# NURSES IN WYOMING;

DEMAND, RETENTION, & SUPPLY

Fourth Annual Nursing Summit Sheridan, Wyoming September 20, 2007

Wyoming Department of Employment Research & Planning Tom Gallagher, Manager

# Study Structure

- Demand
- •Retention
- Supply



# **Study Phases**

- Obtain administrative databases BON license file, hospital discharge file
   Complete
- Nurse Advisory Committee meetings May 7 and August 23
- Ambulatory Care
  - Nurse Survey Completed n=466 responses, 70.1% response rate
  - Facility Office Vacancy Retention Survey, n=169, 50.1% response rate (1st mailing)
- Hospitals and Long-Term Care
  - Nurse Survey Completed n=1,825 responses, 61.4% response rate (2<sup>nd</sup> mailing 9/18/07)
  - Facility Office Vacancy Retention Survey, planned end of September

# Study Phases (Continued)

- Demand Report in design
  - Demand projections completed & discussed with industry
  - Replacement projections in Progress
- Balance of nurses survey, collecting anecdotal evidence
- Higher education
  - Facility Nurses (faculty) Survey, collecting anecdotal evidence
  - Cohort retention analysis of new supply under way
- Retention Report to be determined
- Supply Report to be determined

#### Health Care Professionals With Active Licenses by Place of Work, Fourth Quarter 2006

#### Ambulatory Care

RN = 649 LPN = 163 CNA = 392Total = 1,204

#### Hospitals

RN = 2,113 LPN = 317 CNA = 1,318Total = 3,748

#### Long-Term

Care RN = 278 LPN = 247 CNA = 1,039 Total = 1,564

# Higher Education (Community Colleges & UW)

RN = 117 LPN = 6 CNA = 18 Total = 141

#### State Government

RN = 197 LPN = 30 CNA = 299Total = 526

#### Local Education

RN = 164 LPN = 10 CNA = 85 Total = 259

#### Local Government

RN = 108 LPN = 18 CNA = 88 Total = 214

# Other Private Sector

RN = 279 LPN = 77 CNA = 954Total = 1,310

# Selected Demand Characteristics

- Population Dynamics
- Discharge Files
- Industry Growth and the demand for RNs -- Hospitals



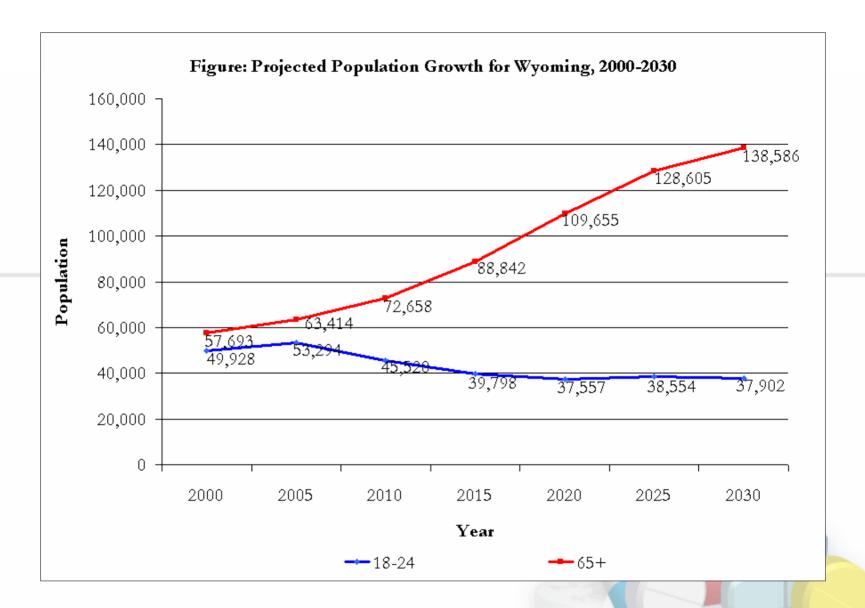


Table: Number of Persons Working at Any Time in Wyoming by Residency Status, 2004-2006

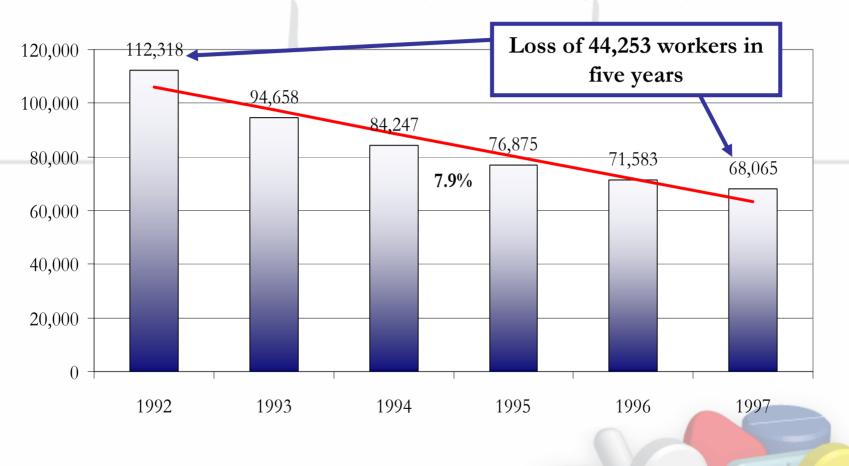
	2004	2006	2004-2006	
Residency Status	Number	Number	Numeric Change	Percent Change
Residents	275,740	275,015	-725	-0.3
Nonresidents	48,767	76,586	27,819	57.0
Total	324,507	351,601	27,094	8.3

Excerpt from Jones, S.D. (2007). Demographic Effects of Wyoming's Energy-Related Expansion. *Wyoming Labor Force Trends 44*(4). http://doe.state.wy.us/lmi/0407/a1.htm

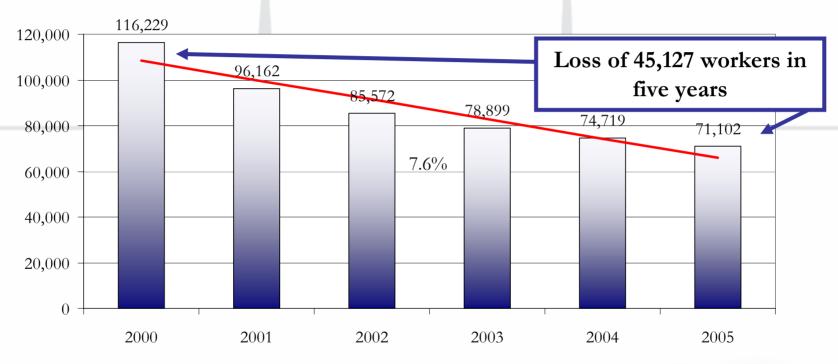
Note: Nonresidents represent segment of the population without known demographics.



