

### No. 151. Health Professions—Practitioners and Schools: 1990 to 2002

[(573 represents 573,000). Data on the number of schools and total enrollment are reported as of the beginning of the academic year; all other school data are reported as of the end of the academic year. Data are based on reporting by health professions schools]

Year	Registered nursing									
	Medicine	Osteopathy	Total	Baccalaureate	Associate degree	Diploma	Licensed practical nursing	Dentistry <sup>1</sup>	Optometry	Pharmacy
<b>ACTIVE PERSONNEL (1,000)</b>										
1990	573	28	<sup>2</sup> 1,790	682	1,107	( <sup>3</sup> )	441	148	26	168
1995	646	36	<sup>2</sup> 2,116	881	1,235	( <sup>3</sup> )	399	159	29	181
2000	738	45	<sup>2</sup> 2,249	983	1,267	( <sup>3</sup> )	374	168	32	196
2001	752	42	<sup>2</sup> 2,262	1,000	1,262	( <sup>3</sup> )	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
<b>NUMBER OF SCHOOLS<sup>4</sup></b>										
1990	126	15	1,470	489	829	152	1,154	56	17	74
1995	125	16	1,516	521	876	119	1,210	54	17	75
2000	125	19	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	55	17	81
2001	125	19	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	54	17	83
2002	125	19	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	54	(NA)	83
<b>TOTAL ENROLLMENT</b>										
1990	65,016	6,615	201,458	74,865	106,175	20,418	46,720	16,412	4,723	23,013
1995	66,788	8,146	268,350	112,659	135,895	19,796	59,428	16,353	5,201	27,667
2000	66,377	10,388	192,202	89,508	95,598	7,096	(NA)	17,242	5,464	29,586
2001	66,160	10,817	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	17,349	5,428	30,301
2002	66,253	11,101	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	17,487	(NA)	31,769
<b>GRADUATES</b>										
1990	15,398	1,529	66,088	18,571	42,318	5,199	35,417	4,233	1,115	6,956
1995	15,883	1,843	97,052	31,254	58,749	7,049	44,234	3,908	1,219	7,837
2000	15,714	2,279	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	4,171	1,315	7,260
2001	15,785	2,510	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	4,367	1,310	7,000
2002	15,652	2,534	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	4,349	(NA)	7,573

NA Not available. <sup>1</sup> Personnel data exclude dentists in military service, U.S. Public Health Service, and U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs. <sup>2</sup> Includes nurses with advanced degrees. <sup>3</sup> Diploma nurses included with associate degree nurses. <sup>4</sup> Some nursing schools offer more than one type of program. Numbers shown for nursing are number of nursing programs.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, Bureau of Health Professions, unpublished data; American Medical Association, Chicago, IL, *Physician Characteristics and Distribution in the U.S.*, annual; and American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine, Rockville, MD, *Annual Statistical Report*.

### No. 152. Percent Distribution of Number of Visits to Health Care Professionals by Selected Characteristics: 2001 and 2002

[Covers ambulatory visits to doctor's offices and emergency departments, and home health care visits during a 12-month period. Based on the redesigned National Health Interview Survey, a sample survey of the civilian noninstitutionalized population. See Appendix III]

Characteristic	None		1-3 visits		4-9 visits		10 or more visits	
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
<b>All persons<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>16.5</b>	<b>15.9</b>	<b>45.8</b>	<b>45.5</b>	<b>24.4</b>	<b>25.2</b>	<b>13.3</b>	<b>13.4</b>
Age:								
Under 6 years	5.5	5.6	45.8	47.0	37.9	37.1	10.8	10.4
6-17 years	14.6	13.0	58.9	59.0	20.5	22.3	6.1	5.7
18-44 years	23.3	22.6	46.1	45.7	18.9	19.4	11.8	12.4
45-64 years	15.6	14.8	42.9	41.9	25.7	26.9	15.9	16.4
65-74 years	8.1	9.1	35.8	33.7	33.5	36.8	22.6	20.5
75 years and over	5.8	7.3	28.2	28.6	38.1	35.8	27.9	28.3
Sex: <sup>1</sup>								
Male	21.3	20.6	46.5	46.5	21.6	22.2	10.7	10.7
Female	11.9	11.4	45.1	44.5	27.1	28.0	15.9	16.1
Race: <sup>1,2</sup>								
White only	15.9	15.6	45.7	45.1	24.8	25.4	13.5	13.8
Black only	16.4	15.3	46.4	45.8	24.0	26.0	13.2	13.0
American Indian or Alaska Native only	21.4	18.1	36.4	43.7	25.4	21.7	16.9	16.6
Asian only	20.8	21.2	48.3	49.7	22.3	20.3	8.6	8.8
Two or more races	18.0	13.5	41.2	43.7	23.5	27.3	17.3	15.4
Race and Hispanic origin: <sup>1</sup>								
Hispanic	27.0	25.7	40.2	41.5	20.7	21.1	12.0	11.7
White, non-Hispanic	14.3	14.0	46.4	45.8	25.4	26.1	13.9	14.2
Black, non-Hispanic	16.4	15.3	46.4	45.7	24.0	26.0	13.1	13.1

<sup>1</sup> Estimates are age adjusted to the year 2000 standard using six age groups: Under 18 years, 18-44 years, 45-54 years, 55-64 years, 65-74 years, and 75 years and over. <sup>2</sup> Estimates by race and Hispanic origin are tabulated using the 1997 Standards for Federal data on race and ethnicity. Estimates for specific race groups are shown when they meet requirements for statistical reliability and confidentiality. The categories "White only," "Black or African American only," "American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) only," and "Asian only" include persons who reported only one racial group; and the category "2 or more races" includes persons who reported more than one of the five racial groups in the 1997 Standards or one of the five racial groups and "Some other race."

Source: U.S. National Center for Health Statistics, *Health, United States, 2004*.