

Board News

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Data from certification and recertification activity in 1994 is now available for review. It is the purpose of this report to provide comparative data regarding issues of interest to Diplomates and the Board. These are displayed in Tables 1, 2, and 3 to provide comparisons.

It appears that previous trends continue. There is a slow decrease in solo practices and in rural

practice percentages. There is a slight decline in obstetrics. There is a slight rise in HMO practice and percentage of women.

Among current Diplomates, the mean, median, and mode age are increasing, whereas the median age is decreasing among recertified Diplomates. The 1994 recertified Diplomates seem to reflect these trends.

Table 1. Current Diplomates.

	1/1/93	1/1/94	1/1/95
Number	40,260	41,597	43,566
Age yrs			
Mean	43.01	43.45	43.8
Median	40.0	41.07	42.06
Mode	38	40	41
Sex, % women	19.5	20.6	21.5
Residency trained %	79.6	81.4	82.6

Table 2. Recertified Diplomates.

	1/1/93	1/1/94	1/1/95
Number	25,038	26,464	28,294
Solo practices %	31.2	28.4	27.2
Partnership %	18.0	17.1	16.6
Group %	29.5	31.9	32.9
HMO %	4.8	4.9	5.2
Community <25,000 %	35	34.5	33.7
No obstetrics %	66.8	71.9	73.0
Sex, % women	13.5	14.4	15.4
Age yrs			
Median	44.2	44.1	44.0
Mode	40	41	41

Table 3. Diplomates Recertified 1994.

Number	5090
Number (1993)	4197
Solo practices %	24.8
Partnership %	16.7
Group %	34.3
HMO %	6.1
Community <25,000 %	31.9
No obstetrics %	72.9
Sex, % women	18.8
Age yrs	
Median	40.0
Mode	37