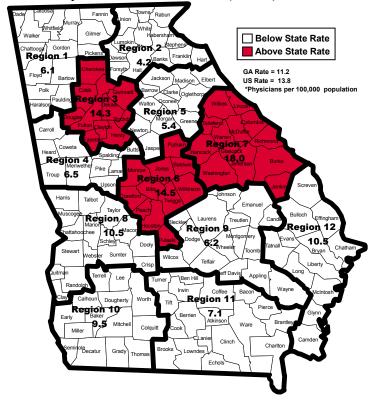


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SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION OF PSYCHIATRY PHYSICIANS

Psychiatry Physician Distribution – 2006 Secondary Care Service Areas* (SCSA)



*State Service Delivery Regions; Effective July 1, 1998, the State Legislature voted to provide regional boundaries for the purpose of consistency in planning and service delivery from State Agencies.

- There was an increase in physicians becoming board certified between 1996 and 2006.
 - 1996: 61.1% of psychiatry physicians were board certified compared to 73.4% of total physicians.
 - 2006: 71.0% of psychiatry physicians were board certified compared to 83.2% of total physicians.
- Nine of the twelve SCSAs are below the state rate for psychiatry physicians.
- The rate for SCSA Region 2 of 4.2 psychiatry physicians is below the state rate of 11.2.
- The number of psychiatry physicians has grown by 23.5% between 1996 and 2006, but the rate has decreased slightly
- Of all the psychiatry physicians:
 - o 1996: 6.8% were residents
 - o 2006: 2.7% were residents
- Of all the residents:
 - o 1996: 7.3% were in psychiatry
 - o 2006: 7.3% were in psychiatry

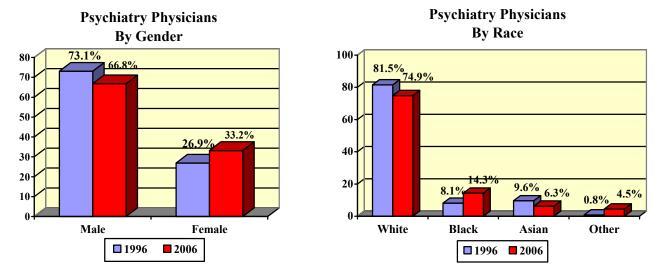
MSA VERSUS NON-MSA DISTRIBUTION OF PSYCHIATRY PHYSICIANS

Psychiatry physicians have always been concentrated in Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs). However, there has been a decline of psychiatry physicians practicing in Non-Metropolitan Statistical Areas (Non-MSA's). From 2004 to 2006, there was a 6.7% decrease in the percentage of psychiatry physicians practicing in Non-MSA designated areas.

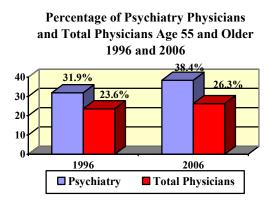
PSYCHIATRY PHYSICIANS BY YEAR: GEORGIA MSA/NON-MSA		
DESIGNATION	2004	2006
MSA	81.3%	88.0%
NON-MSA	18.7%	12.0%

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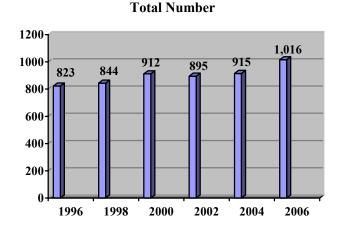
Since 1996, there has been a 6.3% increase in the number of female psychiatry physicians practicing in Georgia. Additionally, the percentage of black psychiatry physicians has increased by 6.6% since 1996. The percentage of white psychiatry physicians has decreased by 6.6%, while the percentage of Asian psychiatry physicians has decreased by 3.3%.



- The percentage of psychiatry physicians age 55 and older increased by 6.5% between 1996 and 2006.
- Similarly, the percentage of total practicing physicians age 55 and older increased by 2.7% during the same time period.

TRENDS IN THE NUMBER AND RATE OF PSYCHIATRY PHYSICIANS

Overall, the **NUMBER** of psychiatry physicians practicing in Georgia has increased from 1996 to 2006. However, when the numbers are compared to changes in the population for the same period, Georgia has actually experienced an overall decline in the **RATE** of psychiatry physicians. In 1996, Georgia had a rate of 11.4 psychiatry physicians compared to 10.5 in 2004; however the rate increased slightly by 2006.



Rate per 100,000 Population