#### Number of 1992 Worker Cohort Age 16-34 Still Working in Wyoming



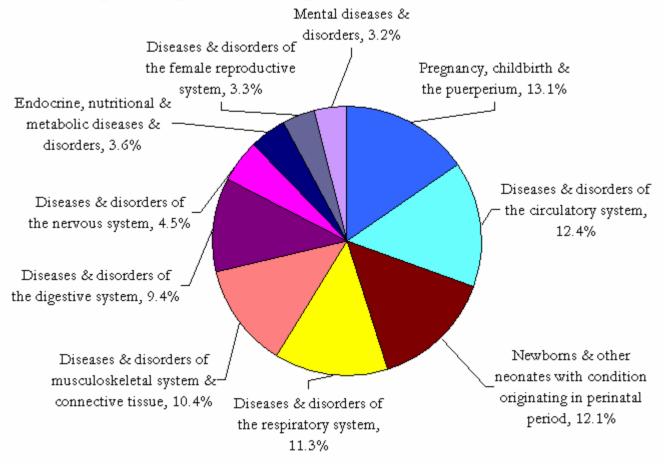
#### Number of 2000 Worker Cohort Age 16-34 Still Working in Wyoming



# Hospital Discharge (In-Patient) Data

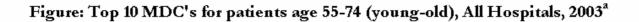


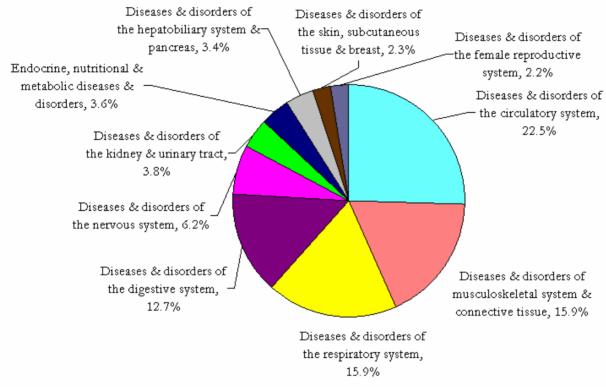
#### Figure: Top 10 Major Diagnostic Codes, All Hospitals, 2003a



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>No data available for hospitals in Johnson or Niobrara counties.

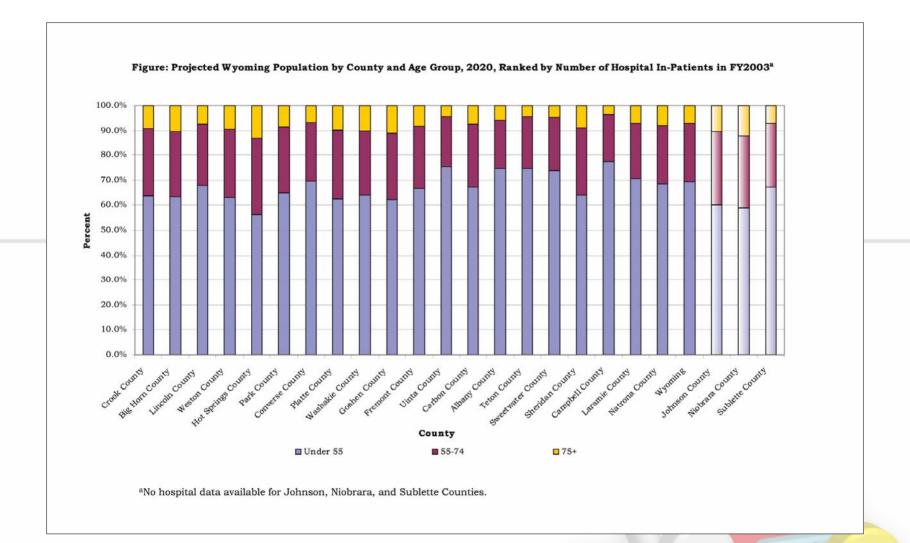
Note: Percent does not equal 100.0% because only top 10 Major Diagnostic Codes were





<sup>a</sup>No data available for hospitals in Johnson or Niobrara counties.

Note: Percent total does not equal 100.0% because only top 10 Major Diagnostic Codes were included.



# Nursing Demand Projections

- Assume current policies continue into the future
- Does not assume any intervention strategies
- Assumes constant compound annual growth rate in industry employment and RN demand between beginning and end points

Intermediate data points shown for illustrative purposes only

- RN Base period = 2006
- Employment Projection period=2014
- Connects jobs to number of RNs working in Health
   Care
- RNs assigned to primary industry (industry paying the most \$\$ each quarter)
- Annual averages based on quarterly numbers

Table: Occupational Staffing Levels for the U.S. and WY, Hospitals (NAICS 622), May 2005

