About 1.6 million students will graduate from college in 2015. While many college graduates get jobs, some fields continue to struggle to fill positions. The demand for nurses in the United States has increased rapidly in recent years, and this growth is projected to continue well into the future. The American Association of Critical-Care Nurses reports that, even with enrollment increases in undergraduate nursing programs, the anticipated demand for nurses will likely not be met.

So, who are these nursing students? What do these students want to do in their careers? And, how quickly are graduates getting hired?

**WHO ARE OUR NURSING GRADUATES?**

- **88%**
- **12%**

**WHAT ARE THEIR FUTURE PLANS/WANTS?**

- **49%** seeking job within 30 miles of their nursing program
- **94%** want to work in a hospital
- **67%** plan to seek future education in a field related to their major

**HOW QUICKLY ARE GRADUATES GETTING HIRED?**

- **41%** accepted full-time position by graduation
- **33%** found one in less than 3 months
- **14%** found one in between 4 and 6 months
- **88%** of undergraduate nursing students reported finding a job in their field within 6 months of graduation