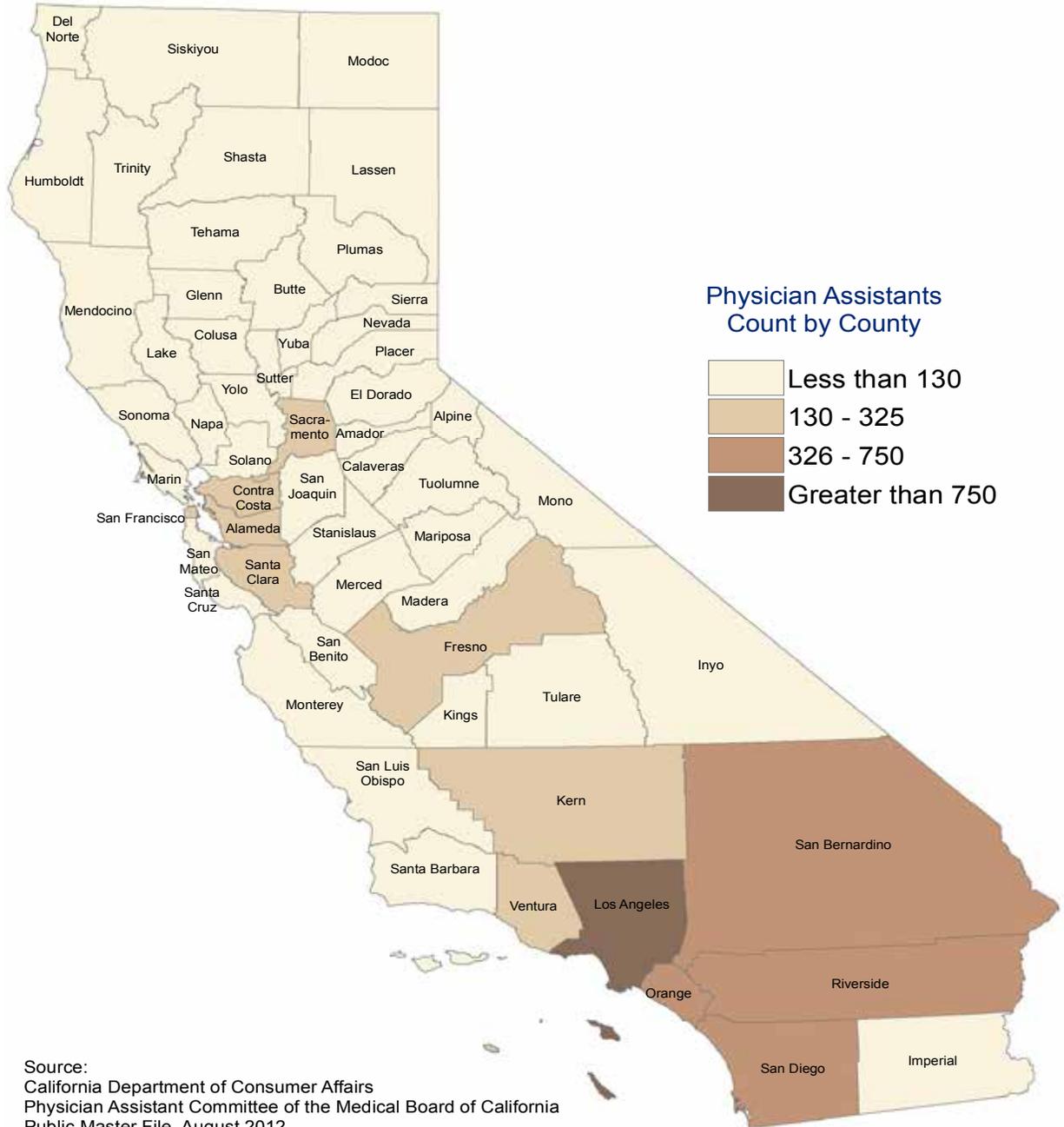


Physician Assistants (PA) September 2012



Physician Assistants (PAs) are licensed and regulated by the Department of Consumer Affairs, Physician Assistant Committee (PAC). As of September 2012, there were 8,104 currently licensed* PAs in the State of California. The table below identifies the current supply of active PAs by licensee county of record.

