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United States, 1974

This report contains highlights of demographic and employment characteristics of persons trained in the field of podiatric medicine who resided in the United States in 1974. This information was obtained during a survey of the Nation's podiatrists, conducted by the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), between October and December of 1974. Of the 8,261 podiatrists surveyed, 7,253 (88 percent) completed this survey's questionnaire.

A similar survey of the Nation's podiatrists was conducted by NCHS in 1970. The 1970 survey's mailing list was derived from a compilation of names and addresses of licensed podiatrists obtained from the podiatry licensing board of each State. In preparation for the 1974 survey, graduates of schools of podiatry between 1970 and 1973 were added to this list, and podiatrists known to be deceased or identified as duplicate listings were deleted. Mailing addresses found on this list were verified and updated through address checks performed by the U.S. Postal Service during the summers of 1972, 1973, and 1974.

Of 8,261 persons trained in podiatric medicine who resided in the United States in 1974, 7,120 podiatrists (86 percent) were actively engaged in the provision of podiatric services or in another podiatric activity such as teaching or research and 1,140 persons (14 percent) reported that they were not active in the profession. In 1970, 7,113 podiatrists reported that they were actively engaged in podiatry.¹ Thus, the number of active podiatrists has remained almost constant between 1970 and 1974, while the Nation's resident population increased by 8.2 million persons (4.0 percent).

¹These totals and all other survey data presented in this report reflect the application of a statistical adjustment designed to compensate for various types of nonresponse to the survey and are believed to represent a good approximation of the actual number of podiatrists at the time of the 1974 and 1970 surveys.

In 1970, there were 3.5 active podiatrists per 100,000 of the Nation's residents.^{2,4} By 1974, this proportion decreased slightly to 3.4. Between 1970 and 1973, 1,048 students graduated from the Nation's five schools of podiatry. Thus, it appears that the profession has not kept pace with the 4 percent rate of growth of the Nation's population experienced between 1970 and 1974. However, if the 1974 podiatry graduates (305) are included in this compilation, the ratio of podiatrists per 100,000 population increases to 3.5 podiatrists. The 1974 graduates were not included in the 1974 survey because it was felt that for the most part, they had not yet begun to fully participate in the provision of podiatric services at the time of the survey.

Practitioners of podiatry were located in all States of the Nation. To measure the level of concentration of practitioners per residents within a given geographic area, health statisticians have traditionally relied upon the ratio of practitioners per 100,000 residents within a geographic area. The pitfalls of using this technique are numerous. They include an omission of the following practice characteristics: field of specialty, volume of activity (in terms of hours worked and

²National Center for Health Statistics: Podiatry Manpower: A General Profile, United States, 1970. *Vital and Health Statistics*. Series 14-No. 10. DHEW Pub. No. (HRA) 74-1805. Health Resources Administration. Washington. U.S. Government Printing Office, Aug. 1973.

³National Center for Health Statistics: Podiatry Manpower: Characteristics of Clinical Practice, United States, 1970. *Vital and Health Statistics*. Series 14-No. 11. DHEW Pub. No. (HRA) 74-1806. Health Resources Administration. Washington. U.S. Government Printing Office, Mar. 1974.

⁴National Center for Health Statistics: Characteristics of Patients Treated by Podiatrists, United States, 1970. *Vital and Health Statistics*. Series 14-No. 14. DHEW Pub. No. (HRA) 75-1809. Health Resources Administration. Washington. U.S. Government Printing Office, Aug. 1974.

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Table 1. Number of podiatrists, by activity status, principal form of employment, and area of primary place of employment: United States, 1974

