

**Table 106. Active physicians and physicians in patient care, by state: United States, selected years 1975–2008**

[Data are based on reporting by physicians]

State	Active physicians <sup>1,2</sup>						Physicians in patient care <sup>1,2,3</sup>					
	1975	1985	1995	2000 <sup>4</sup>	2007	2008	1975	1985	1995	2000	2007	2008
	Number per 10,000 civilian population											
United States . . . . .	15.3	20.7	24.2	25.8	27.4	27.7	13.5	18.0	21.3	22.7	25.3	25.7
Alabama . . . . .	9.2	14.2	18.4	19.8	21.6	21.6	8.6	13.1	17.0	18.2	20.5	20.6
Alaska . . . . .	8.4	13.0	15.7	18.5	24.2	24.2	7.8	12.1	14.2	16.3	22.6	22.5
Arizona . . . . .	16.7	20.2	21.4	20.9	22.3	22.3	14.1	17.1	18.2	17.6	20.6	20.6
Arkansas . . . . .	9.1	13.8	17.3	18.8	20.4	20.4	8.5	12.8	16.0	17.3	19.3	19.4
California . . . . .	18.8	23.7	23.7	23.8	26.1	26.2	17.3	21.5	21.7	21.6	24.2	24.4
Colorado . . . . .	17.3	20.7	23.7	24.0	26.6	26.6	15.0	17.7	20.6	20.9	24.7	24.7
Connecticut . . . . .	19.8	27.6	32.8	33.7	36.1	36.6	17.7	24.3	29.5	30.3	33.0	33.5
Delaware . . . . .	14.3	19.7	23.4	24.7	26.2	26.4	12.7	17.1	19.7	21.0	24.4	24.7
District of Columbia . . . . .	39.6	55.3	63.6	62.5	73.2	74.9	34.6	45.6	53.6	54.5	63.8	65.9
Florida . . . . .	15.2	20.2	22.9	24.1	25.5	25.8	13.4	17.8	20.3	21.2	23.9	24.2
Georgia . . . . .	11.5	16.2	19.7	20.4	21.4	21.4	10.6	14.7	18.0	18.6	20.0	20.1
Hawaii . . . . .	16.2	21.5	24.8	26.4	31.7	31.8	14.7	19.8	22.8	24.0	29.4	29.6
Idaho . . . . .	9.5	12.1	13.9	15.8	17.9	17.9	8.9	11.4	13.1	14.4	17.0	17.0
Illinois . . . . .	14.5	20.5	24.8	26.1	27.7	27.8	13.1	18.2	22.1	23.1	25.7	25.8
Indiana . . . . .	10.6	14.7	18.4	20.0	22.1	22.2	9.6	13.2	16.6	18.0	20.8	21.0
Iowa . . . . .	11.4	15.6	19.2	19.8	21.4	21.5	9.4	12.4	15.1	15.5	19.2	19.5
Kansas . . . . .	12.8	17.3	20.8	21.8	23.6	23.8	11.2	15.1	18.0	18.8	22.0	22.0
Kentucky . . . . .	10.9	15.1	19.2	20.6	23.0	23.1	10.1	13.9	18.0	19.1	21.6	21.7
Louisiana . . . . .	11.4	17.3	21.7	23.8	25.5	25.3	10.5	16.1	20.3	22.4	24.4	24.2
Maine . . . . .	12.8	18.7	22.3	26.8	31.5	31.1	10.7	15.6	18.2	21.7	28.5	28.2
Maryland . . . . .	18.6	30.4	34.1	35.4	40.0	40.2	16.5	24.9	29.9	31.1	35.1	35.3
Massachusetts . . . . .	20.8	30.2	37.5	38.6	43.2	43.6	18.3	25.4	33.2	34.4	39.1	39.7
Michigan . . . . .	15.4	20.8	24.8	26.3	28.1	28.5	12.0	16.0	19.0	20.2	25.1	25.5
Minnesota . . . . .	14.9	20.5	23.4	24.9	28.4	28.8	13.7	18.5	21.5	23.0	26.6	27.0
Mississippi . . . . .	8.4	11.8	13.9	16.6	18.1	18.2	8.0	11.1	13.0	15.2	17.1	17.3
Missouri . . . . .	15.0	20.5	23.9	24.7	26.2	26.2	11.6	16.3	19.7	20.2	24.0	24.1
Montana . . . . .	10.6	14.0	18.4	20.4	22.9	23.0	10.1	13.2	17.1	18.8	21.9	21.9
Nebraska . . . . .	12.1	15.7	19.8	21.7	24.1	24.7	10.9	14.4	18.3	20.1	22.5	23.1
Nevada . . . . .	11.9	16.0	16.7	18.0	19.6	19.7	10.9	14.5	14.6	15.9	18.5	18.5
New Hampshire . . . . .	14.3	18.1	21.5	23.8	27.7	28.6	13.1	16.7	19.8	21.7	26.0	26.9
New Jersey . . . . .	16.2	23.4	29.3	31.1	33.0	32.9	14.0	19.8	24.9	26.2	30.1	30.0
New Mexico . . . . .	12.2	17.0	20.2	20.9	23.8	23.9	10.1	14.7	18.0	18.5	22.2	22.3
New York . . . . .	22.7	29.0	35.3	36.2	38.2	37.8	20.2	25.2	31.6	32.3	35.1	34.8
North Carolina . . . . .	11.7	16.9	21.1	22.3	24.7	25.0	10.6	15.0	19.4	20.5	23.1	23.4
North Dakota . . . . .	9.7	15.8	20.5	19.2	24.5	24.7	9.2	14.9	18.9	19.8	23.4	23.6
Ohio . . . . .	14.1	19.9	23.8	25.4	28.0	28.2	12.2	16.8	20.0	21.3	25.6	25.9
Oklahoma . . . . .	11.6	16.1	18.8	19.4	20.7	20.9	9.4	12.9	14.7	14.8	18.7	18.9
Oregon . . . . .	15.6	19.7	21.6	22.9	27.3	27.8	13.8	17.6	19.5	20.5	25.6	26.1
Pennsylvania . . . . .	16.6	23.6	30.1	31.6	32.9	33.1	13.9	19.2	24.6	25.4	29.3	29.6
Rhode Island . . . . .	17.8	23.3	30.4	32.5	36.8	37.0	16.1	20.2	26.7	28.8	34.0	34.5
South Carolina . . . . .	10.0	14.7	18.9	21.0	22.9	22.8	9.3	13.6	17.6	19.4	21.7	21.7
South Dakota . . . . .	8.2	13.4	16.7	19.2	22.4	22.8	7.7	12.3	15.7	17.7	21.3	21.8
Tennessee . . . . .	12.4	17.7	22.5	23.6	25.9	26.0	11.3	16.2	20.8	21.8	24.4	24.6
Texas . . . . .	12.5	16.8	19.4	20.3	21.4	21.5	11.0	14.7	17.3	17.9	20.0	20.2
Utah . . . . .	14.1	17.2	19.2	19.6	20.9	20.8	13.0	15.5	17.6	17.8	19.5	19.3
Vermont . . . . .	18.2	23.8	26.9	32.0	36.0	36.0	15.5	20.3	24.2	28.8	33.2	33.3
Virginia . . . . .	12.9	19.5	22.5	23.9	26.9	27.2	11.9	17.8	20.8	22.0	25.1	25.5
Washington . . . . .	15.3	20.2	22.5	23.7	26.8	27.0	13.6	17.9	20.2	21.2	24.8	25.1
West Virginia . . . . .	11.0	16.3	21.0	23.5	25.5	25.7	10.0	14.6	17.9	19.5	23.1	23.3
Wisconsin . . . . .	12.5	17.7	21.5	23.1	26.1	26.2	11.4	15.9	19.6	20.9	24.5	24.6
Wyoming . . . . .	9.5	12.9	15.3	17.3	19.5	19.9	8.9	12.0	13.9	15.7	18.4	18.7

