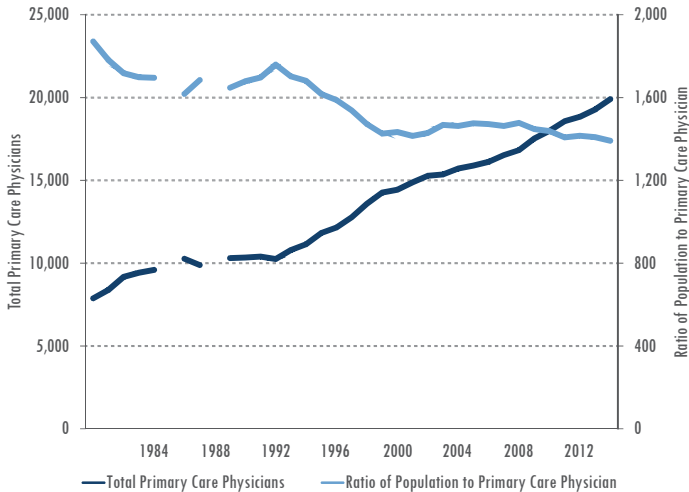




Primary Care Physicians

2015

PC Physician Growth Trends

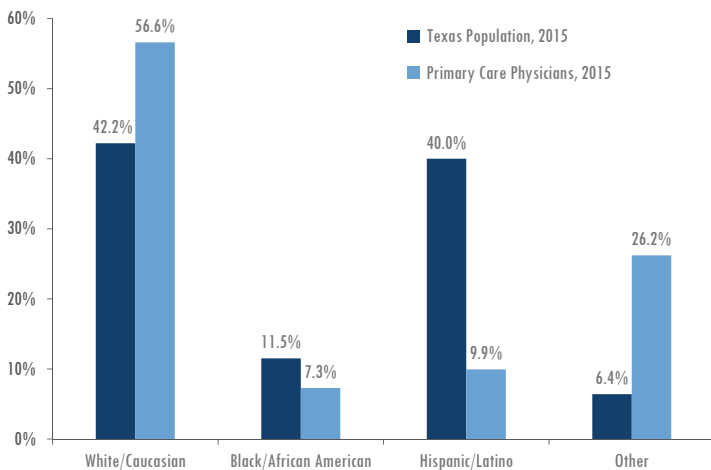


In 2015, there were 19,902 actively licensed primary care (PC) physicians providing direct patient care in Texas.

- This number represented a 13.6% increase since 2010 and a 26.6% increase since 2005.
- Relative to population growth, the size of the PC physician workforce has improved by 4.8% over the past ten years.

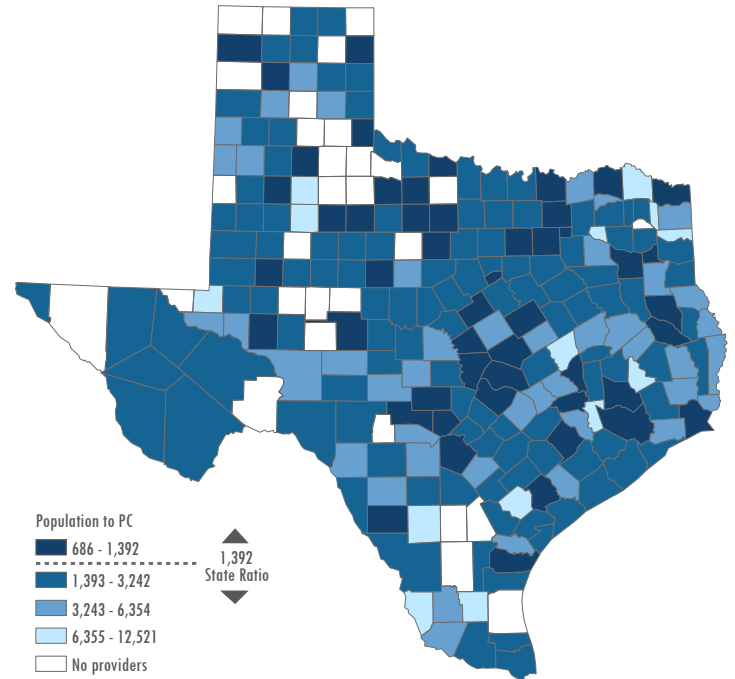
Despite these improvements, Texas still has fewer PC physicians than the national average and much of the state is federally-designated as a primary care Health Professional Shortage Area.

Race/Ethnicity of PC Physicians



The racial/ethnic distribution of Texas PC physicians differed greatly from that of the Texas population.

Ratio of Texas Population to PC Physician, by County



Geographic Designation	Ratio of Population to PC Physician
Metropolitan	1,338
Non-metropolitan	2,021
Border	2,055
Non-border	1,341
Texas	1,392

PC physicians were not evenly distributed throughout the state.

- There is a 40.7% difference between the number of PC physicians in metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas even after controlling for population differences.
- Between border and non-border areas the percent difference was 42.0%.