Area of primary place of employment	Total podiatrists	Active in podiatry								Not active in podiatry	Active podiatrists ¹ per 100,000 resident population	
		Total ¹	Self-employed				Salaried					
			Total	Solo practice	Partnership practice	Group practice	Total	Government ²	Other salaried ³			Other form of employment
United States-----	8,261	7,085	6,836	5,719	950	167	237	120	117	12	1,140	3.4
Geographic regions:												
Northeast-----	3,297	2,876	2,801	2,410	315	76	70	31	39	5	402	5.8
North Central-----	2,248	1,968	1,894	1,611	245	38	69	26	43	6	274	3.4
South-----	1,374	1,135	1,088	839	224	25	47	36	11	-	233	1.7
West-----	1,342	1,105	1,054	859	167	28	50	26	24	1	231	3.0
Geographic divisions:												
New England-----	761	621	613	556	53	3	8	2	6	-	139	5.1
Middle Atlantic-----	2,536	2,255	2,188	1,854	262	72	62	29	33	5	264	6.0
East North Central-----	1,863	1,636	1,571	1,319	216	35	59	19	40	6	223	4.0
West North Central-----	385	333	323	292	28	3	10	7	3	-	51	2.0
South Atlantic-----	868	701	666	490	159	17	36	27	9	-	160	2.1
East South Central-----	150	119	114	88	26	-	5	5	-	-	31	0.9
West South Central-----	357	315	308	261	39	8	7	6	1	-	42	1.5
Mountain-----	282	228	222	155	60	8	6	6	-	-	54	2.4
Pacific-----	1,060	877	832	704	107	20	44	20	24	1	177	3.2
States:												
Alabama-----	27	19	18	18	-	-	1	1	-	-	8	0.5
Alaska-----	3	3	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.9
Arizona-----	78	55	55	30	23	1	-	-	-	-	23	2.6
Arkansas-----	22	20	20	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1.0
California-----	929	764	719	603	97	19	43	19	24	1	160	3.7
Colorado-----	81	64	59	47	11	1	5	5	-	-	17	2.6
Connecticut-----	201	173	173	138	36	-	-	-	-	-	28	5.6
Delaware-----	20	18	18	15	2	1	-	-	-	-	2	3.1
District of Columbia-----	54	51	42	37	4	1	9	6	3	-	1	7.1
Florida-----	364	248	243	174	65	4	4	3	1	-	113	3.1
Georgia-----	81	70	66	43	18	5	5	1	4	-	11	1.4
Hawaii-----	8	8	8	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.9
Idaho-----	18	15	15	12	2	1	-	-	-	-	3	1.9
Illinois-----	682	570	545	454	77	14	22	4	18	2	110	5.1
Indiana-----	148	128	125	107	14	4	3	1	2	-	20	2.4
Iowa-----	97	84	83	74	9	-	1	1	-	-	12	2.9
Kansas-----	52	42	41	36	4	1	1	2	-	-	10	1.9
Kentucky-----	67	52	50	37	13	-	2	1	-	-	15	1.5
Louisiana-----	40	36	35	30	6	-	1	1	-	-	3	1.7
Maine-----	21	18	18	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1.0
Maryland-----	142	131	128	85	39	4	3	3	-	-	11	3.2
Massachusetts-----	441	347	340	322	14	3	7	2	5	-	93	6.0
Michigan-----	321	296	282	205	69	8	13	3	10	1	24	3.3
Minnesota-----	80	70	66	60	6	-	4	1	3	-	9	1.8
Mississippi-----	11	9	9	7	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	0.4
Missouri-----	96	82	79	71	6	2	3	3	-	-	14	1.7
Montana-----	14	14	14	10	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	1.9
Nebraska-----	41	37	37	34	3	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.4
Nevada-----	17	15	15	14	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	2.6
New Hampshire-----	30	23	22	22	-	-	1	-	1	-	7	2.8
New Jersey-----	408	355	351	302	46	2	5	-	3	-	49	4.8
New Mexico-----	31	27	27	21	6	-	-	-	-	-	4	2.4
New York-----	1,367	1,226	1,198	980	162	56	26	14	12	2	135	6.8
North Carolina-----	57	55	50	38	12	-	5	4	1	-	2	1.0
North Dakota-----	5	5	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.8
Ohio-----	563	515	494	444	46	5	18	9	9	2	47	4.8
Oklahoma-----	53	51	48	41	7	-	2	2	-	-	2	1.9
Oregon-----	43	37	37	31	5	1	-	-	-	-	6	1.6
Pennsylvania-----	761	674	639	571	55	14	32	14	18	2	80	5.7
Rhode Island-----	60	53	53	50	3	-	-	-	-	-	7	5.7
South Carolina-----	18	17	15	14	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	0.6
South Dakota-----	14	12	12	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1.8
Tennessee-----	45	40	39	26	12	-	1	1	-	-	6	1.0
Texas-----	242	208	204	170	26	8	4	3	1	-	34	1.7
Utah-----	34	32	32	16	14	2	-	-	-	-	2	2.7
Vermont-----	8	7	7	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.5
Virginia-----	87	73	65	50	14	1	7	6	1	-	14	1.9
Washington-----	77	66	64	59	5	-	1	1	-	-	11	1.9
West Virginia-----	45	39	39	33	6	-	-	-	-	-	7	2.2
Wisconsin-----	148	126	124	109	11	4	2	1	1	-	21	2.8
Wyoming-----	9	7	6	6	-	-	1	1	-	-	2	1.9

