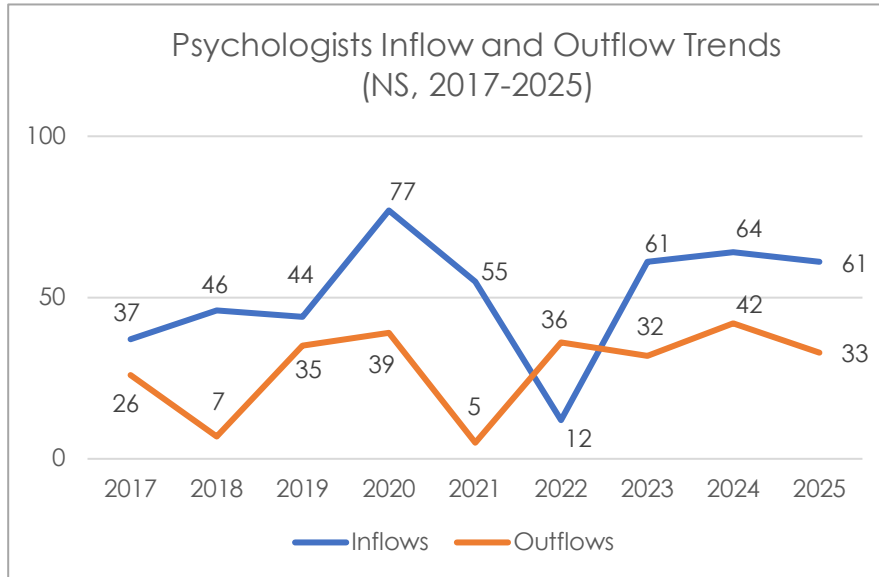
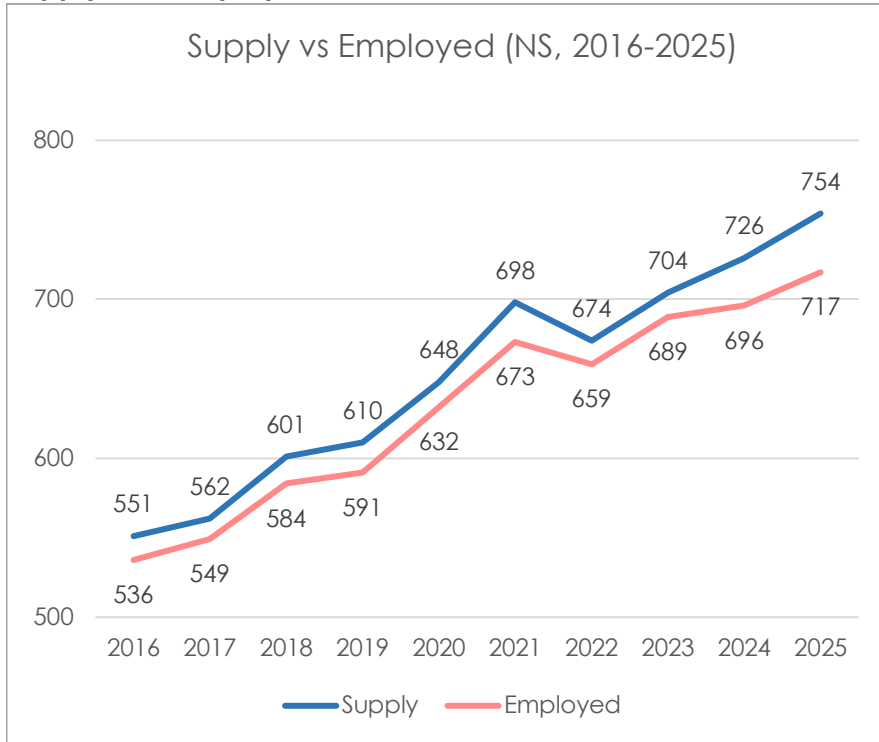


Psychologists 2025

Supply and Employment



Quick Facts

Registrants	754	
Employed ¹	717	95.1%
Change in Reg	28	3.9%
Inflow ²	61	8.1%
Outflow ³	33	4.4%
Doctorate Trained	344	48.0%
Masters Trained	372	52.0%
Full-Time	585	81.6%
Part-Time	132	18.4%
Casual	0	0.0%
Average Age	48.0 years	
Avg Experience	16.7 years	
Private Practice ⁴	534	74.5%
Public Practice ⁵	183	25.5%
Private Practice (Only)	328	45.7%

