Is there a shortage of dentists in South Dakota?

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The aging of the baby boomers and the fact people are living longer will greatly challenge the healthcare industry in the next 10 to 20 years. Many healthcare fields, especially dentistry, could face a shortage of workers to meet the dental care needs of South Dakota.

The National Conference of State Legislatures states oral health has been called the “silent epidemic.” Research has shown chronic oral infections can lead to heart and lung diseases, diabetes and stroke, as well as premature births and low birth weights. It is estimated tooth decay and associated pain interfere with daily activities for millions of children and adolescents each year. Dental health has taken a backseat to other national health and economic concerns, especially in rural areas where family dentists are few and far between.

South Dakota is primarily a rural state, which means many residents travel several miles to visit a dentist. According to 2004 data from the South Dakota State Board of Dentistry, there was one dentist provider to every 2,824 South Dakotans, compared to the national average of one provider for every 1,812 residents. According to the most current data available from the South Dakota Dental Association and the U.S. Census Bureau, there is one dentist for every 2,226 residents in the year 2006.

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The South Dakota Dental Association reports almost 40 percent of South Dakota’s dentists are currently 55-years-old or older, and an additional 30 percent are 45 to 55-years-old. So in addition to a higher than average number of patients per dentist, which indicates a shortage, there is a strong demand for replacement workers as well. The national trend will be similar, with the number of dentists retiring exceeding the number of new workers in this occupation.

The chart below shows a large portion of dentists in South Dakota will be retiring in the coming decade. A shortage of dentists is expected in the next 10 to 20 years. Because of the aging process, many baby boomers will seek cosmetic dental procedures. The fact Americans are living longer will also drive the demand for more dental care.
The Labor Market Information Center projects South Dakota will need 53 more dentists in 2014 than in 2004 due to new job openings. There will also be an additional 59 dentists needed to replace workers who will leave the labor force for reasons such as retirements or transfers. The total openings for dentists in South Dakota are projected to be about 112 for the period of 2004 to 2014.

The University of South Dakota offers a dental hygiene program generating about 30 graduates annually, but there is no dentistry program in South Dakota. However, the need for dentists is an issue South Dakota policy makers are addressing. Current and future problems regarding dentistry were discussed during the “Improving Oral Heath in South Dakota” meeting held in 2002. Many strategies were proposed, and many initiatives were listed, including working with high schools and colleges to recruit new dental students and establish scholarships.

Regarding the dentist supply issue, South Dakota does not have reserved seats for students at dental schools according to Paul Knecht, Executive Director of the South Dakota Dental Association. Just this year, the legislature provided $40,000 for externships. This will bring six students back to South Dakota for three weeks during the summer between their third and fourth year of dental school. The Tuition Reimbursement Program is another initiative providing up to $100,000 at the end of a three-year stay in a qualifying South Dakota Community. This program may be beneficial to rural areas that have long struggled to attract and retain dentists.

The South Dakota Dental Association received a federal grant to recruit students into the profession and then back to South Dakota. This funding ends in July, but much of the recruiting infrastructure is in place and efforts will continue. Some examples of how federal grant money has been spent are the Health Edventures website (http://www.healthedventure.org/), on-line dental placement service, clubs at South Dakota universities, externship experiences, and the promotion and recruiting activities (database development).

A career in dentistry offers many unique opportunities and benefits:

- The demand for new dentists is strong.
- Dentistry is a well-respected and prestigious profession.
- Dentists help people with their oral health, an important aspect of overall health.
- Dentists are usually self-employed.
- In South Dakota, the average wage is $163,000.

For more information regarding the dentist occupation in South Dakota, please visit the Labor Market Information Center's Career InSite (http://www.sdjobs.org/careerinsite/).
Overview of the Labor Market in May

Labor Supply
The number of South Dakotans who would be available to staff a new or expanding business, or South Dakota's labor supply, was estimated at 77,410 in May. Included in this labor supply are those who currently hold jobs (and would like to change) and those who, for a variety of reasons, do not have jobs. (Click here for related data.)

Labor Force
South Dakota’s labor force of 437,700 in May, up 600 people from May, but was up more than 8,000 people from May 2006. There were 13,900 unemployed in May, up from April. The unemployment rate was 3.2 percent in May. (Click here for related data.)

Nonfarm wage & salaried workers by industry
This data is not seasonally adjusted.

Over-the-month comparisons
Based on a monthly survey of South Dakota establishments, preliminary estimates show total nonfarm wage and salaried workers increased by 10,400 workers (or 2.6 percent) from April 2007 to May 2007. (Click here for related data.) The seasonal gain is one of the strongest percentage gains to have occurred during the April to May time frame. (Click here for historical data.) It is not known at this time if the gain was mainly from early hiring or from additional business expansion. Although they are still within historical patterns, employment levels in retail trade, professional and business services and local and state government non-education showed stronger than normal April to May gains.

Construction produced an expected over-the-month gain of 2,000 workers (or 9.4 percent). March through July are the months that usually show construction worker increases, with April and May showing the highest worker gains.

Retail trade showed strong over-the-month growth with a 1,300 worker (or 2.6 percent) expansion as the industry continues its economic recovery. It is not uncommon for an industry to show accelerated growth after an economic upturn occurs in the industry.

