

Characteristics of Patients Treated by Podiatrists

United States-1970

From information collected in a national survey of podiatrists conducted by the National Center for Health Statistics in 1970, statistics are presented on patients treated by podiatrists in the course of 1 week. Patients are statistically described in terms of their sex, age, and geographic distribution and by selected professional characteristics of the podiatrists who treated them and by the clinical setting where they were treated, e.g., private office, nursing home, patient's home, hospital, or nonhospital clinic.

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CHARACTERISTICS OF PATIENTS TREATED BY PODIATRISTS

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INTRODUCTION

This report provides statistical information about patients treated by podiatrists in the United States in 1970. It is based on the findings of a nationwide survey of podiatrists conducted by the National Center for Health Statistics during January-March 1970. The survey information was collected through a self-administered questionnaire mailed to all licensed podiatrists in the United States. (A facsimile of the questionnaire is shown as appendix III.)

This report on patient characteristics is the third report to issue from the survey findings. The first report offered a general demographic and professional profile of the 8,017 podiatrists in the United States who were active and inactive in their profession in 1970.¹ The second report focused on specific aspects of podiatric practice reported by the estimated 7,078 podiatrists who were actively engaged in patient care at the time of the survey.² Highlighting significant findings from these reports:

1. Of the 8,017 podiatrists estimated to be active and inactive in their profession at the time of the 1970 survey, 7,113 (about 89 percent) were active; and 904 (about 11 percent) were inactive—370 by reason of retirement and 533 for other reasons.
2. The national ratio of active podiatrists to population was about 3.5 podiatrists per 100,000 population.
3. Podiatrists were unevenly distributed throughout the Nation. They tended to concentrate in areas of the greatest population density. Five States (New York, California, Pennsylvania, Illinois, and Ohio) accounted for more than half (3,836) of the total number of active podiatrists. Of the four census regions (Northeast, South, West, and North Central), the Northeast had the highest concentration of active podiatrists (6.1 podiatrists per 100,000 population); the South had the lowest (1.6 per 100,000).
4. About 96 percent of all active podiatrists were male. The median age of all active podiatrists was about 51 years; and the median number of years active in podiatry was about 21.

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²National 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.

5. About 69 percent held active licenses in only one State.

6. More than 99 percent of all active podiatrists (7,078) engaged to some extent in the direct care of podiatric patients. About 3.5 percent devoted some time to teaching in colleges of podiatry; about 7 percent engaged to some degree in podiatric research; and about 11 percent were at least partially active in administrative duties other than those connected with the care of patients (e.g., podiatry associations, college administration).

7. A substantial majority (about 85 percent) engaged in solo practice.

8. The typical practitioner devoted between 38 and 39 hours per week to patient-care activity. It is noteworthy that roughly 30 percent of all practitioners reported less than 35 hours per week of patient-care activity.

9. The national median for patient visits to podiatrists was 71 visits per week per podiatrist.

10. About 62 percent of the Nation's practitioners employed supplementary personnel—administrative and technical—to assist them in practice.

11. Practitioners did not show any marked tendency to specialize. About 90 percent of them engaged in general practice as their primary clinical activity. A substantial 22 percent reported no secondary activity. When a secondary activity was reported, it was most frequently either foot surgery or foot orthopedics—two close clinical adjuncts to general practice.

12. The following table ranks 13 patient services provided by U.S. podiatrists, from the most popularly rendered to the least, and shows the number and percent of practitioners providing the service.

Type of service	Number of podiatrists	Percent
Palliative services	6,921	97.8
Orthopedic services	6,386	90.2
Prescription of drugs	6,187	87.4
Physical therapy treatment	5,686	80.3
X-ray services	5,593	79.0
Office surgery	5,437	76.8
Whirlpool baths	4,976	70.3
Ultrasonic treatment	4,524	63.9
Fitting special shoes	3,703	52.3
Low-voltage treatment	2,584	36.5
Hospital surgery	2,148	30.4
Ultraviolet lamp treatment	2,123	30.0
Diathermy	2,046	28.9

13. A review of the clinical settings in which U.S. podiatrists treated their patients reveals the following:

Setting	Number of podiatrists	Percent
Private office	6,611	93.4
Patient's home	2,495	35.2
Nursing home	2,354	33.3
Hospital (inpatient)	1,637	23.1
Hospital (outpatient)	685	9.7
Clinic (not associated with hospital)	255	3.6

For this report, the third and final one in the series, the subject universe is the 459,285 patients who were treated by the Nation's 7,078 patient-serving podiatrists in the course of 1 week's clinical activity. The figure 459,285 is a total cumulation of the number of patients reported "last week" by each survey respondent and has been inflated to compensate for nonresponse to the survey (appendix I).

Certain cautions are urged in evaluating the data contained in the report. First, in reporting the number of patients seen during a week, patients with multiple visits were counted only once. Therefore, patient visits should not be confused with patients seen. Second, the week selected for reporting the number of patients treated was not the same week for all podiatrists. It varied with the individual respondent and could have been any weekly span between January and March 1970. Finally, when the term "podiatric patient" appears in

the report, it means a patient treated by a podiatrist. The reader should not assume that this patient universe comprises all patients who were treated for foot disorders and therefore gives a comprehensive picture of the prevalence of foot disorders in the United States at the time of the survey. An unknown number who suffered from foot disorders sought treatment elsewhere, chiefly of course from medical and osteopathic physicians.

The report is accompanied by 10 detailed tables. Three appendixes support and clarify the text: appendix I explains the methodology involved in collecting and processing the survey data; appendix II defines certain terms used in the report; and appendix III is a facsimile of the survey questionnaire.

PATIENT CHARACTERISTICS

The Patient and the Treating Podiatrist

The national estimate of the number of patients treated weekly by podiatrists at the time of the 1970 survey was 459,285. From findings reported in tables 3, 6, and 9, it is clear that a significant majority of patients sought treatment by podiatrists in solo practice. In weekly numbers, 383,085 patients, or about 83 percent of all patients treated, were seen by solo practitioners. Only about 10 percent (46,233 patients) were treated by podiatrists in the multiple-physician arrangements, i.e., partnerships and group practices.

Patients strongly favored general practitioners over podiatrists with primary clinical specialties such as surgery or foot orthopedics. About 89 percent were treated by podiatrists whose primary clinical activity was general practice. This is evident from information given in tables 4, 7, and 10. Data in these tables further indicate that the podiatrist whose primary activity was general practice and whose secondary activity was surgery enjoyed a larger patient load than practitioners with any other combination of primary and secondary activities.

Patient Demography

Geographic distribution.—Table 1 provides State figures for the weekly number of patients treated. The national total was 459,285 patients, an average of about 65 patients per week for

each of the Nation's 7,078 patient-serving podiatrists. Given a national population of 203,235,928 (according to the census enumeration of April 1, 1970), there were then about 226 podiatric patients for every 100,000 persons population.

The patients of podiatrists were naturally as unevenly distributed as the podiatrists who treated them. They tended to concentrate in areas of the greatest population density. Five States (New York, California, Pennsylvania, Illinois, and Ohio) accounted for 240,778 patients, or more than half the national total. Of all the active podiatrists in the four census regions—the Northeast, South, West, and North Central—the 2,991 located in the Northeast treated the largest absolute number of patients per week (189,646), and the 989 located in the South treated a much smaller absolute number (71,410). With an average load of 72 patients per week, however, the Southern podiatrist was clinically more active than his colleagues in the other regions, where the weekly averages were 63 patients in the Northeast, 64 in the North Central, and 65 in the West. Perhaps the practitioner in the South was at least partially compensating for the comparative scarcity of podiatrists in that area by treating more patients than his colleagues in the other regions.

Age and sex.—Patient distribution by sex is shown in tables 5-7. The national weekly total of female patients was 305,614; for male patients it was 153,671. Thus, there were roughly two female patients for every male patient, a ratio that varied little from region to region and State to State.

Patient distribution by age of both sexes combined is shown in tables 2-4. The following table summarizes this distribution for the Nation as a whole.

Age interval	Number of patients	Percent distribution
All patients	459,285	100.0
16 years and under	54,207	11.8
17-64 years	264,287	57.5
65 years and over	140,791	30.7

It is noteworthy that nearly one-third of all patients were 65 years and over, especially considering that only about one-tenth of the

general population were members of this age category.

Of the nine census divisions, New England showed the highest proportion of patients aged 65 years and over. Note especially (from table 2) the findings for the States of Maine, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire. The example of the South Atlantic Division, which also showed a relatively high percentage of older patients, was chiefly due to patient information from Florida. In this State, probably owing to the larger number of retired persons, more than one-half of all patients were aged 65 years and over.

In table 4, patients in the three age intervals are tabulated according to the primary and secondary specialties of the podiatrists who treated them. In most cases, the influence of a specialty is self-evident. For example, podiatrists with a primary specialty of podogeriatrics predictably reported that the largest proportion of the patients they saw weekly were 65 years and over. The data make it clear, however, that the tendency to specialize was limited. Almost 90 percent of podiatrists engaged in general practice; they treated almost 89 percent of all patients seen by podiatrists. In absolute numbers, therefore, the vast majority of podiatric patients in every age-sex category were treated by general practitioners.

Patient distribution by age of males and of females is shown in tables 5-7. The national percent distribution may be summarized as follows:

Age interval	All patients	Male	Female
	Percent distribution		
All ages	100.0	100.0	100.0
16 years and under	11.8	16.2	9.6
17-64 years	57.5	57.0	57.8
65 years and over	30.7	26.9	32.6

It is evident that the female patient as a rule tended to be older than the male. Findings for the various geographic regions of the United States showed little substantial variation from this national pattern.

Treatment Setting

Tables 8-10 present information about the settings in which patients were treated. National findings may be summarized as follows:

Treatment setting	Number of patients	Percent distribution
All settings	459,285	100.0
Private office	379,710	82.7
Nursing home	28,838	6.3
Hospital (inpatient)	14,994	3.3
Hospital (outpatient)	12,641	2.8
Patient's home	9,972	2.2
Clinic (not associated with hospital)	8,591	1.9
Other setting (e.g., schools, industrial plants)	4,538	1.0

Far and away the greatest number of patients were treated in the podiatrist's private office. On a national scale, about 83 percent of all patients sought treatment there. Of the 79,575 patients treated in clinical settings other than the private office, the largest proportion (28,838 patients) were treated in nursing homes. Treatment in such settings as the hospital, clinics outside the hospital, or in the patient's home were reported with substantially less frequency.

Regional variations from the national pattern were not pronounced except in the New England Division (composed of the States of Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Rhode Island). There the proportion of patients treated in the private office was substantially lower (at 77 percent) than the national proportion of 83 percent, and the proportions for patients treated in nursing homes and in the patient's home were more than double the national proportions. The relatively large number of New England patients treated in nursing homes and in their own homes is partly explained by the finding (reported in the section "Age and Sex") that the New England Division had the highest proportion of patients aged 65 years and over in the United States.

The number of patients seen in the various treatment settings varied according to certain characteristics of the treating podiatrist. For example, it may be noted from table 9 that the

younger the podiatrist, the stronger his general tendency to treat patients in settings outside the private office.

From the information provided in table 10, a generally predictable relationship prevailing between treatment setting and the primary and secondary specialty of the podiatrist may be noted. Considering, for example, that almost 90 percent of the reporting podiatrists engaged in general practice as their primary clinical activity, it was to be expected that the largest absolute number of patients treated in every setting would be treated by general practitioners. Predictably, podiatrists with a primary specialty in surgery tended to give treatments in the hospital inpatient setting, and those with a primary or secondary specialty in podogeriatrics understandably gave more treatments in nursing homes.

