

RANKING OF THE RATE OF STATE MEDICAL BOARDS' SERIOUS DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS, 2001-9

Table 2: Ranks Based Upon Average Doctor Disciplinary Rates Over The Preceding Three Years^{1,2}

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Alabama ⁷	13	17	22	26	34	36	37
Alaska ³	6	4	2	1	1	1	1
Arizona	2	7	6	9	4	4	5
Arkansas ⁷	29	45	39	23	16	18	32
California	22	22	23	27	36	43	41
Colorado ⁷	8	9	8	8	6	9	7
Connecticut ⁷	38	38	38	42	45	47	47
Delaware ⁷	50	50	50	44	29	23	35
District of Columbia ⁷	42	31	36	37	22	17	16
Florida	36	37	32	35	31	44	44
Georgia ⁷	15	18	20	25	33	42	36
Hawai ⁷	51	51	42	33	21	13	10
Idaho ⁷	14	21	25	24	25	26	28
Illinois ⁷	35	25	18	12	12	15	15
Indiana ⁷	27	27	24	28	27	30	24
Iowa ⁷	12	12	15	7	11	8	13
Kansas ⁷	32	30	31	36	41	34	27
Kentucky ⁷	1	2	1	2	2	2	3
Louisiana ⁷	17	14	13	11	14	7	8
Maine	34	35	46	34	24	10	14
Maryland ⁷	48	47	44	43	43	45	43
Massachusetts ⁷	23	23	28	30	35	39	46
Michigan	40	39	40	39	40	37	39
Minnesota ⁷	47	48	49	49	50	51	51
Mississippi ⁷	20	41	51	51	49	48	45
Missouri ⁷	31	11	10	6	30	27	34
Montana ⁷	9	8	12	18	20	20	22
Nebraska ⁷	28	24	16	10	5	11	11
Nevada	33	46	47	47	46	32	29
New Hampshire ⁷	25	26	21	21	26	46	48
New Jersey ⁷	24	29	35	40	42	41	40
New Mexico	21	19	29	22	37	24	9
New York ⁷	18	16	17	17	19	19	21
North Carolina ⁷	41	34	26	16	15	14	12
North Dakota ⁷	3	3	7	19	13	6	2
Ohio ⁷	7	6	4	4	3	3	4
Oklahoma	5	5	5	5	9	5	6
Oregon ⁷	16	20	19	20	17	16	17
Pennsylvania	45	36	33	32	38	31	31
Rhode Island ⁷	46	44	37	38	23	29	30
South Carolina ⁷	43	43	45	50	51	50	50
South Dakota ⁷	37	33	43	48	47	35	26
Tennessee	44	40	30	29	28	40	33
Texas ⁷	26	28	27	31	32	33	38
Utah	10	13	14	15	10	21	25
Vermont	19	15	11	13	8	22	42
Virginia ⁷	30	32	34	41	39	28	19
Washington	39	42	41	45	44	38	23
West Virginia	11	10	9	14	18	25	18
Wisconsin ⁷	49	49	48	46	48	49	49
Wyoming ⁷	4	1	3	3	7	12	20

¹ Rank for each year is calculated based on an average of the disciplinary rates from that year and the preceding two years.

² Whereas in previous reports we used data on non-federal physicians, in this report we used data for total physicians because the American Medical Association no longer provides physician data broken down by federal/non-federal status. The data in this table are based on total physician data for all years, including those in previous reports. Differences in rank from previous reports are minor (see text).

³ These states have a combined state medical and osteopathy board.