<sup>1</sup>Includes active doctors of medicine (MDs) and active doctors of osteopathy (DOs). See [Appendix II, Physician](#).<sup>2</sup>Starting with 2003 data, federal and nonfederal physicians are included. Data prior to 2003 included nonfederal physicians only.<sup>3</sup>Prior to 2006, excludes DOs. Excludes physicians in medical teaching, administration, research, and other nonpatient care activities. Includes residents.<sup>4</sup>Data for doctors of osteopathy are as of January 2001.

NOTES: Data for MDs are as of December 31. Data for DOs are as of May 31.

**SOURCE:** American Medical Association (AMA): Physician distribution and medical licensure in the U.S., 1975; Physician characteristics and distribution in the U.S., 1986 edition; 1996–1997 edition; 2008–2010 edition; Department of Physician Practice and Communication Information, Division of Survey and Data Resources, AMA. (Copyrights 1976, 1986, 1997, 2004, 2008, 2009, 2010: Used with the permission of the AMA); American Osteopathic Association: 1975–1976 Yearbook and Directory of Osteopathic Physicians, 1985–1986 Yearbook and Directory of Osteopathic Physicians; American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine: Annual Statistical Report, 1996; American Osteopathic Association: Factsheet 2006, 2006; Osteopathic Medical Profession Report 2007 and 2008; and unpublished data.