



# OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE FAST FACTS

Doctors of osteopathic medicine, or DOs, are physicians who practice in all areas of medicine. Emphasizing a whole-person approach to treatment and care. DOs are trained to listen and partner with their patients to help them get healthy and stay well.

 **23,000+**  
OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL SCHOOL APPLICANTS A YEAR

 **1-IN-4**  
MEDICAL STUDENTS IN THE U.S. ATTEND A COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

 **9**  
AVERAGE NUMBER OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL COLLEGES APPLICANTS APPLY TO

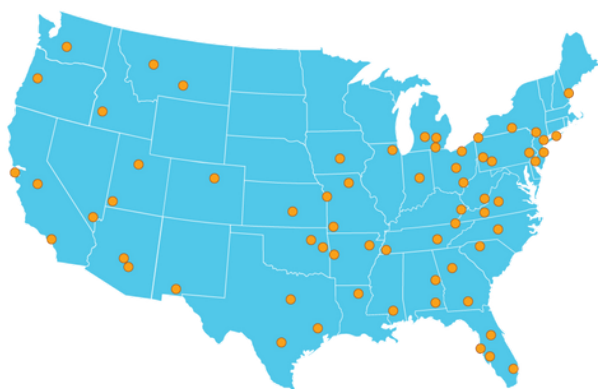
## 2023 BY THE NUMBERS:

**186,871**  
DOS AND OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL STUDENTS IN THE US

**148,829**  
DOS IN THE US

**36,700**  
OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL STUDENTS

Source: American Osteopathic Association OMP Report



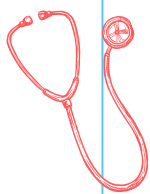
## WE HAVE A COLLEGE FOR YOUR STUDENTS:

**42** COLLEGES OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

**67** TEACHING LOCATIONS

**36** STATES

## CAREER OPTIONS FOR DOS:



**57%**

Practice in primary care specialties including :

- family medicine
- internal medicine
- pediatrics

**43%**

Practice in non-primary care specialties like:

- emergency medicine
- anesthesiology
- obstetrics & gynecology
- general surgery
- psychiatry



Other career pathways include:

- medical research
- clinical education
- health policy
- hospital administration



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