



Statistics for the SDGs - indicators for national priorities



Name of the indicator	3.2.b Number of nurses and midwives per 10 thous. population
Sustainable Development Goal	Goal 3. Good health and well-being
Priority	Inequality reduction in access to healthcare
Definition	Number of nurses and midwives (working directly with a patient) per 10 thous. population.
Unit	persons
Available dimentions	total
Methodological explanations	A nurse - a person who has required qualifications, confirmed by appropriate documents, to perform the profession of a nurse, which consists of providing health services (in particular as regards nursing, preventive, diagnostic, medical, rehabilitative and health promotion services. (Act of 5 July 1996 on the Profession of Nurses and Midwives - consolidated text: Journal of Laws of 2009, No. 151, item 1217, with subsequent amendments). A midwife - a person who has required qualifications, confirmed by appropriate documents, to perform the profession of a midwife, which consists of providing health services (in particular as regards nursing, preventive, diagnostic, medical, rehabilitative a and health promotion services, connected with care over a woman, a pregnant woman, a childbearing woman, a woman lying-in as well as over an infant). (Act of 5 July 1996 on the Profession of Nurses and Midwives. Original text: Journal of Laws 1996 No 91, item 410 consolidated text: Journal of Laws of 2001, No. 57, item 602, with later amendments). Persons working directly with a patient - persons indicated as working in at least one of the sources: Register of Entities Performing Medical Activity, list of entities having a contract with National Health Fund, entities from the Statistical Units Base, operating according to the Polish Classification of Activity in Section Q Health and social work or active practice (individual or group). The following criteria are used in determining the main place of work for people working with a patient: • if a person works in one place, this is their main place of work; • if a person works in more than one workplace, the main workplace is considered to be the one where the working time is the greatest; • another criterion for choosing the main place of work was: the basis for assessing the health insurance contribution, and if it is impossible to use it - the basis for assessing the health insurance contribution; • if the above, successively applied criteria do not allow for an unamb
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Data availability	Annual data; since 2019
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