



### Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses

Care for ill, injured, or convalescing patients or persons with disabilities in hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, private homes, group homes, and similar institutions. May work under the supervision of a registered nurse. Licensing required.

### Cognitive and mental requirements

The qualifications that workers need to use judgment, make decisions, interact with others, and adapt to changes in jobs.

In 2023, more than basic people skills were required for 96.6 percent of licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses, and basic people skills were required for 3.4 percent.

**Table 1. Percentage of licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses with cognitive and mental requirements, 2023**

| Requirement                                | Yes   | No    |
|--|-------|-------|
| <b>Pace: Pause control</b>                 | 33.7  | 66.3  |
| <b>Interaction with general public</b>     | >99.5 | <0.5  |
| <b>Working around crowds</b>               | <0.5  | >99.5 |
| <b>Telework</b>                            | 1.5   | 98.5  |
| <b>Work review: Supervising others</b>     | 15.7  | 84.3  |
| <b>Work review: Presence of supervisor</b> | 62.9  | 37.1  |

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Requirements Survey

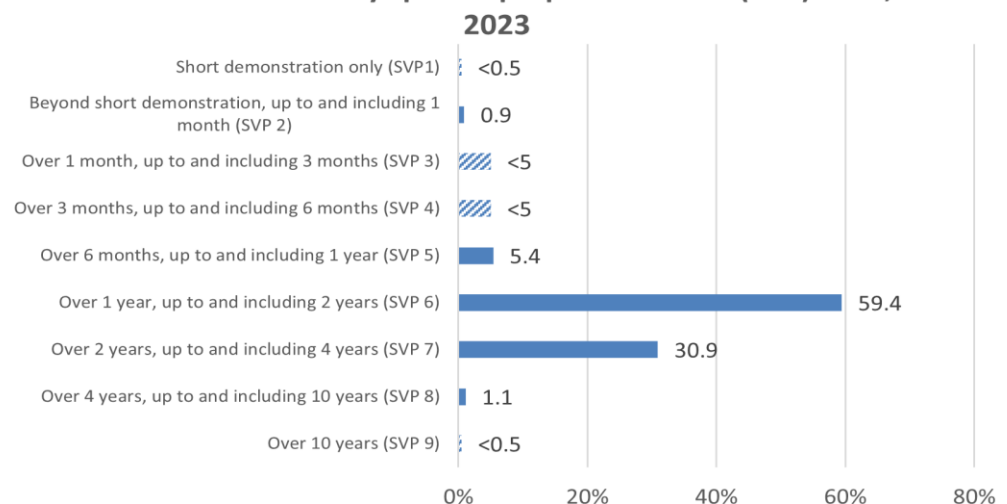
### Education, training, and experience requirements

The minimum level of formal education required, credentials necessary, on-the-job training, and prior work experience necessary for average performance in jobs.

In 2023, credentials were required for greater than 99.5 percent of licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses. Prior work experience was required for 31.8 percent and on-the-job training was required for 87.6 percent.

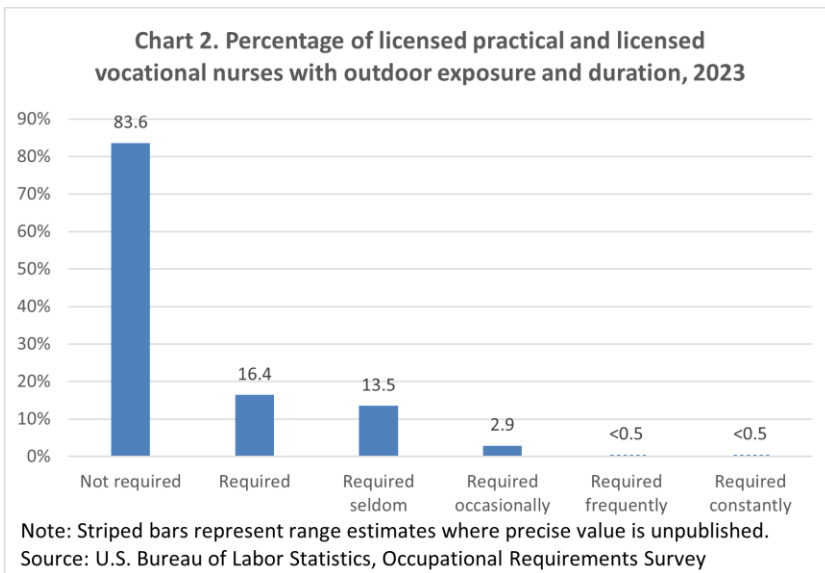
A high school diploma was required for 35.7 percent of licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses and an associate's degree was required for 45.1 percent.

