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Agenda

August 19, 2024Virginia Farm BureauAuditorium12580 W. Creek ParkwayRichmond, VA 232381:00 p.m.	Board of Veterinary Medicine and State Veterinarian Veterinarian Shortage Study Workgroup Supporting Data Subgroup
 Call to Order – Kelli Moss, Executive Director, Board of Welcome Emergency Egress Procedures Introductions 	Veterinary Medicine
Ordering of Agenda – Ms. Moss	
Public Comment – Ms. Moss The Board will receive all public comment related to the sco	pe of work of the workgroup.
Approval of Minutes – Ms. Moss July 8, 2024 – Supporting Data Subgroup Meeting	Pages 2-4
 Discussion facilitated by Ms. Moss Healthcare Workforce Data Center Survey Question Current data and questions (pp 5-36) Additional HWDC survey questions for some Considerations: Rural/Large/Food/Vet:1 USDA data identifying shortage areas (p. 37) Overview of compiled data Shared Files for Supporting Data Next Steps: Recommendations to Workgroup 	study
New Business – Ms. Moss	
Next Meeting – Ms. Moss	

Meeting Adjournment – Ms. Moss

This information is in **<u>DRAFT</u>** form and is subject to change.



Call to Order

The meeting of the Virginia Board of Veterinary Medicine Veterinarian Shortage Study Workgroup's Supporting Data subgroup was called to order at 9:15 a.m. on July 8, 2024, at the Department of Health Professions (DHP), Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, 2nd Floor, Board Room 3, Henrico, Virginia 23233.

Chair

Kelli G. Moss, Executive Director, Board of Veterinary Medicine

Workgroup Participants Present

Charles Broaddus, DVM, PhD, Dip. ACT, VA Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services Thomas B. Massie, Jr., DVM, Board of Veterinary Medicine William T. Swecker, DVM, PhD, DACVN, Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine Daniel Givens, DVM, PhD, Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine Martha Moore, Virginia Farm Bureau Julia Murphy, DVM, Virginia Department of Health Jane Naramore, LVT, Virginia Association of Licensed Veterinary Technicians Cliff Williamson, Virginia Agribusiness Council

Staff Present

Laura Jackson, MSHSA, Board Administrator Laura D. Paasch, Senior Licensing & Operations Specialist Taryn Singleton, LVT, Board of Veterinary Medicine

Public Present

Jake Tabor, Virginia Farm Bureau

Public Attending Electronically

Elizabeth Hooper, Lobbyist for Virginia Tech

Call to Order

The participants were welcomed, and introductions were made.

Ordering of Agenda

Ms. Moss opened the floor to any edits or corrections regarding the agenda. Hearing none, the agenda was accepted as presented.



Public Comment

No public comment was provided.

Discussion

Review of Data Sources:

Ms. Moss provided a draft document with links to additional data sources relating to all the subgroups that will be made available to the Workgroup participants for reference.

Ms. Moss reviewed the available data sources identifying the shortage history in past studies, current shortage studies and trends.

Additional Data Needed:

The subgroup discussed ways to identify demographic and geographic shortages within specific animal population groups to more accurately determine areas of need, with data gathering focused on large animal veterinary practices. This may include additional questions on the voluntary license renewal survey through DHP's Healthcare Workforce Data Center (HWDC), or conducting an independent survey of veterinarians to gather additional data needed. Any survey questions developed could also serve as ongoing data collection for shortage monitoring beyond this two-year study.

The subgroup agreed the scope of questions should pinpoint where shortages lie in veterinary care in rural areas in Virginia and show any correlation with the decline of large animal veterinarians across Virginia.

The subgroup identified local governments as potential resources to amass available infrastructure that would support a veterinarian in a shortage area, and they discussed public/private partnerships as a means of financial support for students, new veterinarians and established practices.

The following action items were developed:

ACTION ITEM: Ms. Moss will maintain and disseminate to subgroup participants a list of online reference materials.

ACTION ITEM: Ms. Moss will obtain the current list of renewal survey questions to provide to the subgroup as well as information and timeframes for data collection through the HWDC.

ACTION ITEM: Dr. Broaddus will provide the USDA's list of veterinarians authorized to perform accredited services for disease control and prevention in food animals to extract geographical data.



Next Steps:

The subgroup agreed to meet again to review the additional information prior to presenting a data overview to the Workgroup during its next meeting projected for early October.

New Business

There was no new business to report.

Next Meeting

The next Supporting Data subgroup meeting will be held on August 19, 2024, at the Virginia Farm Bureau Auditorium, 12580 West Creek Parkway, Richmond, Virginia 23238.

Adjournment

With no objection, Ms. Moss adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Kelli G. Moss, Executive Director Chair

2023 Veterinarian Survey Questions

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743 Education and Background

1) Year of Birth:

744 2) Sex:

745 Please select the items that best describe your race/ethnicity. Please answer both question

746 3b) Select all that apply:

747 3c) If some other race, please specify:

748 4) Where did you graduate high school (Secondary School)?

749 5) Was your childhood spent mostly in rural, urban or suburban areas?

750 6) Where did you complete your undergraduate degree?

1633 7) Where did you complete veterinary school?

1174 8) Please indicate any education you have completed as of today (excluding residencies or ac

1634 9) Do you hold an active license to practice veterinary medicine in any other jurisdiction? Ple 755 10a) Please indicate any residencies or specialty training programs you ha

1561 10b) Please indicate any other areas in which you have significant education, training or prac

1562 10c) If you have any other additional training or credentials, please provide a short descriptic

756 11) Where did you complete your most recent residency/fellowship?

894 Current Employment Status

12 Which choice best describes you

895 13) Overall, and taking into account all positions you fill, how satisfied are you with your curr

896 14) If employed, how many positions do you currently hold?

<i>Note: There is no le 1635 15) Considering all postions you currently fill, how long is your average workweek?
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900 17) How long have you worked at this particular location?

901 18a) Approximate number of weeks at which at least some time was spent at this work locat

902 18b) How many hours do you (or did you) work in an average workweek at this location?

844 19) In the average workweek at this location, roughly what percentage of your working hour

1178 19b) Direct patient care, including patient education and coordination of care

1179 19c) Education of health professions students

1106 19d) Formal research

1107 19e) Other

1480 20) Average number of patient care visits you conduct at this location per week:

854 21a) Please select the choice that best describes this location's organizational sector:

855 21b) Please select the choice that best describes this practice setting:

856 21c) If you selected other practice setting please provide a brief description:

1717 In addition to English, in which of the following languages is this practice able to provide care 1720 If other, what languages?

1718 How is your practice able to provide these language services? Check all that apply:

1719 If other, how is it provided?

1182 22) Please indicate how you are (were) personally compensated for activities at this location

1183 Secondary Work Location

<i>Questions 23 to 30 refer to your se

1184 24) Please select the Virginia County or Independent City, or other location, of your primary

1185 25) How long have you worked at this particular location?

1186 26a) Approximate number of weeks at which at least some time was spent at this work locat

1187 26b) How many hours do you (or did you) work in an average workweek at this location?

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1193 27e) Other

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930 29a) Please select the choice that best describes this location's organizational sector:

931 29b) Please select the choice that best describes this practice setting:

932 29c) If you selected other practice setting please provide a brief description:

1196 30) Please indicate how you are (were) personally compensated for activities at this location

1197 31) How many total work locations have you had over the past 12 months?