Another view of the extent of treatment in the various settings may be obtained from the average number of patients seen in each of them by the podiatrist who reported treating patients in that clinical setting. A tabulation of these averages reveals the following:

Treatment setting	Number of podiatrists	Number of patients	Average number patients/podiatrist
Private office	6,611	379,710	57
Patient's home	2,495	9,972	4
Nursing home	2,354	28,838	12
Hospital (inpatient)	1,637	14,994	9
Hospital (outpatient)	685	12,641	18
Clinic (not associated with hospital)	255	8,591	34

Thus, for example, though a substantial proportion (about one-third) of the Nation's podiatrists rendered treatment in nursing homes and in the patient's home, the average numbers of patients treated in these settings were only 12 per week in nursing homes and 4 per week in the patient's home. It was clearly the 6,611 podiatrists treating in their private offices who, with an average of 57 patients per week, were responsible for most of the clinical treatment rendered by podiatrists in the United States at the time of the 1970 survey.

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Table 1. Number of podiatrists active in patient care and number of podiatric patients treated weekly per 100,000 population enumerated as of April 1, 1970, according to area: United States, 1970

Area	Population enumerated as of April 1, 1970 ¹	Number of podiatrists active in patient care	Number of podiatrists per 100,000 population	Number of patients treated weekly	Number of patients per 100,000 population
United States	203,235,928	7,078	3.5	459,285	226.0
Alabama	3,444,165	21	0.6	1,574	45.7
Alaska	302,173	2	0.7	92	30.4
Arizona	1,772,482	38	2.1	2,548	143.8
Arkansas	1,923,295	18	0.9	881	45.8
California	19,953,134	728	3.6	48,865	244.9
Colorado	2,207,259	70	3.2	3,810	172.6
Connecticut	3,032,217	182	6.0	10,425	343.8
Delaware	548,104	21	3.8	1,694	309.1
District of Columbia	756,510	61	8.1	5,491	725.9
Florida	6,789,443	190	2.8	13,263	195.3
Georgia	4,589,575	59	1.3	4,600	100.2
Hawaii	769,913	5	0.6	238	30.9
Idaho	713,008	16	2.2	727	102.0
Illinois	11,113,976	622	5.6	34,549	310.9
Indiana	5,193,669	149	2.9	8,270	159.2
Iowa	2,825,041	95	3.4	6,900	244.2
Kansas	2,249,071	43	1.9	3,164	140.7
Kentucky	3,219,311	53	1.6	3,485	108.3
Louisiana	3,643,180	39	1.1	2,166	59.5
Maine	993,663	22	2.2	1,320	132.8
Maryland	3,922,399	91	2.3	7,493	191.0
Massachusetts	5,689,170	412	7.2	25,045	440.2
Michigan	8,875,083	264	3.0	19,834	223.5
Minnesota	3,805,069	76	2.0	5,486	144.2
Mississippi	2,216,912	9	0.4	433	19.5
Missouri	4,677,399	85	1.8	7,013	149.9
Montana	694,409	14	2.0	753	108.4
Nebraska	1,483,791	41	2.7	2,421	163.2
Nevada	488,738	18	3.7	965	197.4
New Hampshire	737,681	21	2.8	1,248	169.2
New Jersey	7,168,164	365	5.1	23,997	334.8
New Mexico	1,016,000	20	2.0	1,388	136.6
New York	18,241,266	1,233	6.8	80,380	440.7
North Carolina	5,082,059	54	1.1	3,906	76.9
North Dakota	617,761	6	1.0	391	63.3
Ohio	10,652,017	527	4.9	33,431	313.8
Oklahoma	2,559,253	45	1.8	2,935	114.7
Oregon	2,091,385	34	1.6	1,831	87.6
Pennsylvania	11,793,909	696	5.9	43,553	369.3
Rhode Island	949,723	54	5.6	3,204	337.3
South Carolina	2,590,516	14	0.5	1,187	45.8
South Dakota	666,257	15	2.2	778	116.8
Tennessee	3,924,164	32	0.8	2,556	65.1
Texas	11,196,730	184	1.6	12,440	111.1
Utah	1,059,273	24	2.3	1,653	156.1
Vermont	444,732	8	1.8	475	106.8
Virginia	4,648,494	55	1.2	4,649	100.0
Washington	3,409,169	63	1.8	4,115	120.7
West Virginia	1,744,237	44	2.5	2,654	152.2
Wisconsin	4,417,933	136	3.1	8,632	195.4
Wyoming	332,416	7	2.0	375	112.8

¹ U.S. Bureau of the Census, U.S. Census of Population, 1970. *Number of Inhabitants*, Final Report PC(1)-A1, United States Summary, Washington, U.S. Government Printing Office, Dec. 1971.

Table 2. Number and percent distribution of total patients treated weekly in all clinical settings by age of patient, according to area: United States, 1970

Area	Total patients treated weekly	Age of patients			Total patients treated weekly	Age of patients		
		16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over		16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over
		Number				Percent distribution		
United States	459,285	54,207	264,287	140,791	100.0	11.8	57.5	30.7
Alabama	1,574	138	956	480	100.0	8.8	60.7	30.5
Alaska	92	12	70	10	100.0	13.0	76.1	10.9
Arizona	2,548	336	1,366	846	100.0	13.2	53.6	33.2
Arkansas	881	53	578	249	100.0	6.0	65.7	28.3
California	48,865	4,819	27,810	16,236	100.0	9.9	56.9	33.2
Colorado	3,810	430	2,334	1,046	100.0	11.3	61.3	27.5
Connecticut	10,425	1,261	6,172	2,992	100.0	12.1	59.2	28.7
Delaware	1,694	166	1,004	524	100.0	9.8	59.3	30.9
District of Columbia	5,491	450	3,498	1,543	100.0	8.2	63.7	28.1
Florida	13,263	713	5,770	6,780	100.0	5.4	43.5	51.1
Georgia	4,600	418	2,919	1,263	100.0	9.1	63.5	27.5
Hawaii	238	24	145	69	100.0	10.1	60.9	29.0
Idaho	727	123	418	187	100.0	16.9	57.4	25.7
Illinois	34,549	4,469	20,561	9,519	100.0	12.9	59.5	27.6
Indiana	8,270	1,122	4,884	2,264	100.0	13.6	59.1	27.4
Iowa	6,900	1,240	3,298	2,362	100.0	18.0	47.8	34.2
Kansas	3,164	323	1,912	929	100.0	10.2	60.4	29.4
Kentucky	3,485	362	2,161	962	100.0	10.4	62.0	27.6
Louisiana	2,166	172	1,436	558	100.0	7.9	66.3	25.8
Maine	1,320	136	686	498	100.0	10.3	51.9	37.7
Maryland	7,493	864	4,261	2,368	100.0	11.5	56.9	31.6
Massachusetts	25,045	2,326	13,162	9,557	100.0	9.3	52.6	38.2
Michigan	19,834	3,218	11,743	4,873	100.0	16.2	59.2	24.6
Minnesota	5,486	744	3,024	1,718	100.0	13.6	55.1	31.3
Mississippi	433	50	276	107	100.0	11.5	63.7	24.8
Missouri	7,013	884	4,516	1,613	100.0	12.6	64.4	23.0
Montana	753	127	425	201	100.0	16.9	56.4	26.7
Nebraska	2,421	346	1,355	721	100.0	14.3	55.9	29.8
Nevada	965	113	679	173	100.0	11.7	70.4	17.9
New Hampshire	1,248	184	637	428	100.0	14.7	51.0	34.3
New Jersey	23,997	2,231	14,747	7,019	100.0	9.3	61.5	29.3
New Mexico	1,388	252	744	392	100.0	18.1	53.6	28.3
New York	80,380	9,954	44,860	25,566	100.0	12.4	55.8	31.8
North Carolina	3,906	433	2,541	932	100.0	11.1	65.1	23.9
North Dakota	391	62	220	109	100.0	15.9	56.3	27.9
Ohio	33,431	4,443	20,287	8,701	100.0	13.3	60.7	26.0
Oklahoma	2,935	693	1,629	613	100.0	23.6	55.5	20.9
Oregon	1,831	275	990	567	100.0	15.0	54.1	31.0
Pennsylvania	43,553	4,852	25,403	13,298	100.0	11.1	58.3	30.5
Rhode Island	3,204	465	1,655	1,084	100.0	14.5	51.7	33.8
South Carolina	1,187	98	758	331	100.0	8.3	63.9	27.9
South Dakota	778	133	408	238	100.0	17.1	52.4	30.5
Tennessee	2,556	367	1,539	651	100.0	14.4	60.2	25.5
Texas	12,440	1,349	7,851	3,241	100.0	10.8	63.1	26.1
Utah	1,653	256	922	475	100.0	15.5	55.8	28.7
Vermont	475	63	275	137	100.0	13.2	58.0	28.9
Virginia	4,649	540	2,675	1,434	100.0	11.6	57.5	30.9
Washington	4,115	428	2,306	1,381	100.0	10.4	56.0	33.6
West Virginia	2,654	440	1,613	601	100.0	16.6	60.8	22.7
Wisconsin	8,632	1,242	4,535	2,855	100.0	14.4	52.5	33.1
Wyoming	375	11	273	92	100.0	2.8	72.7	24.5

Table 3. Number and percent distribution of total patients treated in all clinical settings by age of patient, according to geographic location and selected general characteristics of the treating podiatrist: United States, 1970

Geographic location and selected general characteristics of the treating podiatrists	Total patients treated weekly	Age of patients			Total patients treated weekly	Age of patients		
		16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over		16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over
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Geographic region:								
Northeast	189,646	21,471	107,598	60,578	100.0	11.3	56.7	31.9
North Central	130,869	18,226	76,743	35,900	100.0	13.9	58.6	27.4
South	71,410	7,306	41,465	22,639	100.0	10.2	58.1	31.7
West	67,360	7,205	38,481	21,674	100.0	10.7	57.1	32.2
Geographic division:								
New England	41,716	4,434	22,587	14,695	100.0	10.6	54.2	35.2
Middle Atlantic	147,930	17,037	85,010	45,883	100.0	11.5	57.5	31.0
East North Central	104,715	14,494	62,010	28,211	100.0	13.8	59.2	26.9
West North Central	26,153	3,732	14,732	7,689	100.0	14.3	56.3	29.4
South Atlantic	44,939	4,122	25,040	15,777	100.0	9.2	55.7	35.1
East South Central	8,048	917	4,931	2,200	100.0	11.4	61.3	27.3
West South Central	18,423	2,267	11,494	4,662	100.0	12.3	62.4	25.3
Mountain	12,219	1,647	7,161	3,412	100.0	13.5	58.6	27.9
Pacific	55,141	5,558	31,320	18,263	100.0	10.1	56.8	33.1
Standard Federal Administrative Region:								
Region I	41,716	4,434	22,587	14,695	100.0	10.6	54.2	35.2
Region II	104,377	12,185	59,607	32,585	100.0	11.7	57.1	31.2
Region III	65,536	7,312	38,455	19,769	100.0	11.2	58.7	30.2
Region IV	31,005	2,579	16,920	11,506	100.0	8.3	54.6	37.1
Region V	110,202	15,238	65,035	29,929	100.0	13.8	59.0	27.2
Region VI	19,810	2,518	12,238	5,054	100.0	12.7	61.8	25.5
Region VII	19,498	2,793	11,080	5,624	100.0	14.3	56.8	28.9
Region VIII	7,760	1,018	4,582	2,160	100.0	13.1	59.0	27.8
Region IX	52,616	5,291	30,001	17,324	100.0	10.1	57.0	32.9
Region X	6,765	838	3,783	2,145	100.0	12.4	55.9	31.7
<u>Selected general characteristics</u>								
Sex:								
Male	446,393	52,807	256,609	136,978	100.0	11.8	57.5	30.7
Female	12,891	1,400	7,678	3,814	100.0	10.9	59.6	29.6
Age:								
Under 35 years	61,511	9,517	36,037	15,958	100.0	15.5	58.6	25.9
35-44 years	111,076	15,390	62,071	33,616	100.0	13.9	55.9	30.3
45-54 years	143,718	15,941	81,866	45,911	100.0	11.1	57.0	32.0
55-64 years	115,070	10,748	67,948	36,374	100.0	9.3	59.1	31.6
65 years and over	27,909	2,612	16,366	8,932	100.0	9.4	58.6	32.0
Number of States licensed in:								
1 State	302,969	34,742	174,311	93,916	100.0	11.5	57.5	31.0
2 States	114,024	14,177	64,756	35,091	100.0	12.4	56.8	30.8
3 States or more	42,291	5,288	25,220	11,784	100.0	12.5	59.6	27.9
Principal form of employment of the treating podiatrists:								
Self-employed:								
Solo practice	383,085	44,442	219,018	119,625	100.0	11.6	57.2	31.2
Partnership	35,715	5,043	19,719	10,952	100.0	14.1	55.2	30.7
Group practice	10,518	1,395	6,022	3,102	100.0	13.3	57.3	29.5
Employed by:								
Government organizations (including military)	14,055	1,127	10,441	2,487	100.0	8.0	74.3	17.7
Nongovernment organizations	7,414	945	4,037	2,433	100.0	12.8	54.4	32.8
Other	8,497	1,254	5,051	2,193	100.0	14.8	59.4	25.8