			U.S.		7	VY Hourly	
Occupation (SOC Code)	U.S. Jobs	Column	Hourly	Wyoming Jobs	Column Percent	Mean	WY Wage
Management (11)	180,990		Mean Wage \$39.25			<b>Wage</b> \$33.91	<b>Ratio</b> 86.4%
Business and Financial Operations (13)	85,730					\$21.71	
Computer and Mathematical (15)	47,550					\$19.76	
	,					\$19.76 ND	
Architecture and Engineering (17)	4,680						
Life, Physical, and Social Science (19)	30,390					\$24.60	
Community and Social Services (21)	125,570			150		\$20.11	99.5%
Legal Occupations (230000)	1,020					ND	
Education, Training, and Library (25)	25,130		100000000000000000000000000000000000000			\$20.55	
Arts, Design, Entertain., Sports, and Media (27)	9,200					ND	
Healthcare Practitioner and Technical (29)	2,701,560					\$23.03	
Registered Nurses (291111)	1,424,860	27.2%	\$27.76	2,065	23.0%	\$23.44	
LPN/LVN (292061)	187,420	3.6%	\$16.70	211	2.4%	\$15.32	91.7%
Healthcare Support (31)	690,930	13.2%	\$11.98	1,727	19.2%	\$11.03	92.1%
Home Health Aides (311011)	18,470	0.4%	\$10.88	32	0.4%	\$9.93	91.3%
Nurse Aide, Orderlies, and Attend. (311012)	403,500	7.7%	\$11.09	1,264	14.1%	\$10.06	90.7%
Protective Service (33)	46,150	0.9%	\$13.92	85	0.9%	\$12.23	87.9%
Food Prep and Serving (35)	152,340	2.9%	\$10.46	436	4.9%	\$9.16	87.6%
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maint. (37)	194,880	3.7%	\$10.34	445	5.0%	\$9.91	95.8%
Personal Care and Service (39)	24,470	0.5%	\$11.68	138	1.5%	\$12.13	103.9%
Sales and Related (41)	12,150	0.2%	\$13.37	ND	ND	ND	ND
Office and Administrative Support (43)	797,590	15.2%	\$13.74	1,127	12.5%	\$11.97	87.1%
Construction and Extraction (47)	15,060	0.3%	\$21.94	12	0.1%	\$22.44	102.3%
Installation, Maint., and Repair (49)	55,780	1.1%	\$17.24	132	1.5%	\$15.95	92.5%
Production (51)	28,510	0.5%	\$14.47	80	0.9%	\$9.89	68.3%
Transportation and Material Moving (53)	16,940	0.3%	\$12.40	ND	ND	ND	ND
Total, all Occupations	5,246,630	100.0%	\$21.10	8,980	98.4%	\$17.84	84.5%

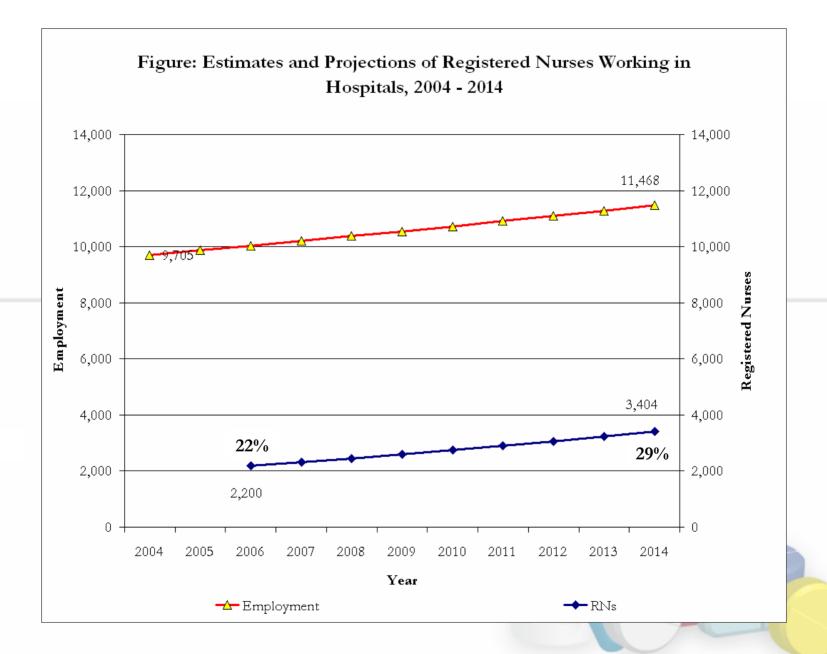
ND: No data available

Table: Occupational Staffing Levels for South Dakota and Wyoming, Hospitals (NAICS 622), May 2005

Occupation	South Dakota Employment	Column %	SD Hourly Mean Wage	Wyoming Employment	Column %	WY Hourly Mean Wage
Management (11)	467	2.4%	\$40.01	505	5.6%	\$33.91
Business and Financial Operations (13)	338	1.7%	\$21.99	103	1.1%	\$21.71
Computer and Mathematical (15)	246	1.3%	\$23.69	52	0.6%	\$19.76
Architecture and Engineering (17)	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Life, Physical, and Social Science (19)	35	0.2%	\$32.74	40	0.4%	\$24.60
Community and Social Services (21)	406	2.1%	\$19.12	150	1.7%	\$20.11
Legal (23)	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Education, Training, and Library (25)	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media (27)	65	0.3%	\$19.52	ND	ND	ND
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical (29)	9,524	49.1%	\$23.32	3,836	42.7%	\$23.03
Registered Nurses (29-1111)	5,304	27.4%	\$24.43	2,065	23.0%	\$23.44
LPN/LVN (29-2061)	496	2.6%	\$14.11	211	2.4%	\$15.32
Healthcare Support (31)	2,982	15.4%	\$10.41	1,727	19.2%	\$11.03
Home Health Aides (31-1011)	112	0.6%	\$9.35	32	0.4%	\$9.93
Nurse Aides, Orderlies, and Attend. (31-1012)	1,998	10.3%	<i>\$9.78</i>	1,264	14.1%	\$10.06
Protective Service (33)	85	0.4%	\$12.92	85	0.9%	\$12.23
Food Preparation and Serving Related (35)	886	4.6%	\$9.51	436	4.9%	\$9.16
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maint. (37)	888	4.6%	\$9.87	445	5.0%	\$9.91
Personal Care and Service (39)	397	2.0%	\$10.54	138	1.5%	\$12.13
Sales and Related (41)	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Office and Administrative Support (43)	2,336	12.1%	\$11.96	1,127	12.5%	\$11.97
Construction and Extraction (47)	33	0.2%	\$19.26	12	0.1%	\$22.44
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair (49)	263	1.4%	\$16.84	132	1.5%	\$15.95
Production (51)	198	1.0%	\$11.09	80	0.9%	\$9.89
Transportation and Material Moving (53)	142	0.7%	\$13.13	ND	ND	ND
Total, All Occupations	19,377	99.6%	\$18.45	8,980	98.8%	\$17.84