¹Excludes 36 active podiatrists not providing patient care who were not asked to report their principal form of employment.²Includes military, Federal (nonmilitary), State, and local.³Includes prepaid group health plan, other nongovernment organization, and other podiatrists.

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Table 2. Number of active podiatrists, by age and selected characteristics of the podiatrists: United States, 1974

Selected characteristics	Total active podiatrists	Under 35 years	35-44 years	45-54 years	55-64 years	65 years and over
United States-----	7,120	1,300	1,160	1,902	1,880	878
Sex:						
Male-----	6,848	1,288	1,149	1,827	1,774	810
Female-----	272	12	11	75	106	68
Podiatric school of graduation:						
Illinois-----	1,524	249	251	408	406	211
Ohio-----	1,691	415	329	439	351	158
New York-----	1,451	258	229	345	433	186
Pennsylvania-----	191	175	14	2	-	-
California-----	717	201	173	141	137	66
Chicago (Ill.)-----	382	1	39	208	86	49
Northwestern Institute (Ill.)-----	137	-	1	34	76	25
Middlesex (Mass.)-----	94	-	1	3	43	46
Beacon (Mass.)-----	95	-	1	35	46	13
Other U.S. schools-----	817	-	123	288	300	107
Foreign schools-----	21	1	-	1	1	18
Color or race:						
White-----	6,858	1,282	1,120	1,815	1,809	833
Negro or Black-----	223	11	26	74	68	43
Indian (Amer.)/Eskimo/Aleut-----	6	1	3	1	-	-
Chinese/Japanese-----	25	4	8	9	3	-
Filipino/Hawaiian/Korean-----	3	1	-	-	-	2
Other races-----	5	-	2	2	-	-
Whether of Spanish origin or descent:						
Not of Spanish origin or descent-----	7,039	1,284	1,146	1,879	1,859	871
Mexican or Chicano-----	14	5	6	2	1	-
Puerto Rican or Boricua-----	5	1	2	2	1	-
Cuban-----	-	-	-	-	-	-
Central or South American-----	42	6	3	16	13	5
Other Spanish-----	21	5	6	2	6	3
Years active in podiatry:						
None-----	1	1	-	-	-	-
1-4 years-----	809	740	57	11	1	-
5-9 years-----	726	508	190	24	3	1
10-14 years-----	603	49	461	82	11	-
15-19 years-----	691	-	380	269	36	7
20-24 years-----	1,357	-	73	1,008	242	35
25-29 years-----	772	1	-	404	319	48
30-34 years-----	570	-	-	100	411	59
35 years and over-----	1,591	1	-	5	857	729
Have hospital privileges-----	3,520	963	748	903	676	231
Do not have hospital privileges-----	3,600	337	413	999	1,204	647
Have clinic privileges-----	2,400	652	489	621	483	155
Do not have clinic privileges-----	4,720	648	671	1,281	1,397	723
Weeks active in 1973: ¹						
0-39 weeks-----	211	35	11	38	53	73
40-47 weeks-----	919	104	112	204	304	197
48-49 weeks-----	2,098	268	404	601	581	244
50 weeks-----	2,527	476	402	731	674	243
51-52 weeks-----	1,365	418	231	328	267	121
Hours usually worked per week in patient care:						
0-19 hours-----	489	31	24	94	143	197
20-34 hours-----	1,709	287	299	379	439	306
35-40 hours-----	2,966	610	480	814	804	259
41-59 hours-----	1,718	318	313	539	449	99
60 hours or more-----	239	55	45	76	45	18
Primary activity: ²						
General practice-----	5,934	884	885	1,655	1,707	802
Surgery-----	776	337	214	139	60	26
Foot orthopedics or biomechanics-----	247	50	35	67	65	30
Podogeriatrics-----	103	18	18	29	31	7
Other podiatric activity-----	24	6	3	7	5	3
Services usually provided: ^{2,3}						
Palliative services-----	6,925	1,256	1,137	1,856	1,842	834
Hospital surgery-----	2,788	914	686	709	393	87
Office surgery-----	5,719	1,259	1,115	1,605	1,327	414
Prescription of drugs-----	6,361	1,285	1,126	1,784	1,612	543
Physical therapy treatment-----	5,840	1,173	1,069	1,622	1,467	509
Orthopedics or biomechanics-----	6,484	1,266	1,129	1,794	1,682	612
Whirlpool treatment-----	5,075	984	928	1,454	1,263	446
Fixing special shoes-----	3,687	586	610	1,112	1,033	346
X-ray services-----	5,848	1,268	1,123	1,651	1,384	421
Ultrasonic heat-----	4,825	1,028	989	1,347	1,078	382
Diatomy heat-----	1,779	253	282	481	548	215
Low-voltage treatment-----	2,323	290	347	744	713	229
Ultraviolet lamp treatment-----	2,124	315	412	618	570	209
Other service(s)-----	1,654	395	332	447	363	118

