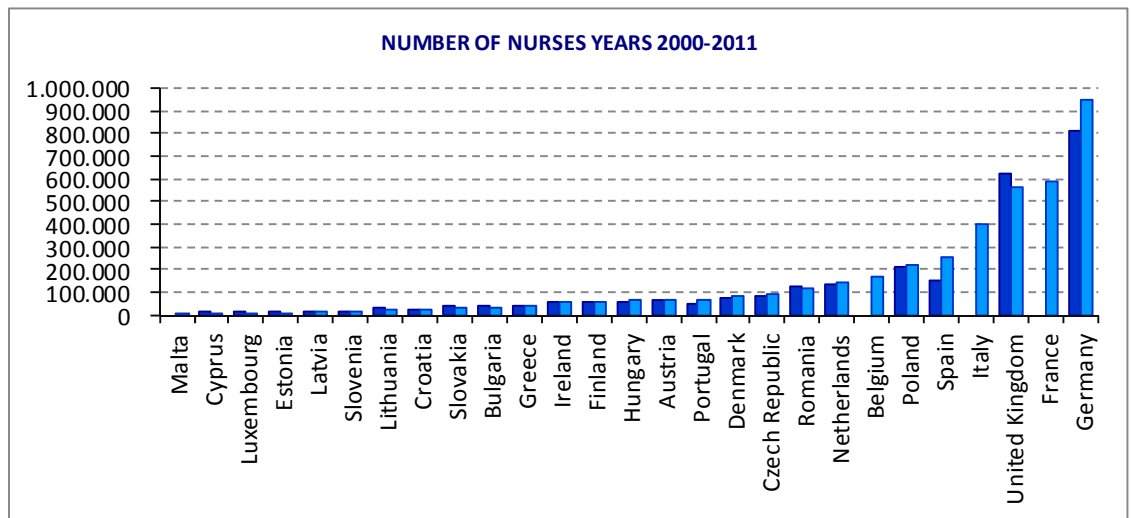


HEALTH PROFESSIONALS' PROFILE NURSES AND MIDWIVES

PERCENTAGE OF NURSES WORKING IN HOSPITALS (DATA AVAILABLE)	
Austria	100,0%
Greece	100,0%
Malta	77,5%
Estonia	73,1%
Bulgaria	67,2%
Finland	66,1%
Croatia	65,7%
Lithuania	64,1%
Spain	64,0%
Latvia	63,9%
Portugal	59,3%
Germany	59,1%
Belgium	57,3%
Denmark	56,9%
Hungary	54,8%
Slovenia	53,8%
Romania	50,9%
Ireland	41,9%



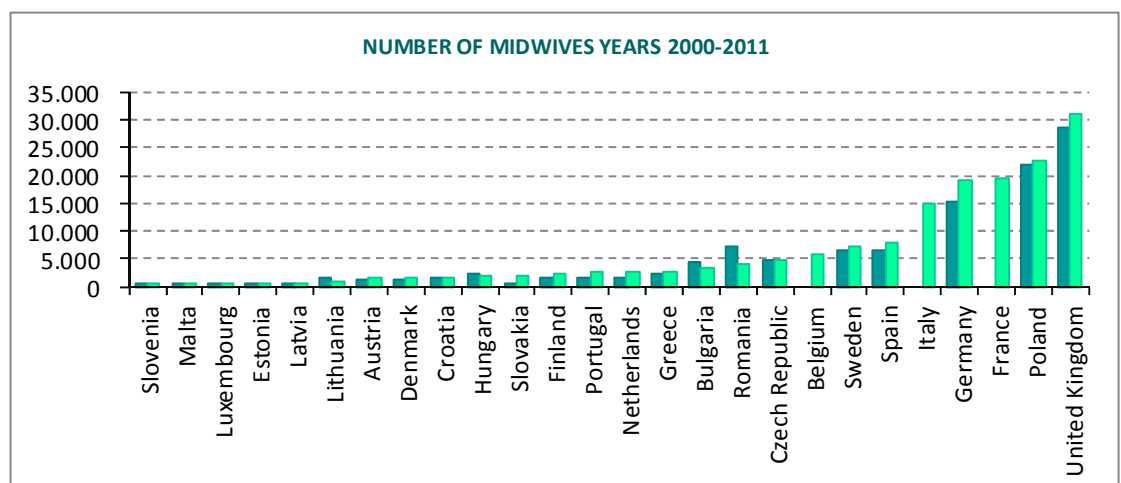
NOTE. All data refer to years 2000-2011, except for: Cyprus (2000-2004), Finland (2000-2010), Greece (2000-2009), Malta (2002-2011), Netherlands (2002-2008), Portugal (2004-2011) and Slovenia (2003-2011).
Data for Sweden are not available.

Main Sources of data: WHO/Europe, European HFA Database, January 2014

In 2011 the average number of nurses per 100.000 inhabitants in the European Union was 836, 856 in EU15 and 618 in EU13. The Member States with the higher number of nurses per 100.000 inhabitants were Belgium (1.584,9), Denmark (1.573,3), Ireland (1.215,3) and Luxembourg (1.163,5). The Member States with the lower number of nurses per 100.000 inhabitants were Greece (353,9), Bulgaria (474,6), Latvia (515,6), Spain (548,1) and Romania (550,8). Between 2000 and 2011, the total number of nurses generally increased in all the countries of European Union. In particular, the total number of nurses, steadily increased up to more than 30% in Luxembourg (+53,9%), Spain (+46,8%) and Portugal (+45,3%). It decreased in Ireland (-2,1%), Lithuania (-8,3%), United Kingdom (-11,5%) and Slovakia (-17,2%).

In 2011, the average number of midwives per 100.000 inhabitants was 33,0 in the European Union, 31,7 in EU15 and 39,8 in EU13. The Member States with the higher number of midwives per 100.000 inhabitants were Sweden (77,5), Poland (59,0), Belgium (52,6) and United Kingdom (49,8). The Member States with the lower number of midwives per 100.000 inhabitants were Hungary (-17,5), Spain (-16,7), Austria (-15,9), the Netherlands (-15,7) and Slovenia (-5,2).

Between 2000 and 2011, the total number of midwives significantly decreased in Romania (-41,9%), Lithuania (-29,3%), and Estonia (-23,2%); while it increased in Slovakia (+498,6%), Slovenia (+225,6%), Luxembourg (+64,0%) and Portugal (+56,5%).



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Data for Cyprus and Ireland are not available.

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