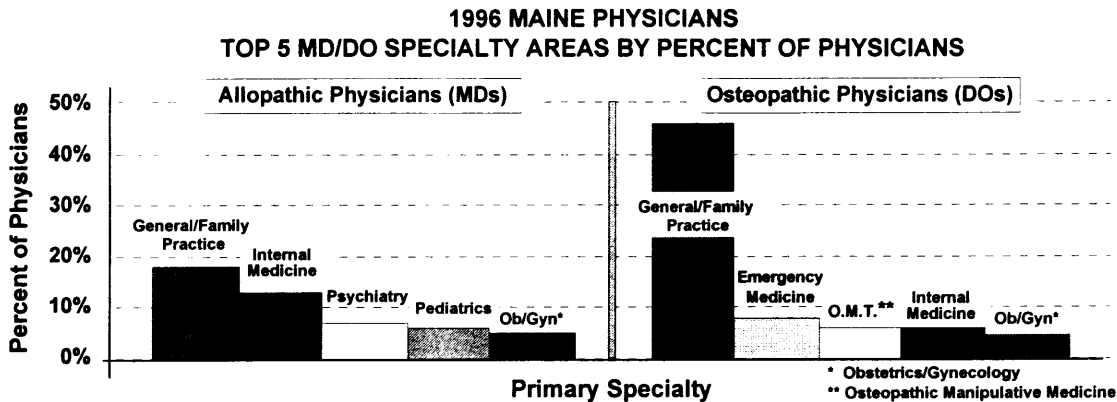


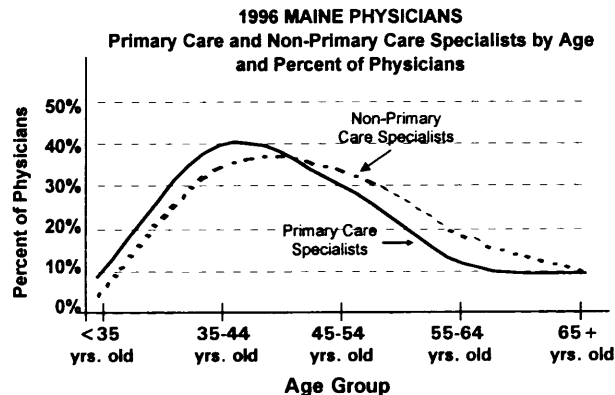
# MAINE PHYSICIANS - 1996

- ➔ There were 2,423 physicians working in Maine in 1996 - 2,107 allopathic physicians and 316 osteopathic physicians. 1,052 of these physicians (slightly more than 43%) reported that they were primary care specialists. This is approximately the proportion that was reported a decade ago.
- ➔ General/family practice was the most frequently reported primary specialty of both professions (22% of all active physicians reported this as their primary specialty); 18% of allopaths and 46% of osteopathic physicians reported it as their 1st specialty.



- ➔ On average, primary care physicians were 2 years younger than non-primary care specialists.

- ➔ In 1996 the average age of Maine osteopaths was 46, while the average age of allopaths was 49. This represented a marked change from 1980 when osteopaths, at an average of 50½ years of age, were 3½ years older than allopaths, at 47.



- ➔ 30% of all physicians (617 allopaths and 132 osteopaths) worked in solo practices in 1996; another 20% (498 physicians) worked in group practices.
- ➔ 1,795 Maine physicians (74 %) reported that they were board certified in at least one specialty in 1996; 1,587 allopaths (75% of active allopaths) and 208 osteopaths (66% of active osteopaths).

Note: Primary care physicians are licensed, actively practicing MDs and DOs who reported a primary specialty of general practice, family practice, pediatrics, obstetrics, gynecology, obstetrics and gynecology, or internal medicine.

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