

**Table 103. Active dentists, by state: United States, selected years 1993–2009**

[Data are based on reporting by dentists]

| State                          | 1993               | 2000    | 2007    | 2008    | 2009    | 1993  | 2000 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---|------|------|------|------|
|                                | Number of dentists |         |         |         |         | Number of dentists per 10,000 civilian population |      |      |      |      |
| United States . . . . .        | 155,087            | 166,383 | 181,725 | 181,774 | 186,084 | 6.1   | 6.1  | 6.0  | 6.0  | 6.0  |
| Alabama . . . . .              | 1,779              | 1,912   | 2,032   | 2,032   | 2,069   | 4.3   | 4.3  | 4.4  | 4.4  | 4.4  |
| Alaska . . . . .               | 421                | 467     | 519     | 505     | 534     | 7.5   | 7.5  | 7.6  | 7.4  | 7.4  |
| Arizona . . . . .              | 2,032              | 2,322   | 3,225   | 3,302   | 3,447   | 5.3   | 4.5  | 5.1  | 5.1  | 5.1  |
| Arkansas . . . . .             | 1,001              | 1,080   | 1,162   | 1,125   | 1,162   | 4.2   | 4.0  | 4.1  | 3.9  | 3.9  |
| California . . . . .           | 20,909             | 22,963  | 27,654  | 27,922  | 28,776  | 6.8   | 6.8  | 7.6  | 7.6  | 7.6  |
| Colorado . . . . .             | 2,503              | 2,818   | 3,181   | 3,212   | 3,328   | 7.3   | 6.6  | 6.5  | 6.5  | 6.5  |
| Connecticut . . . . .          | 2,587              | 2,636   | 2,710   | 2,610   | 2,702   | 7.9   | 7.7  | 7.7  | 7.5  | 7.5  |
| Delaware . . . . .             | 331                | 357     | 403     | 403     | 406     | 4.8   | 4.6  | 4.7  | 4.6  | 4.6  |
| District of Columbia . . . . . | 810                | 728     | 614     | 634     | 646     | 13.9  | 12.7 | 10.4 | 10.7 | 10.7 |
| Florida . . . . .              | 7,110              | 8,170   | 9,640   | 9,741   | 9,877   | 5.3   | 5.1  | 5.3  | 5.3  | 5.3  |
| Georgia . . . . .              | 3,251              | 3,611   | 4,295   | 4,260   | 4,430   | 4.9   | 4.4  | 4.5  | 4.4  | 4.4  |
| Hawaii . . . . .               | 976                | 992     | 1,043   | 1,039   | 1,048   | 8.8   | 8.2  | 8.1  | 8.1  | 8.1  |
| Idaho . . . . .                | 573                | 678     | 863     | 890     | 932     | 5.4   | 5.2  | 5.8  | 5.8  | 5.8  |
| Illinois . . . . .             | 7,978              | 8,205   | 8,268   | 8,192   | 8,345   | 6.9   | 6.6  | 6.4  | 6.3  | 6.3  |
| Indiana . . . . .              | 2,716              | 2,867   | 3,035   | 3,009   | 3,078   | 4.8   | 4.7  | 4.8  | 4.7  | 4.7  |
| Iowa . . . . .                 | 1,545              | 1,564   | 1,610   | 1,600   | 1,625   | 5.5   | 5.3  | 5.4  | 5.3  | 5.3  |
| Kansas . . . . .               | 1,316              | 1,329   | 1,437   | 1,413   | 1,446   | 5.3   | 4.9  | 5.2  | 5.0  | 5.0  |
| Kentucky . . . . .             | 2,129              | 2,258   | 2,356   | 2,388   | 2,437   | 5.7   | 5.6  | 5.6  | 5.6  | 5.6  |
| Louisiana . . . . .            | 2,029              | 2,086   | 2,118   | 2,066   | 2,133   | 4.8   | 4.7  | 4.9  | 4.7  | 4.7  |
| Maine . . . . .                | 592                | 601     | 662     | 657     | 662     | 4.8   | 4.7  | 5.0  | 5.0  | 5.0  |
| Maryland . . . . .             | 3,753              | 3,986   | 4,212   | 4,138   | 4,211   | 7.7   | 7.5  | 7.5  | 7.3  | 7.3  |
| Massachusetts . . . . .        | 4,652              | 5,137   | 5,314   | 5,442   | 5,502   | 7.8   | 8.1  | 8.2  | 8.4  | 8.4  |
| Michigan . . . . .             | 5,884              | 5,913   | 6,126   | 6,060   | 6,068   | 6.2   | 5.9  | 6.1  | 6.1  | 6.1  |
| Minnesota . . . . .            | 2,913              | 2,960   | 3,196   | 3,174   | 3,201   | 6.5   | 6.0  | 6.1  | 6.1  | 6.1  |
| Mississippi . . . . .          | 1,040              | 1,115   | 1,190   | 1,160   | 1,190   | 4.0   | 3.9  | 4.1  | 3.9  | 3.9  |
| Missouri . . . . .             | 2,773              | 2,680   | 2,813   | 2,803   | 2,865   | 5.4   | 4.8  | 4.8  | 4.7  | 4.7  |
| Montana . . . . .              | 476                | 485     | 549     | 548     | 582     | 5.8   | 5.4  | 5.7  | 5.7  | 5.7  |
