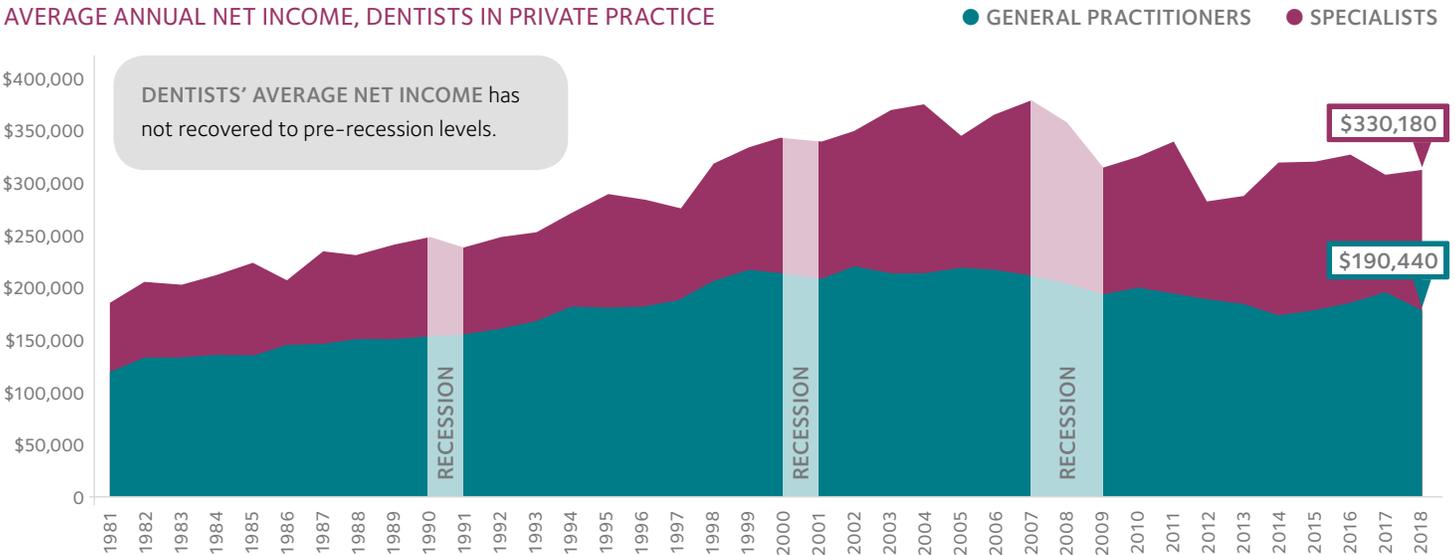


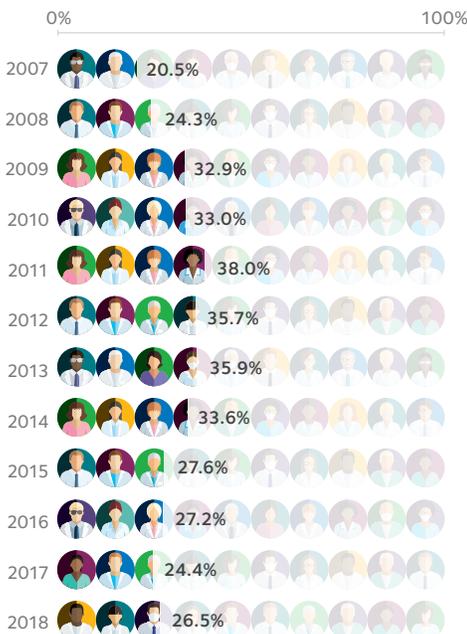
Dentist Earnings and Busyness in the U.S.

AVERAGE ANNUAL NET INCOME, DENTISTS IN PRIVATE PRACTICE

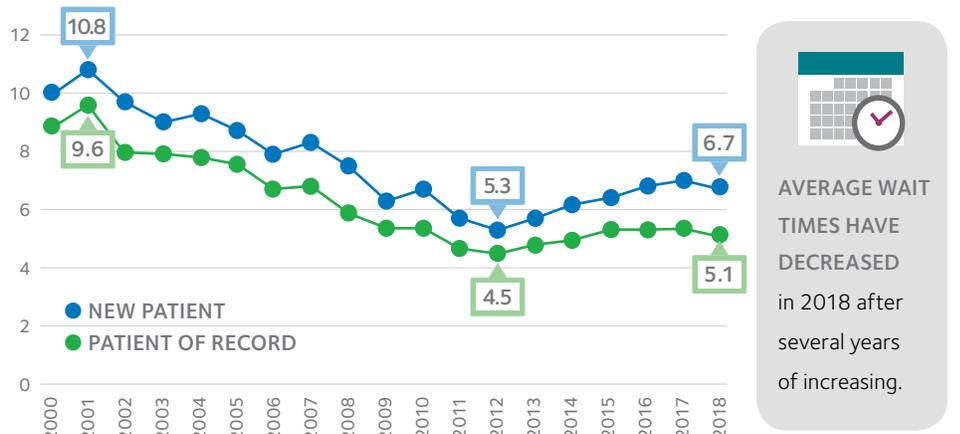


THE PERCENTAGE OF DENTISTS "not busy enough" is down from its 2011 peak.

PERCENTAGE OF DENTISTS IN PRIVATE PRACTICE REPORTING THEY ARE "NOT BUSY ENOUGH"



AVERAGE WAIT TIME IN DAYS FOR A GENERAL PRACTITIONER DENTIST APPOINTMENT



33.9%
PATIENT VOLUME WENT UP IN 2018

19.0%
PATIENT VOLUME WENT DOWN IN 2018

47.1%
PATIENT VOLUME REMAINED THE SAME IN 2018

OVER A THIRD OF DENTISTS experienced an **increase** in patient volume in 2018 compared to the prior year.

Source: ADA Health Policy Institute annual *Survey of Dental Practice*. Notes: **Average Annual Net Income**: Shaded areas denote recession years according to National Bureau of Economic Research. Dentist income is adjusted for inflation using the All-Item Consumer Price Index. All values are in constant 2018 dollars. The change in general practitioners' average net income from 2017 to 2018 is statistically significant at the 5% level. **Dentists "Not Busy Enough"**: Indicates the percentage of dentists reporting they are "not busy enough, could have treated more patients." **Average Wait Time**: Indicates the average wait time in days for an appointment with a general practitioner dentist. **All graphs**: Data for years 2000-2018 are weighted to adjust for oversampling and nonresponse bias.