ND: No data available

Prepared by Lisa Knapp, Research Analyst, WY Dept. of Employment, Research & Planning, April 18, 2007



#### The Grand Total Based on Current HR Practices

Table 1 - Estimates and Projections of Wyoming Registered Nurses, 2004 - 2014

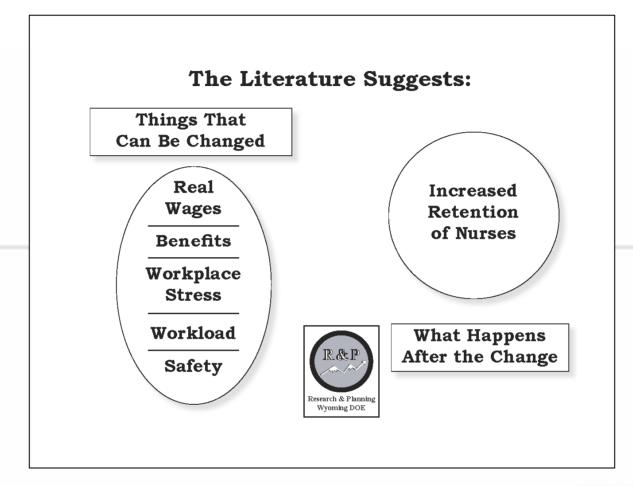
Analysis	Ambulatory Care	Hospitals	Long-Term Care	Health Care Only	All Other Industries
RNs 2006 (Est.)	652	2,200	293	3,145	870
RNs 2014 (Proj.)	1,969	3,404	552	5,925	1,413
Difference	1,317	1,204	259	2,780	543



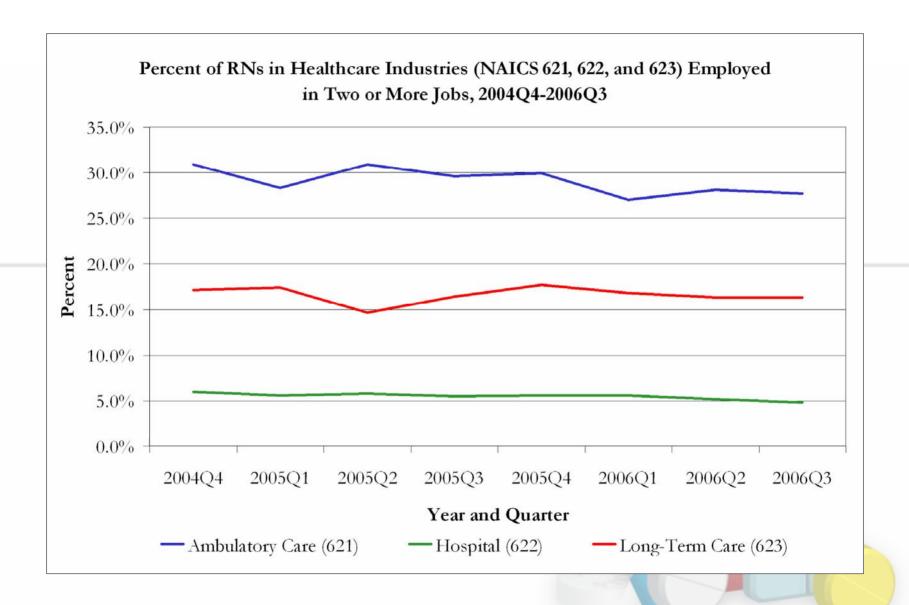
# Selected Survey Results

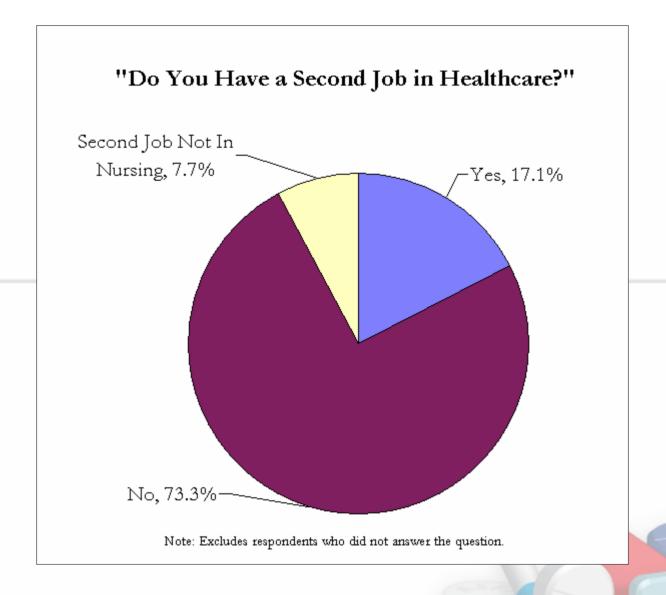
- Ambulatory Care
- Hospitals and Long-Term Care Preliminary











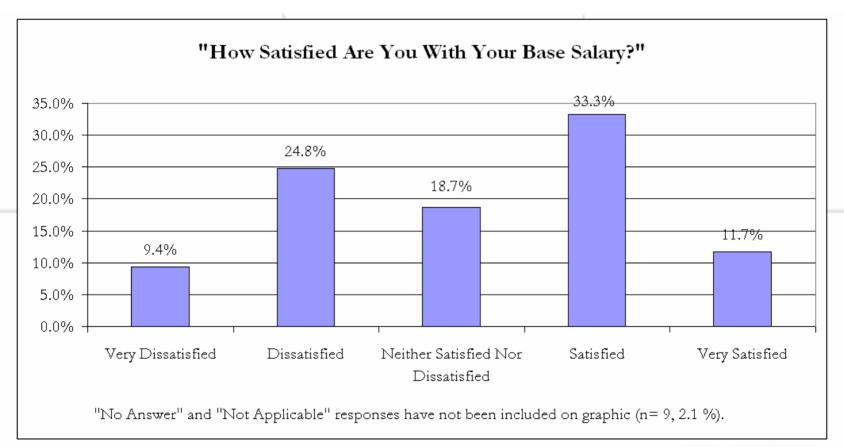




Table: Why do you live in your current community \* Where did you attend high school Crosstabulation

