

**RATES AND RANKING OF THE RATE OF STATE MEDICAL BOARDS' SERIOUS DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS, 2007  
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**Table 1: Ranking of Serious Doctor Disciplinary Action Rates by State Medical Licensing Boards, 2005-2007**

Rank 2005-2007 <sup>1</sup>	State	Number of Serious Actions, 2007	Number of Physicians, 2006 <sup>2,3</sup>	Serious Actions per 1,000 Physicians, 2005 – 2007 <sup>4</sup>
1	Alaska <sup>7</sup>	19	1,832	8.33
2	Kentucky <sup>7</sup>	83	11,251	6.55
3	Ohio <sup>7</sup>	207	37,812	5.71
4	Arizona	81	15,127	5.37
5	Nebraska <sup>7</sup>	21	5,007	5.19
6	Colorado <sup>7</sup>	75	15,073	4.92
7	Wyoming <sup>7</sup>	3	1,206	4.86
8	Vermont	10	2,659	4.83
9	Oklahoma	22	7,111	4.75
10	Utah	32	6,093	4.72
11	Iowa <sup>7</sup>	29	7,528	4.55
12	Illinois <sup>7</sup>	170	41,581	4.52
13	North Dakota <sup>7</sup>	10	1,802	4.49
14	Louisiana <sup>7</sup>	46	12,755	4.35
15	North Carolina <sup>7</sup>	106	26,064	4.25
16	Arkansas <sup>7</sup>	17	6,696	3.98
17	Oregon <sup>7</sup>	40	12,267	3.91
18	West Virginia	11	4,710	3.87
19	New York <sup>7</sup>	279	87,497	3.73
20	Montana <sup>7</sup>	11	2,671	3.58
21	Hawai <sup>7</sup>	14	4,779	3.55
22	District of Columbia <sup>7</sup>	23	5,087	3.37
23	Rhode Island <sup>7</sup>	18	4,569	3.29
24	Maine	13	4,197	3.24
25	Idaho <sup>7</sup>	8	3,149	3.13
26	New Hampshire <sup>7</sup>	10	4,289	3.12
27	Indiana <sup>7</sup>	46	16,014	3.12
28	Tennessee	43	17,791	2.99
29	Delaware <sup>7</sup>	10	2,638	2.94
30	Missour <sup>7</sup>	40	17,447	2.92
31	Florida	158	53,566	2.89
32	Texas <sup>7</sup>	136	58,188	2.86
33	Georgia <sup>7</sup>	58	23,533	2.86
34	Alabama <sup>7</sup>	23	11,367	2.85
35	Massachusetts <sup>7</sup>	77	33,193	2.79
36	California	220	110,406	2.74
37	New Mexico	8	5,424	2.72
38	Pennsylvania	118	42,204	2.70
38	Virginia <sup>7</sup>	70	24,376	2.60
40	Michigan	69	27,877	2.48
41	Kansas <sup>7</sup>	15	7,725	2.33
42	New Jersey <sup>7</sup>	79	33,103	2.32
43	Maryland <sup>7</sup>	56	26,623	2.26
44	Washington	49	20,602	2.24
45	Connecticut <sup>7</sup>	27	14,895	2.21
46	Nevada	15	5,384	2.19
47	South Dakota <sup>7</sup>	7	2,072	1.95
48	Wisconsin <sup>7</sup>	28	16,837	1.63
49	Mississipp <sup>7</sup>	9	6,185	1.46
50	Minnesota <sup>7</sup>	15	17,186	1.24
51	South Carolina <sup>7</sup>	9	11,590	1.18
	<b>National</b>	<b>2,743</b>	<b>939,038</b>	<b>3.46</b>

<sup>1</sup> Rank is calculated based upon an average of the disciplinary rates for 2005, 2006, and 2007.

<sup>2</sup> Includes osteopathic physicians for boards with jurisdiction over both physicians and osteopaths.

<sup>3</sup> In previous reports we used non-federal physicians, but 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.

<sup>4</sup> Disciplinary rate for the period is calculated by averaging the disciplinary rates over the three-year period 2005-7.

**RANKING OF THE RATE OF STATE MEDICAL BOARDS' SERIOUS DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS, 2001-7  
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**Table 2: Ranks Based Upon Average Doctor Disciplinary Rates Over The Preceding Three Years<sup>5,6</sup>**

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

<sup>5</sup> Rank for each year is calculated based on an average of the disciplinary rates from that year and the preceding two years.

<sup>6</sup> 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).

<sup>7</sup> These states have a combined state medical and osteopathy board.