

2. Enrollment, Attrition and Graduates

Table 5
First-Year Enrollment, Total Enrollment and Graduates in
Schools of Osteopathic Medicine in the U.S., by Gender and Entering Year

Start of Academic Year	Number of Schools in Operation	FIRST-YEAR ENROLLMENT			TOTAL ENROLLMENT			GRADUATES		
		Total	Women	% Women	Total	Women	% Women	Total	Women	% Women
1968	5	521	21	4.0%	1,879	53	2.8%	427	8	1.9%
1969	5	577	14	2.4%	1,997	59	3.0%	432	12	2.8%
1970	6	623	17	2.7%	2,151	61	2.8%	472	11	2.3%
1971	7	670	29	4.3%	2,304	79	3.4%	485	18	3.7%
1972	7	810	56	6.9%	2,579	116	4.5%	649	18	2.8%
1973	7	884	83	9.4%	2,780	181	6.5%	594	17	2.9%
1974	9	974	106	10.9%	3,139	267	8.5%	702	44	6.3%
1975	9	1,038	140	13.5%	3,443	362	10.5%	809	58	7.2%
1976	11	1,088	179	16.5%	3,671	472	12.9%	908	84	9.3%
1977	12	1,163	192	16.5%	3,926	570	14.5%	971	68	7.0%
1978	14	1,322	222	16.8%	4,221	688	16.3%	1,004	163	16.2%
1979	14	1,426	265	18.6%	4,571	789	17.3%	1,059	192	18.1%
1980	14	1,496	329	22.0%	4,940	971	19.7%	1,151	202	17.5%
1981	15	1,582	378	23.9%	5,304	1,108	20.9%	1,017	186	18.3%
1982	15	1,682	428	25.4%	5,822	1,317	22.6%	1,317	261	19.8%
1983	15	1,746	460	26.3%	6,212	1,526	24.6%	1,287	262	20.4%
1984	15	1,750	511	29.2%	6,547	1,707	26.1%	1,476	343	23.2%
1985	15	1,737	489	28.2%	6,608	1,799	27.2%	1,560	392	25.1%
1986	15	1,724	471	27.3%	6,640	1,853	27.9%	1,593	395	24.8%
1987	15	1,692	490	29.0%	6,586	1,904	28.9%	1,572	438	27.9%
1988	15	1,780	571	32.1%	6,614	1,986	30.0%	1,609	491	30.5%
1989	15	1,844	615	33.4%	6,615	2,056	31.1%	1,529	431	28.2%
1990	15	1,950	667	34.2%	6,792	2,221	32.7%	1,534	458	29.9%
1991	15	1,974	645	32.7%	7,012	2,340	33.4%	1,532	501	32.7%
1992	15	2,035	715	35.1%	7,375	2,512	34.1%	1,606	533	33.2%
1993	16	2,162	771	35.7%	7,822	2,714	34.7%	1,752	602	34.4%
1994	16	2,217	805	36.3%	8,146	2,870	35.2%	1,843	615	33.4%
1995	16	2,274	850	37.4%	8,475	3,075	36.3%	1,932	690	35.7%
1996 ¹	17	2,535	957	37.8%	8,961	3,308	36.9%	2,009	709	35.3%
1997	19	2,692	1,071	39.8%	9,434	3,591	38.1%	2,096	776	37.0%
1998	19	2,745	1,135	41.3%	9,882	3,862	39.1%	2,169	818	37.7%
1999	19	2,848	1,202	42.2%	10,388	4,181	40.2%	2,279	855	37.5%
2000	19	2,927	1,240	42.4%	10,817	4,443	41.1%	2,510	973	38.8%
2001	19	3,043	1,415	46.5%	11,101	4,780	43.1%	2,536	1,047	41.3%
2002	19	3,079	1,463	47.5%	11,432	5,099	44.6%	2,607	1,081	41.5%
2003	20	3,308	1,662	50.2%	11,857	5,557	46.9%	2,713	1,150	42.4%
2004	20	3,646	1,828	50.1%	12,525	6,115	48.8%	2,756	1,282	46.5%
2005 ²	20	3,908	1,947	49.8%	13,406	6,655	49.6%	2,849	1,354	47.5%

¹Beginning in 1996, the data include the Accelerated Program for Emigre Physicians (APEP) at the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine.

²Graduate data are estimated.

Source: AACOM, *Annual Osteopathic Medical School Questionnaires*, 1967-68 through 2005-06 academic years.