Location of Graduation		
Psychologist (Total = 754)	#	%
Nova Scotia	275	36.5%
Other provinces	369	48.9%
International	110	14.6%
New Graduates		
Total = 18	#	%
Nova Scotia	11	61.1%
Other Provinces	7	38.9%
International	0	0.0%
New Registrants		
Total = 36	#	%
Nova Scotia	12	33.3%
Other Provinces	19	52.8%
International	5	13.9%

DATA SOURCE: The Nova Scotia Board of Examiners in Psychology Registration period: Jul 1st, 2024 – Jun 30th, 2025.

Notes: Total Psychologists: 754 (excluding the categories 'Inactive', 'Retired', and 'Out-of-Province'). If these categories are included, the total is 824.

¹ Beginning in 2023, Psychologists were counted as 'employed' only if they listed at least one Nova Scotia-based employer on their annual registration form.

This excludes those who are registered in Nova Scotia but do not work in the province.

This change has not been applied to counts of employed Psychologists for past years.

² Inflow refers to the number of registrants who were not registered in the previous year (i.e., new or returning registrants).

³ Outflow refers to the number of registrants who registered in the previous year who did not register in the current year.

⁴ Private practice is a psychologist who works for themselves, in their own office, and is paid directly by the individual receiving the service.

⁵ Public practice is any psychologist working directly and paid by the public system, government, hospitals, or public school system.

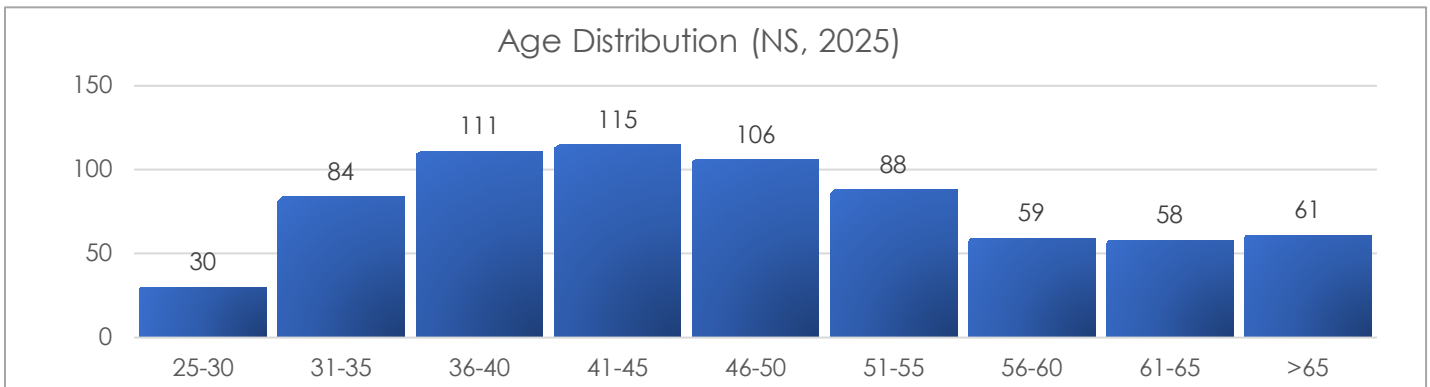
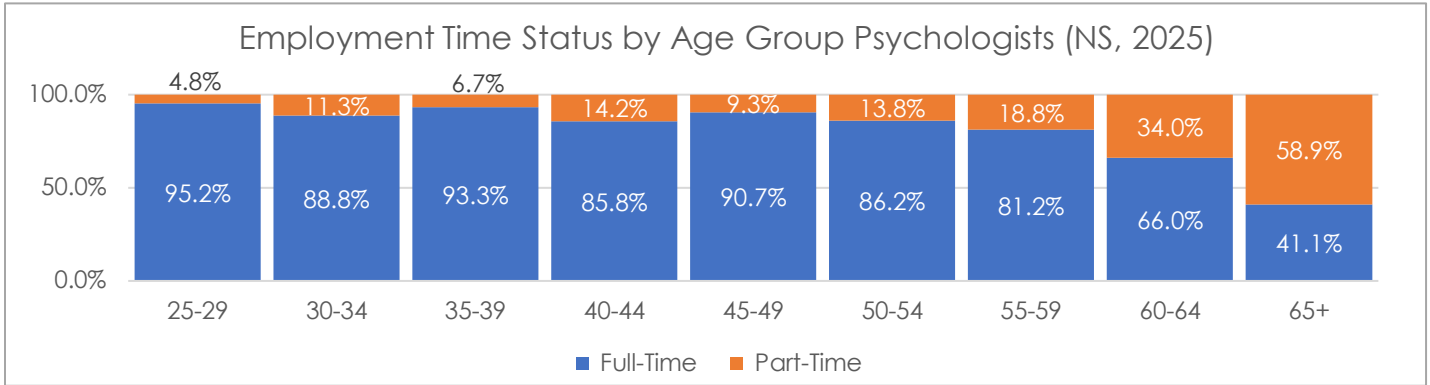
A psychologist may work in both public and private practice settings.

