

**Table 112 (page 1 of 2). Total enrollment in schools for selected health occupations, by race and Hispanic origin: United States, selected academic years 1980–1981 through 2007–2008**

[Data are based on reporting by health professions associations]

<i>Occupation, race, and Hispanic origin</i>	<i>1980–1981</i>	<i>1990–1991</i>	<i>2000–2001</i>	<i>2007–2008</i>	<i>1980–1981</i>	<i>1990–1991</i>	<i>2000–2001</i>	<i>2007–2008</i>
<b>Dentistry</b>	<b>Number of students</b>				<b>Percent distribution of students</b>			
All races <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	22,842	15,951	17,349	19,342	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Not Hispanic or Latino:								
White . . . . .	19,947	11,185	10,997	11,723	87.3	70.1	63.4	60.6
Black or African American . . . . .	1,022	940	832	1,147	4.5	5.9	4.8	5.9
Hispanic or Latino <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	780	1,254	925	1,214	3.4	7.9	5.3	6.3
American Indian or Alaska Native . . . . .	53	53	112	118	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.6
Asian or Pacific Islander . . . . .	1,040	2,519	4,295	4,387	4.6	15.8	24.8	22.7
<b>Medicine (Allopathic)<sup>3</sup></b>								
All races <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	65,189	65,163	69,414	74,518	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Not Hispanic or Latino:								
White . . . . .	55,434	47,893	42,154	46,496	85.0	73.5	60.7	62.4
Black or African American . . . . .	3,708	4,241	4,881	5,386	5.7	6.5	7.0	7.2
Mexican . . . . .	951	1,109	1,655	1,936	1.5	1.7	2.4	2.6
Puerto Rican . . . . .	1,127	1,253	1,228	1,561	1.7	1.9	1.8	2.1
Other Hispanic or Latino <sup>4</sup> . . . . .	683	1,176	1,307	2,320	1.0	1.8	1.9	3.1
American Indian or Alaska Native <sup>5</sup> . . . . .	221	277	530	657	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.9
Asian or Pacific Islander . . . . .	1,924	8,436	13,264	16,045	3.0	12.9	19.1	21.5
<b>Medicine (Osteopathic)<sup>6</sup></b>								
All races <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	4,940	6,792	10,817	15,634	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White, Non-Hispanic . . . . .	4,688	5,680	7,940	11,028	94.9	83.6	73.4	70.5
Black or African American . . . . .	94	217	400	600	1.9	3.2	3.7	3.8
Hispanic or Latino . . . . .	52	277	381	569	1.1	4.1	3.5	3.6
American Indian or Alaska Native . . . . .	19	36	72	102	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.7
Asian or Pacific Islander . . . . .	87	582	1,734	2,713	1.8	8.6	16.0	17.4
<b>Optometry</b>								
All races <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	4,540	4,762	5,428	5,556	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Not Hispanic or Latino:								
White . . . . .	4,108	3,575	3,338	3,349	90.5	75.1	61.5	60.3
Black or African American . . . . .	57	135	126	172	1.3	2.8	2.3	3.1
Hispanic or Latino . . . . .	80	295	268	255	1.8	6.2	4.9	4.6
American Indian or Alaska Native . . . . .	12	21	27	19	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.3
Asian or Pacific Islander . . . . .	243	603	1,373	1,397	5.4	12.7	25.3	25.1
<b>Pharmacy<sup>7</sup></b>								
All races <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	21,628	29,797	34,481	50,691	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Not Hispanic or Latino:								
White . . . . .	19,153	21,717	20,409	30,165	88.6	72.9	59.2	59.5
Black or African American . . . . .	945	2,103	3,132	3,229	4.4	7.1	9.1	6.4
Hispanic or Latino . . . . .	459	1,118	1,255	2,044	2.1	3.8	3.6	4.0
American Indian or Alaska Native . . . . .	36	85	137	248	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5
Asian or Pacific Islander . . . . .	1,035	3,346	7,392	10,974	4.8	11.2	21.4	21.6

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 112 (page 2 of 2). Total enrollment in schools for selected health occupations, by race and Hispanic origin: United States, selected academic years 1980–1981 through 2007–2008**

[Data are based on reporting by health professions associations]

