

2015 Employment and Wages, Advanced Practice Nurses

West Virginia has the highest mean hourly wage and hence the highest mean annual wage for Nurse Anesthetists of all bordering states, and West Virginia salaries for Nurse Anesthetists are more than \$15,000 above the national average. Similarly, Nurse Midwives also earn more than the mean annual wage in West Virginia than in surrounding states or nationally. Conversely, Nurse Practitioners, the largest group of advanced practice nurses in the state earn lower than the national average and surrounding states, with the gap being largest between West Virginia and Virginia, a gap of over \$7,000 dollars annually. The gap between West Virginia Nurse Practitioner mean annual salaries and the national mean is even greater, at nearly \$10,000 dollars a year.

| | 2015 Total Employment, | | i iy wage and wea | an Annual W | age |
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| Nurse Anesthet | | | T | | |
| Area | Total Employment | Mean Hourly Wage | | Mean Annual Wage | |
| WV | 480 | | 84.31 | \$ | 175,360 |
| KY | 1,210 | \$77.42 | | \$ | 161,040 |
| MD | 510 | \$75.06 | | \$ | 156,110 |
| OH | 2,330 | \$72.08 | | \$ | 149,920 |
| PA | 2,210 | \$73.49 | | \$ | 152,850 |
| VA | 1,270 | \$80.73 | | \$ | 167,930 |
| National | 39,410 | \$77.04 | | \$ | 160,250 |
| Nurse Midwives | <u> </u> | | | | |
| Area | , Total Employment | Mean Hourly Wage | | Mean Annual Wage | |
| WV | 40 | \$ | 51.51 | \$ | 107,140 |
| KY | 160 | \$ | 46.74 | \$ | 97,220 |
| MD | 200 | \$ | 42.75 | \$ | 88,910 |
| ОН | 200 | \$ | 44.90 | \$ | 93,390 |
| PA | 180 | \$ | 45.10 | \$ | 93,800 |
| VA | * | | * | | * |
| National | 7,430 | \$ | 45.01 | \$ | 93,610 |
| Nurse Practitior | ners | | | | |
| Area | Total Employment | Mean Hourly Wage | | Mean Annual Wage | |
| WV | 890 | \$ | 43.88 | \$ | 91,270 |
| KY | 2,620 | \$ | 45.74 | \$ | 95,140 |
| MD | 2,750 | \$ | 46.25 | \$ | 96,200 |
| OH | 6,300 | \$ | 46.40 | \$ | 96,520 |
| PA | 4,380 | \$ | 44.55 | \$ | 92,670 |
| VA | 4,070 | \$ | 47.58 | \$ | 98,960 |
| National | 136,060 | \$ | 48.68 | \$ | 101,260 |

*Data not available

Source: Bureau for Labor Statistics (2016) Occupational Employment and Wages, May 2015.