¹Excludes weeks on vacation, moving, or temporarily inactive for other reason(s).²Excludes 36 active podiatrists not providing patient care who were not asked to report their primary activity or services usually provided.³Number values for these items will not add vertically to yield 7,085 (the total number of podiatrists active in patient care) since these categories are not mutually exclusive.

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Table 3. Number of active podiatrists, by number of patient visits last week and selected characteristics of the podiatrist: United States, 1974

Selected characteristics	Total active podiatrists	Patient visits ¹ last week				
		0-49 visits	50-74 visits	75-99 visits	100-124 visits	125 visits or more
United States-----	7,120	1,812	1,656	1,270	1,109	1,274
Principal form of employment:						
Self-employed: ² -----	6,836	1,722	1,614	1,236	1,060	1,205
Solo practice-----	5,719	1,571	1,412	1,050	828	858
Partnership practice-----	950	126	167	165	184	308
Group practice-----	167	25	34	21	48	39
Salaried: ² -----	237	47	41	34	49	66
Government organizations ³ -----	120	22	16	17	25	40
Nongovernment organizations ⁴ -----	117	25	25	17	24	25
Other ² -----	12	7	1	-	-	3
Hours spent in patient care last week:						
None-----	130	130	-	-	-	-
Some-----	6,991	1,682	1,656	1,270	1,109	1,274
1-19 hours-----	479	438	27	9	2	2
20-34 hours-----	1,685	636	473	257	180	140
35-40 hours-----	2,703	440	776	582	449	456
41-49 hours-----	1,170	127	240	238	263	302
50 hours or more-----	954	41	140	185	215	374

¹Includes office visits and visits in other settings.

²Excludes 36 active podiatrists not providing patient care who were not asked to report their principal form of employment.

³Includes military, Federal (nonmilitary), State, and local.

⁴Includes prepaid group health plan, other nongovernment organization, and other podiatrist.

patients treated), types of services provided, methods of health care delivery, use of auxiliary personnel, and settings in which patients are treated. Each of these characteristics is available from the information collected during the 1974 Survey of Podiatrists. Data for these characteristics are presented in the tables accompanying this report.

The Northeast Region had the highest concentration of active podiatrists per 100,000 resident population (5.8), while the South had the lowest of these ratios (1.7). As shown in table 1, the two States with the highest concentrations of podiatrists per 100,000 residents were the District of Columbia (7.1) and New York (6.8). The two States having the lowest ratios were Mississippi (0.4) and Alabama (0.5).

There were only 272 females active in podiatry in 1974: of these, 25 percent were 65 years of age or over. In 1970, 317 female podiatrists were identified, 17 percent more than in 1974.

Within recent years, there has been an increased interest in the ethnic composition of the health care team. Equal opportunity in terms of both the delivery and receipt of health care among the various ethnic groups of the population has been the primary motiva-

ting force behind this interest. Two questions which identified Color or race and Whether of Spanish origin or descent were first used for podiatrists during the 1974 survey. Nearly 4 percent of the active podiatrists (262 podiatrists) reported themselves to be other than white. The majority of these podiatrists (85 percent) identified themselves as Negro or black. Eighty-two active podiatrists reported that they were of Spanish origin or descent.⁵

An overwhelming majority of the 7,085 podiatrists providing patient care (81 percent) were in solo practice. Thirteen percent were in partnership with one or more other podiatrists. Of the 950 podiatrists reporting a partnership practice, 731 reported having one podiatrist partner, while 188 reported having two or more podiatrist partners. Two percent of the active podiatrists reported themselves as being in a group-practice arrangement.⁶

⁵This category includes persons reporting themselves as being of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or of other Spanish origin or descent.