1198 32) How many work locations do you have currently?

1199 Employment Information

<i>The Healthcare Workforce Data Cen

1638 34) What is your estimated annual net income from your veterinary medicine related activiti

1201 35) Do you receive any of the following benefits from any current employer? Please check al

1202 36) What is your estimated current educational debt?

1642 37) At what age do you plan to retire from veterinary medicine?

1204 38) Within the next two years do you plan to do any of the following? Please check all that a 1639 39) If you did not practice, teach or otherwise work in veterinary medicine within the past tw

1640 40) Do you provide any volunteer, mentoring or other services within veterinary medicine in

1641 41) Do you expect to begin working in veterinary medicine in Virginia? If so, when?

Virginia's Veterinarian Workforce: 2023

Healthcare Workforce Data Center

February 2024

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Follow us on Tumblr: *www.vahwdc.tumblr.com* Get a copy of this report from: *https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/PublicResources/HealthcareWorkforceDataCenter/ProfessionReports/* More than 4,000 veterinarians voluntarily participated in this survey. Without their efforts, the work of the center would not be possible. The Department of Health Professions, the Healthcare Workforce Data Center, and the Board of Veterinary Medicine express our sincerest appreciation for their ongoing cooperation.

Thank You!

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The Veterinarian Workforce: At a Glance:

The Workforce

 Licensees:
 5,086

 Virginia's Workforce:
 3,750

 FTEs:
 3,342

Survey Response Rate

All Licensees:85%Renewing Practitioners:92%

Demographics

Female:74%Diversity Index:23%Median Age:45

Background

Rural Childhood:28%HS Diploma in VA:37%Prof. Degree in VA:33%

Education

DVM/VMD: 76% Masters or PhD: 12%

Finances

Median Inc.: \$110k-\$120k Health Insurance: 53% Under 40 w/ Ed. Debt: 65%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Current Employment

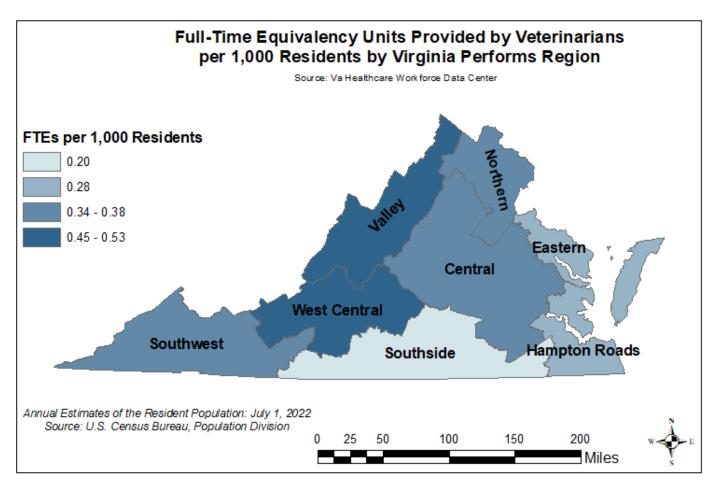
Employed in Prof.:95%Hold 1 Full-Time Job:66%Satisfied?:92%

Job Turnover

Switched Jobs:7%Employed Over 2 Yrs.:64%

Time Allocation

Patient Care:90%-99%Administration:1%-9%Patient Care Role:85%



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This report contains the results of the 2023 Veterinarian Workforce survey. There were 4,328 veterinarians who voluntarily participated in this survey. The Virginia Department of Health Professions' Healthcare Workforce Data Center (HWDC) administers the survey during the license renewal process, which takes place every December for veterinarians. These survey respondents represent 85% of the 5,086 veterinarians licensed in the state and 92% of renewing practitioners.

The HWDC estimates that 3,750 veterinarians participated in Virginia's workforce during the survey period, which is defined as those veterinarians who worked at least a portion of the year in the state or who live in the state and intend to return to work as a veterinarian at some point in the future. During the past year, Virginia's veterinarian workforce provided 3,342 "full-time equivalency units," which the HWDC defines simply as working 2,000 hours per year.

Nearly three out of every four veterinarians are female, including 84% of those who are under the age of 40. In a random encounter between two veterinarians, there is a 23% chance that they would be of different races or ethnicities, a measure known as the diversity index. For those veterinarians who are under the age of 40, the diversity index increases to 29%. For Virginia's overall population, the comparable diversity index is 60%. Nearly three out of every ten veterinarians grew up in a rural area, and 17% of veterinarians who grew up in a rural area currently work in a non-metro area of the state. In total, 9% of all veterinarians work in a non-metro area of Virginia.

Among all veterinarians, 95% are currently employed in the profession, 66% hold one full-time position, and 36% work between 40 and 49 hours per week. Among all veterinarians, 47% are employed in a group practice, while another 39% work in a solo practice or partnership. The typical veterinarian earns between \$110,000 and \$120,000 per year, and 71% of veterinarians receive this income in the form of a salary. In addition, 70% of veterinarians receive at least one employer-sponsored benefit, including 53% who have access to health insurance. Among all veterinarians, 92% are satisfied with their current work situation, including 56% who indicated that they are "very satisfied."

Summary of Trends

In this section, all statistics for the current year are compared to the 2018 Veterinarian workforce. The number of licensed veterinarians in Virginia has increased by 14% (5,086 vs. 4,470). In addition, the size of Virginia's veterinary workforce has risen by 13% (3,750 vs. 3,322), and the number of FTEs provided by this workforce has grown by 7% (3,342 vs. 3,119). Virginia's renewing veterinarians are also more likely to respond to this survey (92% vs. 77%).

Overall, the percentage of veterinarians who are female has increased. (74% vs. 70%). However, this percentage has fallen slightly among those veterinarians who are under the age of 40 (84% vs. 85%). The diversity index of Virginia's veterinarians has increased (23% vs. 20%), and this is also true among those veterinarians who are under the age of 40 (29% vs. 26%). This has occurred during a time in which Virginia's overall population has also become more diverse (60% vs. 57%). Veterinarians are slightly less likely to have grown up in a rural area (28% vs. 29%), and veterinarians who grew up in a rural area are also slightly less likely to work in a non-metro area of the state (17% vs. 18%).

Veterinarians are relatively more likely to hold two or more positions simultaneously (17% vs. 14%) than to hold one full-time position (66% vs. 69%). In addition, veterinarians are also relatively more likely to work between 30 and 39 hours per week (27% vs. 19%) than to work between 40 and 70 hours per week (53% vs. 61%). At the same time, veterinarians are less likely to have been employed at their primary work location for more than two years (64% vs. 67%). Although veterinarians are less likely to carry education debt (43% vs. 45%), the median outstanding balance among those veterinarians with education debt has increased (\$160k-\$170k vs. \$110k-\$120k).

The median annual income of Virginia's veterinarian workforce has increased (\$110k-\$120k vs. \$90k-\$100k), and veterinarians are more likely to receive this income in the form of a salary (71% vs. 69%) than as business income (12% vs. 16%). Although the percentage of veterinarians who indicated that they are satisfied with their current work location has not changed (92%), the percentage who indicated that they are "very satisfied" has fallen (56% vs. 59%).