| Nebraska . . . . .             | 1,054              | 1,087   | 1,111   | 1,105   | 1,112   | 6.6   | 6.4  | 6.3  | 6.2  | 6.2  |
| Nevada . . . . .               | 570                | 763     | 1,285   | 1,330   | 1,367   | 4.3   | 3.8  | 5.0  | 5.1  | 5.1  |
| New Hampshire . . . . .        | 642                | 707     | 830     | 817     | 837     | 5.8   | 5.7  | 6.3  | 6.2  | 6.2  |
| New Jersey . . . . .           | 6,144              | 6,607   | 7,042   | 6,925   | 7,062   | 7.9   | 7.9  | 8.1  | 8.0  | 8.0  |
| New Mexico . . . . .           | 719                | 809     | 907     | 916     | 935     | 4.6   | 4.4  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.6  |
| New York . . . . .             | 14,395             | 15,159  | 15,184  | 14,980  | 15,131  | 8.0   | 8.0  | 7.9  | 7.7  | 7.7  |
| North Carolina . . . . .       | 2,968              | 3,394   | 4,108   | 4,183   | 4,315   | 4.4   | 4.2  | 4.5  | 4.5  | 4.5  |
| North Dakota . . . . .         | 315                | 300     | 326     | 329     | 339     | 5.0   | 4.7  | 5.1  | 5.1  | 5.1  |
| Ohio . . . . .                 | 5,981              | 6,108   | 6,063   | 6,029   | 6,093   | 5.4   | 5.4  | 5.3  | 5.2  | 5.2  |
| Oklahoma . . . . .             | 1,584              | 1,683   | 1,804   | 1,805   | 1,846   | 5.0   | 4.9  | 5.0  | 5.0  | 5.0  |
| Oregon . . . . .               | 2,034              | 2,273   | 2,551   | 2,574   | 2,651   | 6.8   | 6.6  | 6.8  | 6.8  | 6.8  |
| Pennsylvania . . . . .         | 7,915              | 8,031   | 7,747   | 7,756   | 7,798   | 6.6   | 6.5  | 6.2  | 6.2  | 6.2  |
| Rhode Island . . . . .         | 581                | 589     | 569     | 573     | 578     | 5.8   | 5.6  | 5.4  | 5.5  | 5.5  |
| South Carolina . . . . .       | 1,601              | 1,803   | 2,026   | 2,065   | 2,116   | 4.5   | 4.5  | 4.6  | 4.6  | 4.6  |
| South Dakota . . . . .         | 347                | 359     | 397     | 406     | 418     | 4.9   | 4.8  | 5.0  | 5.0  | 5.0  |
| Tennessee . . . . .            | 2,748              | 2,993   | 3,076   | 3,015   | 3,093   | 5.5   | 5.3  | 5.0  | 4.9  | 4.9  |
| Texas . . . . .                | 8,860              | 9,873   | 10,981  | 10,936  | 11,567  | 5.1   | 4.7  | 4.6  | 4.5  | 4.5  |
| Utah . . . . .                 | 1,162              | 1,398   | 1,713   | 1,743   | 1,809   | 6.4   | 6.3  | 6.5  | 6.4  | 6.4  |
| Vermont . . . . .              | 323                | 353     | 361     | 360     | 355     | 5.7   | 5.8  | 5.8  | 5.8  | 5.8  |
| Virginia . . . . .             | 3,686              | 4,036   | 4,563   | 4,640   | 4,796   | 5.9   | 5.7  | 5.9  | 6.0  | 6.0  |
| Washington . . . . .           | 3,271              | 3,860   | 4,528   | 4,579   | 4,737   | 6.4   | 6.5  | 7.0  | 7.0  | 7.0  |
| West Virginia . . . . .        | 816                | 828     | 847     | 844     | 861     | 4.5   | 4.6  | 4.7  | 4.7  | 4.7  |
| Wisconsin . . . . .            | 3,054              | 3,119   | 3,186   | 3,208   | 3,246   | 6.1   | 5.8  | 5.7  | 5.7  | 5.7  |
| Wyoming . . . . .              | 235                | 267     | 269     | 266     | 282     | 5.1   | 5.4  | 5.1  | 5.0  | 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 the American Dental Association and civilian population data from the American Medical Association to be consistent with Table 100.

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) United States by Region and State, 2009, Table 1; p. 6–7 (number of dentists) (Copyright 2003, 2005, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 American Dental Association. Reprinted with permission. All rights reserved.) Any form of reproduction is strictly prohibited without prior written permission of the American Dental Association; American Medical Association (AMA). Physician characteristics and distribution in the U.S., 2011 and previous editions (number of civilian population) (Copyright 1994, 1997, 2002, 2005, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012: Used with the permission of the AMA). See [Appendix I, American Dental Association \(ADA\)](#).