⁶A group practice was defined as one or more podiatrists conjointly working with at least one person in another health profession who could independently treat patients.

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Table 4. Number of podiatrists providing patient care, by principal form of employment and selected measures of activity of the podiatrist: United States, 1974

Volume of activity	Total podiatrists	Self-employed				Salaried			
		Total	Solo practice	Partnership practice	Group practice	Total	Government ¹	Other salaried ²	Other form of employment
United States-----	7,085	6,836	5,719	950	167	237	120	117	12
Hours spent in patient care last week:									
None-----	94	92	76	12	3	2	2	-	-
Some-----	6,991	6,744	5,643	938	164	235	118	117	12
1-19 hours-----	479	451	412	30	9	26	12	14	1
20-34 hours-----	1,685	1,637	1,408	197	31	44	13	31	5
35-40 hours-----	2,703	2,620	2,192	366	63	80	51	29	2
41-49 hours-----	1,170	1,134	914	190	31	34	16	18	1
50 hours or more-----	954	902	718	154	30	50	25	25	2
Number of podiatrists who saw a specified number of patients last week:									
0-49 patients-----	2,064	1,997	1,789	173	35	59	27	52	8
50-74 patients-----	1,721	1,673	1,463	178	32	46	16	30	2
75-99 patients-----	1,286	1,248	1,040	168	40	38	18	20	-
100-149 patients-----	1,478	1,413	1,084	286	42	64	40	24	1
150 patients or more-----	537	506	343	146	17	31	21	10	-
Number of podiatrists who had a specified number of patient visits last week:									
0-49 visits-----	1,776	1,722	1,571	126	25	47	22	25	7
50-74 visits-----	1,652	1,610	1,408	167	34	41	16	25	1
75-99 visits-----	1,274	1,239	1,054	165	21	34	17	17	-
100-149 visits-----	1,632	1,560	1,218	281	61	71	38	33	1
150 visits or more-----	750	704	468	210	27	44	28	16	2
Number of podiatrists by number and ages of patients seen last week:									
Patients under 16 years of age ³ -----	5,560	5,379	4,363	865	151	172	77	95	9
1-24 patients-----	5,100	4,952	4,084	742	126	138	59	79	9
25 patients or more-----	460	427	280	123	24	33	17	16	-
Patients 17-64 years of age ³ -----	6,905	6,669	5,569	935	164	226	116	110	10
1-24 patients-----	2,161	2,102	1,874	185	42	53	18	35	6
25-49 patients-----	2,420	2,361	1,992	311	58	55	25	30	3
50-74 patients-----	1,433	1,377	1,106	237	34	55	31	24	1
75 patients or more-----	891	828	597	202	30	63	42	21	-
Patients 65 years of age and over ³ -----	6,825	6,599	5,514	923	162	215	104	111	10
1-24 patients-----	3,785	3,643	3,080	465	99	134	68	66	8
25-49 patients-----	2,069	2,004	1,668	293	43	63	28	35	2
50-74 patients-----	648	634	522	97	15	14	7	7	-
75 patients or more-----	323	318	244	69	6	5	3	2	-

¹Includes military, Federal (nonmilitary), State, and local.

²Includes prepaid group health plan, other nongovernment organization, and other podiatrist.

³Number values for these items will not add vertically to yield 7,085 (the total number of podiatrists active in patient care).

The remaining 4 percent of active podiatrists were either salaried by a governmental or a nongovernmental organization, or had some other form of podiatric employment.

Practicing podiatrists did not display a tendency to specialize in terms of a primary clinical activity. General practice was reported as their primary activity by 5,934 podiatrists, 776 podiatrists reported surgery, and 374 reported some other specialty as their primary activity. When asked to report a secondary activity, 971 podiatrists reported none. Of the 6,114 podiatrists who reported a secondary activity, 46 percent reported surgery and 32 percent reported foot orthopedics or biomechanics.

