

**Participation Rates as Percentage of Physicians, by Specialty
Selected Periods**

	Apr. 1990 Dec. 1990	Jan. 1995 Dec. 1995	Jan. 1998 Dec. 1998	Jan. 1999 Dec. 1999	Jan. 2000 Dec. 2000	Jan. 2001 Dec. 2001	Jan.2002 Dec. 2002	Jan.2003 Dec. 2003
Percent of Physicians Participating								
Physicians (M.D.s and D.O.s):								
General practice	39.7	59.9	71.1	73.7	80.2	79.0	80.2	84.3
General surgery	55.8	80.2	89.3	90.4	93.3	92.5	92.8	95.6
Otology, laryngology, rhinology	45.2	77.1	87.7	88.7	91.8	91.3	91.7	93.9
Anesthesiology	30.8	73.9	85.9	88.9	93.7	92.3	92.3	95.5
Cardiovascular disease	60.6	84.9	91.5	92.9	95.8	94.4	94.3	96.4
Dermatology	53.4	79.3	87.2	88.0	90.8	90.1	90.1	92.4
Family practice	47.2	74.5	85.9	86.9	90.8	90.3	90.8	93.2
Internal medicine	48.8	73.8	84.8	86.8	90.7	88.7	88.8	92.2
Neurology	53.1	78.9	87.1	88.4	92.1	89.9	89.1	93.3
Obstetrics-gynecology	48.8	72.5	81.3	82.9	86.8	86.3	86.5	88.8
Ophthalmology	55.6	81.2	89.8	90.9	93.3	92.8	93.3	95.1
Orthopedic surgery	53.7	82.6	90.4	90.6	93.8	93.1	92.4	95.5
Pathology	53.4	78.9	86.6	89.8	93.6	92.2	92.0	95.4
Psychiatry	41.6	58.7	70.4	73.9	79.1	79.6	80.4	83.0
Radiology	55.6	82.8	88.3	91.6	95.3	91.9	91.6	95.7
Urology	49.6	83.0	90.6	91.5	94.6	93.8	93.6	96.0
Nephrology	66.5	87.0	91.3	93.0	95.1	93.6	93.6	95.5
Clinic or other group practice - not GPPP	68.7	79.4	90.1	89.2	91.6	92.7	93.5	93.4
Limited license practitioners (LLP):								
Chiropractor	26.2	42.6	54.3	56.3	59.4	63.0	64.4	65.2
Podiatry-surgical chiropody	54.0	79.2	87.9	88.4	90.7	91.6	92.1	92.3
Optometrist	54.0	66.9	74.7	76.0	78.4	80.0	80.6	82.4

NOTE: Effective with the October 1, 1985 election period, carriers were instructed to count individuals only once, even if practicing in multiple settings.

SOURCE: CMS/OFM

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