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There was an increase in physicians becoming board certified from 1996 to 2015.

- 1996: 61.1% of psychiatrists were board certified compared to 73.4% of total physicians.
- 2006: 71.0% of psychiatrists were board certified compared to 83.2% of total physicians.
- 2015: 80.3% of psychiatrists were board certified compared to 87.4% of total physicians.

In 2015 there was 1,097 psychiatrists practicing in Georgia.

Georgia’s psychiatrist rate per 100,000 was 11.2 in 2006 and 10.7 in 2015, a decrease of 4.5%.

The national rate for psychiatrists was 13.8 in 2006 and 15.6 in 2015, an increase of 13.0%.

There are more psychiatrists practicing in Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs), this has been the trend since 2004. In 2015 psychiatrists practicing in MSAs represented 91% of the psychiatry physician workforce. The number of psychiatrists in Non-Metropolitan Statistical Areas decreased by 51.9% from 2004-2015.

PERCENT OF PSYCHIATRIC PHYSICIANS BY YEAR

GEORGIA MSA/NON-MSA

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<th>2004</th>
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<td>MSA</td>
<td>81.3%</td>
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<td>NON-MSA</td>
<td>18.7%</td>
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Source Data: 2015 Licensure Renewals

The number of psychiatrists practicing in Non-MSAs decreased by 51.9% from 2004 to 2015.
Since 1996, there has been a 43.9% increase in the number of female psychiatric physicians practicing in Georgia. Additionally, the percentage of black psychiatrists has increased by 86.4% and Asian by 83.3%. The number of white psychiatrists has decreased by 24.4% since 1996.

The percentage of psychiatry physicians age 55 and older increased by 65.2% from 1996 to 2015.

Total physicians age 55 and older increased by 69.5% from 1996 to 2015.

Georgia has experienced a 33.3% increase in the actual number of psychiatrists from 1996 to 2015. Due to population increases the *rate per 100,000 population for psychiatry physicians has declined in Georgia by 6.1%.

Source Data: 2015 Licensure Renewals

*Rate is based on 100,000 population
There are 82 counties in Georgia with no psychiatry physicians.

- Counties with no psychiatry physicians = blue
- Counties with psychiatry physicians = white

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