

Describing the Mental Health State of Nurses in British Columbia: A Province-Wide Survey Study

Description de l'état de santé mentale des infirmières en Colombie-Britannique : une enquête à l'échelle provinciale

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TABLE 1. Demographic characteristics ($N = 3,978$)

Characteristics	N	Percentage
Age		
Under 25	173	4.4
25 to 34	1,358	34.3
35 to 44	997	25.2
45 to 54	832	21.0
55 and above	597	15.1
Gender		
Female	3,632	91.3
Male	337	8.5
Prefer to describe	8	0.2
Professional designation		
Licensed practical nurse	622	15.6
Registered nurse (RN)	3,112	78.2
Registered psychiatric nurse (RPN)	231	5.8
Dually registered (RN/RPN)	13	0.3
Education		
Diploma/Certificate	1,165	29.3
Undergraduate degree	1,954	49.1
Graduate degree	807	20.3
Other	50	1.3
Overall nursing experience		
5 years or less	1,201	30.3
6 to 10 years	870	21.9
11 to 15 years	681	17.2
16 to 20 years	322	8.1
21 years or more	895	22.5

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Nursing role		
Direct care provider	3,562	89.5
Nurse leader	315	7.9
Nurse educator	101	2.5
Employment status		
Full-time	2,501	62.9
Part-time	1,052	26.5
Casual	424	10.7
Sector		
Acute care	2,945	74.1
Community care	694	17.5
Long-term care	335	8.4
Geographical area		
Urban	2,468	62.3
Suburban	708	17.9
Rural	788	19.9
Nursing specialty		
Medical/surgical	1,038	26.1
Emergency	417	10.5
Intensive care	328	8.3
Psychiatry	307	7.7
Long-term care	300	7.5
Obstetrics	274	6.9
Home and community care	266	6.7
All other units	957	24.1
Multiple units	87	2.2