

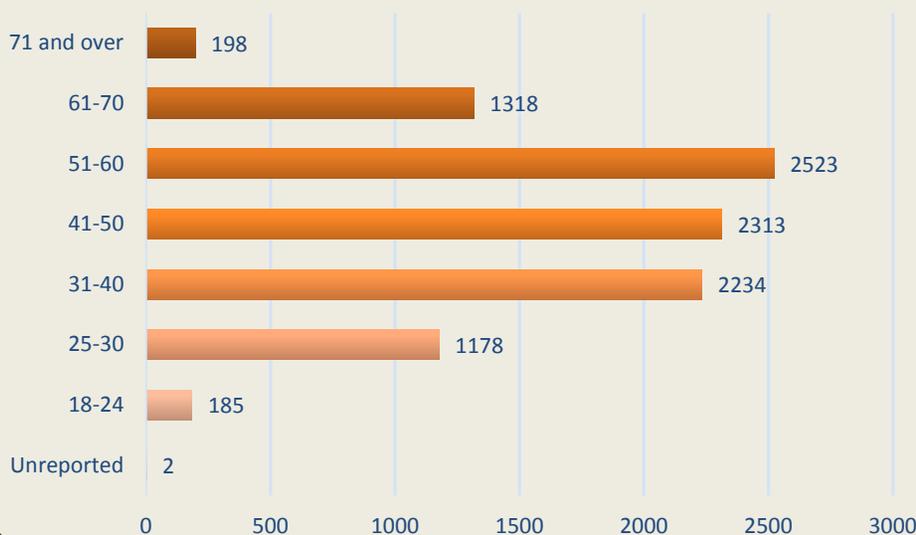
Psychiatric Technicians (Psych Techs) are entry-level practitioners who provide care for mentally disordered or developmentally disabled clients under the director of services. Duties within the scope of practice typically include: basic hygiene and nursing care, measurement of vital signs, administration of prescribed medications, and behavioral management.

As of September 2014, there were 9,951 Psych Techs as reported by the California Board of Vocational Nurses and Psychiatric Technicians.

Over 60% of Psych Techs Work in Six California Counties (n=9,951)

County	# of Psych Techs
San Bernardino	1,676
San Luis Obispo	1,117
Los Angeles	994
Tulare	927
Orange	731
Solano	618
Total	6,063

Age of Licensure Psych Techs (n=9,951)



Average Age of Psych Techs by Region (n=9,951)

Region	Average Age
Bay Area	50.7
North	50.2
Central Coast	49.6
South	49.6
Inland Empire	49
Central	47.9

¹Source of Data: California Department of Consumer Affairs, Board of Vocational Nurses and Psychiatric Technicians Master File, September 2014. For purposes of this Fact Sheet, currently licensed psychiatric technicians with active licenses are those defined by the BVNPT as "clear." ***North region counties** – Butte, Colusa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Mendocino, Modoc, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yolo, Yuba ***Central region counties** – Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Fresno, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Tulare, Tuolumne ***Bay Area region counties** – Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, Sonoma ***South region counties** – Imperial, San Diego, Los Angeles, Orange ***Central Coast region counties** – Monterey, San Benito, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Ventura ***Inland Empire region counties** – Riverside, San Bernardino.

