2014	2015	2016	2017
Registered Midwife	4 669	4 462	4 540	4 611
Enrolled Nurse	12 226	12 791	13 211	13 726
Registered Nurse	35 821	37 670	39 178	40 505

We do not have information on the respective numbers of people employed, job seekers, people dismissed or made redundant, people who resigned, the yearly average of the monthly percentages of the number of vacancies in the number of jobs, the monthly unemployment rates, the median monthly wages, and the median weekly working hours and the respective percentages of such numbers in the number of jobs broken down by age groups of the whole nursing sector.

The Department of Health (DH) conducts Health Manpower Surveys (HMS) on a regular basis to obtain up-to-date information on the characteristics and employment status of healthcare personnel practising in Hong Kong. According to the 2014 HMS on registered midwives, 2015 HMS on enrolled nurses and 2016 HMS on registered nurses, the estimated manpower situation of nurses and midwives who were practising in the local nursing/midwifery profession is set out in the following table:

Survey Year	Healthcare Profession	Estimated Manpower Situation*				
		Percentage Practising in the Local Nursing/Midwifery Profession	Percentage Seeking Jobs in the Nursing/Midwifery Profession #	Percentage of Other Employment Status †	Median Age	Median Number of Hours of Work Per Week (Excluding meal breaks)
2014	Registered Midwives	98.4%	1.3%	0.3%	51.0	42.0
2015	Enrolled Nurses	97.2%	1.7%	1.1%	41.0	44.0
2016	Registered Nurses	97.6%	1.5%	0.9%	42.0	44.0

Notes:

- * As the characteristics of the non-responding nurses/registered midwives may be different from that of those responding to the survey, the survey results may not be able to fully reflect the characteristics of all nurses/registered midwives in Hong Kong.
- # Figures refer to the percentage of those seeking jobs in the local nursing/midwifery profession during the 30 days before the survey.
- ✦ Figures include the percentage of those who had not been available for work because of temporary sickness, those believed that work was not available, were waiting to take up a new job or expecting to return to their original jobs in the local nursing/midwifery profession.

There may be slight discrepancy between the sum of individual items and the total due to rounding.

Source: Food and Health Bureau