



CNA CELEBRATES 100 YEARS OF LEADERSHIP

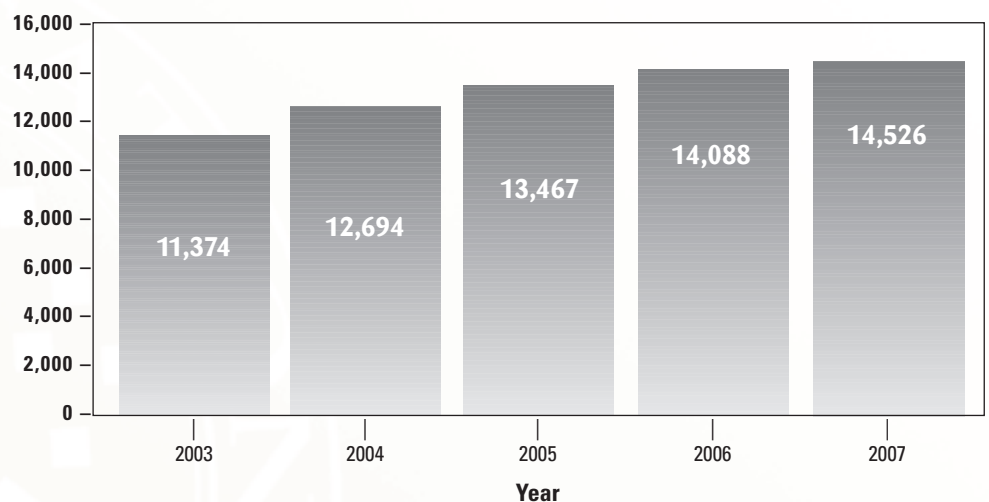
The Canadian Nurses Association celebrates its centennial in 2008. With the theme My Voice. My CNA, centennial activities are taking place throughout the year to recognize CNA's accomplishments in building on knowledge, voicing experience, and energizing the debate to advance a stronger, more vibrant health system for all. We invite you to join with us to celebrate 100 years of leadership on behalf of the nursing profession and the health system. For more information and event listings, see the CNA centennial website at www.cna100.ca.

CERTIFICATION STATISTICS FOR 2007

Currently, registered nurses in Canada can become certified in 17 different specialties through the program, which has grown each year since it began with one specialty in 1991. Over the last five years CNA certification numbers have consistently increased to reach a total of 14,526 valid CNA certifications in 2007.

Figure 1.
Number of RNs with Valid
CNA Certification by Year
(All Specialties), 2003-2007

*Source: Canadian Nurses Association,
Department of Regulatory Policy*



CERTIFICATION SPECIALTIES

The total number of valid CNA certifications in 2007 in Canada increased by 3% from the previous year, to reach a total of 14,526. In 2007, Gerontology maintained its position as the specialty with the most certifications at 1,989. Relative to the other nursing specialties within the CNA Certification Program, Hospice Palliative Care stands out in terms of growth experienced during the past year – certification numbers went from 916 to 1,103, an increase of 20.4%.

Table 1.

Number of Valid CNA
Certifications by Year and
Specialty, 2003-2007

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Cardiovascular	415	546	660	713	722
Community Health	N/A	N/A	N/A	148	216
Critical Care	1,154	1,235	1,263	1,223	1,165
Critical Care – Pediatrics	34	46	61	94	104
Emergency	1,292	1,305	1,353	1,307	1,323
Gastroenterology	N/A	87	147	171	205
Gerontology	1,411	1,628	1,822	1,937	1,989
Hospice Palliative Care	N/A	491	756	916	1,103
Nephrology	877	921	963	1,019	1,052
Neuroscience	163	192	207	223	237
Occupational Health	1,000	988	952	926	908
Oncology	1,081	1,137	1,231	1,332	1,323
Orthopaedics	N/A	N/A	N/A	73	125
Perinatal	488	578	619	621	643
Perioperative	1,772	1,777	1,672	1,585	1,553
Psychiatric/Mental Health	1,687	1,763	1,761	1,729	1,737
Rehabilitation	N/A	N/A	N/A	71	121
TOTAL	11,374	12,694	13,467	14,088	14,526

Source: Canadian Nurses Association,
Department of Regulatory Policy

N/A: Not Applicable since the specialty
certification was not available at the time

SNAPSHOT OF CNA CERTIFICATION IN CANADA

Table 2 gives a breakdown of the number of valid CNA certifications per specialty by province or territory of registration. This table includes all certifications and certification renewals from 2003 to 2007.

Table 2.

Number of Valid CNA
Certifications by Specialty
and Province/Territory of
Registration, 2003-2007.

SPECIALTY	AB	BC	MB	NB	NL	NS	NT	ON	PEI	QC	SK	YT	TOTAL
Cardiovascular	63	132	**	59	22	45	0	311	*	33	37	0	722
Community Health	15	5	12	*	33	18	*	118	0	0	9	*	216
Critical Care	92	88	20	35	38	43	*	710	**	79	46	0	1,165
Critical Care – Pediatrics	19	22	*	0	0	9	0	41	0	6	*	0	104
Emergency	94	165	55	95	40	80	20	693	14	29	32	6	1,323
Gastroenterology	36	41	*	*	*	6	*	93	*	7	11	0	205
Gerontology	328	630	130	54	49	108	*	596	46	28	**	0	1,989
Hospice Palliative Care	140	248	87	38	*	60	0	461	5	40	18	*	1,103
Nephrology	110	131	39	24	28	38	*	607	*	43	25	0	1,052
Neuroscience	38	22	14	**	*	18	0	89	0	34	13	*	237
Occupational Health	102	54	21	21	29	45	0	594	*	11	24	0	908 ¹
Oncology	97	82	71	41	25	42	*	764	**	144	44	0	1,323
Orthopaedics	43	11	**	24	0	10	0	29	0	0	*	0	125
Perinatal	34	91	25	46	14	31	10	345	14	21	12	0	643
Perioperative	244	218	96	69	81	70	**	673	15	51	29	*	1,553
Psychiatric/Mental Health	43	106	17	63	37	104	6	1,308	23	25	*	*	1,737
Rehabilitation	6	15	0	*	*	10	0	74	*	*	5	0	121
GRAND TOTAL	1,504	2,061	618	584	407	737	58	7,506	149	554	331	12	14,526¹

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Department of Regulatory Policy

To prevent calculation of the suppressed
number (*) by using other data in the
table, another number (usually the next
lowest number) is suppressed.

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¹ Both the overall total and the total for Occupational Health are inclusive of Occupational Health Nursing Reciprocity candidates; however, these candidates are not shown in the distribution across jurisdictions.

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