Licensees						
License Status # %						
Renewing Practitioners	4,466	88%				
New Licensees	364	7%				
Non-Renewals	256	5%				
All Licensees 5,086 100%						

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

HWDC surveys tend to achieve very high response rates. Among all renewing veterinarians, 92% submitted a survey. These respondents represent 85% of the 5,086 veterinarians who held a license at some point in the past year.

Response Rates						
Statistic	Non Respondents		Response Rate			
By Age						
Under 30	106	233	69%			
30 to 34	134	576	81%			
35 to 39	91	608	87%			
40 to 44	85	563	87%			
45 to 49	67	502	88%			
50 to 54	63	425	87%			
55 to 59	55	426	89%			
60 and Over	157	995	86%			
Total	758	4,328	85%			
New Licenses						
Issued in Past Year	181	183	50%			
Metro Status						
Non-Metro	52	314	86%			
Metro	414	2,692	87%			
Not in Virginia	292	1,322	82%			

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Definitions

- 1. The Survey Period: The survey was conducted in December 2023.
- 2. Target Population: All veterinarians who held a Virginia license at some point between January 2023 and December 2023.
- 3. Survey Population: The survey was available to veterinarians who renewed their licenses online. It was not available to those who did not renew, including some veterinarians newly licensed in 2023.

Response Rates	
Completed Surveys	4,328
Response Rate, All Licensees	85%
Response Rate, Renewals	92%
Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center	

At a Glance:

Licensed Veterinarians				
Number:	5 <i>,</i> 086			
New:	7%			
Not Renewed:	5%			
Response Rates				
All Licensees:	85%			

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Renewing	Practitioners:	92%

ource: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

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At a Glance:

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Veterinarian	Workforce:
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3,750 3,342

Utilization Ratios

Licensees in VA Workforce:	74%
Licensees per FTE:	1.52
Workers per FTE:	1.12

Veterinarian Workforce						
Status # %						
Worked in Virginia in Past Year	3,694	99%				
Looking for Work in Virginia	56	1%				
Virginia's Workforce	3,750	100%				
Total FTEs	3,342					
Licensees 5,086						
Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center						

Weighting is used to estimate the figures in this report. Unless otherwise noted, figures refer to the Virginia Workforce only. For more information on the HWDC's methodology, visit: https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/ PublicResources/HealthcareW orkforceDataCenter/

Definitions

- 1. Virginia's Workforce: A licensee with a primary or secondary work site in Virginia at any time between January 2023 and December 2023 or who indicated intent to return to Virginia's workforce at any point in the future.
- 2. Full-Time Equivalency Unit (FTE): The HWDC uses 2,000 (40 hours for 50 weeks) as its baseline measure for FTEs.
- 3. Licensees in VA Workforce: The proportion of licensees in Virginia's Workforce.
- 4. Licensees per FTE: An indication of the number of licensees needed to create 1 FTE. Higher numbers indicate lower licensee participation.
- 5. Workers per FTE: An indication of the number of workers in Virginia's workforce needed to create 1 FTE. Higher numbers indicate lower utilization of available workers.



Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Age & Gender						
	M	lale	Female		Total	
Age	#	% Male	#	# % Female		% in Age Group
Under 30	42	16%	225	84%	267	9%
30 to 34	77	17%	388	83%	465	16%
35 to 39	70	16%	362	84%	432	15%
40 to 44	55	15%	307	85%	362	12%
45 to 49	88	28%	231	73%	319	11%
50 to 54	78	30%	184	70%	262	9%
55 to 59	89	36%	161	64%	250	9%
60 and Over	275	48%	302	52%	577	20%
Total 775 26% 2,159 74% 2,934 100%						100%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Race & Ethnicity						
Race/ Ethnicity	Virginia*	Veterinarians		Veterinarians Under 40		
Ethnicity	%	#	%	#	%	
White	59%	2,572	88%	976	84%	
Black	18%	64	2%	30	3%	
Asian	7%	106	4%	55	5%	
Other Race	1%	24	1%	5	0%	
Two or More Races	5%	61	2%	36	3%	
Hispanic	10%	102	3%	61	5%	
Total	100%	2,929	100%	1,163	100%	

* Population data in this chart is from the U.S. Census, Annual Estimates of the Resident Population by Sex, Race, and Hispanic Origin for the United States, States, and Counties: July 1, 2022. Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

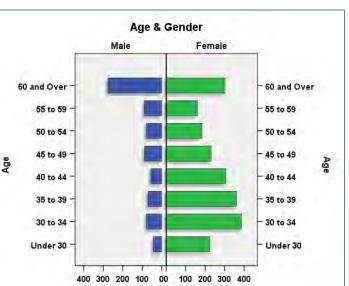
> Among the 40% of veterinarians who are under the age of 40, 84% are female. In addition, the diversity index among veterinarians who are under the age of 40 is 29%.



<u>Gender</u>	
% Female:	74%
% Under 40 Female:	84%
Age Median Age: % Under 40: % 55 and Over:	45 40% 28%
Diversity	
Diversity Index:	23%
Under 40 Div. Index:	29%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

In a random encounter between two veterinarians, there is a 23% chance that they would be of different races or ethnicities (a measure known as the diversity index).



Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

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At a Glance:

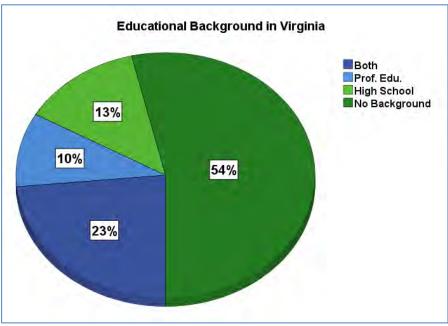
Childhood Urban Childhood: 9% Rural Childhood: 28% Virginia Background HS in Virginia: 37% 33% Prof. Degree in VA: HS or Prof. Edu. in VA: 46% **Location Choice** % Rural to Non-Metro: 17% % Urban/Suburban to Non-Metro: 6%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

A Closer Look:

USE	Primary Location: Rural Status of Child USDA Rural Urban Continuum Location		dhood	
Code	Description	Rural	Suburban	Urban
	Metro Cour	nties		
1	Metro, 1 Million+	21%	70%	10%
2	Metro, 250,000 to 1 Million	36%	58%	6%
3	Metro, 250,000 or Less	42%	50%	8%
	Non-Metro Co	ounties		
4	Urban, Pop. 20,000+, Metro Adjacent	48%	48%	4%
6	Urban, Pop. 2,500-19,999, Metro Adjacent	48%	46%	7%
7	Urban, Pop. 2,500-19,999, Non-Adjacent	73%	27%	0%
8	Rural, Metro Adjacent	45%	46%	9%
9	Rural, Non-Adjacent	65%	35%	0%
	Overall	28%	63%	9%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center



Nearly three out of every ten veterinarians grew up in a self-described rural area, and 17% of veterinarians who grew up in a rural area currently work in a non-metro area of the state. In total, 9% of all veterinarians currently work in a non-metro county.