#### Where Respondent Attended High School

Reason for living in community		Wyoming	Out of State	Unknown	Total
Existing Job	N	23	35	1	59
	Col%	12.5	15.0	11.1	13.8
Proximity to School or Work	N	3	2	0	
	Col%	1.6	0.9	0.0	1
Spouse or Partner Job	N	46	71	2	119
	Col%	25.0	30.3	22.2	27.
Cost of Living/Affordable Housing	N	6	14	1	2
	Col%	3.3	6.0	11.1	4.
Proximity to Natural Amenities	N	7	29	2	3
	Col%	3.8	12.4	22.2	8.
Proximity to Family	N	67	28	3	9
	Col%	36.4	12.0	33.3	23.
Other or No Answer	N	32	55	0	8
	Col%	17.4	23.5	0.0	20.
Total	N	184	234	9	42
	Col%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.

# **Ambulatory Health Care – Comments**

Classification System Title and Code	Age	Comments
Offices of Physicians 621111	48	Coming from California 5 yrs ago, I was shocked at how low the wages were for nurses. I started at \$15.00 per hour. I was making near \$13.00 per hour in Arizona in 1987! I have a BSN! Thanks God I don't have to support a family on what I make. If I had to do it over again, I would not choose to go into nursing.
Offices of Physicians 621111	24	I used to work in the NICU - I loved the work & I loved the wages, but hated the hours/holiday/weekends. Now I work in a clinic and love the hours but am not happy with my wages and miss the skills & the babies.
Home Health Care Services 621610	54	Besides nurses generally need more respect, more autonomy, better job security, more money, and more benefits. Often it is dirty, thankless work. Those of us who stay with it have a gift & a calling Thanks for doing this survey!

