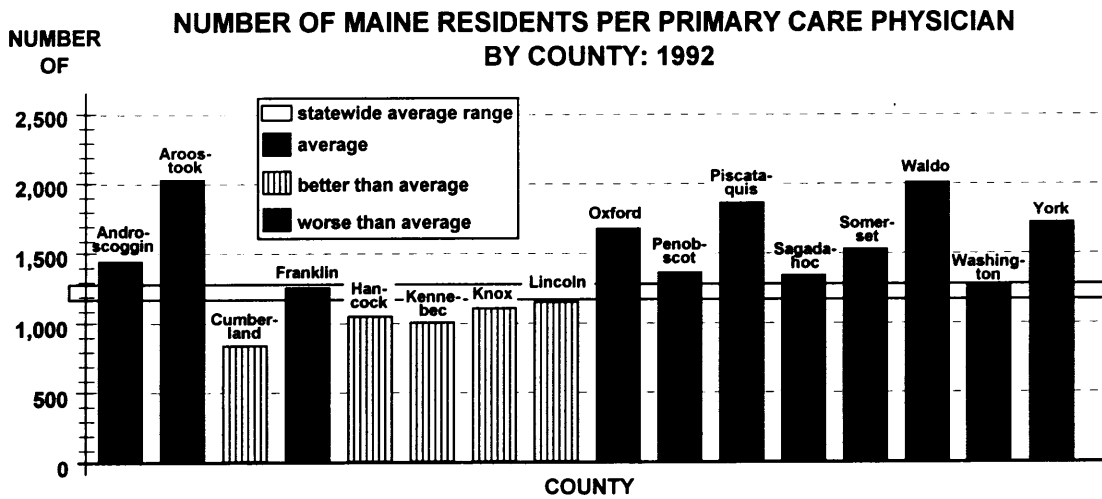


# MAINE PRIMARY CARE\* PHYSICIANS 1992

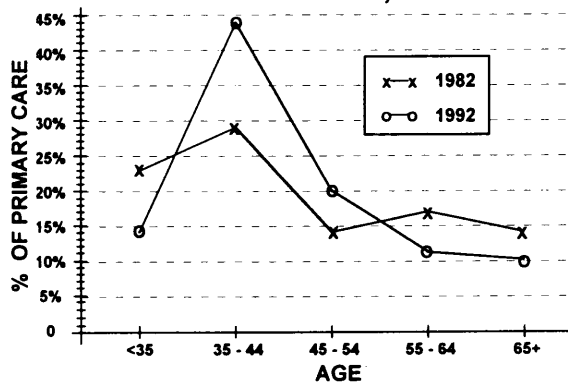
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- ➔ In 1992, 993 physicians reported that they were working in a primary care specialty in Maine (43% of active doctors). This is a 20% increase in physicians with these specialties over the previous decade when 830 physicians reported them as their primary practice area.
- ➔ Although there has been an overall improvement statewide in the ratio of primary care physicians to population over the past decade, this ratio has deteriorated in Androscoggin, Aroostook, Lincoln, Oxford, Piscataquis, and York counties.



- ➔ Proportionally, there are fewer primary care physicians in the youngest and oldest age groups than there were a decade ago. 64% of physicians are now in the 35 - 54 years old age group compared to 43% in 1982.

**PERCENT MAINE PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS  
BY AGE: 1982, 1992**



- ➔ In 1992, 93% of primary care physicians treated Medicaid patients. Of these, one third limited the percent of patients in their practices covered by Medicaid. 68% of primary care physicians in Maine accepted new Medicaid patients in 1992.

\* Primary care physicians are licensed, actively practicing MDs and DOs who reported a primary specialty of general practice, family practice, pediatrics, obstetrics, gynecology, obstetrics and gynecology, or internal medicine.

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