Top Ten States for Veterinarian Recruitment

Rank	All Veterinarians				
Nalik	High School	#	Professional School	#	
1	Virginia	1,070	Virginia	951	
2	Maryland	194	Outside U.S./Canada	348	
3	New York	147	Alabama	130	
4	Pennsylvania	124	Pennsylvania	118	
5	New Jersey	124	Ohio	113	
6	Outside U.S./Canada	122	North Carolina	113	
7	North Carolina	102	Tennessee	109	
8	Florida	80	Georgia	107	
9	California	77	New York	99	
10	Ohio	77	Florida	74	

Among all veterinarians, 37% received their high school degree in Virginia, and 33% received their initial professional degree in the state.

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Among veterinarians who obtained their initial license in the past five years, 34% received their high school degree in Virginia, while 26% received their initial professional degree in the state.

Rank	Licensed in the Past Five Years				
Nalik	High School	#	Professional School	#	
1	Virginia	279	Virginia	209	
2	Outside U.S./Canada	41	Outside U.S./Canada	129	
3	Maryland	38	Tennessee	44	
4	New York	36	Alabama	33	
5	Pennsylvania	36	Illinois	33	
6	New Jersey	31	Pennsylvania	29	
7	North Carolina	30	North Carolina	27	
8	Florida	28	New York	23	
9	Illinois	25	Ohio	23	
10	California	23	Florida	23	

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

More than one-quarter of licensed veterinarians did not participate in the state's veterinarian workforce. Among these licensees, 87% worked at some point in the past year, including 81% who currently work as veterinarians.

At a Glance:

Not in VA Workford	<u>ce</u>
Total:	1,337
% of Licensees:	26%
Federal/Military:	9%
Va. Border State/DC:	20%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

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Education					
Degree	#	% of Workforce			
Bachelor of Science	2,103	56%			
Other Bachelor's Degree	351	9%			
Graduate Certificate	73	2%			
Master's Degree	391	10%			
PhD	64	2%			
DVM/VMD	2,859	76%			

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

More than two out of every five veterinarians carry education debt, including 65% of those who are under the age of 40. For those with education debt, their median debt amount is between \$160,000 and \$170,000.

Other Education/Training

At a Glance:

Education	
DVM/VMD:	76%
Masters or PhD:	12%
Education Debt	

Carry Debt: 43% Under Age 40 w/ Debt: 65% Median Debt: \$160k-\$170k

Training Program

Surgery:	2%
Internal Medicine:	1%
Public Health:	1%

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Residency/Specialty Training	#	% of Workforce	Ed	ucatior	Debt		
Surgery	67	2%		A	.11	Veterin	narians
Internal Medicine	53	1%	Amount Carried	Veterir	narians	Und	er 40
Public Health	47	1%		#	%	#	%
Canine and Feline Practice	42	1%	None	1,419	57%	355	35%
Equine Practice	39	1%	Less than \$20,000	60	2%	19	2%
Laboratory Animal Medicine	32	1%	\$20,000-\$39,999	110	4%	29	3%
Critical Care/Emergency	31	1%	\$40,000-\$59,999	86	3%	28	3%
Sports Medicine and		4.07	\$60,000-\$79,999	71	3%	29	3%
Rehabilitation	26	1%	\$80,000-\$99,999	70	3%	30	3%
Dentistry	23	1%	\$100,000-\$119,999	40	2%	28	3%
At Least One	519	14%	\$120,000-\$139,999	29	1%	22	2%
Other Education	4	% of	\$140,000-\$159,999	46	2%	30	3%
Other Education	#	Workforce	\$160,000-\$179,999	51	2%	34	3%
Preventative Medicine	268	7%	\$180,000-\$199,999	53	2%	45	4%
Theriogenology	85	2%	\$200,000 or More	445	18%	367	36%
Other	223	6%	Total	2,480	100%	1,016	100%
At Least One	504	13%	Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center				

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

At a Glance:

Employment

Employed in Profession: 95% Involuntarily Unemployed: < 1%

Positions Held

1 Full-Time:	66%
2 or More Positions:	17%
Weekly Hours	
40 to 49:	36%
60 or More:	8%
Less than 30:	14%

A Closer Look:

Current Work Status				
Status	#	%		
Employed, Capacity Unknown	1	< 1%		
Employed in a Veterinary-Related Capacity	2,746	95%		
Employed, NOT in a Veterinary- Related Capacity	34	1%		
Not Working, Reason Unknown	0	0%		
Involuntarily Unemployed	2	< 1%		
Voluntarily Unemployed	47	2%		
Retired	50	2%		
Total	2,881	100%		

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Among all veterinarians, 95% are currently employed in the profession, 66% hold one full-time job, and 36% work between 40 and 49 hours per week.

Current Positions				
Positions	#	%		
No Positions	99	3%		
One Part-Time Position	360	13%		
Two Part-Time Positions	110	4%		
One Full-Time Position	1,883	66%		
One Full-Time Position & One Part-Time Position	272	10%		
Two Full-Time Positions	35	1%		
More than Two Positions	73	3%		
Total	2,832	100%		

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Current We	ekly Hou	rs
Hours	#	%
0 Hours	99	4%
1 to 9 Hours	71	3%
10 to 19 Hours	103	4%
20 to 29 Hours	214	8%
30 to 39 Hours	742	27%
40 to 49 Hours	999	36%
50 to 59 Hours	348	12%
60 to 69 Hours	138	5%
70 to 79 Hours	44	2%
80 or More Hours	39	1%
Total	2,797	100%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

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Annual	Income	
Income Level	#	%
Volunteer Work Only	22	1%
Less than \$40,000	148	6%
\$40,000-\$59,999	131	6%
\$60,000-\$79,999	185	8%
\$80,000-\$99,999	269	12%
\$100,000-\$119,999	395	17%
\$120,000-\$139,999	326	14%
\$140,000-\$159,999	275	12%
\$160,000-\$179,999	150	7%
\$180,000-\$199,999	99	4%
\$200,000 or More	283	12%
Total	2,283	100%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

The median annual income of Virginia's veterinarians is between \$110,000 and \$120,000. In addition, 70% of all veterinarians receive at least one employer-sponsored benefit, including 53% who have access to health insurance.

At a Glance:	
<u>Earnings</u> Median Income: \$	110k-\$120k
Benefits	
Health Insurance:	53%
Retirement:	55%
Satisfaction	
Satisfied:	92%
Very Satisfied:	56%
Source: Va. Healthcare Workfor	rce Data Center

Job Sa	tisfaction	
Level	#	%
Very Satisfied	1,577	56%
Somewhat Satisfied	1,006	36%
Somewhat Dissatisfied	172	6%
Very Dissatisfied	52	2%
Total	2,807	100%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Employer-	Sponsored	Benefits	
Benefit	#	%	% of Wage/Salary Employees
Paid Vacation	1,638	60%	69%
Retirement	1,506	55%	62%
Health Insurance	1,447	53%	59%
Dental Insurance	1,175	43%	49%
Paid Sick Leave	1,169	43%	50%
Group Life Insurance	692	25%	30%
Signing/Retention Bonus	445	16%	20%
At Least One Benefit	1,933	70%	79%

*From any employer at time of survey. Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Employment Instability in the Past Ye	ear	
In The Past Year, Did You?	#	%
Experience Involuntary Unemployment?	25	1%
Experience Voluntary Unemployment?	155	4%
Work Part-Time or Temporary Positions, but Would Have Preferred a Full-Time/Permanent Position?	46	1%
Work Two or More Positions at the Same Time?	553	15%
Switch Employers or Practices?	249	7%
Experience at Least One?	834	22%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Only 1% of veterinarians experienced involuntary unemployment at some point in the past year. By comparison, Virginia's average monthly unemployment rate was 2.9% during the same time period.¹

Locatio	n Tenui	'e		
Tanana	Prin	nary	Seco	ndary
Tenure	#	%	#	%
Not Currently Working at This Location	56	2%	48	8%
Less than 6 Months	217	8%	100	16%
6 Months to 1 Year	219	8%	71	12%
1 to 2 Years	502	18%	116	19%
3 to 5 Years	536	20%	115	19%
6 to 10 Years	403	15%	51	8%
More than 10 Years	787	29%	109	18%
Subtotal	2,718	100%	608	100%
Did Not Have Location	65		3,110	
Item Missing	967		32	
Total	3,750		3,750	

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

More than 70% of all veterinarians either receive a salary or work on commission at their primary work location.

