

REGISTERED NURSE

WHAT WILL I BE DOING?

- Care for patients
- Assist doctors during physical exams or surgery
- Educate patients and their families about health and recovery
- Make sure that patients get the right medicine
- Keep track of patient vital signs, such as blood pressure
- Create plans for keeping nursing home residents healthy
- Specialize in an area of medicine if you work in a large hospital or doctor’s office
- Case management and other administrative roles

NATIONAL, STATE AND LOCAL WAGE INFORMATION

	2019 Entry Level Hourly Wage	2018 Employment	Projected 2028 Employment
Capital Area	\$27.69	10,626	13,564
Texas	\$26.95	216,124	252,330
United States	\$25.04	3,096,700*	3,318,700*

WHAT JOB TITLES SHOULD I SEARCH FOR?

- Registered Nurse

WHERE COULD I WORK?

- Medical and Surgical Hospitals
- Offices of Physicians
- Home Health Care Services
- Colleges, Universities, Professional Schools
- Specialty Hospitals
- Government
- Elementary & Secondary Schools

KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS NEEDED

WHAT TYPE OF EDUCATION AND/OR TRAINING WILL I NEED?

Workers in occupations at this level can develop the skills needed for average job performance after completing an associate’s or bachelor’s degree. However, with industry standards changing, some hospitals will only hire Registered Nurses with bachelor’s degrees.

WILL I NEED A SPECIAL LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION?

Many occupations prefer or require at least one certification for entry or advancement. The Texas Workforce Investment Council has indicated the following as Industry– Based Certifications for this occupation: Licensed Registered Nurse.

Primary Data Sources: Texas Workforce Commission at texaslmi.com, JobsEQ at jobseq.eqsuite.com, Bureau of Labor Statistics at bls.gov, and CareerOneStop at careerinfonet.org, 2019, *US projections are for 2019-2029



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CAPITAL AREA CAREER LADDER

* Also Included on Targeted Occupation List (PY 2021)

Nurse Practitioner

Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$41.92
- Median Level: \$52.56

Typical Education & Experience

- Master's Degree

220 new & replacement positions between 2018-2028

*Registered Nurse (RN)

Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$27.69
- Median Level: \$34.63

Typical Education & Experience

- Associate's or Bachelor's Degree
- Licensing/ Registration Required

2,938 new & replacement positions between 2018-2028

*Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN)

Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$17.87
- Median Level: \$23.66

Typical Education & Experience

- Postsecondary non-degree award
- Licensing required

499 new & replacement positions between 2018-2028

*Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)

Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$11.16
- Median Level: \$13.95

Typical Education & Experience

- Postsecondary non-degree award

961 new & replacement positions between 2018-2028

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