Table 4. Number and percent distribution of total patients treated weekly in all clinical settings by age of patient, according to selected clinical characteristics of the treating podiatrist: United States, 1970

Selected clinical characteristics of the treating podiatrist	Total patients treated weekly	Age of patients			Total patients treated weekly	Age of patients		
		16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over		16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over
		Number				Percent distribution		
United States	459,285	54,207	264,287	140,791	100.0	11.8	57.5	30.7
Primary clinical activity:								
General practice	410,583	47,138	235,949	127,496	100.0	11.5	57.5	31.1
Surgery	27,498	4,325	16,780	6,392	100.0	15.7	61.0	23.3
Podogeriatrics	5,084	198	1,925	2,961	100.0	3.9	37.9	58.2
Podopediatrics	1,264	389	565	309	100.0	30.8	44.7	24.5
Podiatric dermatology	34	8	21	5	100.0	23.5	63.0	13.5
Roentgenology	7	4	2	-	100.0	66.7	33.3	-
Foot orthopedics	12,131	1,820	7,232	3,078	100.0	15.0	59.6	25.4
Other	2,684	324	1,811	550	100.0	12.1	67.5	20.5
Secondary clinical activity:								
No secondary activity	79,710	8,173	47,079	24,458	100.0	10.3	59.1	30.7
General practice	24,333	3,262	14,282	6,789	100.0	13.4	58.7	27.9
Surgery	157,520	19,873	91,427	46,220	100.0	12.6	58.0	29.3
Podogeriatrics	46,307	4,394	23,711	18,201	100.0	9.5	51.2	39.3
Podopediatrics	14,258	2,968	7,327	3,963	100.0	20.8	51.4	27.8
Podiatric dermatology	6,086	915	3,382	1,789	100.0	15.0	55.6	29.4
Roentgenology	4,544	487	2,738	1,319	100.0	10.7	60.3	29.0
Foot orthopedics	121,973	13,544	71,617	36,812	100.0	11.1	58.7	30.2
Other	4,553	590	2,724	1,240	100.0	13.0	59.8	27.2
Number of weekly patient visits reported:								
Fewer than 50 visits	59,948	6,032	36,255	17,660	100.0	10.1	60.5	29.5
50-99 visits	199,940	22,478	114,471	62,990	100.0	11.2	57.3	31.5
100-149 visits	129,214	16,242	72,102	40,870	100.0	12.6	55.8	31.6
150 visits or more	70,183	9,455	41,458	19,271	100.0	13.5	59.1	27.5
Number of hours per week spent in patient care activities:								
1-34 hours	90,985	10,924	52,432	27,628	100.0	12.0	57.6	30.4
35-40 hours	173,954	20,247	100,818	52,889	100.0	11.6	58.0	30.4
41-49 hours	106,531	12,256	60,954	33,321	100.0	11.5	57.2	31.3
50 hours or more	87,815	10,779	50,082	26,953	100.0	12.3	57.0	30.7
Number of assistants employed:								
None	123,229	11,728	71,332	40,168	100.0	9.5	57.9	32.6
1 assistant	145,465	16,483	84,145	44,838	100.0	11.3	57.9	30.8
2 assistants	110,353	14,437	63,057	32,859	100.0	13.1	57.1	29.8
3 assistants or more	80,239	11,559	45,754	22,926	100.0	14.4	57.0	28.6

Table 5. Number and percent distribution of total patients treated weekly in all clinical settings by sex and age of patient, according to area: United States, 1970

Area	Total patients treated weekly	Male patients				Female patients			
		Total	16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over	Total	16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over
	Number								
United States	459,285	153,671	24,900	87,516	41,256	305,614	29,307	176,771	99,536
Alabama	1,574	632	61	409	162	942	77	546	319
Alaska	92	36	5	27	4	56	7	43	6
Arizona	2,548	804	122	478	204	1,745	214	888	643
Arkansas	881	338	30	197	110	543	23	381	139
California	48,865	16,377	2,243	9,701	4,433	32,487	2,576	18,109	11,803
Colorado	3,810	1,199	204	734	262	2,611	227	1,601	784
Connecticut	10,425	3,196	550	1,780	866	7,229	711	4,392	2,126
Delaware	1,694	603	74	376	153	1,091	92	628	371
District of Columbia	5,491	1,498	201	937	360	3,993	249	2,561	1,183
Florida	13,263	3,951	326	1,809	1,816	9,312	387	3,961	4,964
Georgia	4,600	1,733	197	1,182	355	2,867	221	1,737	909
Hawaii	238	79	14	42	23	159	10	103	46
Idaho	727	244	61	137	46	483	61	281	141
Illinois	34,549	12,318	2,091	7,120	3,107	22,231	2,378	13,441	6,413
Indiana	8,270	2,981	547	1,704	731	5,289	576	3,181	1,532
Iowa	6,900	2,355	568	1,111	676	4,544	672	2,187	1,686
Kansas	3,164	1,218	154	759	305	1,946	170	1,153	623
Kentucky	3,485	1,108	160	699	249	2,377	203	1,462	713
Louisiana	2,166	784	86	555	143	1,382	85	881	416
Maine	1,320	415	62	210	143	905	74	475	355
Maryland	7,493	2,491	402	1,372	718	5,002	462	2,890	1,650
Massachusetts	25,045	7,588	1,045	3,826	2,717	17,457	1,280	9,337	6,840
Michigan	19,834	7,052	1,476	3,972	1,605	12,781	1,743	7,771	3,268
Minnesota	5,486	1,857	340	1,024	492	3,630	404	2,000	1,226
Mississippi	433	207	24	141	42	226	26	134	66
Missouri	7,013	2,939	364	2,036	539	4,073	520	2,479	1,074
Montana	753	275	57	146	72	478	70	279	129
Nebraska	2,421	682	147	326	209	1,740	199	1,028	513
Nevada	965	324	54	202	68	641	59	478	104
New Hampshire	1,248	313	82	158	73	935	102	480	354
New Jersey	23,997	7,905	1,082	4,884	1,938	16,092	1,148	9,863	5,081
New Mexico	1,388	462	129	233	101	925	123	511	291
New York	80,380	26,542	4,575	14,109	7,858	53,838	5,379	30,752	17,708
North Carolina	3,906	1,527	194	1,039	294	2,379	239	1,502	638
North Dakota	391	152	37	79	36	239	25	141	73
Ohio	33,431	11,664	2,059	6,983	2,622	21,767	2,384	13,305	6,079
Oklahoma	2,935	1,059	307	544	208	1,876	387	1,084	405
Oregon	1,831	573	112	294	167	1,258	162	695	400
Pennsylvania	43,553	13,593	2,178	7,812	3,603	29,961	2,674	17,591	9,695
Rhode Island	3,204	1,006	187	523	296	2,198	278	1,132	788
South Carolina	1,187	521	41	389	91	666	57	369	239
South Dakota	778	223	58	104	61	555	75	304	177
Tennessee	2,556	938	177	542	220	1,618	190	997	431
Texas	12,440	4,039	652	2,450	937	8,401	696	5,401	2,303
Utah	1,653	573	129	299	145	1,080	127	623	330
Vermont	475	120	25	68	27	355	37	207	110
Virginia	4,649	1,659	247	952	460	2,990	293	1,723	974
Washington	4,115	1,331	190	813	329	2,784	239	1,492	1,053
West Virginia	2,654	879	202	492	186	1,775	239	1,121	416
Wisconsin	8,632	3,084	566	1,555	962	5,548	676	2,980	1,892
Wyoming	375	223	7	182	35	152	4	90	57

Table 5. Number and percent distribution of total patients treated weekly in all clinical settings by sex and age of patient, according to area: United States, 1970—Con.