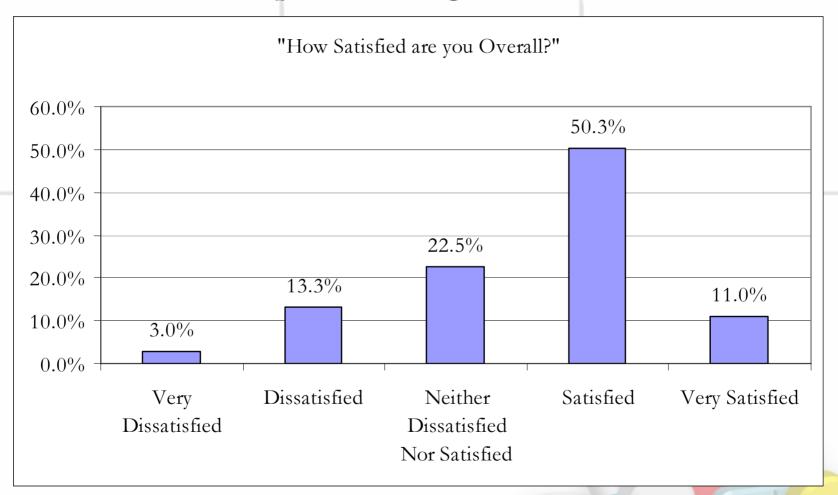


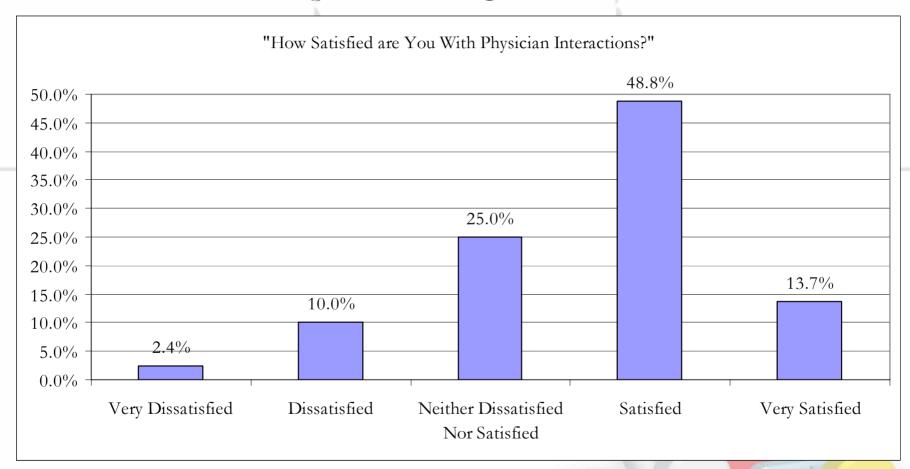
#### Hospitals & Long-Term Care

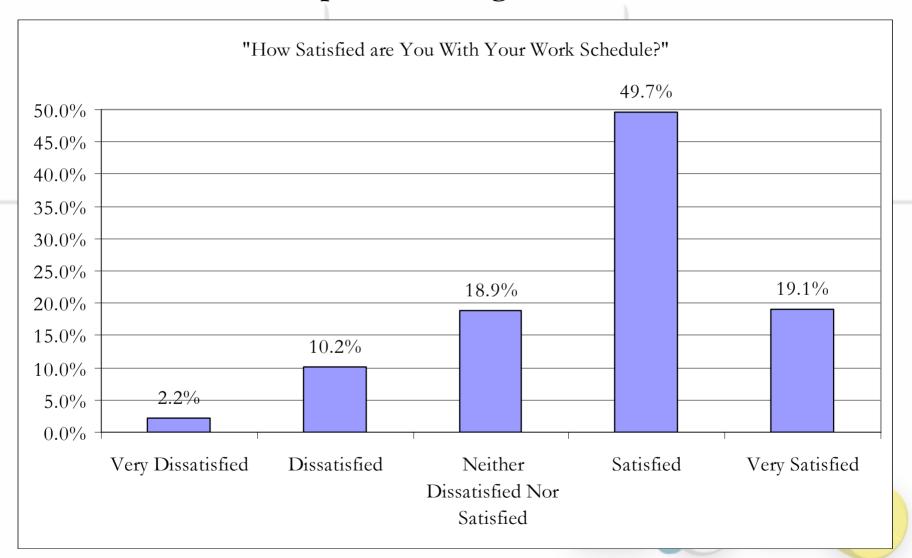
#### **Primary Job Position**

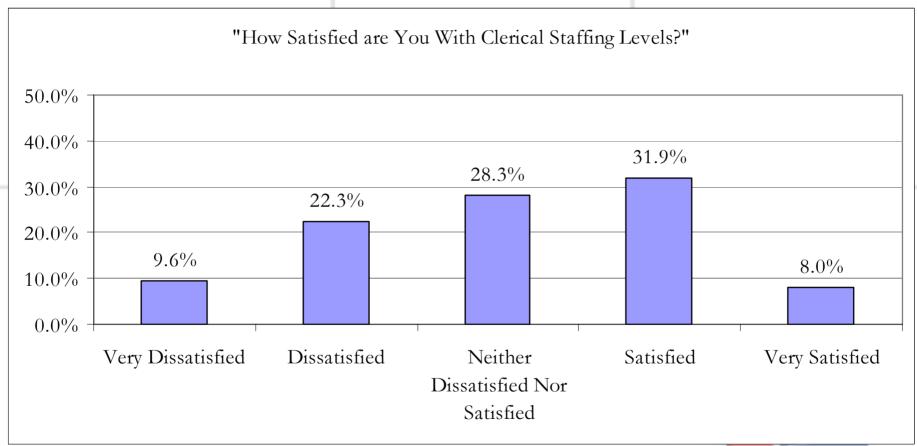
	Frequency	Percent
Nurse Educator	42	2.6%
Administration/Management	186	11.5%
Quality Assurance/Risk Manager	20	1.2%
Direct Patient Care	1,202	74.0%
Infection Control	11	0.7%
Case Manager/Utilization Review	21	1.3%
No answer, multiple answer, or not working in nursing	86	5.3%
Other	56	3.4%
Total	1,624	100.0%

