

**Table 88. First-year enrollment and graduates of health professions schools, and number of schools, by selected profession: United States, selected academic years 1980–1981 through 2014–2015**

[Data are based on reporting by health professions associations]

Profession	Academic years						
	1980–1981	1990–1991	2000–2001	2010–2011	2012–2013	2013–2014	2014–2015
<b>First-year enrollment</b>							
	Number						
Dentistry . . . . .	6,030	4,001	4,327	5,170	5,697	5,904	5,967
Medicine (Allopathic) <sup>1,2</sup> . . . . .	17,186	16,876	16,699	19,082	20,279	20,803	21,036
Medicine (Osteopathic) <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	1,496	1,950	2,927	5,428	5,986	6,636	7,012
Optometry <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	1,174	1,245	1,384	1,661	1,760	1,818	1,789
Pharmacy <sup>1,3</sup> . . . . .	7,377	8,267	8,382	13,077	14,011	14,008	14,276
Podiatry . . . . .	695	561	475	671	687	671	647
Public Health: <sup>1,4,5,6</sup>							
Schools and programs . . . . .	---	---	---	---	---	13,591	14,720
Schools . . . . .	3,348	4,087	5,840	10,980	11,350	12,311	13,121
<b>Graduates</b>							
Dentistry <sup>6</sup> . . . . .	5,256	5,550	4,367	5,106	5,390	5,530	5,811
Medicine (Allopathic) <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	15,632	15,427	15,796	17,363	18,157	18,078	18,704
Medicine (Osteopathic) . . . . .	1,151	1,534	2,510	4,159	4,806	4,997	5,323
Optometry <sup>1,7</sup> . . . . .	1,092	1,224	1,310	1,308	1,545	1,541	1,531
Pharmacy <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	7,323	7,122	7,000	11,931	13,207	13,838	13,994
Podiatry . . . . .	597	591	531	543	572	564	557
Public Health: <sup>1,5,6</sup>							
Schools and programs . . . . .	---	---	---	---	---	11,687	12,520
Schools . . . . .	3,168	3,995	5,747	9,566	10,200	10,807	11,287
<b>Schools</b>							
Dentistry . . . . .	60	56	55	58	62	65	65
Medicine (Allopathic) <sup>1,8</sup> . . . . .	125	125	124	135	141	141	144
Medicine (Osteopathic) . . . . .	14	15	19	34	37	40	42
Optometry <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	13	17	17	20	21	21	21
Pharmacy <sup>1,6</sup> . . . . .	72	74	82	120	129	130	133
Podiatry . . . . .	5	7	7	9	9	9	9
Public Health: <sup>1,9</sup>							
Schools and programs . . . . .	---	---	---	---	---	91	100
Schools . . . . .	21	24	28	46	50	56	56

--- Data not available.

<sup>1</sup> Includes data from schools in Puerto Rico. For Pharmacy, includes data from the University of Puerto Rico School of Pharmacy.

<sup>2</sup> Includes new entrants and those repeating the initial year.

<sup>3</sup> Starting with 2005–2006 data, first-year enrollment for pharmacy schools include Pharm.D.1 enrollments only. Pharm.D.1 refers to the Doctor of Pharmacy degree awarded as the first professional degree. Prior to 2005, first-year enrollment data included Pharm.D.1, B.S. Pharmacy, and B.Pharm. enrollments. It also included second from last year baccalaureate enrollees and third from last year Pharm.D.1 enrollees. It did not include first-year enrollees in accelerated programs.

<sup>4</sup> Prior to 2009–2010 data, enrollment is provided for the fall. For the 2009–2010 to 2013–2014 data, enrollment includes winter, spring, summer, and fall. For 2014–2015 data, enrollment is provided for the 2014–2015 academic year.

<sup>5</sup> ASPPH data is provided for U.S.-based ASPPH members. 2010–2011 data reported for 45 schools of public health. 2012–2013 data reported for 49 schools of public health. 2013–2014 data reported for 52 schools and 24 programs of public health. 2014–2015 data reported for 54 schools and 31 programs of public health.

<sup>6</sup> Data for the 2010–2011 academic year and beyond have been revised and differ from previous editions of *Health, United States*.

<sup>7</sup> Includes graduates receiving the O.D. degree but excludes those of "special" optometry degree programs which include, but are not limited to, accelerated programs for those entering optometry schools with a doctoral degree, foreign optometry programs, or modified extended programs for those returning to schools after an absence, changing professional fields, or taking a reduced course load for personal reasons.

<sup>8</sup> Includes schools with preliminary and provisional accreditation, in addition to fully accredited schools.

<sup>9</sup> Includes programs of public health as Association of Schools & Programs of Public Health members as of 2013 school year.

NOTE: Data on the number of schools and first-year enrollments are reported as of the beginning of the academic year, while data on the number of graduates are reported as of the end of the academic year.

SOURCE: American Dental Association: 2015–2016 Survey of Dental Education Series, Report 1: Academic Programs, Enrollment and Graduates. Available from: <http://www.ada.org/en/science-research/health-policy-institute/data-center/dental-education> (Copyright 2016 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; Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC): AAMC Data Book 2016 - Medical Schools and Teaching Hospitals by the Numbers, Washington, DC. 2016. Table A1 (number of schools) and Table B1 (number of first-year enrollment students and number of graduates). Used with permission of the AAMC; American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine: Trends in Osteopathic Medical School Applicants, Enrollment, and Graduates, 2016. Chevy Chase, MD. 2016. Available from: <http://www.aacom.org/reports-programs-initiatives/aacom-reports>. Reprinted with permission from AACOM, All rights reserved; Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry: Annual Student Data Report Academic Years 2014–2015, Annual Student Data Report Academic Years 2015–2016. Available from: <https://optometriceducation.org/data-surveys>. Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry: Annual Student Data Report Academic Years 2015–2016. Available from: <https://optometriceducation.org/data-surveys>. American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy: Fall 2014 Profile of Pharmacy Students, Fall 2015 Profile of Pharmacy Students. Available from: <http://www.aacp.org/resources/research/institutionalresearch/Pages/StudentApplications,EnrollmentsandDegreesConferred.aspx>; American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine: Applicant, Matriculant, and Graduate Statistics, 2006 through 2014 and unpublished data. Available from: <http://www.aacpm.org>. Used with permission of the AACPM; Association of Schools & Programs of Public Health: unpublished data. Washington, DC. Used with permission of the ASPPH; Bureau of Health Professions: United States Health Personnel FACTBOOK. Health Resources and Services Administration. Rockville, MD. 2003. See Appendix I, American Dental Association (ADA); Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC); American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine (AACOM); Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry (ASCO); American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP); American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine (AACPM); Association of Schools & Programs of Public Health (ASPPH).