Area	Total patients treated weekly	Male patients				Female patients			
		Total	16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over	Total	16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over
Percent distribution									
United States	100.0	33.5	5.4	19.1	9.0	66.5	6.4	38.5	21.7
Alabama	100.0	40.2	3.9	26.0	10.3	59.8	4.9	34.7	20.2
Alaska	100.0	39.1	5.4	29.3	4.3	60.9	7.6	46.7	6.5
Arizona	100.0	31.7	4.8	18.8	8.0	68.5	8.4	34.8	25.2
Arkansas	100.0	38.3	3.4	22.4	12.5	61.7	2.6	43.3	15.8
California	100.0	33.5	4.6	19.9	9.1	66.5	5.3	37.1	24.2
Colorado	100.0	31.5	5.3	19.3	6.9	68.5	5.9	42.0	20.6
Connecticut	100.0	30.7	5.3	17.1	8.3	69.3	6.8	42.1	20.4
Delaware	100.0	35.6	4.4	22.2	9.0	64.4	5.4	37.1	21.9
District of Columbia	100.0	27.3	3.7	17.1	6.6	72.7	4.5	46.6	21.6
Florida	100.0	29.8	2.5	13.6	13.7	70.2	2.9	29.9	37.4
Georgia	100.0	37.7	4.3	25.7	7.7	62.3	4.8	37.8	19.7
Hawaii	100.0	33.2	5.9	17.6	9.7	66.8	4.2	43.3	19.3
Idaho	100.0	33.5	8.5	18.8	6.3	66.5	8.5	38.6	19.4
Illinois	100.0	35.7	6.1	20.6	9.0	64.3	6.9	38.9	18.6
Indiana	100.0	36.1	6.6	20.6	8.8	63.9	7.0	38.5	18.5
Iowa	100.0	34.1	8.2	16.1	9.8	65.9	9.7	31.7	24.4
Kansas	100.0	38.5	4.9	24.0	9.6	61.5	5.4	36.4	19.7
Kentucky	100.0	31.8	4.6	20.1	7.1	68.2	5.8	41.9	20.5
Louisiana	100.0	36.2	4.0	25.6	6.6	63.8	3.9	40.7	19.2
Maine	100.0	31.5	4.7	15.9	10.8	68.5	5.6	36.0	26.9
Maryland	100.0	33.2	5.4	18.3	9.6	66.8	6.2	38.6	22.0
Massachusetts	100.0	30.3	4.2	15.3	10.8	69.7	5.1	37.3	27.3
Michigan	100.0	35.6	7.4	20.0	8.1	64.4	8.8	39.2	16.5
Minnesota	100.0	33.8	6.2	18.7	9.0	66.2	7.4	36.5	22.3
Mississippi	100.0	47.8	5.5	32.6	9.7	52.2	6.0	31.1	15.1
Missouri	100.0	41.9	5.2	29.0	7.7	58.1	7.4	35.4	15.3
Montana	100.0	36.5	7.6	19.4	9.6	63.5	9.3	37.1	17.1
Nebraska	100.0	28.1	6.1	13.5	8.6	71.9	8.2	42.5	21.2
Nevada	100.0	33.6	5.6	20.9	7.1	66.4	6.1	49.5	10.8
New Hampshire	100.0	25.1	6.6	12.6	5.9	74.9	8.1	38.4	28.4
New Jersey	100.0	32.9	4.5	20.4	8.1	67.1	4.8	41.1	21.2
New Mexico	100.0	33.3	9.3	16.8	7.3	66.7	8.9	36.8	21.0
New York	100.0	33.0	5.7	17.6	9.8	67.0	6.7	38.3	22.0
North Carolina	100.0	39.1	5.0	26.6	7.5	60.9	6.1	38.5	16.3
North Dakota	100.0	38.9	9.5	20.2	9.2	61.1	6.4	36.1	18.7
Ohio	100.0	34.9	6.2	20.9	7.8	65.1	7.1	39.8	18.2
Oklahoma	100.0	36.1	10.4	18.5	7.1	63.9	13.2	36.9	13.8
Oregon	100.0	31.3	6.1	16.1	9.1	68.7	8.9	38.0	21.8
Pennsylvania	100.0	31.2	5.0	17.9	8.3	68.8	6.1	40.4	22.3
Rhode Island	100.0	31.4	5.8	16.3	9.2	68.6	8.7	35.3	24.6
South Carolina	100.0	43.9	3.5	32.8	7.7	56.1	4.8	31.1	20.2
South Dakota	100.0	28.6	7.4	13.3	7.8	71.4	9.6	39.1	22.7
Tennessee	100.0	36.7	6.9	21.2	8.6	63.3	7.4	39.0	16.9
Texas	100.0	32.5	5.2	19.7	7.5	67.5	5.6	43.4	18.5
Utah	100.0	34.7	7.8	18.1	8.8	65.3	7.7	37.7	20.0
Vermont	100.0	25.2	5.3	14.3	5.6	74.8	7.8	43.7	23.2
Virginia	100.0	35.7	5.3	20.5	9.9	64.3	6.3	37.1	21.0
Washington	100.0	32.4	4.6	19.8	8.0	67.6	5.8	36.3	25.6
West Virginia	100.0	33.1	7.6	18.5	7.0	66.9	9.0	42.2	15.7
Wisconsin	100.0	35.7	6.6	18.0	11.2	64.3	7.8	34.5	21.9
Wyoming	100.0	59.6	1.8	48.6	9.2	40.4	1.1	24.1	15.2

Table 6. Number and percent distribution of total patients treated weekly in all clinical settings by sex and age of patient, according to area: United States, 1970

Geographic location and selected general characteristics of the treating podiatrists	Total patients treated weekly	Male patients				Female patients			
		Total	16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over	Total	16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over
		Number							
United States	459,285	153,671	24,900	87,516	41,256	305,614	29,307	176,771	99,536
<u>Geographic location</u>									
Geographic region:									
Northeast	189,646	60,677	9,787	33,369	17,520	128,970	11,683	74,228	43,058
North Central	130,869	46,525	8,405	26,773	11,346	84,344	9,820	49,970	24,554
South	71,410	23,969	3,381	14,086	6,502	47,441	3,925	27,379	16,136
West	67,360	22,501	3,326	13,288	5,887	44,859	3,878	25,194	15,787
Geographic division:									
New England	41,716	12,637	1,952	6,564	4,121	29,079	2,482	16,023	10,574
Middle Atlantic	147,930	48,039	7,835	26,805	13,399	99,891	9,202	58,205	32,484
East North Central	104,715	37,099	6,738	21,334	9,028	67,616	7,756	40,677	19,183
West North Central	26,153	9,425	1,668	5,439	2,318	16,728	2,064	9,293	5,371
South Atlantic	44,939	14,863	1,883	8,548	4,432	30,075	2,239	16,492	11,345
East South Central	8,048	2,885	422	1,792	672	5,163	495	3,139	1,528
West South Central	18,423	6,220	1,076	3,746	1,398	12,202	1,191	7,748	3,263
Mountain	12,219	4,104	762	2,410	932	8,115	885	4,751	2,480
Pacific	55,141	18,397	2,564	10,877	4,955	36,744	2,994	20,443	13,307
Standard Federal Administrative Region:									
Region I	41,716	12,637	1,952	6,564	4,121	29,079	2,482	16,023	10,574
Region II	104,377	34,447	5,657	18,993	9,797	69,930	6,527	40,614	22,789
Region III	65,536	20,723	3,303	11,941	5,479	44,813	4,009	26,514	14,290
Region IV	31,005	10,618	1,180	6,211	3,228	20,387	1,399	10,709	8,278
Region V	110,202	38,956	7,078	22,358	9,520	71,246	8,160	42,677	20,409
Region VI	19,810	6,683	1,204	3,979	1,499	13,128	1,314	8,259	3,555
Region VII	19,498	7,194	1,233	4,233	1,729	12,304	1,560	6,848	3,896
Region VIII	7,760	2,645	491	1,544	610	5,115	527	3,038	1,550
Region IX	52,616	17,584	2,433	10,423	4,728	35,032	2,858	19,578	12,596
Region X	6,765	2,185	368	1,271	545	4,581	469	2,512	1,600
<u>Selected general characteristics</u>									
Sex:									
Male	446,393	149,878	24,335	85,359	40,184	296,515	28,471	171,251	96,794
Female	12,891	3,793	564	2,157	1,072	9,098	836	5,520	2,742
Age:									
Under 35 years	61,511	24,804	4,658	14,883	5,264	36,707	4,859	21,154	10,694
35-44 years	111,076	38,015	7,095	20,868	10,052	73,061	8,294	41,202	23,564
45-54 years	143,718	47,149	7,374	26,564	13,211	96,569	8,567	55,302	32,700
55-64 years	115,070	35,038	4,711	20,121	10,206	80,032	6,037	47,827	26,168
65 years and over	27,909	8,665	1,062	5,080	2,523	19,244	1,549	11,286	6,410
Number of States licensed in:									
1 State	302,969	99,080	15,859	55,895	27,326	203,889	18,883	118,416	66,590
2 States	114,024	39,452	6,583	22,570	10,300	74,572	7,595	42,186	24,791
3 States or more	42,291	15,139	2,458	9,051	3,630	27,152	2,830	16,168	8,154
Principal form of employment:									
Self-employed:									
Solo practice	383,085	122,596	20,259	68,156	34,181	260,489	24,183	150,862	85,444
Partnership	35,715	12,004	2,353	6,257	3,394	23,711	2,691	13,462	7,558
Group practice	10,518	3,402	638	1,883	881	7,116	757	4,139	2,221
Employed by:									
Government organizations (including military)	14,055	9,455	563	7,664	1,228	4,600	564	2,777	1,259
Nongovernment organizations	7,414	2,835	491	1,506	839	4,579	455	2,531	1,594
Other	8,497	3,380	597	2,050	733	5,118	657	3,001	1,460

Table 6. Number and percent distribution of total patients treated weekly in all clinical settings by sex and age of patient, according to area: United States, 1970—Con.

Geographic location and selected general characteristics of the treating podiatrists	Total patients treated weekly	Male patients				Female patients			
		Total	16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over	Total	16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over
Percent distribution									
United States	100.0	33.5	5.4	19.1	9.0	66.5	6.4	38.5	21.7
<u>Geographic location</u>									
Geographic region:									
Northeast	100.0	32.0	5.2	17.6	9.2	68.0	6.2	39.1	22.7
North Central	100.0	35.6	6.4	20.5	8.7	64.4	7.5	38.2	18.8
South	100.0	33.6	4.7	19.7	9.1	66.4	5.5	38.3	22.6
West	100.0	33.4	4.9	19.7	8.7	66.6	5.8	37.4	23.4
Geographic division:									
New England	100.0	30.3	4.7	15.7	9.9	69.7	5.9	38.4	25.3
Middle Atlantic	100.0	32.5	5.3	18.1	9.1	67.5	6.2	39.3	22.0
East North Central	100.0	35.4	6.4	20.4	8.6	64.6	7.4	38.8	18.3
West North Central	100.0	36.0	6.4	20.8	8.9	64.0	7.9	35.5	20.5
South Atlantic	100.0	33.1	4.2	19.0	9.9	66.9	5.0	36.7	25.2
East South Central	100.0	35.9	5.2	22.3	8.3	64.1	6.2	39.0	19.0
West South Central	100.0	33.8	5.8	20.3	7.6	66.2	6.5	42.1	17.7
Mountain	100.0	33.6	6.2	19.7	7.6	66.4	7.2	38.9	20.3
Pacific	100.0	33.4	4.7	19.7	9.0	66.6	5.4	37.1	24.1
Standard Federal Administrative Region:									
Region I	100.0	30.3	4.7	15.7	9.9	69.7	5.9	38.4	25.3
Region II	100.0	33.0	5.4	18.2	9.4	67.0	6.3	38.9	21.8
Region III	100.0	31.6	5.0	18.2	8.4	68.4	6.1	40.5	21.8
Region IV	100.0	34.2	3.8	20.0	10.4	65.8	4.5	34.5	26.7
Region V	100.0	35.3	6.4	20.3	8.6	64.7	7.4	38.7	18.5
Region VI	100.0	33.7	6.1	20.1	7.6	66.3	6.6	41.7	17.9
Region VII	100.0	36.9	6.3	21.7	8.9	63.1	8.0	35.1	20.0
Region VIII	100.0	34.1	6.3	19.9	7.9	65.9	6.8	39.1	20.0
Region IX	100.0	33.4	4.6	19.8	9.0	66.6	5.4	37.2	23.9
Region X	100.0	32.3	5.4	18.8	8.1	67.7	6.9	37.1	23.6
<u>Selected general characteristics</u>									
Sex:									
Male	100.0	33.6	5.5	19.1	9.0	66.4	6.4	38.4	21.7
Female	100.0	29.4	4.4	16.7	8.3	70.6	6.5	42.8	21.3
Age:									
Under 35 years	100.0	40.3	7.6	24.2	8.6	59.7	7.9	34.4	17.4
35-44 years	100.0	34.2	6.4	18.8	9.0	65.8	7.5	37.1	21.2
45-54 years	100.0	32.8	5.1	18.5	9.2	67.2	6.0	38.5	22.8
55-64 years	100.0	30.4	4.1	17.5	8.9	69.6	5.2	41.6	22.7
65 years and over	100.0	31.0	3.8	18.2	9.0	69.0	5.6	40.4	23.0
Number of States licensed in:									
1 State	100.0	32.7	5.2	18.4	9.0	67.3	6.2	39.1	22.0
2 States	100.0	34.6	5.8	19.8	9.0	65.4	6.7	37.0	21.7
3 States or more	100.0	35.8	5.8	21.4	8.6	64.2	6.7	38.2	19.3
Principal form of employment:									
Self-employed:									
Solo practice	100.0	32.0	5.3	17.8	8.9	68.0	6.3	39.4	22.3
Partnership	100.0	33.6	6.6	17.5	9.5	66.4	7.5	37.7	21.2
Group practice	100.0	32.3	6.1	17.9	8.4	67.7	7.2	39.4	21.1
Employed by:									
Government organizations (including military)	100.0	67.3	4.0	54.5	8.7	32.7	4.0	19.8	9.0
Nongovernment organizations	100.0	38.2	6.6	20.3	11.3	61.8	6.1	34.1	21.5
Other	100.0	39.8	7.0	24.1	8.6	60.2	7.7	35.3	17.2