At a Glance:

Unemployment Experience

Involuntarily Unemployed:	1%
Underemployed:	1%

Turnover & Tenure

Switched Jobs:	7%
New Location:	22%
Over 2 Years:	64%
Over 2 Yrs., 2 nd Location:	45%

Employment Type

Salary/Commission:	71%
Business/Practice Income:	12%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Among all veterinarians, 64% have worked at their primary work location for more than two years.

Employmen		
	riype	
Primary Work Site	#	%
Salary/Commission	1,528	71%
Hourly Wage	255	12%
By Contract/Per Diem	91	4%
Business/Practice Income	248	12%
Unpaid	17	1%
Subtotal	2,139	100%
Did Not Have Location	65	
Item Missing	1,547	

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

¹ As reported by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. The non-seasonally adjusted monthly unemployment rate fluctuated between a low of 2.5% and a high of 3.3%. At the time of publication, the unemployment rate for December 2023 was still preliminary.

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<u>Concentration</u>	
Top Region:	35%
Top 3 Regions:	72%
Lowest Region:	1%
Locations	
2 or More (Past Year):	23%
2 or More (Now*):	20%

Nearly three out of every four veterinarians in the state work in Northern Virginia, Central Virginia, and Hampton Roads.

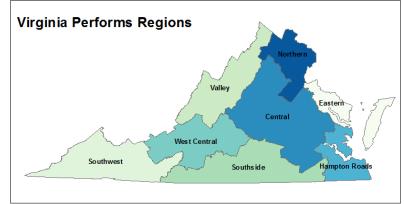
Number of Work Locations							
Locations	Locati	ork ons in Year	Work Locations Now*				
	#	%	#	%			
0	56	2%	98	4%			
1	2,074	75%	2,108	76%			
2	393	14%	354	13%			
3	130	5%	128	5%			
4	35	1%	28	1%			
5	20	1%	10	0%			
6 or More	61	2%	42	2%			
Total	2,769	100%	2,769	100%			

*At the time of survey completion, Dec. 2023. Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

A Closer Look:

Regional Distribution of Work Locations							
Virginia Performs		nary ation	Secondary Location				
Region	#	%	#	%			
Central	554	20%	92	15%			
Eastern	34	1%	9	1%			
Hampton Roads	439	16%	112	18%			
Northern	953	35%	195	31%			
Southside	53	2%	15	2%			
Southwest	103	4%	18	3%			
Valley	190	7%	42	7%			
West Central	319	12%	61	10%			
Virginia Border State/D.C.	25	1%	23	4%			
Other U.S. State	36	1% 65		10%			
Outside of the U.S.	0	0% 1 0		0%			
Total	2,706	100% 633 100					
Item Missing	Vissing 979 9						

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

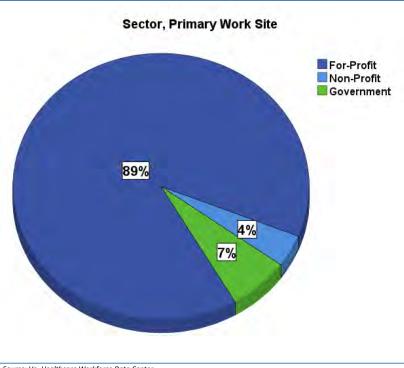


Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

While 20% of veterinarians currently have multiple work locations, 23% have had multiple work locations over the past year.

Location Sector							
Sector		nary ation	Secondary Location				
Sector	#	%	#	%			
For-Profit	2,307	89%	509	88%			
Non-Profit	101	4%	39	7%			
State/Local Government	89	3%	18	3%			
Veterans Administration	1	0%	0	0%			
U.S. Military	23	1%	7	1%			
Other Federal Government	59	2%	7	1%			
Total	2,580	100%	580	100%			
Did Not Have Location	65		3,110				
Item Missing	1,106		61				

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center



At a Glance: (Primary Locations)

<u>Sector</u>	
For-Profit:	89%
Federal:	3%
Top Establishments	5
Group Practice:	47%
Solo Practice:	39%
Veterinary Edu. Progra	m: 3%

Among all veterinarians, 93% work in the private sector, including 89% who are employed in the forprofit sector. Another 3% of veterinarians work for state or local governments.

Location Type							
Establishment Type	Prim Loca		Secondary Location				
	#	%	#	%			
Group Practice	1,211	47%	236	42%			
Solo Practice/Partnership	1,000	39%	219	39%			
Veterinary Education Program	65	3%	14	2%			
Public Health Program	41 2%		10	2%			
Non-Veterinary Education Program	6	0%	6	1%			
Veterinary Technology Education Program	6	0%	4	1%			
Supplier Organization	6	0%	2	0%			
Other Practice Setting	217	9%	70	12%			
Total	2,552	100%	561	100%			
Did Not Have a Location	65		3,110				

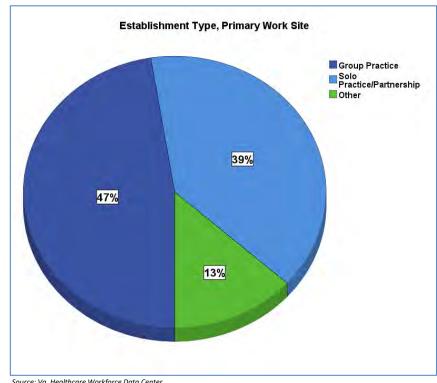
Among all veterinarians, 47% work at a group practice as their primary work location, while another 39% work at a solo practice/partnership.

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Among those veterinarians

who also have a secondary work location, 42% work at a

group practice, and 39% work at a solo practice/partnership.



At a Glance: (Primary Locations)						
Languages Offered						
Spanish:	18%					
French:	2%					
Chinese:	1%					
Means of Commun	<u>ication</u>					
Other Staff Member:	74%					
Respondent:	26%					
Virtual Translation:	15%					

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Nearly one out of every five veterinarians are employed at a primary work location that offers Spanish language services for patients.