Within recent years, there has been an increased desire on the part of podiatrists to secure hospital and clinic privileges. Of the 7,120 podiatrists who reported that they were active in podiatry, 3,520 podiatrists (49 percent) reported that they did have hospital privileges and 2,400 podiatrists (34 percent) reported that they had clinic privileges.

This advance issuance is intended to disseminate the most important findings of this survey as rapidly as possible. A set of more detailed reports in the *Vital and Health Statistics Series*, Series 14, is currently in preparation. These will present an analytical profile of the podiatry profession, as well as a methodological statement of this survey's techniques. For information regarding issuance of these publications, you may contact:

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NOTE: Numbers that appear in the present report were independently rounded and may not add to totals. Rates were calculated on the basis of original, unrounded figures and will not necessarily agree with rates that might be calculated from rounded data.

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Table 5. Number of podiatrists providing patient care last week, by Standard Federal Administrative Region of primary place of practice or employment, setting of treatment, and number of patient visits: United States, 1974

[City specified is the HEW administrative center within each region]

Setting of treatment and number of patient visits	Total	Region I (Boston)	Region II (New York City)	Region III (Philadelphia)	Region IV (Atlanta)	Region V (Chicago)	Region VI (Dallas-Fort Worth)	Region VII (Kansas City)	Region VIII (Denver)	Region IX (San Francisco)	Region X (Seattle)
Private office-----	6,744	587	1,530	937	478	1,625	327	235	123	787	116
1-24 visits-----	766	89	172	103	49	187	32	15	11	99	8
25-49 visits-----	1,435	170	290	195	82	332	72	47	29	182	35
50-74 visits-----	1,717	173	393	216	104	408	98	52	36	199	38
75-99 visits-----	1,184	68	284	175	86	271	50	50	23	159	20
100-124 visits-----	803	46	199	121	83	183	35	36	14	77	8
125 visits or more-----	838	41	192	127	73	244	39	34	10	71	6
Hospital inpatient-----	1,922	132	351	238	138	447	108	69	25	376	37
1-24 visits-----	1,764	119	333	204	128	398	101	67	22	357	34
25 visits or more-----	157	13	17	34	10	49	7	2	3	18	3
Hospital outpatient-----	698	46	202	113	52	134	25	17	13	90	6
1-24 visits-----	573	35	175	94	37	117	17	12	8	73	5
25 visits or more-----	125	10	27	20	15	17	8	5	5	17	1
Clinic-----	474	34	133	67	23	100	21	9	5	77	4
1-24 visits-----	291	28	76	44	19	52	15	3	4	45	3
25 visits or more-----	183	7	57	23	3	48	6	6	1	32	1
Nursing home-----	2,419	321	517	317	159	527	121	105	54	254	44
1-24 visits-----	2,025	258	396	275	140	451	104	101	48	211	43
25 visits or more-----	394	63	122	42	19	76	18	4	6	43	1
Resident facility or school for the handicapped-----	112	11	20	19	6	26	7	5	3	11	3
1-24 visits-----	90	10	17	14	5	17	5	5	3	10	3
25 visits or more-----	23	1	2	6	1	9	2	-	-	1	-
Patient's home-----	1,716	274	411	286	89	351	54	68	24	146	14
1-24 visits-----	1,706	272	407	285	89	350	52	68	24	145	14
25 visits or more-----	10	2	3	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	-
Other settings-----	151	17	40	30	7	28	5	3	4	11	5
1-24 visits-----	128	14	33	26	5	23	4	3	4	11	5
25 visits or more-----	23	3	7	5	1	6	1	-	-	-	-

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Table 6. Number of podiatrists providing patient care, by use of office assistants and selected characteristics of the podiatrist: United States, 1974