Table 7. Number and percent distribution of total patients treated weekly in all clinical settings by sex and age of patient, according to selected clinical characteristics of the treating podiatrist: United States, 1970

Selected clinical characteristics of the treating podiatrist	Total patients treated weekly	Male patients				Female patients			
		Total	16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over	Total	16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over
		Number							
United States	459,285	153,671	24,900	87,516	41,256	305,614	29,307	176,771	99,536
Primary clinical activity:									
General practice	410,583	135,137	21,518	76,733	36,886	275,447	25,620	159,216	90,611
Surgery	27,498	10,200	2,118	5,975	2,107	17,298	2,207	10,805	4,286
Podogeriatrics	5,084	1,719	86	678	954	3,365	111	1,247	2,007
Podopediatrics	1,264	568	205	261	102	696	184	305	207
Podiatric dermatology	34	14	6	6	2	20	2	16	2
Roentgenology	7	6	3	2	-	1	1	-	-
Foot orthopedics	12,131	4,627	814	2,806	1,007	7,504	1,006	4,426	2,071
Other	2,684	1,402	149	1,054	199	1,282	174	757	351
Secondary clinical activity:									
No secondary activity	79,710	25,712	3,754	14,809	7,149	53,998	4,419	32,269	17,310
General practice	24,333	8,758	1,542	5,069	2,147	15,576	1,720	9,214	4,642
Surgery	157,520	54,347	9,217	31,038	14,092	103,173	10,656	60,389	32,128
Podogeriatrics	46,307	14,747	1,968	7,676	5,103	31,560	2,426	16,035	13,098
Podopediatrics	14,258	5,355	1,379	2,546	1,430	8,903	1,589	4,781	2,534
Podiatric dermatology	6,086	2,156	411	1,186	559	3,931	504	2,196	1,230
Roentgenology	4,544	1,606	188	1,075	344	2,937	299	1,664	974
Foot orthopedics	121,973	39,343	6,174	23,102	10,067	82,630	7,370	48,515	26,745
Other	4,553	1,646	266	1,016	364	2,907	324	1,708	875
Number of weekly patient visits reported:									
Fewer than 50 visits	59,948	18,896	2,734	11,245	4,917	41,052	3,298	25,010	12,743
50-99 visits	199,940	63,849	10,366	35,504	17,979	136,091	12,112	78,968	45,011
100-149 visits	129,214	43,462	7,491	23,545	12,425	85,753	8,751	48,557	28,445
150 visits or more	70,183	27,465	4,309	17,222	5,934	42,718	5,146	24,236	13,337
Number of hours per week spent in patient care:									
1-34 hours	90,985	30,153	4,981	16,932	8,240	60,832	5,943	35,501	19,388
35-40 hours	173,954	58,552	9,388	33,452	15,711	115,402	10,859	67,366	37,178
41-49 hours	106,531	35,019	5,642	20,104	9,274	71,512	6,615	40,850	24,047
50 hours or more	87,815	29,947	4,889	17,028	8,030	57,867	5,890	33,054	18,923
Number of assistants employed:									
None	123,229	40,517	5,313	23,192	12,012	82,712	6,415	48,140	28,157
1 assistant	145,465	47,271	7,642	26,786	12,843	98,194	8,841	57,358	31,995
2 assistants	110,353	37,048	6,507	21,050	9,491	73,305	7,930	42,007	23,368
3 assistants or more	80,239	28,836	5,438	16,487	6,910	51,403	6,121	29,266	16,016

Table 7. Number and percent distribution of total patients treated weekly in all clinical settings by sex and age of patient, according to selected clinical characteristics of the treating podiatrist: United States, 1970—Con.

Selected clinical characteristics of the treating podiatrist	Total patients treated weekly	Male patients				Female patients			
		Total	16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over	Total	16 years and under	17-64 years	65 years and over
		Percent distribution							
United States	100.0	33.5	5.4	19.1	9.0	66.5	6.4	38.5	21.7
Primary clinical activity:									
General practice	100.0	32.9	5.2	18.7	9.0	67.1	6.2	38.8	22.1
Surgery	100.0	37.1	7.7	21.7	7.7	62.9	8.0	39.3	15.6
Podogeriatrics	100.0	33.8	1.7	13.3	18.8	66.2	2.2	24.5	39.5
Podopediatrics	100.0	44.9	16.2	20.6	8.1	55.1	14.6	24.1	16.4
Podiatric dermatology	100.0	40.4	16.9	16.7	6.7	59.6	6.6	46.3	6.7
Roentgenology	100.0	83.3	50.0	33.3	-	16.7	16.7	-	-
Foot orthopedics	100.0	38.1	6.7	23.1	8.3	61.9	8.3	36.5	17.1
Other	100.0	52.2	5.6	39.3	7.4	47.8	6.5	28.2	13.1
Secondary clinical activity:									
No secondary activity	100.0	32.3	4.7	18.6	9.0	67.7	5.5	40.5	21.7
General practice	100.0	36.0	6.3	20.8	8.8	64.0	7.1	37.9	19.1
Surgery	100.0	34.5	5.9	19.7	8.9	65.5	6.8	38.3	20.4
Podogeriatrics	100.0	31.9	4.2	16.6	11.0	68.2	5.2	34.6	28.3
Podopediatrics	100.0	37.6	9.7	17.9	10.0	62.4	11.1	33.5	17.8
Podiatric dermatology	100.0	35.4	6.8	19.5	9.2	64.6	8.3	36.1	20.2
Roentgenology	100.0	35.4	4.1	23.6	7.6	64.7	6.6	36.6	21.4
Foot orthopedics	100.0	32.3	5.1	18.9	8.3	67.7	6.0	39.8	21.9
Other	100.0	36.2	5.9	22.3	8.0	63.8	7.1	37.5	19.2
Number of weekly patient visits reported:									
Fewer than 50 visits	100.0	31.5	4.6	18.8	8.2	68.5	5.5	41.7	21.3
50-99 visits	100.0	31.9	5.2	17.8	9.0	68.1	6.1	39.5	22.5
100-149 visits	100.0	33.6	5.8	18.2	9.6	66.4	6.8	37.6	22.0
150 visits or more	100.0	39.1	6.1	24.5	8.5	60.9	7.3	34.5	19.0
Number of hours per week spent in patient care:									
1-34 hours	100.0	33.1	5.5	18.6	9.1	66.9	6.5	39.0	21.3
35-40 hours	100.0	33.7	5.4	19.2	9.0	66.3	6.2	38.7	21.4
41-49 hours	100.0	32.9	5.3	18.9	8.7	67.1	6.2	38.3	22.6
50 hours or more	100.0	34.1	5.6	19.4	9.1	65.9	6.7	37.6	21.5
Number of assistants employed:									
None	100.0	32.9	4.3	18.8	9.7	67.1	5.2	39.1	22.8
1 assistant	100.0	32.5	5.3	18.4	8.8	67.5	6.1	39.4	22.0
2 assistants	100.0	33.6	5.9	19.1	8.6	66.4	7.2	38.1	21.2
3 assistants or more	100.0	35.9	6.8	20.5	8.6	64.1	7.6	36.5	20.0

Table 8. Number and percent distribution of total patients treated weekly by clinical setting of treatment, according to area: United States, 1970

Area	Total patients treated weekly	Clinical setting						
		Private office	Hospital (inpatient)	Hospital (outpatient)	Clinic (not associated with hospital)	Nursing home	Patient's home	Other setting
		Number						
United States	459,285	379,710	14,994	12,641	8,591	28,838	9,972	4,538
Alabama	1,574	1,040	181	214	-	130	11	-
Alaska	92	92	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	2,548	2,378	54	24	-	40	14	38
Arkansas	881	731	11	-	12	75	27	25
California	48,865	38,186	2,355	1,680	1,591	3,554	635	862
Colorado	3,810	3,072	136	162	72	264	79	25
Connecticut	10,425	8,636	340	155	53	898	273	70
Delaware	1,694	1,475	59	59	4	60	27	10
District of Columbia	5,491	4,525	23	417	235	212	72	6
Florida	13,263	12,276	166	92	77	514	109	29
Georgia	4,600	3,582	247	337	61	158	41	174
Hawaii	238	203	-	16	-	14	5	-
Idaho	727	640	15	16	-	35	21	-
Illinois	34,549	29,548	1,345	471	429	1,939	609	209
Indiana	8,270	7,380	96	27	120	358	82	207
Iowa	6,900	5,754	322	12	-	669	84	58
Kansas	3,164	2,599	135	230	-	183	17	-
Kentucky	3,485	2,969	47	93	114	186	68	6
Louisiana	2,166	1,825	84	168	-	72	16	-
Maine	1,320	1,105	46	-	-	76	93	-
Maryland	7,493	6,303	250	278	301	270	90	1
Massachusetts	25,045	18,135	832	530	223	3,897	1,395	32
Michigan	19,834	17,182	538	417	367	931	283	117
Minnesota	5,486	4,319	158	38	382	486	104	-
Mississippi	433	344	7	63	-	18	1	-
Missouri	7,013	5,313	128	739	514	209	77	33
Montana	753	628	7	-	-	101	17	-
Nebraska	2,421	2,106	46	26	3	123	104	14
Nevada	965	934	7	1	-	12	6	5
New Hampshire	1,248	1,116	2	-	-	99	31	-
New Jersey	23,997	20,436	826	673	144	1,084	702	132
New Mexico	1,388	1,295	11	19	15	28	16	4
New York	80,380	67,538	1,877	2,567	1,295	4,409	2,028	667
North Carolina	3,906	2,922	11	-	333	216	178	146
North Dakota	391	295	-	39	37	19	-	1
Ohio	33,431	27,921	1,004	564	1,371	1,601	671	299
Oklahoma	2,935	2,596	108	49	38	83	25	37
Oregon	1,831	1,548	121	-	60	68	27	8
Pennsylvania	43,553	35,221	1,979	1,042	455	2,896	1,374	586
Rhode Island	3,204	2,674	29	28	47	286	107	32
South Carolina	1,187	613	11	367	-	48	8	139
South Dakota	778	712	15	-	-	19	12	20
Tennessee	2,556	2,254	16	72	-	86	21	107
Texas	12,440	10,758	435	444	24	587	94	98
Utah	1,653	1,357	58	50	116	37	35	-
Vermont	475	423	16	-	-	20	16	-
Virginia	4,649	3,772	224	62	7	248	54	284
Washington	4,115	3,437	105	224	12	277	61	-
West Virginia	2,654	2,421	12	15	37	122	40	7
Wisconsin	8,632	6,932	339	147	41	1,016	105	51
Wyoming	375	190	160	15	-	3	8	-

Table 8. Number and percent distribution of total patients treated weekly by clinical setting of treatment, according to area: United States, 1970—Con.