Current supply of Physician Assistants by County of Record



Source:
California Department of Consumer Affairs
Physician Assistant Committee of the Medical Board of California
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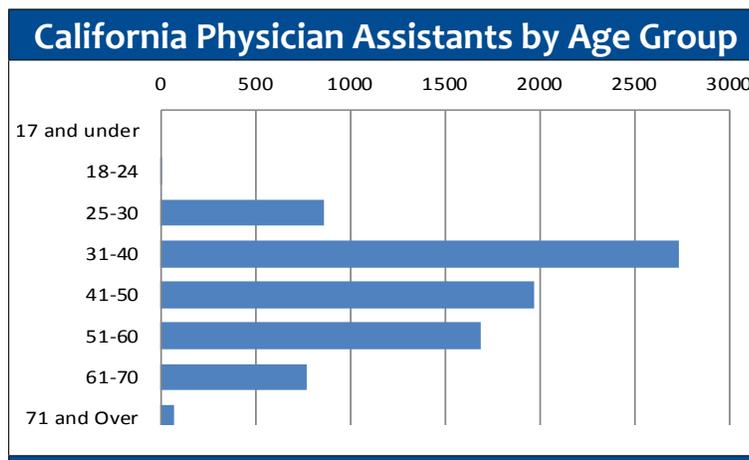


Current Supply of PAs by County of Record					
County	Number of Providers	County	Number of Providers	County	Number of Providers
Alameda	325	Marin	61	San Mateo	128
Alpine	0	Mariposa	8	Santa Barbara	104
Amador	8	Mendocino	20	Santa Clara	311
Butte	97	Merced	56	Santa Cruz	117
Calaveras	9	Modoc	N/A	Shasta	78
Colusa	N/A	Mono	7	Sierra	0
Contra Costa	200	Monterey	80	Siskiyou	15
Del Norte	10	Napa	24	Solano	74
El Dorado	51	Nevada	35	Sonoma	74
Fresno	244	Orange	749	Stanislaus	111
Glenn	7	Placer	98	Sutter	20
Humboldt	40	Plumas	N/A	Tehama	11
Imperial	22	Riverside	474	Trinity	6
Inyo	N/A	Sacramento	314	Tulare	123
Kern	162	San Benito	9	Tuolumne	15
Kings	35	San Bernardino	489	Ventura	133
Lake	11	San Diego	722	Yolo	59
Lassen	10	San Francisco	178	Yuba	17
Los Angeles	1976	San Joaquin	66		
Madera	24	San Luis Obispo	77	Total	8,094

Counties reporting under five physician assistants are categorized as N/A (not available) for confidentiality purposes. The counties that display not available account for 10 licensed physician assistants.

Age

The Physician Assistant Committee's active PAs in California by age group can be seen in the table and chart below.

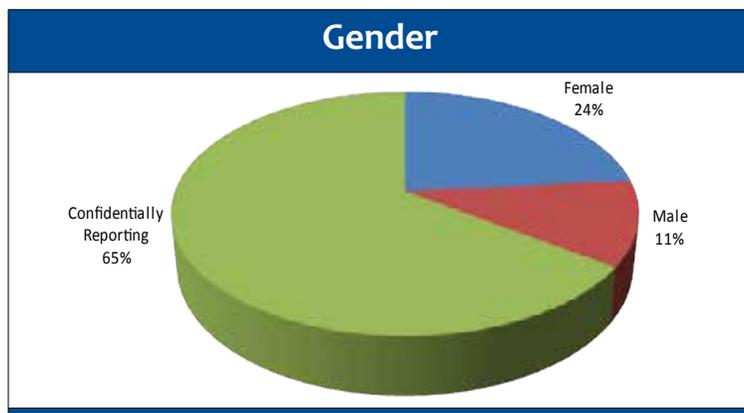


Age Group	Number of Physician Assistants	% of Total Providers
17 and Under	0	0%
18 - 24	8	< 1%
25 - 30	864	11%
31 - 40	2,732	34%
41 - 50	1,974	24%
51 - 60	1,686	21%
61 - 70	774	9%
71 and Over	66	1%
Total Responses	8,104	100%



Gender

The Physician Assistant Committee's gender distribution for 8,104 currently licensed PAs residing in California can be seen in the table and chart below.