Professional and business services produced a 600 worker (or 2.3 percent) increase as temporary employment agencies appear to be the main contributor to the over-the-month growth. The jump in temporary employment workers signals an immediate short-term need for workers by other industries.

Leisure and hospitality grew by 3,300 workers (or 7.9 percent). All sub sectors showed expected seasonal gains as they gear up for the tourist season and summer activities.

State and local government non-educational worker levels, combined, showed an April to May worker growth of 1,700 workers. The seasonal over-the-month growth was slightly higher than expected, but still within historical patterns for this time frame. Most of these workers are hired as summer workers only.

Over-the-year comparisons
Based on a monthly survey of South Dakota establishments, preliminary estimates show total nonfarm wage and salaried workers increased by 12,000 employees (or 3.0 percent) from May 2006 to May 2007. The strong worker growth is a reflection of a strong South Dakota economy, but is also reveals retail trade’s worker recovery from its hardest hit months of April 2006 and May 2006.

South Dakota’s construction boom still continues with a published growth of 500 workers (or 2.2 percent). Despite interest rates, the industry shows promise of continuing a South Dakota annualized (annual average) construction worker expansion trend that started in 1989. The 18
year trend is three times longer than South Dakota’s post World War II annualized construction growth trend (1946-1951) and is twice as long as the nation’s longest annualized construction worker growth trend (1993 to 2001).

**Manufacturing** grew by 1,400 workers (or 3.4 percent) from May 2006 to May 2007 and produced an employment level of 42,800 workers. Durable goods made up 1,000 of the 1,400 worker growth. South Dakota manufacturing is showing the opposite trend of national manufacturing for over three years. National manufacturing has not had an annualized gain since 1998, while South Dakota manufacturing has had annualized worker gains since 2004.

**Retail trade** grew by 1,500 workers (or 3.1 percent) over-the-year. As mentioned before, retail trade was hardest hit in the months of April 2006 and May 2006. The retail trade industry started its recovery in October 2006, and that recovery has led to the current growth.

Worker levels in the **financial activities** industry grew by 1,700 workers (or 5.8 percent) over the year as the industry continues a noticeable growth trend. It appears depository institutions made all of the gains as banks continue to expand and can now be found in or near most major retail outlets. In the 1990s, financial activities was one of South Dakota’s fastest growing industries. The growth was a result of banking reform laws that eased competition restrictions while allowing institutions to expand their financial services. During the 1990s and into 2001, the industry enjoyed over a 60 percent increase in workers. As with most rapidly expanding industries, major mergers and reorganizations started taking place, which basically stagnated worker growth from 2002 to 2004.

**Professional and business services** added 1,600 workers (or 6.3 percent). The professional and business services industry’s continued expansion is good news, as it indicates other industries are expanding to the point they need additional help from professional and business services.

**Education and health services** increased by 1,700 workers (or 2.9 percent). Two hundred of the worker gain came from private education. (Note: public education is coded under government.) The **health care and social services** industry continues its lengthy growth trend, increasing by 1,500 workers (or 2.9 percent) over the year. South Dakota health care worker numbers have increased every year since the specific data was first recorded in 1972. The Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis has written several articles on our regional health care that help explain some of the recent increases in medical workers. (Click here for regional health care articles).

**Leisure and hospitality** grew by 1,100 workers (or 2.5 percent) and continues a lengthy growth trend. It is likely leisure and hospitality’s continued growth is the result of continued increased spending by visiting tourists, as well as efforts by local development groups and at the state level (such as through the 2010 Initiative) to encourage expansion of this industry.

**Hours and Earnings of Manufacturing Production Workers**

South Dakota manufacturing production worker numbers rose by 300 workers (or 1.0 percent) from May 2006 to May 2007. Current hourly earnings are 78 cents stronger than last year’s, while overtime hours are 1.6 hours less over the year.

It is important to remember manufacturing payroll is collected from a limited sample of reporters and estimates for the most recent month are preliminary, since not all reporters’ data has been collected by the time data are released. (Click here for related data.)

**Nonfarm Wage and Salaried Workers in the Metropolitan Statistical Areas**

**Rapid City MSA**

Based on preliminary estimates from the monthly survey of Rapid City MSA establishments, the total nonfarm wage and salaried worker count from April 2007 to May 2007 increased by 1,800 workers (or 3.0 percent). (Click here for related data.) The main contributors to the over-the-month gain were mining and construction, along with leisure and hospitality.

**Compared to a year ago**
From May 2006 to May 2007, the Rapid City MSA nonfarm wage and salaried worker levels increased 1,700 employees (or 2.8 percent). Financial activities had the largest percentage gain with a 400 worker (or 11.8 percent) increase, while retail trade continues its over-the-year worker recovery with a 400 worker (or 4.7 percent) increase. Except for manufacturing, all industries showed over-the-year gains or were basically unchanged. (Click here for related data.)

**Sioux Falls MSA**

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**Compared to a year ago**

From May 2006 to May 2007, the Sioux Falls MSA had a 5,100 (or 3.9 percent) nonfarm wage and salaried worker increase. Much of the over-the-year change in worker levels correlates to the population boom occurring in South Dakota’s largest urban area.

Click here for more information on the Current Employment Statistics (CES) Program, including definitions.

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# Activities of the South Dakota Department of Labor
## Career Centers and Unemployment Insurance

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