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# No. 80. PHYSICIANS, BY TYPE OF PRACTICE: 1950 TO 1965

[As of December 31. Includes Puerto Rico and outlying areas; and all physicians in Federal service regardless of where located]

TYPE OF PRACTICE	1950	1955	1960	1964	1965
<b>All physicians <sup>1</sup></b> .....	<b>232, 697</b>	<b>255, 211</b>	<b>274, 834</b>	<b>297, 136</b>	<b>305, 115</b>
Doctors of medicine <sup>1</sup> .....	219, 997	241, 711	260, 484	284, 271	292, 088
Private practice.....	158, 189	159, 371	168, 142	178, 528	180, 752
Training programs <sup>2</sup> .....	21, 416	31, 028	37, 562	40, 964	43, 508
Federal service.....	12, 576	12, 957	14, 212	18, 329	18, 912
Other non-Federal practice.....	16, 816	25, 197	27, 341	31, 780	34, 403
Retired, not in practice.....	9, 728	11, 666	11, 820	13, 361	13, 279
Status not reported (address unknown).....	1, 272	1, 492	1, 407	1, 309	1, 234
Doctors of osteopathy <sup>1</sup> .....	<sup>3</sup> 12, 700	<sup>3</sup> 13, 500	14, 350	12, 865	13, 027
Private practice.....	9, 900	10, 500	11, 034	9, 902	9, 996
Other practice.....	(NA)	(NA)	1, 142	1, 007	1, 100
Retired, not in practice.....	(NA)	(NA)	1, 188	1, 211	1, 232
Status not reported.....	(NA)	(NA)	986	745	699
<b>Percent, all physicians <sup>1</sup></b> .....	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
Private practice.....	72	67	65	63	63
General practice.....	48	39	31	26	25
Full-time specialty <sup>4</sup> .....	24	28	34	37	38
Training programs <sup>2</sup> .....	9	12	14	14	15
Federal service.....	6	5	5	6	6
Other non-Federal practice.....	7	10	10	11	11
Inactive, no report.....	6	6	6	6	5

NA Not available.

<sup>1</sup> Includes non-Federal physicians with addresses temporarily unknown to the American Medical Association.

<sup>2</sup> Interns and residents (Federal and non-Federal) as reported in the *American Medical Association Directory of Approved Internships and Residencies*.

<sup>3</sup> Includes 2,800 osteopaths for 1950 and 3,000 for 1955, breakdown not available.

<sup>4</sup> Primary specialty other than general practice.

Source: Dept. of Health, Education, and Welfare, Public Health Service; *Health Resources Statistics: Health Manpower, 1965*. Compiled from data supplied by the American Medical Association and the American Osteopathic Association.