Α	Closer	Look:

Languages	Offered	
Language	#	% of Workforce
Spanish	672	18%
French	63	2%
Chinese	39	1%
Korean	38	1%
Arabic	29	1%
Hindi	29	1%
Vietnamese	22	1%
Persian	20	1%
Tagalog/Filipino	19	1%
Urdu	17	0%
Amharic, Somali, or Other Afro-Asiatic Languages	11	0%
Pashto	11	0%
Others	67	2%
At Least One Language	746	20%
Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center		

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Means of Language Communication							
Provision	#	% of Workforce with Language Services					
Other Staff Member is Proficient	552	74%					
Respondent is Proficient	197	26%					
Virtual Translation Service	113	15%					
Onsite Translation Service	20	3%					
Other	19	3%					

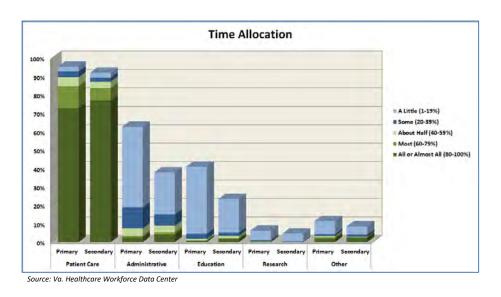
Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Nearly three out of every four veterinarians who are employed at a primary work location that offers language services for patients provide it by means of a staff member who is proficient.

Time Allocation

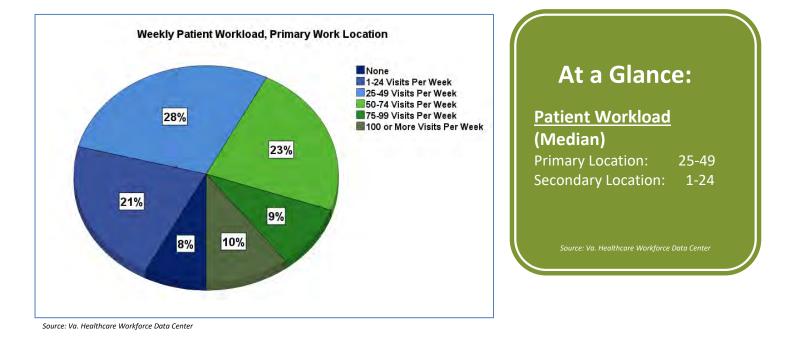
At a Glance: (Primary Locations)							
Typical Time Alloca	tion						
Patient Care:	90%-99%						
Administration:	1%-9%						
Roles							
Patient Care:	85%						
Administration:	3%						
Education:	1%						
Patient Care Veteri	narians						
Median Admin. Time:	1%-9%						
Avg. Admin. Time:	1%-9%						

A Closer Look:



Veterinarians spend most of their time treating patients. In fact, 85% of veterinarians fill a patient care role, defined as spending 60% or more of their time on patient care activities.

Time Allocation										
	Pati Ca		Admin.		Education		Research		Other	
Time Spent	Pri. Site	Sec. Site								
All or Almost All (80-100%)	73%	77%	3%	4%	1%	2%	0%	0%	2%	2%
Most (60-79%)	12%	7%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
About Half (40-59%)	5%	4%	4%	4%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%
Some (20-39%)	3%	2%	11%	6%	3%	2%	1%	0%	1%	1%
A Little (1-19%)	3%	3%	44%	23%	36%	18%	5%	4%	7%	4%
None (0%)	5%	8%	37%	62%	59%	77%	94%	95%	89%	91%



The median workload for veterinarians at their primary work location is between 25 and 49 patients per week. For veterinarians who also have a secondary work location, the median workload is between 1 and 24 patients per week.

Patient Care Visits								
# of Patients	Prim	nary	Seco	ndary				
Per Week	#	%	#	%				
None	195	8%	65	11%				
1-24	553	22%	279	48%				
25-49	733	28%	142	25%				
50-74	587	23%	48	8%				
75-99	241	9%	24	4%				
100-124	152	6%	8	1%				
125-149	42	2%	2	0%				
150-174	24	1%	5	1%				
175-199	6	0%	1	0%				
200 or More	39	2%	4	1%				
Total	2,572	100%	578	100%				

Retirement Expectations						
Expected Retirement	A	41	Veterinarians			
	Veterii	narians	50 and Over			
Age	#	%	#	%		
Under Age 50	68	3%	-	-		
50 to 54	124	5%	8	1%		
55 to 59	262	11%	54	6%		
60 to 64	528	22%	147	17%		
65 to 69	717	30%	267	31%		
70 to 74	324	13%	166	19%		
75 to 79	130	5%	83	10%		
80 or Over	51	2%	33	4%		
I Do Not Intend to Retire	205	9%	95	11%		
Total	2,409	100%	853	100%		

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

At a Glance:

Retirement Expectations

All Veterinarians	
Under 65:	41%
Under 60:	19%
Veterinarians 50 and 0	Over
Veterinarians 50 and 0 Under 65:	Dver 25%

Time Until Retirement

Within 2 Years:	7%
Within 10 Years:	22%
Half the Workforce:	By 2048

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

More than two out of every five veterinarians expect to retire by the age of 65. Among veterinarians who are already at least age 50, 25% still expect to retire by age 65.

Within the next two years, 7% of Virginia's veterinarians expect to pursue additional educational opportunities, and 6% plan to increase their patient care hours.

Future Plans						
Two-Year Plans: #						
Decrease Participatio	n					
Leave Profession	58	2%				
Leave Virginia	103	3%				
Decrease Patient Care Hours	357	10%				
Decrease Teaching Hours 17 0						
Increase Participation						
Increase Patient Care Hours	207	6%				
Increase Teaching Hours	113	3%				
Pursue Additional Education	278	7%				
Return to the Workforce	14	0%				

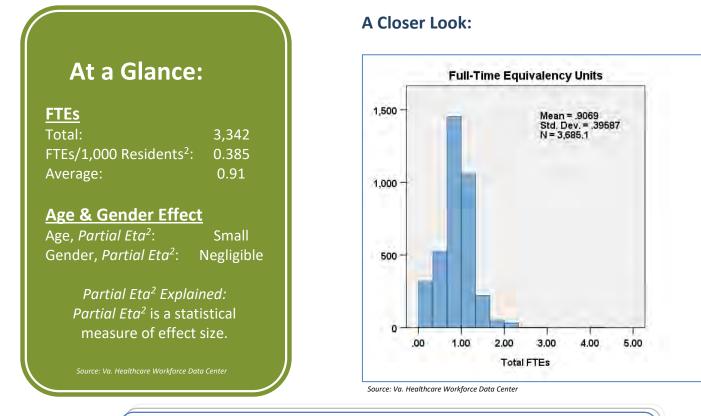
By comparing retirement expectations to age, we can estimate the maximum years to retirement for veterinarians. While only 7% of veterinarians expect to retire in the next two years, 22% plan to retire within the next decade. More than half of the current workforce expect to retire by 2048.

Time to Retirement							
Expect to Retire Within	#	%	Cumulative %				
2 Years	157	7%	7%				
5 Years	96	4%	11%				
10 Years	279	12%	22%				
15 Years	246	10%	32%				
20 Years	247	10%	43%				
25 Years	314	13%	56%				
30 Years	250	10%	66%				
35 Years	261	11%	77%				
40 Years	214	9%	86%				
45 Years	98	4%	90%				
50 Years	29	1%	91%				
55 Years	8	0%	91%				
In More Than 55 Years	6	0%	92%				
Do Not Intend to Retire	205	9%	100%				
Total	2,409	100%					

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

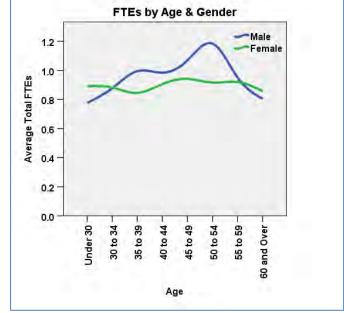


Using these estimates, retirement will begin to reach over 10% of the current workforce every five years by 2033. Retirement will peak at 13% of the current workforce around 2048 before declining to under 10% of the current workforce again around 2063.



