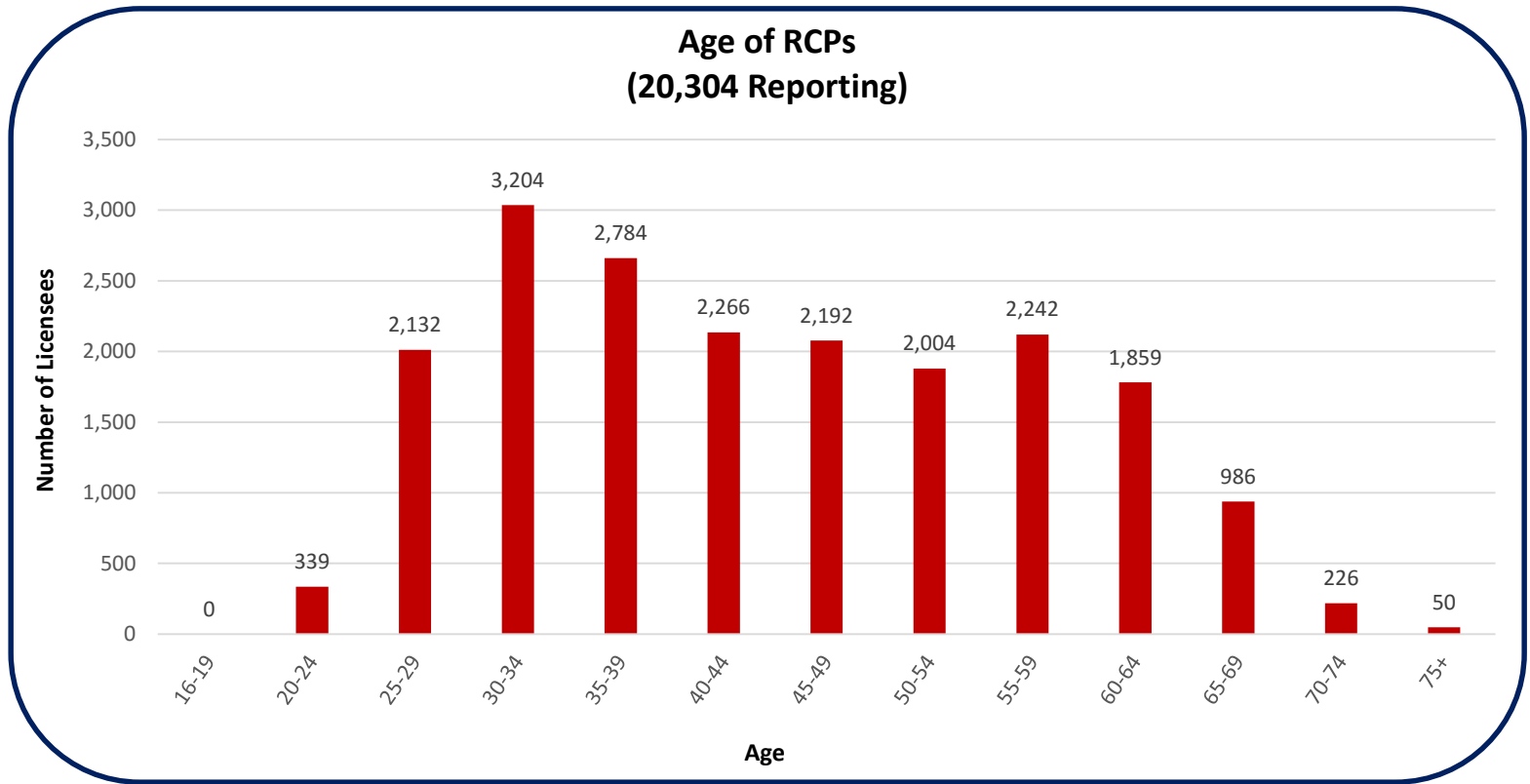




RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTITIONERS

As of July 2016, the Respiratory Care Board of California reported 20,304 Respiratory Care Practitioners (RCP). The average age of RCPs was 45 years old.

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California Counties with the Most RCPs

Counties	# of RCPs	Total Population
Los Angeles	4,876	10,241,335
San Bernardino	2,030	2,139,570
San Diego	1,811	3,288,612
Riverside	1,517	2,347,828
Orange	1,420	3,183,011
Total	11,654	21,200,356



RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTITIONERS

Respiratory Care Practitioners (RCP) evaluate, treat, and care for patients with breathing or other cardiopulmonary disorders and practice under the direction of a physician. RCPs frequently assume primary responsibility for all respiratory care, therapeutic treatments, and diagnostic procedures. RCPs provide care directly to the patient in either a hospital setting or the patient’s home.

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Estimated Average Annual Job Openings RCPs in California

Over Period of 2014-2024		
Jobs from Growth	Jobs Due to Net Replacements	Total Annual Job Openings
250	350	600

Source: EDD/LMID [Projections of Employment by Occupation](#)

2016 Annual Wages of RCPs in California

Low (25 th percentile)	Median (50 th percentile)	High (75 th percentile)
\$66,957	\$80,632	\$95,170

Source: EDD/LMID [Occupational Employment Statistics Survey, 2016](#)
Wages do not reflect self-employment.

Estimated Employment and Projected Growth of RCPs in California

Employment				Net Replacements from 2014-2024
Estimated 2014	Projected 2024	Growth (2014-2024)	Percent Growth	
14,700	17,200	2,500	17.0%	3,500

Source: EDD/LMID [Projections of Employment by Occupation](#)



Sources: Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division Public Master File, October 2016. For the purposes of this Fact Sheet, currently licensed RCPs are defined as ‘renewed and current.’