Selected characteristics	Total	No office assistants	Podiatrists with some office assistants: medical and nonmedical									
			Full-time: medical and nonmedical					Part-time: medical and nonmedical				
			Total	None	1 assistant	2 assistants	3 or more assistants	Total	None	1 assistant	2 assistants	3 or more assistants
United States-----	7,085	1,927	5,157	1,733	1,766	888	771	5,157	2,074	1,742	806	535
Age:												
Under 35 years-----	1,296	109	1,187	344	401	214	227	1,187	456	349	224	158
35-44 years-----	1,156	108	1,048	304	313	215	216	1,048	395	325	182	145
45-54 years-----	1,897	462	1,435	458	509	263	205	1,435	598	473	227	138
55-64 years-----	1,867	718	1,149	450	434	167	98	1,149	493	441	135	80
65 years and over-----	869	531	338	176	108	29	25	338	132	154	38	15
College graduated from:												
Illinois College-----	1,517	357	1,160	347	415	221	177	1,160	499	387	157	117
Ohio College-----	1,682	330	1,352	400	461	265	226	1,352	560	417	232	141
New York College-----	1,445	493	953	402	299	142	109	953	335	326	181	110
Pennsylvania College-----	191	29	161	54	52	23	33	161	49	55	34	24
California College-----	713	114	598	161	223	110	104	598	263	207	83	45
Other-----	1,537	603	934	369	316	126	121	934	368	348	118	98
Hours spent in patient care last week:												
None-----	94	50	44	15	17	10	2	44	20	11	6	7
Some-----	6,991	1,877	5,113	1,718	1,749	878	768	5,113	2,054	1,731	801	529
1-19 hours-----	479	310	169	112	26	16	16	169	39	87	26	16
20-34 hours-----	1,685	510	1,174	323	335	175	141	1,174	394	469	193	118
35-40 hours-----	2,703	619	2,084	630	793	366	295	2,084	929	652	324	179
41-49 hours-----	1,170	250	919	262	324	176	157	919	393	286	129	111
50 hours or more-----	954	188	767	192	271	145	159	767	298	236	129	104
Patient visits last week:												
0-49 visits-----	1,776	1,016	761	404	243	61	53	761	264	354	93	49
50-74 visits-----	1,652	516	1,137	471	438	143	85	1,137	469	450	159	59
75-99 visits-----	1,274	211	1,063	354	445	158	106	1,063	444	357	166	96
100-149 visits-----	1,632	147	1,485	379	474	354	278	1,485	631	414	264	176
150 visits or more-----	750	38	712	126	166	171	249	712	266	167	124	155
Primary and secondary activity:												
General practice - None-----	907	581	326	150	117	44	15	326	135	130	30	31
General practice - Surgery-----	2,676	309	2,367	717	805	443	402	2,367	945	739	388	295
General practice - Foot orthopedics-----	1,570	599	970	377	393	131	69	970	403	385	119	63
General practice - Podogeriatrics-----	575	220	355	167	116	50	22	355	133	142	55	25
General practice - Other activity-----	169	61	109	45	40	11	12	109	42	37	20	10
Surgery - None-----	33	5	29	5	14	6	5	29	13	9	6	1
Surgery - Foot orthopedics-----	350	22	328	70	90	70	98	328	129	94	69	35
Surgery - Podogeriatrics-----	25	4	22	8	5	6	3	22	3	8	3	7
Surgery - General practice-----	340	21	319	75	83	60	101	319	129	93	59	38
Surgery - Other activity-----	18	1	17	3	4	5	5	17	9	5	2	1
All other combinations-----	423	106	317	116	100	62	38	317	132	102	55	28
Services usually provided: ¹												
Palliative services-----	6,925	1,883	5,042	1,695	1,737	866	743	5,042	2,029	1,707	781	526
Hospital surgery-----	2,788	243	2,545	691	828	480	546	2,545	1,023	780	428	314
Office surgery-----	5,719	1,073	4,646	1,478	1,577	852	739	4,646	1,865	1,519	746	516
Prescription of drugs-----	6,361	1,418	4,943	1,627	1,694	868	754	4,943	1,987	1,646	784	526
Physical therapy treatment-----	5,840	1,228	4,612	1,507	1,562	827	716	4,612	1,835	1,544	736	497
Orthopedic services-----	6,484	1,529	4,955	1,645	1,698	865	747	4,955	1,989	1,667	774	524
Whirlpool baths-----	5,075	1,017	4,057	1,295	1,366	743	654	4,057	1,636	1,325	639	457
Fitting special shoes-----	3,687	815	2,872	910	996	521	446	2,872	1,181	935	451	304
X-ray services-----	5,848	1,064	4,783	1,527	1,652	857	747	4,783	1,947	1,560	760	517
Ultrasonic treatment-----	4,825	800	4,025	1,274	1,339	740	672	4,025	1,600	1,299	663	463
Diathermy-----	1,779	413	1,366	417	450	245	255	1,366	558	437	214	157
Low-voltage treatment-----	2,323	497	1,826	555	615	357	300	1,826	746	600	265	215
Ultraviolet lamp treatment-----	2,124	411	1,713	542	515	341	315	1,713	666	533	282	233
Other services or none-----	1,654	268	1,386	422	432	279	254	1,386	538	422	231	196

¹Number values for these items will not add vertically to yield 7,085 (the total number of podiatrists active in patient care) since these categories are not mutually exclusive.