The typical veterinarian provided 0.93 FTEs in the past year, or approximately 37 hours per week for 50 weeks. Although FTEs appear to vary by age and gender, statistical tests did not verify that a difference exists.³

Full-Time Equivalency Units							
Age	Average	Median					
Age							
Under 30	0.87	0.91					
30 to 34	0.93	1.03					
35 to 39	0.85	0.81					
40 to 44	0.93	0.99					
45 to 49	0.96	0.93					
50 to 54	0.91	0.77					
55 to 59	0.99	1.05					
60 and Over	0.86	0.93					
Gender							
Male	0.93	0.99					
Female 0.89 0.93							
Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center							

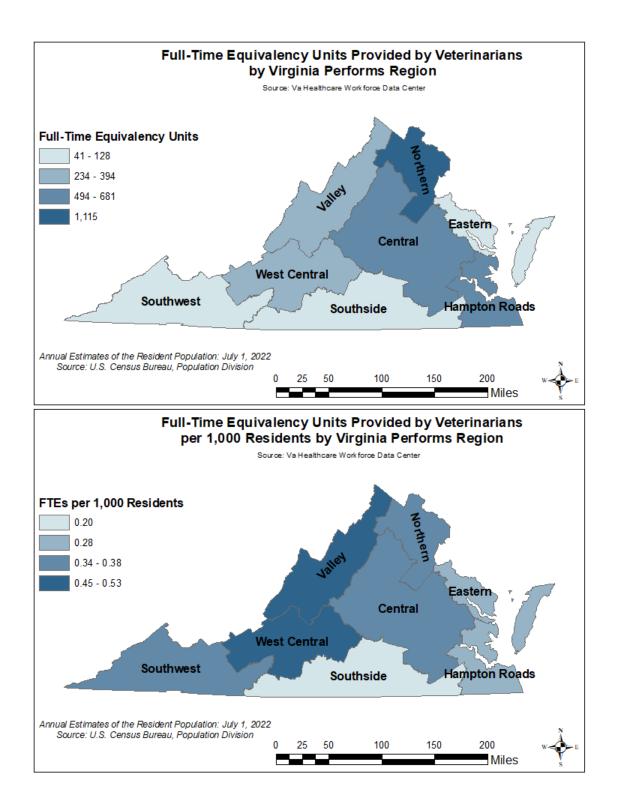


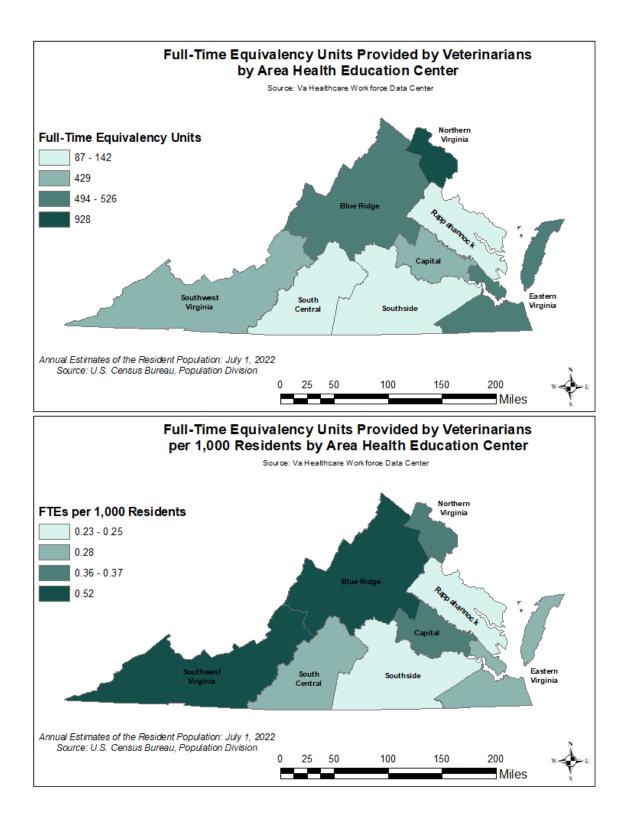
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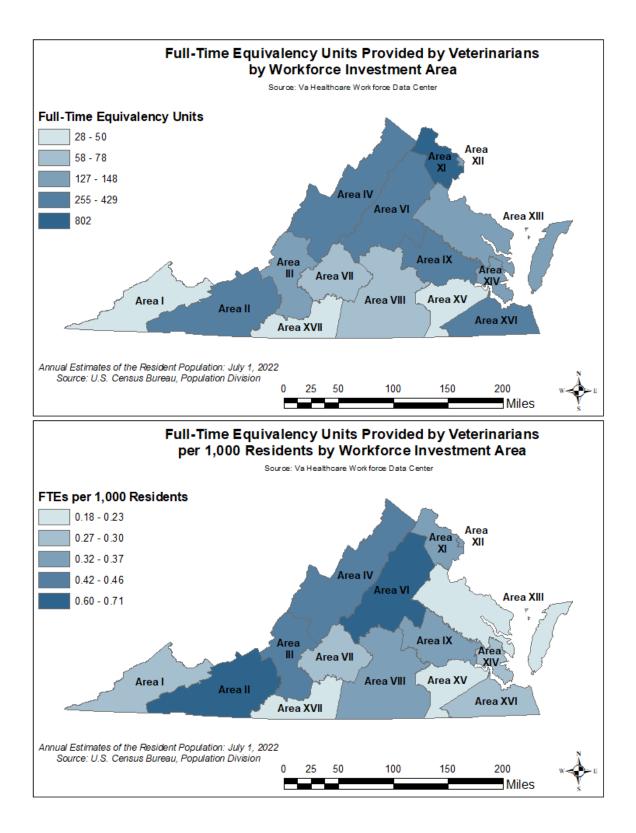
² Number of residents in 2022 was used as the denominator.

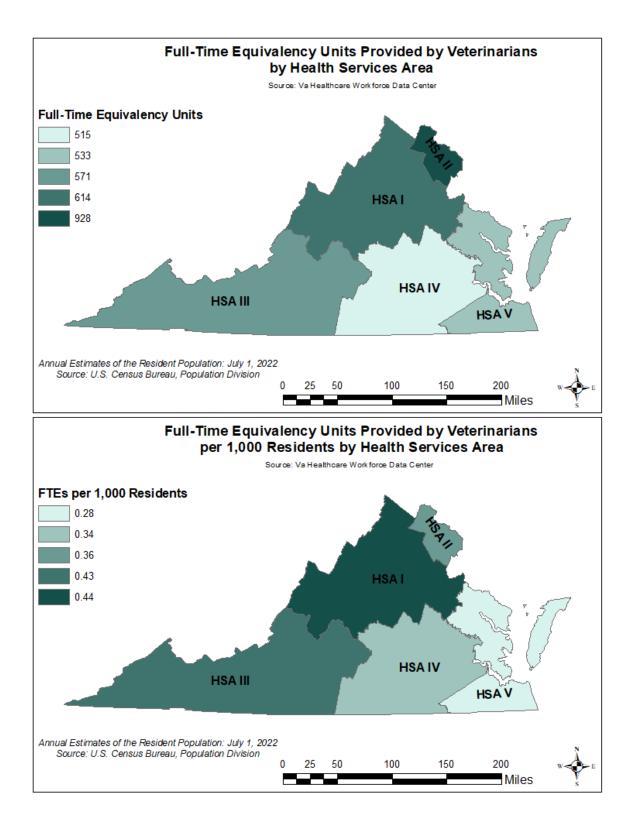
³ Due to assumption violations in Mixed between-within ANOVA (Levene's Test and Interaction Effect were significant).