Gender	Total Responses	% of Total Providers
Female	1,913	24%
Male	908	11%
Confidentially Reporting**	5,283	64%
Total Responses	8,104	100%

Race/Ethnicity

The Physician Assistant Committee does not currently collect information on the race/ethnicity of Physician Assistant licensees.

Languages Spoken

The Physician Assistant Committee does not currently collect information on the languages spoken of Physician Assistant licensees.



The following data are based on the Employment Development Department Labor Market Information Division's Statewide 2008-2018 Occupational Employment Projections.

As displayed in the "Average Annual Job Openings" table below, the average annual job openings is an estimate of jobs created, resulting from economic growth and jobs created when workers retire or permanently leave an occupation and need to be replaced.

As displayed in the "2010 – 1st Quarter Wages" table below, the 2010 first quarter wages are the most recent wage estimates available for the 2008-2018 statewide projections.***

Average Annual Job Openings	
New Jobs	340
Replacement Needs	150
Total	490
2010 – 1st Quarter Wages	
Median Hourly	\$43.60
Median Annual	\$90,679

Top Industries Which Employ This Occupation
1. Offices of Physicians
2. Outpatient Care Center
3. General Medical and Surgical Hospitals
4. Colleges and Universities
5. Federal Government

Source of Data: California Department of Consumer Affairs Physician Assistant Committee California Public Master File, August 2012

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**Confidentially Reporting signifies that the PA did not fill out any of the categories identified on the survey.

***Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division, Statewide 2008-2018 Occupational Employment Projections, July 2010

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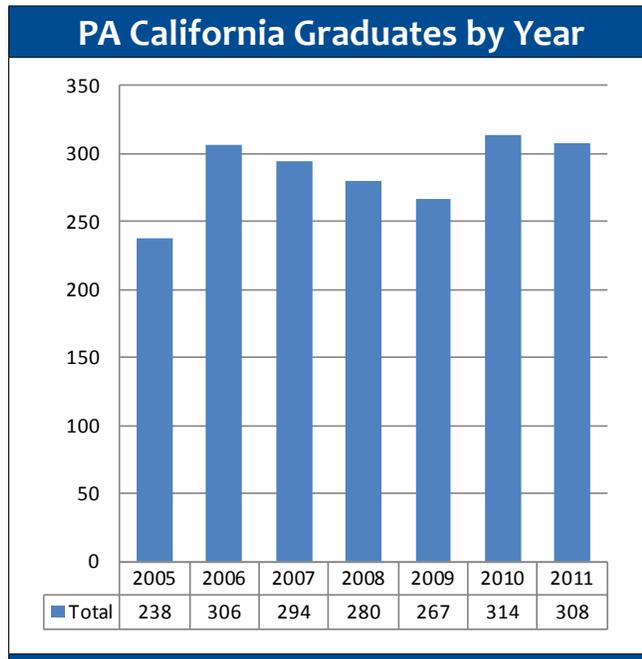
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The table below shows the colleges and universities that offer PA education programs in California. The same information can be seen graphically in the map on page 5.

Physician Assistant Committee Approved Education Programs in California	
Community Colleges	
Riverside Community College	San Joaquin Valley College
University of California	
University of California, Davis	
Private Colleges and Universities	
Loma Linda University	Touro University
Samuel Merritt University	USC Primary Care Physician Assistant Program, Keck School of Medicine of USC
Stanford University School of Medicine	Western University of Health Sciences

The table and graph below display the number of students who earned degrees in the Physician Assistant (PA) programs offered at California colleges and universities from 2005-2011.