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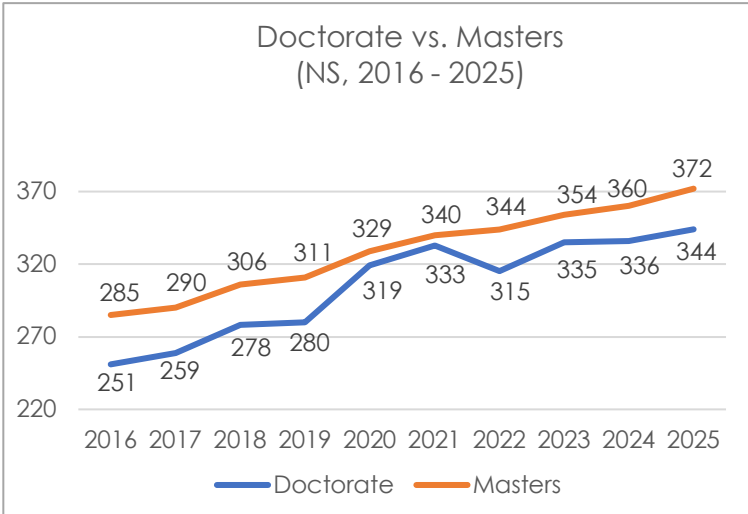
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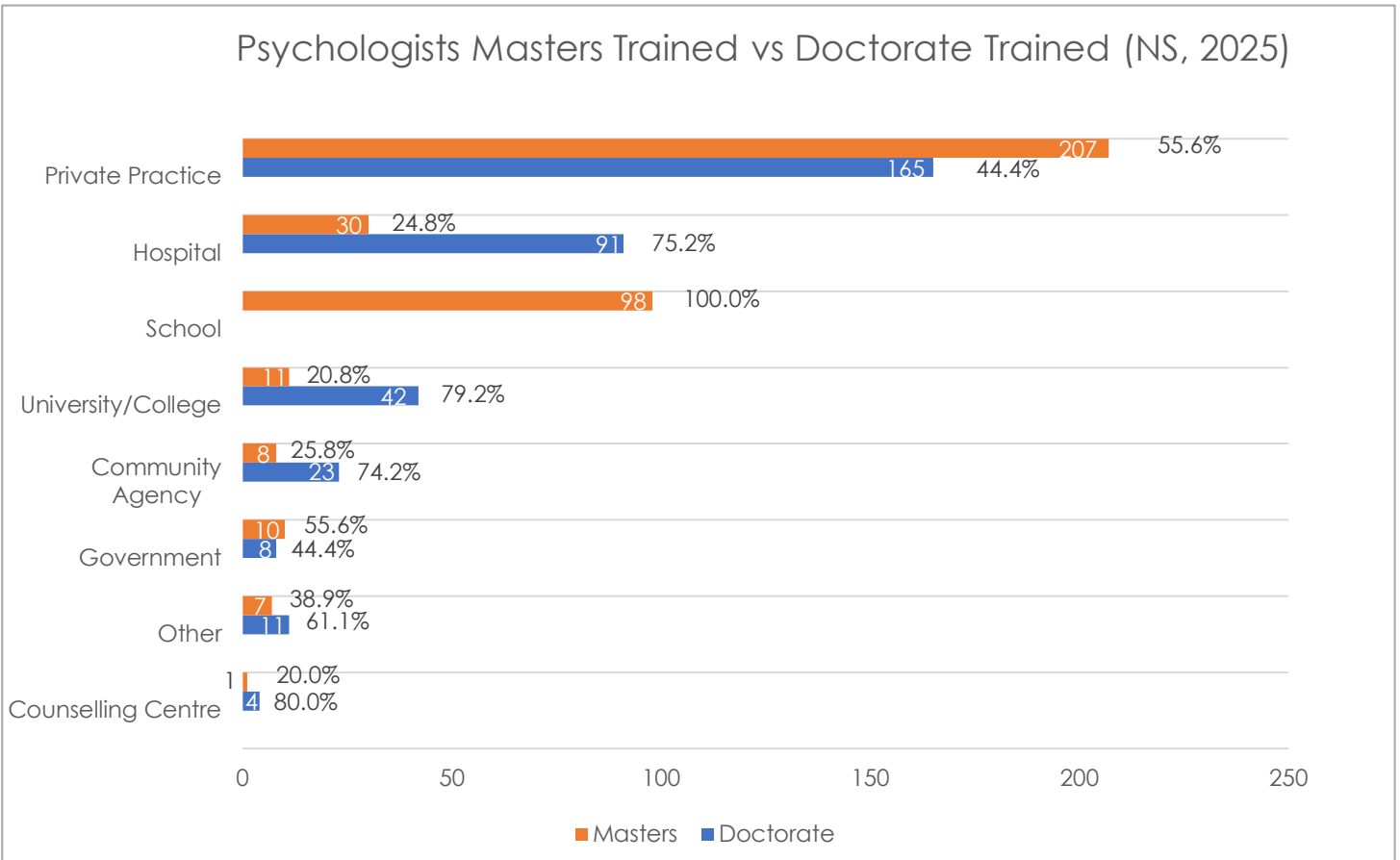
Age and Experience						
Age	#	%	Years	#	% (of total)	
<35	106	14.0%	0-5	117	16.3%	
35-49	349	46.3%	6-15	256	35.7%	
50+	299	39.7%	16-30	262	36.5%	
Average Age: 48.0			>30	82	11.5%	
			Average Experience: 16.7			

