Currently there are 1,604 physicians practicing in North Dakota. Their primary type of employment was categorized by practice setting. Physicians were identified as office-based practice, full-time hospital, administration, teaching, research, or a combination of inactive setting. They had either an active practice type, locum tenens, or other.

- 79% of physicians are in office-based practice.
- Over 20% of the physicians in an office-based practice, hospital, administrators or teaching are female, while none of the researchers are female.
- 55% of physicians are between the ages of 41 and 60 (Figure 2).
- Physicians younger than 40 are most likely to be in an office-based, hospital, or teaching practice.
- Physicians 61 and older are most likely to be in non-direct patient care (administration, teaching, or research).

- 76% of physicians are found in urban areas.
- Physicians in research and teaching are primarily found in urban areas.
The northwest region has relatively fewer physicians practicing in office-based practice and the most in hospitals.

Physicians in administration, teaching and research are primarily in the northeast region.

Nearly half, 42% of physicians (676) practice in the southeast region.

Conclusions
Physicians in office-based practices and hospitals are evenly distributed by gender, age (except for 61 and over), and location. Physicians in non-direct care practices (administration, teaching, and research) are more likely to be male, older, and in urban areas, especially the northeast region of North Dakota where the medical school is located.

Data
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