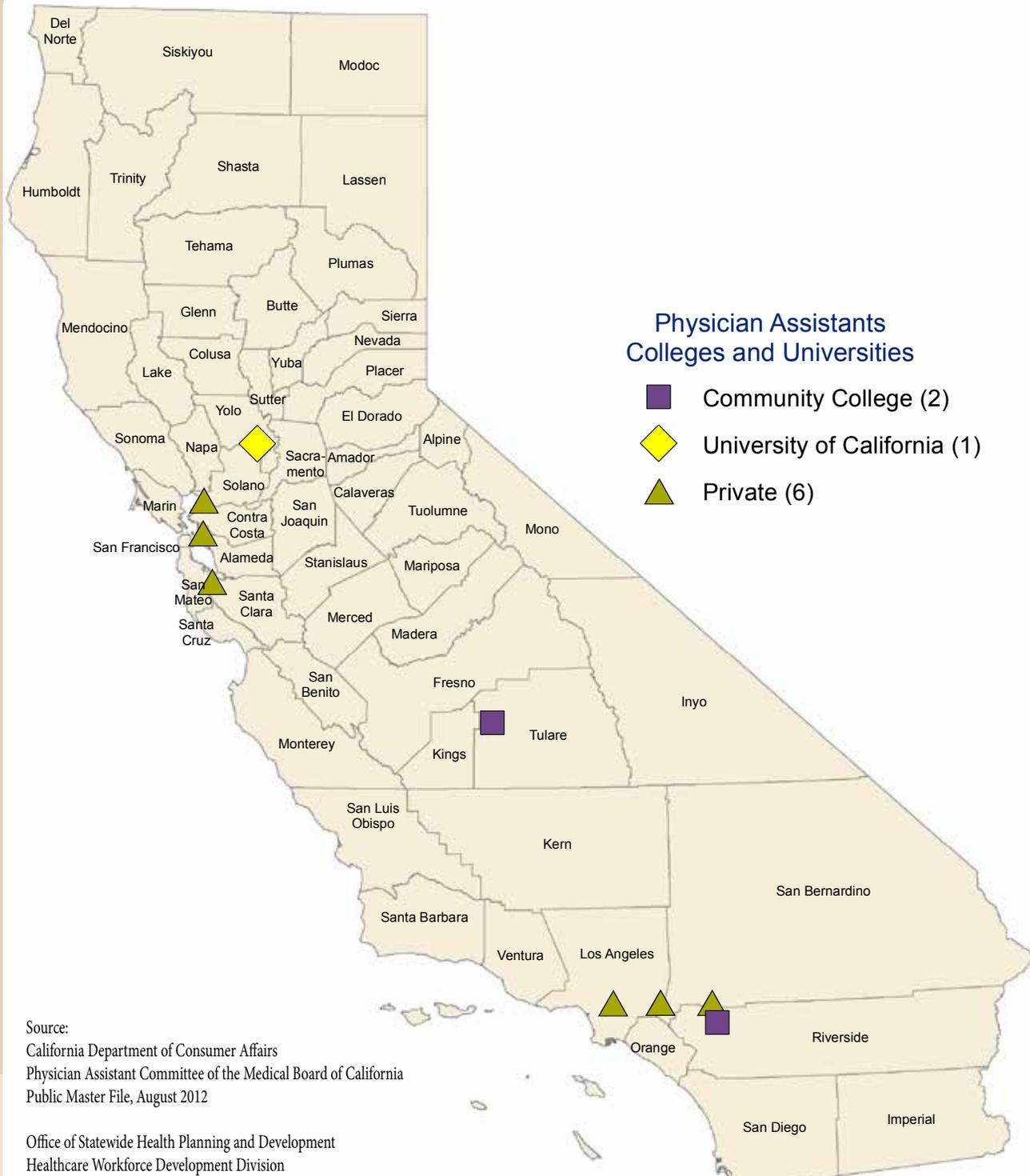
Year Graduated	Number of Graduates
2005	238
2006	306
2007	294
2008	280
2009	267
2010	314
2011	308
Total	2,007

Source of Data: California Department of Consumer Affairs, Physician Assistant Committee, California, August 2012
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The map below identifies 2012 PA education programs in California including Community Colleges, California State Universities, Universities of California and Private Colleges.

2012 Physician Assistant Education Programs in California



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