Gender of PC Physicians

- In 2015, 42.9% of PC physicians were female and 57.1% were male.
- In 2005, 32.2% were female and 67.8% were male.
- Among PC physicians aged 40 years or younger in 2015, 62.3% were female and 37.7% were male.



Age Distribution of PC Physicians, by Gender

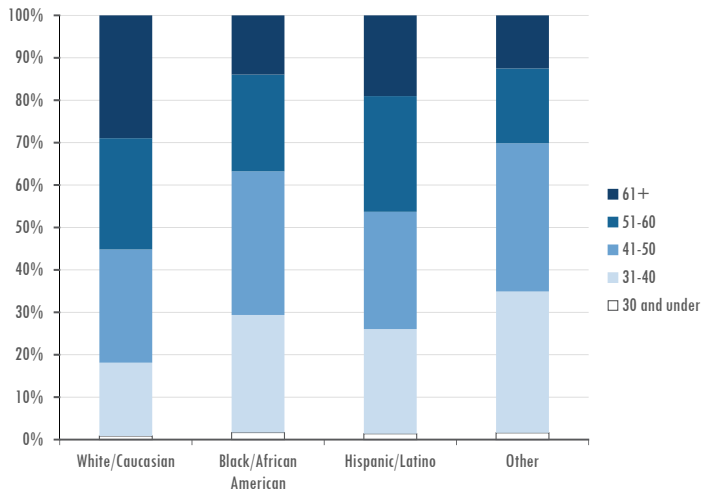
Age Group	Female	Male	Total
26-30	160	68	228
31-35	1,216	617	1,833
36-40	1,613	1,125	2,739
41-45	1,656	1,372	3,029
46-50	1,310	1,524	2,836
51-55	993	1,477	2,470
56-60	767	1,505	2,272
61-65	480	1,466	1,947
>65	342	2,206	2,548
Total	8,537	11,360	19,897¹

Within ten years, 34.0% of the current Texas PC physician workforce will be at or past retirement age.

- 12.8% of active PC physicians in Texas were older than 65 years of age in 2015.
- 21.2% were between the ages of 56 and 65.
- Among those over 55 years of age, males comprised 76.5% of the PC physician workforce.

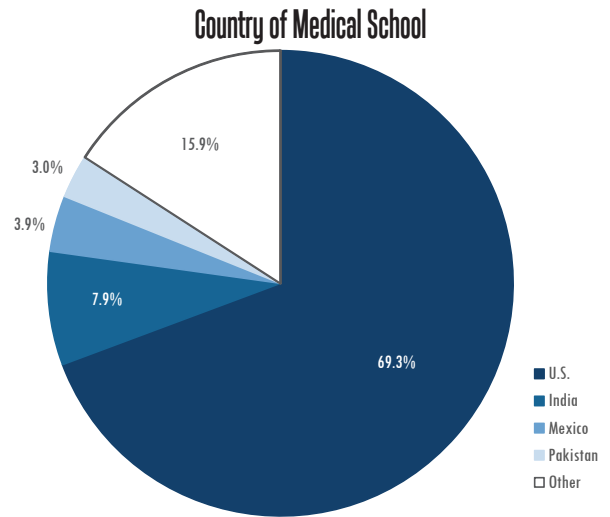
¹ Gender data were available for only 19,897 of the state's 19,902 PC physicians.

Age Distribution of PC Physicians, by Race/Ethnicity

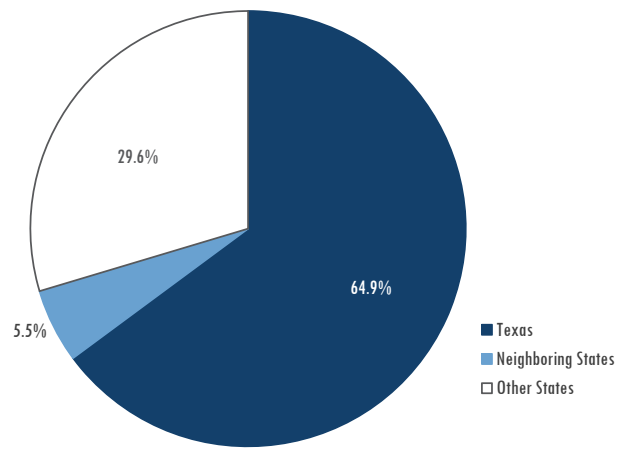


- Among whites/Caucasians, 29.0% of PC physicians were 61 years of age or older. 18.1% were aged 40 or younger.
- 29.4% of black/African American PC physicians were 40 or younger. Another 33.9% were between 41 and 50 years of age.
- 24.7% of Hispanic/Latinos were between 31 and 40 years old and 46.3% were 51 years of age or older.

Training of PC Physicians



State of Medical School²



² Among physicians indicating attendance at a medical school in the U.S.

Degree Type of Texas PC Physicians