Area	Total patients treated weekly	Clinical setting						
		Private office	Hospital (inpatient)	Hospital (outpatient)	Clinic (not associated with hospital)	Nursing home	Patient's home	Other setting
Percent distribution								
United States	100.0	82.7	3.3	2.8	1.9	6.3	2.2	1.0
Alabama	100.0	66.0	11.5	13.6	-	8.3	0.7	-
Alaska	100.0	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arizona	100.0	93.3	2.1	1.0	-	1.6	0.5	1.5
Arkansas	100.0	83.0	1.2	-	1.4	8.5	3.0	2.9
California	100.0	78.2	4.8	3.4	3.3	7.3	1.3	1.8
Colorado	100.0	80.6	3.6	4.2	1.9	6.9	2.1	0.7
Connecticut	100.0	82.8	3.3	1.5	0.5	8.6	2.6	0.7
Delaware	100.0	87.1	3.5	3.5	0.2	3.5	1.6	0.6
District of Columbia	100.0	82.4	0.4	7.6	4.3	3.9	1.3	0.1
Florida	100.0	92.6	1.3	0.7	0.6	3.9	0.8	0.2
Georgia	100.0	77.9	5.4	7.3	1.3	3.4	0.9	3.8
Hawaii	100.0	85.3	-	6.7	-	5.9	2.1	-
Idaho	100.0	88.1	2.0	2.2	-	4.8	2.9	-
Illinois	100.0	85.5	3.9	1.4	1.2	5.6	1.8	0.6
Indiana	100.0	89.2	1.2	0.3	1.5	4.3	1.0	2.5
Iowa	100.0	83.4	4.7	0.2	-	9.7	1.2	0.8
Kansas	100.0	82.1	4.3	7.3	-	5.8	0.5	-
Kentucky	100.0	85.2	1.4	2.7	3.3	5.3	2.0	0.2
Louisiana	100.0	84.3	3.9	7.8	-	3.3	0.8	-
Maine	100.0	83.7	3.5	-	-	5.8	7.0	-
Maryland	100.0	84.1	3.3	3.7	4.0	3.6	1.2	0.0
Massachusetts	100.0	72.4	3.3	2.1	0.9	15.6	5.6	0.1
Michigan	100.0	86.6	2.7	2.1	1.9	4.7	1.4	0.6
Minnesota	100.0	78.7	2.9	0.7	7.0	8.9	1.9	-
Mississippi	100.0	79.4	1.6	14.6	-	4.2	0.3	-
Missouri	100.0	75.8	1.8	10.5	7.3	3.0	1.1	0.5
Montana	100.0	83.4	0.9	-	-	13.4	2.3	-
Nebraska	100.0	87.0	1.9	1.1	0.1	5.1	4.3	0.6
Nevada	100.0	96.8	0.8	0.1	-	1.2	0.6	0.5
New Hampshire	100.0	89.4	0.2	-	-	8.0	2.5	-
New Jersey	100.0	85.2	3.4	2.8	0.6	4.5	2.9	0.6
New Mexico	100.0	93.3	0.8	1.4	1.1	2.0	1.2	0.3
New York	100.0	84.0	2.3	3.2	1.6	5.5	2.5	0.8
North Carolina	100.0	74.8	0.3	-	8.5	8.1	4.6	3.7
North Dakota	100.0	75.5	-	10.0	9.5	4.9	-	0.3
Ohio	100.0	83.5	3.0	1.7	4.1	4.8	2.0	0.9
Oklahoma	100.0	88.5	3.7	1.7	1.3	2.8	0.9	1.3
Oregon	100.0	84.5	6.6	-	3.3	3.7	1.5	0.4
Pennsylvania	100.0	80.9	4.5	2.4	1.1	6.7	3.2	1.4
Rhode Island	100.0	83.5	0.9	0.9	1.5	8.9	3.3	1.0
South Carolina	100.0	51.7	1.0	30.9	-	4.0	0.7	11.7
South Dakota	100.0	91.5	1.9	-	-	2.5	1.5	2.6
Tennessee	100.0	88.2	0.6	2.8	-	3.4	0.8	4.2
Texas	100.0	86.5	3.5	3.6	0.2	4.7	0.8	0.8
Utah	100.0	82.1	3.5	3.0	7.0	2.2	2.1	-
Vermont	100.0	89.1	3.4	-	-	4.2	3.4	-
Virginia	100.0	81.1	4.8	1.3	0.2	5.3	1.2	6.1
Washington	100.0	83.5	2.6	5.4	0.3	6.7	1.5	-
West Virginia	100.0	91.2	0.5	0.6	1.4	4.6	1.5	0.3
Wisconsin	100.0	80.3	3.9	1.7	0.5	11.8	1.2	0.6
Wyoming	100.0	50.7	42.6	3.9	-	0.7	2.1	-

Table 9. Number and percent distribution of total patients treated weekly by clinical setting of treatment, according to geographic location and selected general characteristics of the treating podiatrist: United States, 1970

Geographic location and selected general characteristics of the treating podiatrist	Total patients treated weekly	Clinical setting						
		Private office	Hospital (inpatient)	Hospital (outpatient)	Clinic (not associated with hospital)	Nursing home	Patient's home	Other setting
		Number						
United States	459,285	379,710	14,994	12,641	8,591	28,838	9,972	4,538
<u>Geographic location</u>								
Geographic region:								
Northeast	189,646	155,284	5,947	4,996	2,218	13,664	6,019	1,519
North Central	130,869	110,060	4,126	2,710	3,263	7,554	2,147	1,009
South	71,410	60,406	1,892	2,730	1,244	3,187	881	1,069
West	67,360	53,960	3,029	2,206	1,866	4,433	926	941
Geographic division:								
New England	41,716	32,089	1,265	714	323	5,275	1,915	134
Middle Atlantic	147,930	123,195	4,682	4,282	1,894	8,389	4,104	1,385
East North Central	104,715	88,963	3,323	1,626	2,327	5,845	1,749	883
West North Central	26,153	21,098	803	1,084	936	1,709	398	126
South Atlantic	44,939	37,889	1,004	1,626	1,056	1,949	619	796
East South Central	8,048	6,607	251	443	114	420	101	113
West South Central	18,423	15,910	638	661	74	818	161	160
Mountain	12,219	10,495	448	286	203	520	197	72
Pacific	55,141	43,465	2,581	1,919	1,663	3,913	729	870
Standard Federal Administrative Region:								
Region I	41,716	32,089	1,265	714	323	5,275	1,915	134
Region II	104,377	87,974	2,703	3,241	1,439	5,492	2,730	799
Region III	65,536	53,717	2,547	1,872	1,040	3,809	1,657	894
Region IV	31,005	26,000	686	1,238	586	1,457	437	602
Region V	110,202	93,282	3,481	1,664	2,710	6,331	1,853	883
Region VI	19,810	17,206	648	680	89	846	176	164
Region VII	19,498	15,772	630	1,007	517	1,185	282	105
Region VIII	7,760	6,254	376	265	225	443	151	47
Region IX	52,616	41,701	2,417	1,721	1,591	3,621	660	905
Region X	6,765	5,717	241	240	72	379	110	8
<u>Selected general characteristics</u>								
Sex:								
Male	446,393	368,802	14,642	12,524	8,506	27,894	9,636	4,389
Female	12,891	10,908	352	117	85	943	337	149
Age:								
Under 35 years	61,511	43,398	2,569	6,244	3,032	3,624	782	1,862
35-44 years	111,076	92,074	3,564	2,168	3,092	7,402	1,935	841
45-54 years	143,718	121,475	5,227	2,073	1,266	8,937	3,487	1,253
55-64 years	115,070	98,302	3,161	2,035	875	7,042	3,130	526
65 years and over	27,909	24,461	473	121	326	1,833	639	57
Number of States licensed in:								
1 State	302,969	251,758	9,724	7,006	4,607	19,980	7,279	2,615
2 States	114,024	94,267	4,017	3,508	1,992	6,652	2,139	1,449
3 States or more	42,291	33,685	1,253	2,127	1,992	2,206	554	475
Principal form of employment:								
Self-employed:								
Solo practice	383,085	328,787	8,483	5,367	3,750	25,351	8,944	2,402
Partnership	35,715	31,489	1,022	656	310	1,488	511	239
Group practice	10,518	8,852	293	113	486	549	157	68
Employed by:								
Government organizations (including military)	14,055	1,524	3,840	4,733	1,770	587	32	1,569
Nongovernment organizations	7,414	4,874	678	712	556	354	121	119
Other	8,497	4,183	678	1,060	1,720	508	207	140

Table 9. Number and percent distribution of total patients treated weekly by clinical setting of treatment, according to geographic location and selected general characteristics of the treating podiatrist: United States, 1970—Con.

Geographic location and selected general characteristics of the treating podiatrist	Total patients treated weekly	Clinical setting						
		Private office	Hospital (inpatient)	Hospital (outpatient)	Clinic (not associated with hospital)	Nursing home	Patient's home	Other setting
		Percent distribution						
United States	100.0	82.7	3.3	2.8	1.9	6.3	2.2	1.0
<u>Geographic location</u>								
Geographic region:								
Northeast	100.0	81.9	3.1	2.6	1.2	7.2	3.2	0.8
North Central	100.0	84.1	3.2	2.1	2.5	5.8	1.6	0.8
South	100.0	84.6	2.7	3.8	1.7	4.5	1.2	1.5
West	100.0	80.1	4.5	3.3	2.8	6.6	1.4	1.4
Geographic division:								
New England	100.0	76.9	3.0	1.7	0.8	12.7	4.6	0.3
Middle Atlantic	100.0	83.3	3.2	2.9	1.3	5.7	2.8	0.9
East North Central	100.0	85.0	3.2	1.6	2.2	5.6	1.7	0.8
West North Central	100.0	80.7	3.1	4.1	3.6	6.5	1.5	0.5
South Atlantic	100.0	84.3	2.2	3.6	2.4	4.3	1.4	1.8
East South Central	100.0	82.1	3.1	5.5	1.4	5.2	1.3	1.4
West South Central	100.0	86.4	3.5	3.6	0.4	4.4	0.9	0.9
Mountain	100.0	85.9	3.7	2.3	1.7	4.3	1.6	0.6
Pacific	100.0	78.8	4.7	3.5	3.0	7.1	1.3	1.6
Standard Federal Administrative Region:								
Region I	100.0	76.9	3.0	1.7	0.8	12.7	4.6	0.3
Region II	100.0	84.3	2.6	3.1	1.4	5.3	2.6	0.8
Region III	100.0	82.0	3.9	2.9	1.6	5.8	2.5	1.4
Region IV	100.0	83.9	2.2	4.0	1.9	4.7	1.4	1.9
Region V	100.0	84.7	3.2	1.5	2.5	5.7	1.7	0.8
Region VI	100.0	86.9	3.3	3.4	0.5	4.3	0.9	0.8
Region VII	100.0	80.9	3.2	5.2	2.7	6.1	1.5	0.5
Region VIII	100.0	80.6	4.8	3.4	2.9	5.7	2.0	0.6
Region IX	100.0	79.3	4.6	3.3	3.0	6.9	1.3	1.7
Region X	100.0	84.5	3.6	3.5	1.1	5.6	1.6	0.1
<u>Selected general characteristics</u>								
Sex:								
Male	100.0	82.6	3.3	2.8	1.9	6.3	2.2	1.0
Female	100.0	84.6	2.7	0.9	0.7	7.3	2.6	1.2
Age:								
Under 35 years	100.0	70.6	4.2	10.2	4.9	5.9	1.3	3.0
35-44 years	100.0	82.9	3.2	2.0	2.8	6.7	1.7	0.8
45-54 years	100.0	84.5	3.6	1.4	0.9	6.2	2.4	0.9
55-64 years	100.0	85.4	2.8	1.8	0.8	6.1	2.7	0.5
65 years and over	100.0	87.6	1.7	0.4	1.2	6.6	2.3	0.2
Number of States licensed in:								
1 State	100.0	83.1	3.2	2.3	1.5	6.6	2.4	0.9
2 States	100.0	82.7	3.5	3.1	1.8	5.8	1.9	1.3
3 States or more	100.0	79.7	3.0	5.0	4.7	5.2	1.3	1.1
Principal form of employment:								
Self-employed:								
Solo practice	100.0	85.8	2.2	1.4	1.0	6.6	2.3	0.6
Partnership	100.0	88.2	2.9	1.8	0.9	4.2	1.4	0.7
Group practice	100.0	84.2	2.8	1.1	4.6	5.2	1.5	0.7
Employed by:								
Government organizations (including military)	100.0	10.9	27.3	33.7	12.6	4.2	0.2	11.2
Nongovernment organizations	100.0	65.7	9.2	9.6	7.5	4.8	1.6	1.6
Other	100.0	49.2	8.0	12.5	20.2	6.0	2.4	1.7