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Table 7. Number of podiatrists providing patient care, by podiatric school of graduation and State of primary place of employment: United States, 1974

State of primary place of employment	Total	Podiatric school of graduation										Foreign schools
		Illinois College	Ohio College	N.Y. College (M.J. Lewi)	Pennsylvania College	California College	Chicago College	Northwestern Institute	Middlesex College	Beacon College	Other U.S. schools	
United States-----	7,085	1,517	1,684	1,445	191	709	382	135	93	94	808	19
States:												
Alabama-----	19	7	8	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-
Alaska-----	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-
Arizona-----	55	7	14	13	2	11	-	2	-	2	-	-
Arkansas-----	20	14	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
California-----	764	72	64	42	8	535	16	1	1	-	22	3
Colorado-----	64	24	11	1	-	8	8	-	-	-	11	-
Connecticut-----	173	40	30	59	6	2	8	-	-	-	28	1
Delaware-----	18	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	15	-
District of Columbia-----	51	6	12	8	4	-	1	-	1	-	19	-
Florida-----	248	44	77	67	10	4	7	-	-	-	39	-
Georgia-----	70	15	29	4	4	7	5	-	-	-	7	-
Hawaii-----	8	2	5	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Idaho-----	5	-	1	-	-	5	2	-	-	-	1	-
Illinois-----	570	331	15	1	2	1	92	119	1	-	6	-
Indiana-----	128	87	21	2	-	-	15	-	-	-	2	1
Iowa-----	84	69	-	-	-	-	11	-	-	-	4	-
Kansas-----	42	19	14	-	-	-	7	-	1	-	1	-
Kentucky-----	52	17	16	-	1	1	17	-	-	-	5	-
Louisiana-----	36	13	9	1	-	1	7	1	-	-	2	-
Maine-----	18	1	6	-	-	-	-	-	6	1	-	-
Maryland-----	131	8	45	25	20	2	1	-	-	-	29	-
Massachusetts-----	347	16	52	13	3	3	5	-	77	89	88	-
Michigan-----	296	94	168	10	2	3	9	-	-	-	9	1
Minnesota-----	70	44	6	-	-	2	17	1	-	-	-	-
Mississippi-----	9	6	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Missouri-----	82	45	11	-	1	-	16	1	-	-	5	3
Montana-----	14	10	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	-
Nebraska-----	37	28	1	1	-	5	-	-	-	-	1	-
Nevada-----	15	4	1	1	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hampshire-----	23	6	5	1	-	-	1	-	3	-	7	-
New Jersey-----	355	73	159	7	25	1	16	2	-	-	73	-
New Mexico-----	27	9	12	4	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
New York-----	1,226	21	20	1,151	13	11	-	-	-	-	9	1
North Carolina-----	55	14	25	3	2	-	5	-	-	-	5	-
North Dakota-----	5	4	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio-----	515	15	489	1	1	1	3	-	-	1	3	-
Oklahoma-----	51	24	12	-	-	4	11	1	-	-	-	-
Oregon-----	37	14	4	-	-	14	2	-	-	-	2	-
Pennsylvania-----	674	60	164	11	67	1	21	-	-	1	347	1
Rhode Island-----	53	8	9	1	5	-	6	-	3	-	20	1
South Carolina-----	17	2	12	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
South Dakota-----	12	4	1	-	-	-	5	1	-	-	1	-
Tennessee-----	40	21	8	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	7	-
Texas-----	208	76	77	1	2	22	17	-	-	-	13	-
Utah-----	32	12	1	-	-	18	-	-	-	-	-	1
Vermont-----	7	2	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Virginia-----	73	11	24	13	8	-	5	-	-	-	13	-
Washington-----	66	16	10	2	-	31	3	-	-	-	2	1
West Virginia-----	39	10	18	-	1	1	7	-	-	-	2	-
Wisconsin-----	126	86	13	-	1	-	24	-	-	-	2	-
Wyoming-----	7	1	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	2

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