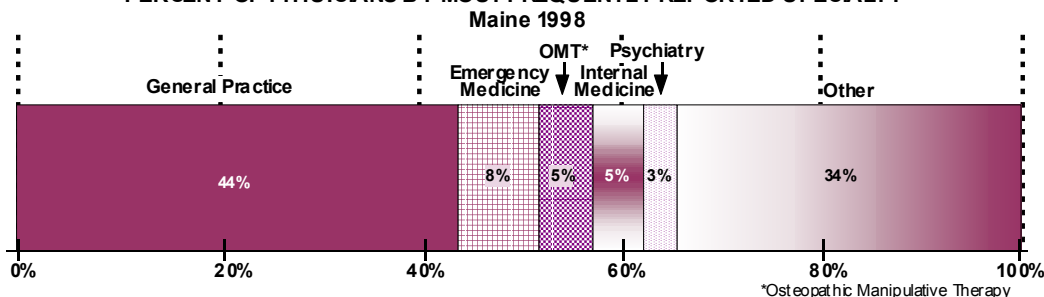


MAINE OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS – 1998

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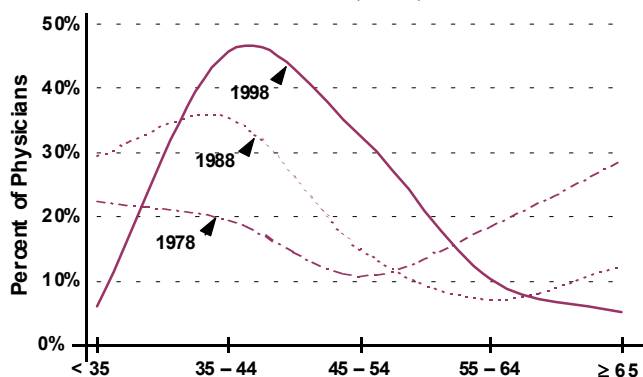
- ➔ In 1998, 312 osteopathic physicians reported working in Maine, resulting in a statewide ratio of 3,988 residents for each physician. An additional 13 physicians were licensed but not practicing their profession.
- ➔ Half of all osteopathic physicians (162 physicians) reported general practice or emergency medicine as their primary specialty.

PERCENT OF PHYSICIANS BY MOST FREQUENTLY REPORTED SPECIALTY



- ➔ Over the past 20 years, the age distribution of Maine's osteopathic physicians has changed. In 1978, more than half of all osteopaths (51%) were younger than 35 years old or older than 64. By 1998, only 11% of the profession was represented by physicians in those age groups. In contrast to that decline, the number of osteopathic physicians 35 – 44 years old quadrupled during that same 20 year period from 34 physicians to 133.

Percent Osteopathic Physicians by Age
Maine: 1978, 1988, 1998



- ➔ On average, in 1998, osteopathic physicians worked 48 hours each week— all but 5 of those hours were spent providing patient care. They were “on call” for an average of 35 additional hours each week.
- ➔ Physicians 55 – 64 years old reported working the greatest number of hours each week – an average of 52 hours with 49 hours in patient care.
- ➔ Twenty two percent of active osteopathic physicians were female. This represents a marked increase over 1980 when only 4% of osteopaths were women.
- ➔ Women account for 11% of the physicians 45 years old or older; however, they account for 33% of the physicians younger than 45.

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