



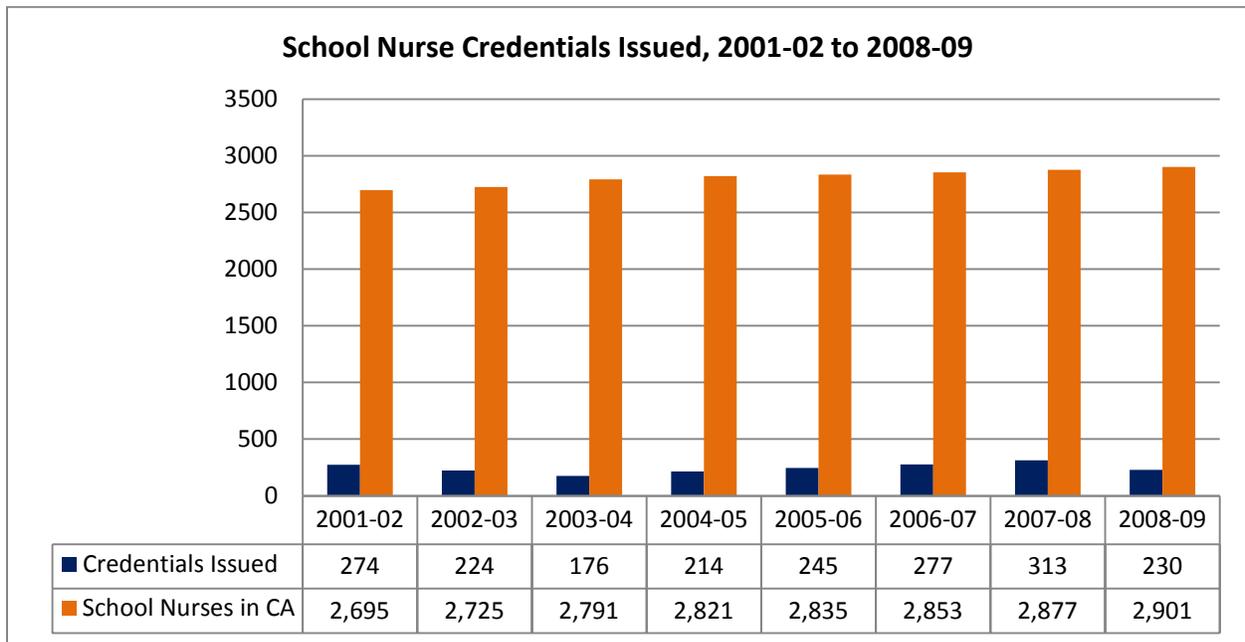
School Nurse Services Credentials Issued

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There are ten approved programs in the state of California that offer credential programs for school nurse credentials: nine California State University campuses (Bakersfield, Fresno, Fullerton, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Northridge, Sacramento, San Bernardino, and San Diego) and one independent university (Azusa Pacific University).

Each year, about 250 school nurse credentials are issued. There was a sharp decline of about 36 percent in between 2001-02 and 2003-04. In the past four years, there was a steady increase in the numbers, reaching more than 300 in 2007-08. Overall, the data for the eight years indicate a decrease of about 16 percent.

According to the California Department of Education, there are approximately 3,000 school nurses working for the California public schools. Data for the past eight years remained fairly steady, with an increase of about 1 percent between each year. Overall, there was an increase in the number of school nurses by 8 percent between 2001-02 and 2008-09.



During the same time period, the public school enrollment went from 6,147,375 in 2001-02 to 6,252,031 in 2008-09, an increase of about 2 percent. The average school nurse to student ratio remained fairly steady at 1:2281 in 2001-02 to 1:2155 in 2008-09.

For more information about School Nurse Services credential requirements please refer to <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/credentials/leaflets/cl380.pdf>

*Note: Data include First time and New Type credentials only; do not include renewals.
Data do not include Health Services Credential.
Data sources: California Commission on Teacher Credentialing; California Department of Education*