Table 10. Number and percent distribution of total patients treated weekly by clinical setting of treatment, according to selected clinical characteristics of the treating podiatrist: United States, 1970

Selected clinical characteristics of the treating podiatrist	Total patients treated weekly	Clinical setting						
		Private office	Hospital (inpatient)	Hospital (outpatient)	Clinic (not associated with hospital)	Nursing home	Patient's home	Other setting
		Number						
United States	459,285	379,710	14,994	12,641	8,591	28,838	9,972	4,538
Primary clinical activity:								
General practice	410,583	342,862	12,904	10,272	4,987	26,211	9,334	4,014
Surgery	27,498	21,662	1,629	989	1,913	771	271	262
Podogeriatrics	5,084	3,101	126	335	80	1,147	152	143
Podopediatrics	1,264	1,177	9	28	15	24	11	-
Podiatric dermatology	34	31	-	1	-	1	1	-
Roentgenology	7	6	-	-	-	-	-	1
Foot orthopedics	12,131	9,639	281	766	639	515	174	118
Other	2,684	1,234	45	250	957	168	29	-
Secondary clinical activity:								
No secondary activity	79,710	67,851	1,966	1,313	928	4,728	1,893	1,032
General practice	24,333	18,611	1,127	1,017	1,487	1,539	322	230
Surgery	157,520	131,283	5,495	5,280	2,747	8,834	2,565	1,316
Podogeriatrics	46,307	34,991	2,494	1,145	506	5,390	1,425	355
Podopediatrics	14,258	11,868	377	387	296	683	406	241
Podiatric dermatology	6,086	4,802	360	265	18	433	128	80
Roentgenology	4,544	3,579	179	53	163	372	141	57
Foot orthopedics	121,973	103,409	2,726	2,802	2,171	6,654	3,018	1,191
Other	4,553	3,315	270	379	275	205	75	35
Number of weekly patient visits reported:								
Fewer than 50 visits	59,948	51,604	1,235	918	419	3,690	1,797	285
50-99 visits	199,940	169,313	5,086	3,641	2,168	13,064	4,930	1,738
100-149 visits	129,214	105,606	4,943	3,698	2,199	8,823	2,576	1,369
150 visits or more	70,183	53,188	3,730	4,384	3,805	3,260	669	1,147
Number of hours per week spent in patient care:								
1-34 hours	90,985	75,995	2,460	2,016	1,401	6,407	1,862	843
35-40 hours	173,954	143,803	5,661	4,875	3,872	10,167	3,552	2,024
41-49 hours	106,531	89,484	2,991	2,657	1,455	6,457	2,393	1,095
50 hours or more	87,815	70,428	3,882	3,093	1,864	5,807	2,165	575
Number of assistants employed:								
None	123,229	96,879	5,405	4,077	2,283	9,585	3,654	1,345
1 assistant	145,465	121,082	4,601	2,843	1,986	10,050	3,485	1,417
2 assistants	110,353	93,637	2,714	3,674	1,119	6,268	1,940	1,000
3 assistants or more	80,239	68,112	2,274	2,047	3,203	2,935	893	775

Table 10. Number and percent distribution of total patients treated weekly by clinical setting of treatment, according to selected clinical characteristics of the treating podiatrist: United States, 1970—Con.

Selected clinical characteristics of the treating podiatrist	Total patients treated weekly	Clinical setting						
		Private office	Hospital (inpatient)	Hospital (outpatient)	Clinic (not associated with hospital)	Nursing home	Patient's home	Other setting
		Percent distribution						
United States	100.0	82.7	3.3	2.8	1.9	6.3	2.2	1.0
Primary clinical activity:								
General practice	100.0	83.5	3.1	2.5	1.2	6.4	2.3	1.0
Surgery	100.0	78.8	5.9	3.6	7.0	2.8	1.0	1.0
Podogeriatrics	100.0	61.0	2.5	6.6	1.6	22.6	3.0	2.8
Podopediatrics	100.0	93.1	0.7	2.2	1.2	1.9	0.9	-
Podiatric dermatology	100.0	90.2	-	3.3	-	3.3	3.3	-
Roentgenology	100.0	83.3	-	-	-	-	-	16.7
Foot orthopedics	100.0	79.5	2.3	6.3	5.3	4.2	1.4	1.0
Other	100.0	46.0	1.7	9.3	35.7	6.3	1.1	-
Secondary clinical activity:								
No secondary activity	100.0	85.1	2.5	1.7	1.2	5.9	2.4	1.3
General practice	100.0	76.5	4.6	4.2	6.1	6.3	1.3	1.0
Surgery	100.0	83.3	3.5	3.4	1.7	5.6	1.6	0.8
Podogeriatrics	100.0	75.6	5.4	2.5	1.1	11.6	3.1	0.8
Podopediatrics	100.0	83.2	2.7	2.7	2.1	4.8	2.8	1.7
Podiatric dermatology	100.0	78.9	5.9	4.4	0.3	7.1	2.1	1.3
Roentgenology	100.0	78.8	3.9	1.2	3.6	8.2	3.1	1.3
Foot orthopedics	100.0	84.8	2.2	2.3	1.8	5.5	2.5	1.0
Other	100.0	72.8	5.9	8.3	6.0	4.5	1.6	0.8
Number of weekly patient visits reported:								
Fewer than 50 visits	100.0	86.1	2.1	1.5	0.7	6.2	3.0	0.5
50-99 visits	100.0	84.7	2.5	1.8	1.1	6.5	2.5	0.9
100-149 visits	100.0	81.7	3.8	2.9	1.7	6.8	2.0	1.1
150 visits or more	100.0	75.8	5.3	6.3	5.4	4.7	1.0	1.6
Number of hours per week spent in patient care:								
1-34 hours	100.0	83.5	2.7	2.2	1.5	7.0	2.1	0.9
35-40 hours	100.0	82.7	3.3	2.8	2.2	5.8	2.0	1.2
41-49 hours	100.0	84.0	2.8	2.5	1.4	6.1	2.3	1.0
50 hours or more	100.0	80.2	4.4	3.5	2.1	6.6	2.5	0.7
Number of assistants employed:								
None	100.0	78.6	4.4	3.3	1.9	7.8	3.0	1.1
1 assistant	100.0	83.2	3.2	2.0	1.4	6.9	2.4	1.0
2 assistants	100.0	84.9	2.5	3.3	1.0	5.7	1.8	0.9
3 assistants or more	100.0	84.9	2.8	2.6	4.0	3.7	1.1	1.0

APPENDIX I

TECHNICAL PROCEDURES

Background: 1970 Survey of Podiatrists

Most of the statistical information used in this report is the product of a survey of podiatrists conducted January through March 1970 by the National Center for Health Statistics with the cooperation of the American Podiatry Association.

The survey was conducted by means of a self-administered questionnaire that was intended for mailing to all licensed podiatrists in the United States. The questionnaire was designed to gather information from all licensed podiatrists, active or inactive, about geographic location, year of birth, States of licensure, number of years active in podiatry, and whether currently active or inactive in podiatry. For all licensed podiatrists who were active in podiatry, the questionnaire sought additional information about their principal form of employment, the number of weeks they worked in podiatric activities during calendar year 1969, and the number of hours per week they usually devoted to all their professional podiatric activities. And, for survey respondents who indicated that they spent any time whatever in patient care, there were questions designed to gather information about the services they rendered, their use of personnel to assist them in their practice, their primary and secondary activities, the number of patient visits they experienced in the week preceding their response to the survey, and the

number of patients they saw during that week by age and sex of the patient and by the setting in which the patient was treated.

A pretest was conducted during the months of October and November 1969. The 100 subjects for the pretest were randomly chosen from an alphabetical list of licensed podiatrists supplied by the American Podiatry Association. Two mailouts of the proposed survey questionnaire were made. One telephone followup completed the pretest effort, producing a total response rate of about 91 percent. An analysis of pretest responses resulted in minor changes in the wording of the questionnaire and in the reordering of certain parts within one of the questions in the interest of greater clarity. The final, revised form of the questionnaire appears as appendix III.

Data Collection and Processing

For the main survey effort, the total number of podiatrists was defined as all persons holding a license in podiatry in the United States. The initial mailing list was compiled by merging the licensing lists of the 50 States and the District of Columbia. Lists were supplied by the American Podiatry Association. The total number of podiatrists generated from the lists was 9,235. From this number, duplicates (podiatrists licensed in more than one State) and podiatrists with foreign addresses were eliminated, and the grad-

uates of the five accredited colleges of podiatry for the 1968-1969 academic year were added. This process of merging the 51 lists, eliminating duplicates and podiatrists outside the United States, and adding graduates resulted in a mailing list of 8,290 potential respondents who were then canvassed by mail.

The initial mailing of the survey questionnaire was made in January 1970. Three subsequent mailings to follow up on nonrespondents were made in January and February 1970, the final mailing being by certified mail. The last effort at data collection, a telephone followup, was conducted during March 1970. The response rate, after all collection efforts had been made and after excluding deceased and those out of scope (see table I), amounted to about 91 percent.

After eliminating the deceased, the duplicates which had not been discovered before mailing, and a few potential subjects who were out of scope because they were no longer licensed, had left the United States, or had been mistakenly assumed to be podiatrists, a total of 8,016 podiatrists remained within the scope of the survey. The further elimination of refusals, postmaster returns, and other nonresponses reduced the usable universe to 7,274 "good" responses (table I). In order to approximate the total universe of podiatrists as it would have appeared had there been no refusals, postmaster returns, or other nonresponses, a weighting or "inflation" factor was established for each State from the ratio of total podiatrists in that State (excluding deceased and those out of scope of the survey) to the number of usable (good)

responses obtained (table II). Within each State, each good response received the same weight. When all the weighted records were cumulated, they yielded (after rounding) a weighted national figure of 8,017 for total active and inactive podiatrists, a figure of 7,113 for active podiatrists, and a figure of 7,078 for active podiatrists who indicated that they devoted some part of their weekly effort—however small—to the direct diagnosis and treatment of podiatric patients.

For the purposes of the present report we selected as our statistical base the number of patients treated "last week" by the 7,078 podiatrists who were active in patient care. Our total was based on a cumulation of responses to item 20 of the survey questionnaire. (A facsimile of the survey questionnaire appears as appendix III.) To arrive at the total number of patients treated weekly, we took the "number of patients" from each record, multiplied this figure by the inflation factor established for the appropriate State, then cumulated the weighted values from all applicable records to yield an estimate of 459,285 patients treated in the course of 1 week by American podiatrists at the time of the 1970 survey.