<i>Occupation, race, and Hispanic origin</i>	1980–1981	1990–1991	2000–2001	2007–2008	1980–1981	1990–1991	2000–2001	2007–2008
<b>Podiatry</b>	Number of students				Percent distribution of students			
All races <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	2,577	2,221	1,968	2,095	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Not Hispanic or Latino:								
White . . . . .	2,353	1,671	1,305	1,304	91.3	75.2	66.3	62.2
Black or African American . . . . .	110	235	177	225	4.3	10.6	9.0	10.7
Hispanic or Latino . . . . .	39	149	103	113	1.5	6.7	5.2	5.4
American Indian or Alaska Native . . . . .	6	7	12	10	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.5
Asian or Pacific Islander . . . . .	69	159	272	247	2.7	7.2	14.0	11.8
<b>Public health</b>								
All races <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	---	---	16,777	22,604	---	---	100.0	100.0
Not Hispanic or Latino:								
White . . . . .	---	---	8,569	11,064	---	---	65.0	59.3
Black or African American . . . . .	---	---	1,280	2,177	---	---	9.7	11.7
Hispanic or Latino . . . . .	---	---	1,037	1,637	---	---	7.9	8.8
American Indian or Alaska Native . . . . .	---	---	97	134	---	---	0.7	0.7
Asian or Pacific Islander . . . . .	---	---	1,660	2,326	---	---	12.6	12.5

--- Data not available.

<sup>1</sup>Includes other and unknown races; may also include foreign students.

<sup>2</sup>Includes students from the University of Puerto Rico.

<sup>3</sup>Starting with 2002–2003 data, allopathic medical students had the option of reporting both their race and ethnicity alone or in combination with some other race or ethnicity, allowing multiple responses. Therefore, the data prior to 2002 are not directly comparable to later data. Total enrollments include unduplicated number of enrollments only. Therefore, the data for 2006–2007 and subsequent years are not directly comparable to earlier years.

<sup>4</sup>Includes Cuban students.

<sup>5</sup>Starting with 2000–2001, data include American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian; for previous years included American Indian and Alaska Native only.

<sup>6</sup>Starting with 2006, students could be reported in multiple race/ethnicity categories. All racial/ethnic groups will not add to the total enrollment. Percentages do not total to 100%. Other/unknown are not listed and students designating multiple race/ethnicity may be counted in more than one category.

<sup>7</sup>Prior to 2000–2001, total enrollment data were only for students in the final three years of pharmacy education. Starting with 2000–2001, pharmacy data are for all students. Starting in 2005, enrollments include PharmD.1. only. In 2006–2007, one pharmacy school did not report enrollment data.

NOTES: Total enrollment data are collected at the beginning of the academic year. The race categories' summed totals may not add up to the total number of students for all races. Some numbers have been revised and differ from previous editions of *Health, United States*.

SOURCE: American Dental Association (ADA): 2007–2008 Survey of Dental Education: Academic Programs, Enrollments, and Graduates - vol 1, Chicago, IL. 2008. Table 19; p. 43 (number of first-year students) and available from: <http://www.ada.org/goto/edreports> (Copyright® 2009 American Dental Association. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission); Association of American Medical Colleges: FACTS - Applicants, Matriculants, Graduates, and Residency Applicants, Applicants and Matriculants data. Available from: <http://www.aamc.org>. Association of American Medical Colleges: AAMC Data Book, Medical Schools and Teaching Hospitals by the Numbers, Washington, DC. 2005, 2006, and 2009 (Copyright 2005, 2006, and 2009: Used with the permission of the AAMC); American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine (AACOM). A Report on a Survey of Osteopathic Medical School Growth, 2007–2008, Chevy Chase, MD. Fast Facts about Osteopathic Medical Education. Available from: <http://www.aacom.org/about/fastfacts/Pages/default.aspx>. Reprinted with permission from AACOM. All rights reserved; Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry: Annual Student Data Report Academic Years 1980–1981, 1990–1991, 2000–2001, and 2007–2008. Available from: <http://www.opted.org>; American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy: Fall 2005 - Fall 2008 editions of the Profile of Pharmacy Students, Available from: <http://www.aacp.org>; American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine: Applicant, Matriculant, and Graduate Statistics, 2006, 2007, and 2008. Available from: <http://www.aacpm.org>; Association of Schools of Public Health: Annual Data Reports, 2008. Washington, DC. Available from: <http://www.asph.org/document.cfm?page=749>; Bureau of Health Professions: United States Health Personnel FACTBOOK. Health Resources and Services Administration. Rockville, MD. 2003.