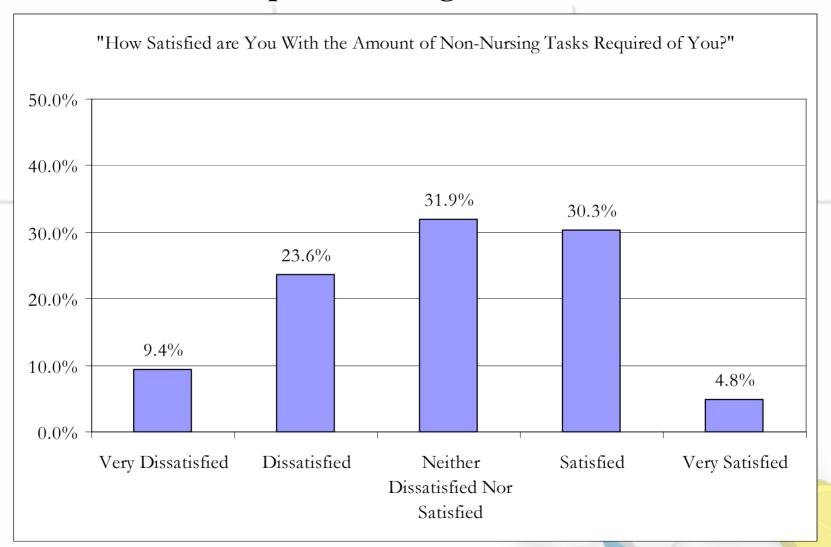


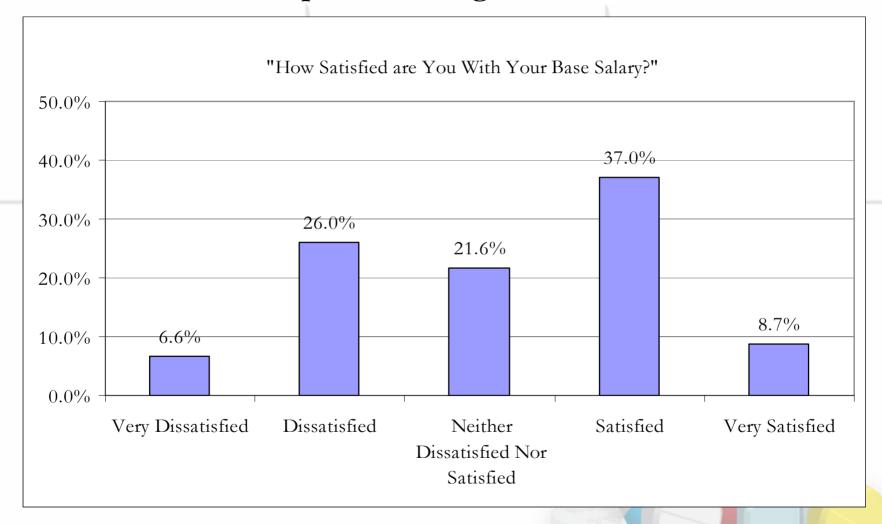


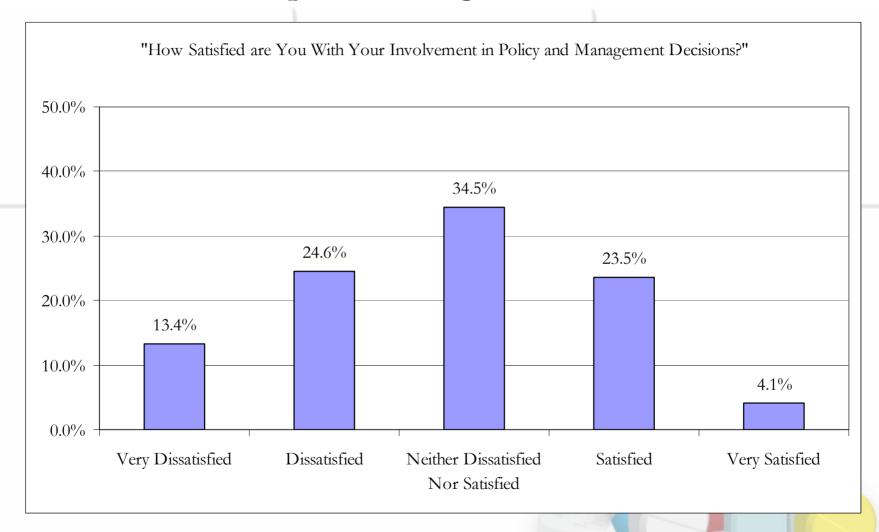


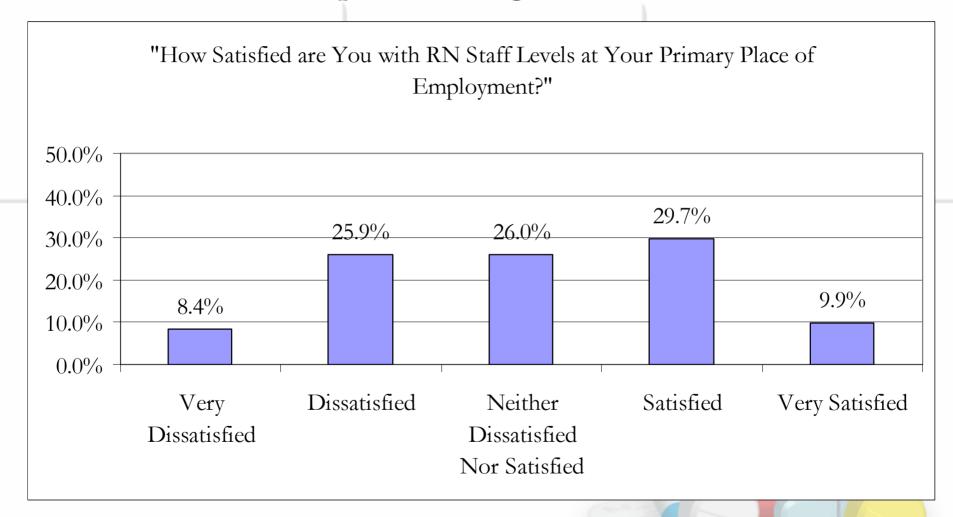


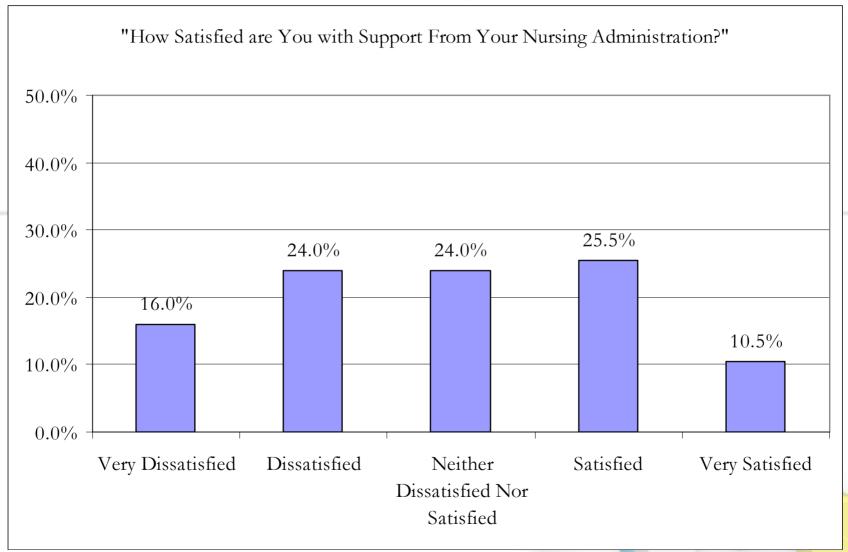


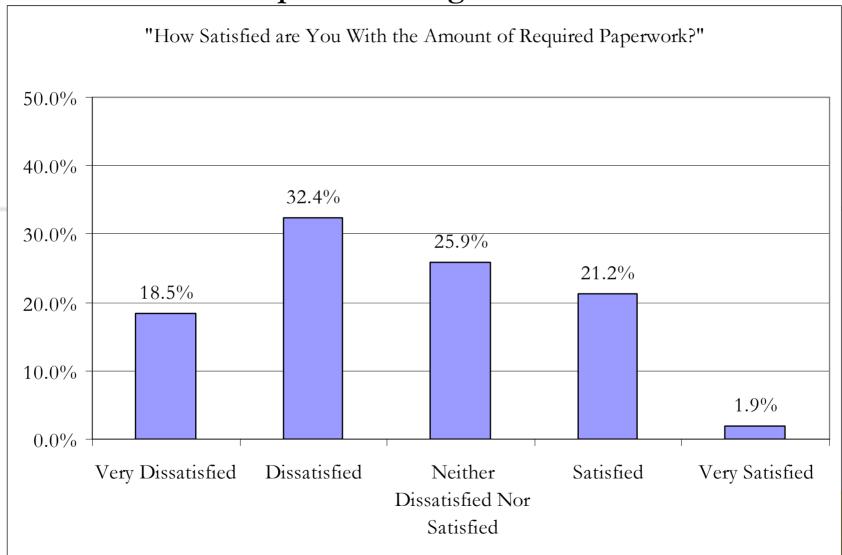












#### Plan to Leave Primary Facility in Next 12 Months, Direct Patient Care Only

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	205	17.1%
No	994	82.7%
No Answer	3	0.2%
Total	1,202	100.0%



Crosstabulation: Where You Last Attended High School \* Reason For Living in Community

Where Respondent Last Attended High Scho				
Reason for Living in Community	Wyoming	Out of State	Total	
Existing Job	75	145	220	
	15.4%	20.3%	18.3%	
Proximity to School or Work	14	22	36	
	2.9%	3.1%	3.0%	
Spouse or Partner's Job	96	163	259	
	19.7%	22.8%	21.5%	
Cost of Living/Affordable Housing	23	45	68	
	4.7%	6.3%	5.7%	
Proximity to Natural Amenities	15	101	116	
	3.1%	14.1%	9.7%	
Proximity to Family	180	111	291	
	36.9%	15.5%	24.2%	
Other or No Answer	85	127	212	
	17.4%	17.8%	17.6%	
Total	488	714	1,202	
	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	

# Hospitals & Long-Term Care – Comments Direct Patient Care Nurses Only

North American Industry Classification System Title		
and Code	Age	Comments
Hospitals 622	38	I am a nurse and can go anywhere. Only staying now because of 2 kids. When they are grown, we will travel.
Hospitals 622	56	Will leave when sons graduate high school.
Hospitals 622	36	Cannot leave until children graduate high school because of joint custody agreement.
Hospitals 622	57	I have multiple job opportunities. I stay here til my son graduates from high school, then I leave.
Hospitals 622	56	Don't want to move until my children are out of school.
Hospitals 622	52	After one more year of high school, my son will leave for college and there will not be anyone dependent at home.