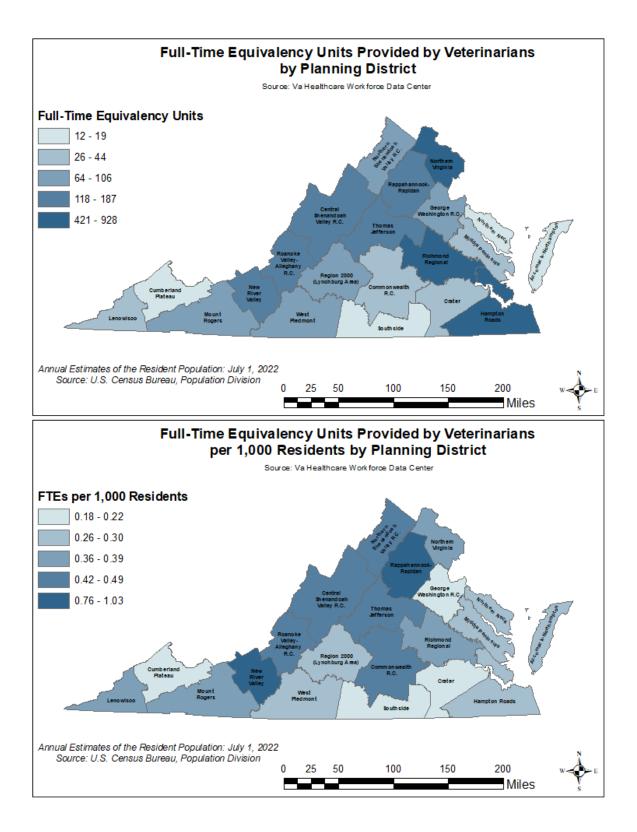
Virginia Performs Regions











Appendices

Appendix A: Weights

	Lo	cation We	Total Weight		
Rural Status	#	Rate	Weight	Min.	Max.
Metro, 1 Million+	2,264	86.75%	1.153	1.108	1.427
Metro, 250,000 to 1 Million	259	87.64%	1.141	1.096	1.413
Metro, 250,000 or Less	583	85.93%	1.164	1.118	1.441
Urban, Pop. 20,000+, Metro Adj.	34	82.35%	1.214	1.171	1.503
Urban, Pop. 20,000+, Non- Adj.	0	NA	NA	NA	NA
Urban, Pop. 2,500-19,999, Metro Adj.	157	86.62%	1.154	1.109	1.429
Urban, Pop. 2,500-19,999, Non-Adj.	56	91.07%	1.098	1.055	1.359
Rural, Metro Adj.	94	88.30%	1.133	1.088	1.402
Rural, Non-Adj.	25	64.00%	1.563	1.501	1.935
Virginia Border State/D.C.	751	83.62%	1.196	1.149	1.481
Other U.S. State	863	80.42%	1.244	1.195	1.540

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

A .co		Age Weig	Total Weight		
Age	# Rate		Weight	Min.	Max.
Under 30	339	68.73%	1.455	1.359	1.935
30 to 34	710	81.13%	1.233	1.152	1.639
35 to 39	699	86.98%	1.150	1.074	1.529
40 to 44	648	86.88%	1.151	1.075	1.530
45 to 49	569	88.22%	1.133	1.059	1.199
50 to 54	488	87.09%	1.148	1.073	1.527
55 to 59	481	88.57%	1.129	1.055	1.501
60 and Over	1,152	86.37%	1.158	1.082	1.539

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

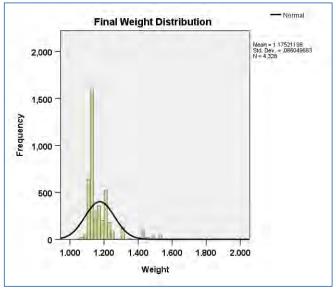
See the Methods section on the HWDC website for details on HWDC methods:

https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/PublicResources/Healthc areWorkforceDataCenter/

Final weights are calculated by multiplying the two weights and the overall response rate:

Age Weight x Rural Weight x Response Rate = Final Weight.

Overall Response Rate: 0.850963



Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

2015	Alleghany	Bath	Highland					
	Buchanon	Dickenson	Lee	Russell	Scott	Wise		
	Bland	Smyth	Tazewell					
2016	Alleghany	Bath	Highland					
	Buchanon	Dickenson	Lee	Russell	Scott	Wise		
	Bland	Smyth	Tazewell					
	Patrick							
2017	Alleghany	Bath	Highland					
	Buchanon	Dickenson	Lee	Russell	Scott	Wise		
	Bland	Smyth	Tazewell					
	Rockingham	Augusta						
	Public Practice	Э						
2018	Alleghany	Bath	Highland					
	Buchanon	Dickenson	Lee	Russell	Scott	Wise		
	Bland	Smyth	Tazewell					
	Rockingham	Augusta						
	Public Practice	9						
2019	Alleghany	Bath	Highland					
	Buchanon	Dickenson	Lee	Russell	Scott	Wise		
	Bland	Smyth	Tazewell					
	Rockingham	Augusta						
	Public Practice	-						
2020	Alleghany	Bath	Highland					
	Buchanon	Dickenson	Lee	Russell	Scott	Wise		
	Culpeper	Fauquier	Rappahannoo	:k				
	Amherst	Bedford	Campbell					
	Albemarle	Fluvanna	Louisa	Nelson				
2021	Amherst	Bedford	Campbell					
	Albemarle	Fluvanna	Louisa	Nelson				
	Isle of Wight	Southampton	Suffolk	Surry	Sussex			
	Madison	Greene	Culpeper	Orange	Albemarle	Fauquier	Spotsylvani Rappahanr	n Louisa
	Public Practice	9						
	Westmoreland	Richmond	Northumberla	Matthews	Gloucester	Essex	King Williar New Kent	Charles Cit Caroline
2022	Amherst	Bedford	Campbell					
	Albemarle	Fluvanna	Louisa	Nelson				
	Madison	Greene	Culpeper	Orange	Albemarle	Fauquier	Spotsylvani Rappahanr	n Louisa
	Public Practice	9						
	Public Practice	9						
2023	Amherst	Bedford	Campbell					
	Albemarle	Fluvanna	Louisa	Nelson				
	Botetourt	Franklin						
	Russell	Tazewell						
	Public Practice	9						
2024	Augusta	Rockingham	Page	Shenandoa	h			
	Amherst	Bedford	Campbell					
	Lee	Scott	Washington					
	Louisa	Fluvanna	Goochland					
	Russell	Tazewell	Smyth					