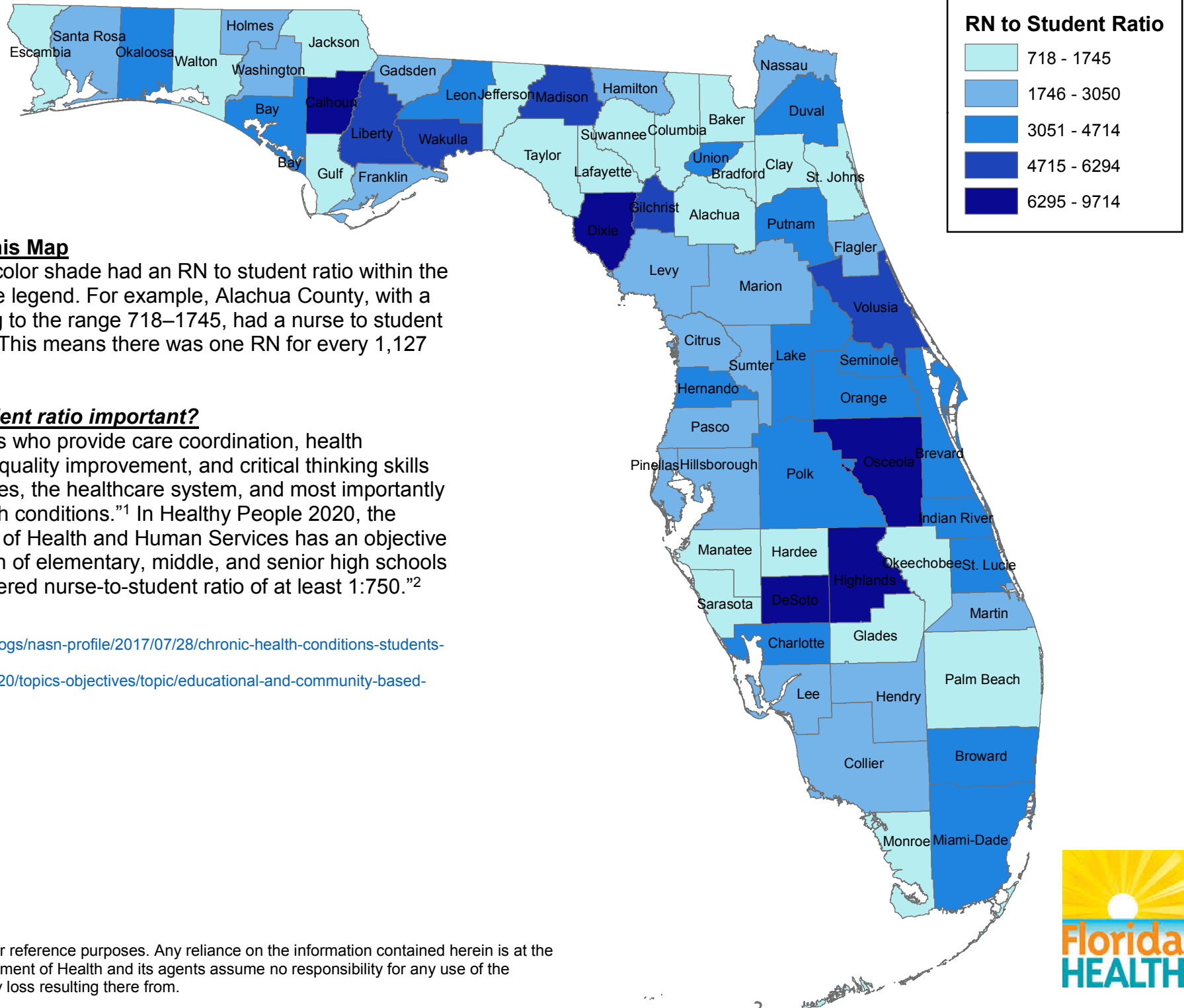


Non-Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Registered Nurse (RN) to Student Ratio by Florida County, 2015–16



A Note on Interpreting this Map

Each county of the same color shade had an RN to student ratio within the corresponding range in the legend. For example, Alachua County, with a color shade corresponding to the range 718–1745, had a nurse to student ratio of 1127 (1 to 1,127). This means there was one RN for every 1,127 students in the county.

Why is the nurse to student ratio important?

“School nurses are leaders who provide care coordination, health education and promotion, quality improvement, and critical thinking skills that benefit schools, families, the healthcare system, and most importantly children with chronic health conditions.”¹ In Healthy People 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services has an objective to, “increase the proportion of elementary, middle, and senior high schools that have a full-time registered nurse-to-student ratio of at least 1:750.”²

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