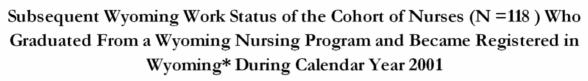
# Hospitals & Long-Term Care – Comments Direct Patient Care Nurses Only

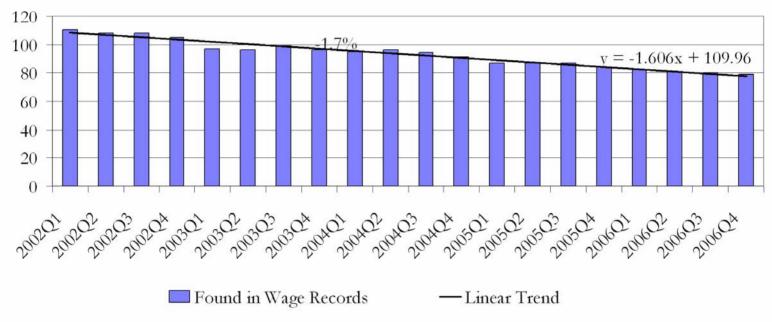
Classification System Title and Code	Age	Comments
Hospitals 622	50	I see very disturbing changes in our facility more chiefs than Indians. Soon we won't have enough staff nurses to care for patients but we have 40+ department managers No wonder health care costs so much.
Long-Term Care 623	61	I hope I die before I have to live in a nursing home. Reason being: quality of care. Staffing is short and the reason given by "corporation" is "we can't go over budget," or "there is a hiring freeze right now." I don't know where "they" come up with the staff-to-resident/patient ratio but in my opinion is very unsafe and direct care suffers. The only thing I can do, is the very best for the residents on my shifts.
Hospitals 622	67	I retired last winter. I had planned on working several more years, but related to 12-hour shifts, frequent on-call status, night shifts, heavy 8-10 patient load, the current culture of disrespect shown to nurses by patients (particularly their family members) & upper-echelon hospital, I got out while I still had my health with all the physical and mental stress, no amount of money could entice me to return to the medical world



# Supply

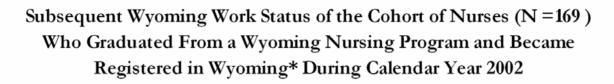


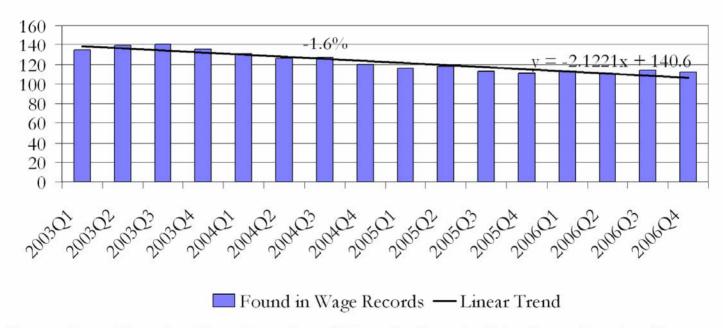




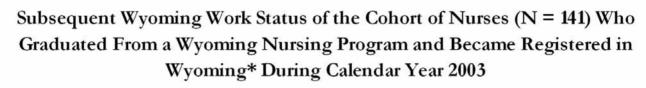
\*Source Data: Wyoming Wage Records and Wyoming Board of Nursing registration files.

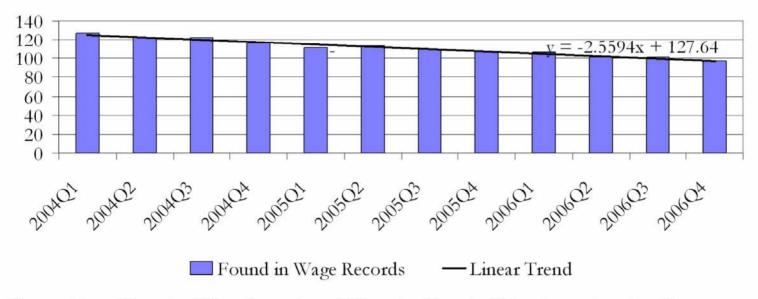






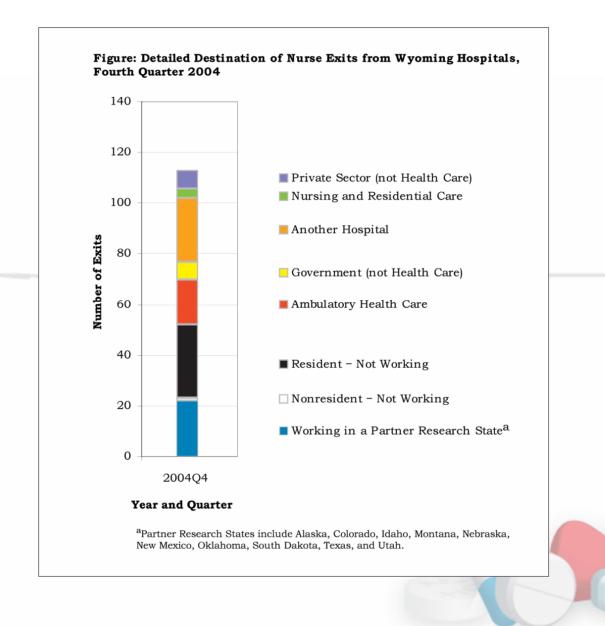
\*Source Data: Wyoming Wage Records and Wyoming Board of Nursing registration files.





\*Source Data: Wyoming Wage Records and Wyoming Board of Nursing registration files.





For More Information, See the Wyoming Health Care Commission's Website:

http://www.wyominghealthcarecommission.org/