To compensate for partial nonresponse within the questionnaire, i.e., leaving items unanswered, another type of adjustment was applied to the data as received. In such cases, omitted items were randomly assigned the response obtained from respondents with similar characteristics and the total figure for the item was adjusted to include this "imputation." As may be learned from table III, the need for this kind of adjustment was minimal; the item nonresponse rate was less than 2 percent for all items except the final four on the questionnaire, which requested information on number of patient visits and on the number and characteristics of patients seen. (See survey questionnaire items 19, 20, 20a, and 20b, in appendix III.) The comparatively high nonresponse rate for these items (from 4 to 7 percent) may be partly explained by the fact that the questions appear last in the questionnaire and an appreciable amount of respondent fatigue may have set in. Probably a better reason for the nonresponse, however, was the need to consult records and to

Table I. Number and percent distribution of survey population by type of respondent or nonrespondent: United States, 1970

Type of respondent or nonrespondent	Number	Percent distribution
All podiatrists surveyed, excluding deceased and those out of scope	8,016	100.0
Good response	7,274	90.7
Refusal	121	1.5
Postmaster return	277	3.5
Nonresponse	344	4.3

Table II. Distribution of active formally qualified podiatrists by area before and after application of adjustment ratios: United States, 1970

Area	Responding active podiatrists	Inflation factor	Weighted estimate of podiatrists
United States	7,274	1.10	8,016
Alabama	22	1.18	26
Alaska	5	1.00	5
Arizona	40	1.15	46
Arkansas	19	1.21	23
California	783	1.09	853
Colorado	71	1.10	78
Connecticut	186	1.10	205
Delaware	22	1.00	22
District of Columbia	55	1.22	67
Florida	224	1.09	244
Georgia	56	1.13	63
Hawaii	6	1.00	6
Idaho	16	1.06	17
Illinois	649	1.14	740
Indiana	140	1.12	157
Iowa	95	1.11	105
Kansas	47	1.06	50
Kentucky	57	1.05	60
Louisiana	39	1.08	42
Maine	22	1.09	24
Maryland	97	1.06	103
Massachusetts	439	1.14	500
Michigan	271	1.06	287
Minnesota	76	1.08	82
Mississippi	8	1.13	9
Missouri	87	1.10	96
Montana	14	1.00	14
Nebraska	42	1.07	45
Nevada	15	1.20	18
New Hampshire	24	1.08	26
New Jersey	380	1.10	418
New Mexico	18	1.17	21
New York	1,252	1.10	1,377
North Carolina	51	1.08	55
North Dakota	6	1.00	6
Ohio	514	1.10	565
Oklahoma	48	1.08	52
Oregon	35	1.09	38
Pennsylvania	693	1.10	762
Rhode Island	57	1.05	60
South Carolina	14	1.14	16
South Dakota	15	1.07	16
Tennessee	33	1.15	38
Texas	186	1.10	205
Utah	26	1.00	26
Vermont	6	1.33	8
Virginia	60	1.05	63
Washington	65	1.06	69
West Virginia	43	1.12	48
Wisconsin	139	1.09	152
Wyoming	6	1.33	8

classify patients seen by age and sex as well as by the seven possible settings in which the treatment could have occurred.

Rounding

Numbers that appear in the present report were independently rounded and may not add to totals. Percents were also independently rounded and may not always add to 100 percent. Percents and rates were calculated on the basis of original, unrounded figures and will not necessarily agree with rates and percents that might be calculated from rounded data.

Table III. Item nonresponse rate: 1970 Survey of podiatrists

Item number	Nonresponse rate	Item number	Nonresponse rate
2	0.5	13	0.6
3	1.9	14	-
4	0.2	15	1.7
5	0.3	16	1.0
6A	0.5	17A	1.7
6B	0.9	17B	0.5
7	0.1	18	0.9
8	1.4	19	3.9
9	1.4	20	3.9
10	-	20A	6.8
11	0.3	20B	5.2
12	1.7		

APPENDIX II

DEFINITION OF CERTAIN TERMS USED IN THIS REPORT

Age.—Refers to the respondent's age in 1970. In all cases, age is calculated as the difference between 1970 and the respondent's year of birth.

Geographic area.—For the purpose of reporting the data yielded by the 1970 Podiatry Survey, the United States (the 50 States and the District of Columbia) is divided into census regions and divisions, and into 10 Standard Federal Administrative Regions as follows:

<i>Census region and division</i>	<i>States include:</i>
Northeast	
New England	Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut
Middle Atlantic *	New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania
North Central	
East North Central . . .	Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin
West North Central . . .	Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas
South	
South Atlantic	Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida
East South Central . . .	Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi
West South Central . . .	Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas

West	
Mountain	Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Colo- rado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, Nevada
Pacific	Washington, Oregon, Alaska, Cali- fornia, Hawaii

*Standard Federal
Administrative Region
(with HEW administrative
center)*

States included

Region I (Boston)	Connecticut, Maine, Massachu- setts, New Hampshire, Rhode Is- land, Vermont
Region II (NYC)	New York, New Jersey
Region III (Philadelphia) . .	District of Columbia, Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia
Region IV (Atlanta)	Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Ken- tucky, Mississippi, North Caro- lina, South Carolina, Tennessee
Region V (Chicago)	Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, Mich- igan, Ohio, Wisconsin
Region VI (Dallas- Fort Worth)	Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas
Region VII (Kansas City) .	Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska
Region VIII (Denver)	Colorado, Montana, North Da- kota, South Dakota, Utah, Wy- oming
Region IX (San Francisco) .	Arizona, California, Hawaii, Ne- vada
Region X (Seattle)	Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washing- ton

APPENDIX III

SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE

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CONFIDENTIAL: All information which permits the identification of the individual will be held strictly confidential, will be used solely by persons engaged in, and only for the purposes of the survey and will not be disclosed or released to other persons or for any other purpose.

SURVEY OF PODIATRISTS

1. Is your name correct, and is the address above your **PRIMARY PLACE OF PRACTICE**?

1 ☐ Yes

2 ☐ No

If no, please enter the correct information below:

Name: First Middle Last

Primary place of practice: Number Street

City State Zip Code

2. In what year were you born? Year

3. Where were you born? State or foreign country

4. Are you a citizen of the United States? (Please check appropriate box)

1 ☐ Yes, Native born

2 ☐ Yes, Naturalized

3 ☐ No

5. Sex: 1 ☐ Male

2 ☐ Female

6. A. From which college of podiatry did you graduate?

Name of college

State

B. When did you graduate? Year graduated

7. What degrees have you earned **OTHER THAN** your degree in podiatry? (Check each box that applies)

☐ Doctorate (Ph.D., Ed.D., etc.)

☐ Bachelor's

☐ Other (Specify: _____)

☐ Master's

☐ Associate

☐ None

8. In which States do you currently hold a license to practice podiatry?

9. How many years have you been active in podiatry? (Include patient care, teaching, research, and administration. Exclude years spent in non-podiatric activities or retirement.)

Number of years

10. Are you **CURRENTLY ACTIVE** in podiatry? (Include patient care, teaching, research, and administration)

1 ☐ Yes, Full-time

3 ☐ No, Not active in podiatry but not retired

2 ☐ Yes, Part-time

4 ☐ No, Retired

PROCEED to
Question 11.

STOP! If you are not currently active in podiatry,
remainder of questionnaire does not apply. Please
return questionnaire in the envelope provided.

11. Which of the following categories best describes your **PRINCIPAL** form of employment? (Check one)

- 1 ☐ Self-employed – Solo practice
- 2 ☐ Self-employed – Partnership practice
- 3 ☐ Self-employed – Group practice
- 4 ☐ Employed by – Military
- 5 ☐ Employed by – Federal government (*non-military*)
- 6 ☐ Employed by – State or local government
- 7 ☐ Employed by – Non-government organization or institution
- 8 ☐ Employed by – Other podiatrist
- 9 ☐ Other (*Specify:* _____)

12. How many **WEEKS** were you active in podiatry during calendar year 1969?

(Include patient care, teaching, research, and administration. Do not count vacations as weeks worked.)

Weeks per year

13. **APPROXIMATELY** how many hours per week do you usually spend in each of the following podiatric activities?

_____ hrs. Patient care (*Include office work connected with the care of your patients*)
_____ hrs. Teaching in a college of podiatry
_____ hrs. Podiatry research
_____ hrs. Administration (*Podiatry associations, college administration, etc.*)
_____ hrs. Other podiatric activity
_____ Total hours per week

14. Do you spend any hours per week in the category "Patient care" in question 13a. above?

1 ☐ Yes, I spend some hours
in patient care.

2 ☐ No, I spend no hours
in patient care.

PROCEED to
Question 15.

STOP! If no hours are spent in patient care,
remainder of questionnaire does not apply. Please re-
turn questionnaire in the envelope provided.

15. When providing patient care, which of the services below are rendered to your patients by you or under your direction? (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Palliative services
- ☐ Hospital surgery
- ☐ Office surgery
- ☐ Prescription of drugs
- ☐ Physical therapy treatment
- ☐ Orthopedic services
- ☐ Whirlpool baths
- ☐ Fitting of special shoes
- ☐ X-ray services
- ☐ Ultrasonic treatment
- ☐ Diathermy
- ☐ Low-voltage treatment
- ☐ Ultra-violet lamp treatment
- ☐ Other (Specify: _____)

16. In your principal form of employment, do you employ office assistants other than podiatrists to assist you? (Include receptionists, secretaries, technical assistants, nurses, etc.)

- 1 ☐ Yes 2 ☐ No

Please indicate the NUMBER of full-time and part-time office assistants employed by you.

- a. Number of FULL-TIME assistants _____
(35 hours or more per week)
- b. Number of PART-TIME assistants _____
(Less than 35 hours per week)

17. During your hours spent in patient care, what do you consider to be your PRIMARY, and your SECONDARY activity?

A. PRIMARY activity: (Check one)

- 1 ☐ General practice
- 2 ☐ Surgery
- 3 ☐ Podogeriatrics
- 4 ☐ Podopediatrics
- 5 ☐ Podiatric dermatology
- 6 ☐ Roentgenology
- 7 ☐ Foot orthopedics
- 8 ☐ Other (Specify: _____)

B. SECONDARY activity: (Check one)

- 1 ☐ General practice
- 2 ☐ Surgery
- 3 ☐ Podogeriatrics
- 4 ☐ Podopediatrics
- 5 ☐ Podiatric dermatology
- 6 ☐ Roentgenology
- 7 ☐ Foot orthopedics
- 8 ☐ Other (Specify: _____)
- 9 ☐ None

18. In your PODIATRY PRACTICE, how many hours did you spend in patient care LAST week?

_____ hours

19. **APPROXIMATELY** how many PATIENT VISITS did you have LAST week? (Include office visits and visits in other settings.)

Approximate number of visits last week

20. **APPROXIMATELY** how many different PATIENTS does this represent? (Patients with multiple visits should be counted only once.)

Approximate number of patients last week

- A. Of these PATIENTS, what is the APPROXIMATE NUMBER in the following age and sex categories?

	MALE PATIENTS LAST WEEK:	FEMALE PATIENTS LAST WEEK:
Number 16 years old or under:	_____	_____
Number from 17 to 64 years old:	_____	_____
Number 65 years old or over:	_____	_____

- B. Of these PATIENTS, what is the APPROXIMATE NUMBER treated in the following settings?

_____ Number in private office
_____ Number in hospital (*Inpatient*)
_____ Number in hospital (*Outpatient*)
_____ Number in clinic (*Not associated with a hospital*)
_____ Number in nursing home (*Home for the aged, domiciliary, etc.*)
_____ Number in patient's home
_____ Number in other setting (*Specify: _____*)

COMMENTS – General comments are invited as well as comments on specific items:

PLEASE RETURN QUESTIONNAIRE IN THE STAMPED ENVELOPE PROVIDED.