Area of Practice	Primary		Secondary	
	Total	%	Total	%
Clinical Psychology	485	67.6%		
School Psychology	134	18.7%	26	3.6%
Counselling Psychology	74	10.4%	70	9.8%
Clinical Neuropsychology	9	1.3%	17	2.4%
Forensic/ Correctional Psychology	5	0.7%	40	5.6%
Formal Research	4	0.6%		
Academic (teaching psychology)	3	0.4%	3	0.4%
Industrial/ Organizational Psychology	2	0.3%	4	0.6%

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Practice Setting	Masters	Doctorate
Community Agency	25.8%	74.2%
Counselling Centre	20.0%	80.0%
Government	55.6%	44.4%
Hospital	24.8%	75.2%
Private Practice	55.6%	44.4%
School	100.0%	0.0%
University/College	20.8%	79.2%
Other	38.9%	61.1%



Psychologists 2025

County	Psychologists		Population 2024		Higher or Lower than Provincial Average
	#	%	#	%	
Annapolis	10	1.4%	23,514	2.2%	Lower
Antigonish	17	2.4%	21,183	2.0%	Higher
Cape Breton	37	5.2%	98,614	9.2%	Lower
Colchester	20	2.8%	54,350	5.1%	Lower
Cumberland	11	1.5%	30,941	2.9%	Lower
Digby	6	0.8%	18,017	1.7%	Lower
Guysborough	0	0.0%	7,227	0.7%	Lower
Halifax	435	60.7%	528,239	49.2%	Higher
Hants	10	1.4%	45,222	4.2%	Lower
Inverness	5	0.7%	17,658	1.6%	Lower
Kings	53	7.4%	66,145	6.2%	Higher
Lunenburg	24	3.3%	50,828	4.7%	Lower
Pictou	12	1.7%	45,228	4.2%	Lower
Queens	4	0.6%	10,532	1.0%	Lower
Richmond	1	0.1%	9,148	0.9%	Lower
Shelburne	2	0.3%	13,986	1.3%	Lower
Victoria	0	0.0%	7,147	0.7%	Lower
Yarmouth	12	1.7%	25,600	2.4%	Lower
Unknown					
Nova Scotia	696	100%	1,057,656	100%	

