

Table 112. Active dentists, by state: United States, selected years 1993–2008

[Data are based on reporting by dentists]

State	1993	2000	2006	2007	2008	1993	2000	2006	2007	2008
	Number of dentists					Number of dentists per 10,000 civilian population				
United States	155,087	166,383	179,594	181,725	181,774	6.1	6.1	6.0	6.0	6.0
Alabama	1,779	1,912	2,032	2,032	2,032	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.4
Alaska	421	467	513	519	505	7.5	7.5	7.7	7.6	7.4
Arizona	2,032	2,322	3,107	3,225	3,302	5.3	4.5	5.0	5.1	5.1
Arkansas	1,001	1,080	1,146	1,162	1,125	4.2	4.0	4.1	4.1	3.9
California	20,909	22,963	26,887	27,654	27,922	6.8	6.8	7.4	7.6	7.6
Colorado	2,503	2,818	3,139	3,181	3,212	7.3	6.6	6.6	6.5	6.5
Connecticut	2,587	2,636	2,694	2,710	2,610	7.9	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.5
Delaware	331	357	395	403	403	4.8	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.6
District of Columbia	810	728	609	614	634	13.9	12.7	10.5	10.4	10.7
Florida	7,110	8,170	9,450	9,640	9,741	5.3	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.3
Georgia	3,251	3,611	4,167	4,295	4,260	4.9	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.4
Hawaii	976	992	1,046	1,043	1,039	8.8	8.2	8.1	8.1	8.1
Idaho	573	678	834	863	890	5.4	5.2	5.7	5.8	5.8
Illinois	7,978	8,205	8,249	8,268	8,192	6.9	6.6	6.4	6.4	6.3
Indiana	2,716	2,867	3,013	3,035	3,009	4.8	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.7
Iowa	1,545	1,564	1,583	1,610	1,600	5.5	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.3
Kansas	1,316	1,329	1,417	1,437	1,413	5.3	4.9	5.1	5.2	5.0
Kentucky	2,129	2,258	2,340	2,356	2,388	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6
Louisiana	2,029	2,086	2,102	2,118	2,066	4.8	4.7	4.9	4.9	4.7
Maine	592	601	650	662	657	4.8	4.7	4.9	5.0	5.0
Maryland	3,753	3,986	4,132	4,212	4,138	7.7	7.5	7.4	7.5	7.3
Massachusetts	4,652	5,137	5,299	5,314	5,442	7.8	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.4
Michigan	5,884	5,913	6,141	6,126	6,060	6.2	5.9	6.1	6.1	6.1
Minnesota	2,913	2,960	3,137	3,196	3,174	6.5	6.0	6.1	6.1	6.1
Mississippi	1,040	1,115	1,173	1,190	1,160	4.0	3.9	4.0	4.1	3.9
Missouri	2,773	2,680	2,803	2,813	2,803	5.4	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.7
Montana	476	485	525	549	548	5.8	5.4	5.6	5.7	5.7
Nebraska	1,054	1,087	1,116	1,111	1,105	6.6	6.4	6.3	6.3	6.2
Nevada	570	763	1,185	1,285	1,330	4.3	3.8	4.7	5.0	5.1
New Hampshire	642	707	821	830	817	5.8	5.7	6.2	6.3	6.2
New Jersey	6,144	6,607	7,113	7,042	6,925	7.9	7.9	8.2	8.1	8.0
New Mexico	719	809	871	907	916	4.6	4.4	4.5	4.6	4.6
New York	14,395	15,159	15,110	15,184	14,980	8.0	8.0	7.8	7.9	7.7
North Carolina	2,968	3,394	4,031	4,108	4,183	4.4	4.2	4.6	4.5	4.5
North Dakota	315	300	323	326	329	5.0	4.7	5.1	5.1	5.1
Ohio	5,981	6,108	6,081	6,063	6,029	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.3	5.2
Oklahoma	1,584	1,683	1,774	1,804	1,805	5.0	4.9	5.0	5.0	5.0
Oregon	2,034	2,273	2,506	2,551	2,574	6.8	6.6	6.8	6.8	6.8
Pennsylvania	7,915	8,031	7,907	7,747	7,756	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.2	6.2
Rhode Island	581	589	596	569	573	5.8	5.6	5.6	5.4	5.5
South Carolina	1,601	1,803	2,006	2,026	2,065	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.6
South Dakota	347	359	387	397	406	4.9	4.8	4.9	5.0	5.0
Tennessee	2,748	2,993	3,031	3,076	3,015	5.5	5.3	5.0	5.0	4.9
Texas	8,860	9,873	10,758	10,981	10,936	5.1	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.5
Utah	1,162	1,398	1,671	1,713	1,743	6.4	6.3	6.6	6.5	6.4
Vermont	323	353	360	361	360	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8
Virginia	3,686	4,036	4,489	4,563	4,640	5.9	5.7	5.9	5.9	6.0
Washington	3,271	3,860	4,510	4,528	4,579	6.4	6.5	7.1	7.0	7.0
West Virginia	816	828	854	847	844	4.5	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.7
Wisconsin	3,054	3,119	3,199	3,186	3,208	6.1	5.8	5.8	5.7	5.7
Wyoming	235	267	281	269	266	5.1	5.4	5.5	5.1	5.0

NOTES: The data include professionally active dentists only. Professionally active dentist occupation categories include active practitioners (full- or part-time); dental school faculty or staff; armed forces dentists; government-employed dentists at the federal, state, or local levels; graduate students/interns and residents; and other health or dental organization staff members. U.S. totals include dentists with unknown state of practice not shown separately. Rates were calculated using the number of dentists from ADA and civilian population data from AMA, to be consistent with [Table 109](#).

SOURCE: American Dental Association, Survey Center, Distribution of Dentists in the United States: Historical Report, 1993–2001, Table 1; p. 6 (number of dentists); Distribution of Dentists in the United States by Region and State, 2003, Table 1; p. 6–7 (number of dentists); Distribution of Dentists in the United States by Region and State, 2006, Table 1; p. 6–7 (number of dentists); Distribution of Dentists in the United States by Region and State, 2007, Table 1; p. 6–7 (number of dentists); Distribution of Dentists in the United States by Region and State, 2008, Table 1; p. 6–7 (number of dentists) (Copyright 2003, 2005, 2008, 2009, 2010 American Dental Association. Reprinted with permission. All rights reserved.) Any form of reproduction is strictly prohibited without prior written permission of American Dental Association; American Medical Association (AMA), Physician characteristics and distribution in the U.S., 2009 and previous editions (number of civilian population) (Copyright 1994, 1997, 2002, 2005, 2008, 2009, 2010: Used with the permission of the AMA). See [Appendix I, American Dental Association \(ADA\)](#).