

New Mexico Compared to Neighboring States

(+ or - Clinically Practicing & Billing Physicians)



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	Total 2019 Practicing Physicians	Total 2024 Practicing Physicians	Difference Between 2019-2024	Percentage Gain/Loss 2019-2024
Oklahoma	6,057	6,321	264	4.4%
Texas	42,479	48,775	6,296	14.8%
WEST	131,864	141,761	9,897	7.5%
Arizona	11,283	12,981	1,698	15%
California	67,011	72,303	5,292	7.9%
Colorado	10,842	11,427	585	5.4%
Nevada	4,641	4,667	26	0.6%
New Mexico	3,039	2,791	-248	-8.1%
NATIONAL	603,726	647,998	44,272	7.3%

Recent research conducted by MCK Health Strategies LLC looking at more than 40 states' physician workforces, found that New Mexico is the only state in the Southwest to experience a net loss of physicians since 2019.

The research analyzed Medicare billing claims to identify physicians who are actively practicing and submitting claims for reimbursement – reflecting the number of physicians providing care in each state. Retired physicians and those not providing direct patient care, such as physicians employed by biotech firms or health insurers, were excluded from the analysis.