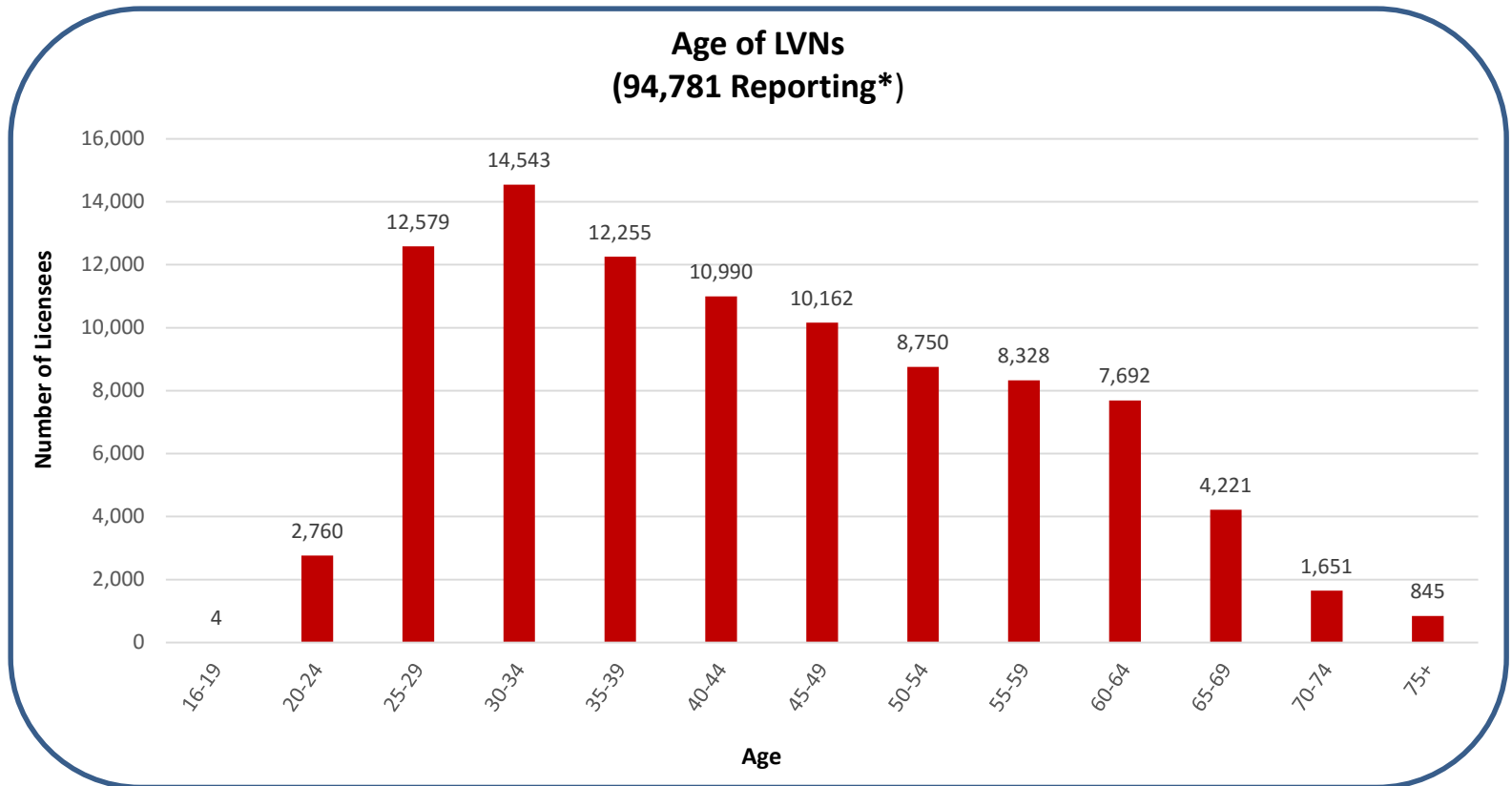




# LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSES

As of July 2016, the California Board of Vocational Nurses and Psychiatric Technicians reported 98,808 active Licensed Vocational Nurses (LVN). The average age of LVNs was 57 years old.

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### California Counties with the Most LVNs

Counties	# of LVNs	Total Population
Los Angeles	28,998	10,241,335
Riverside	7,838	2,347,828
San Bernardino	7,676	2,139,570
San Diego	7,237	3,288,612
Orange	7,070	3,183,011
<b>Total</b>	<b>58,819</b>	<b>21,200,356</b>



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LVNs provide basic, bedside nursing care for sick, injured, convalescing, elderly, and physically or mentally disabled persons. They typically work in a health care team under the direction and supervision of a physician or registered nurse and develop their skills in medical-surgical, maternity, and pediatric nursing. LVNs observe patients, perform basic assessments, and report and document changes in a patient’s condition. They also measure vital signs, perform medical treatments, and administer prescribed medications. LVNs may collect samples and perform routine laboratory tests, feed patients, and record food and fluid intake and output. Some help deliver, care for, and feed newborn babies. Some LVNs perform intravenous therapy or blood withdrawal.

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## Estimated Average Annual Job Openings for LVNs in California

Over Period of 2014-2024		
Jobs From Growth	Jobs Due to Net Replacements	Total Annual Job Openings
1,370	1,870	3,240

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

## 2016 Annual Wages of LVNs in California

Low (25 <sup>th</sup> percentile)	Median (50 <sup>th</sup> percentile)	High (75 <sup>th</sup> percentile)
\$43,613	\$52,743	\$61,032

Source: EDD/LMID Occupational Employment Statistics Survey, 2016 Wages do not reflect self-employment.

## Estimated Employment and Projected Growth of LVNs in California

Employment				Net replacements from 2014-2024
Estimated 2014	Projected 2024	Growth (2014-2024)	Percent growth	
65,700	79,400	13,700	20.9%	1,870

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



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