**Chart 1. Percentage of licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses by specific preparation time (SVP) level, 2023**



Note: Striped bars represent range estimates where precise value is unpublished.  
Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Requirements Survey





## Environmental conditions

The various tangible or concrete hazards or difficulties that are in the vicinity of where jobs' critical tasks are performed.

In 2023, greater than 99.5 percent of licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses were not exposed to extreme cold, and greater than 99.5 percent were not exposed to extreme heat. Heavy vibrations were not present for greater than 99.5 percent, and 83.6 percent were not exposed to the outdoors.

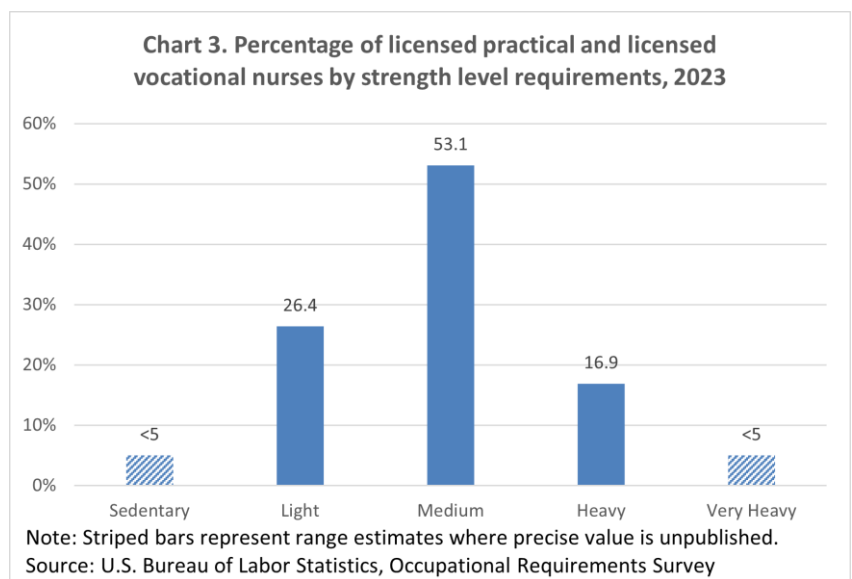
## Physical demands

Refer to the physical activities required to perform tasks in jobs. The presence and, in some cases, duration of these activities are published.

In 2023, keyboarding was required for 93.8 percent of licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses and was not required for 6.2 percent. For less than 15 percent of workers, keyboarding was seldom performed, for 61.1 percent keyboarding occurred occasionally, 22.8 percent frequently, and for less than 0.5 percent keyboarding occurred constantly.

Performing work in low postures was required for 87.1 percent of licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses and was not required for 12.9 percent.

The choice to sit or stand when performing critical tasks was available to 12.8 percent of licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses. On average, workers spent 30.1 percent of the workday sitting and 69.9 percent of the workday standing.



**Table 2. Percentage of licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses with physical demands, 2023**

| Requirement                                | Yes  | No   |
|--|------|------|
| Choice of sitting or standing              | 12.8 | 87.2 |
| Driving                                    | 19.0 | 81.0 |
| Climbing structure-related ramps or stairs | 22.0 | 78.0 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Requirements Survey