Dental Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs)

Total Counties Designated as a HPSA: 63*
*Includes 1 Partial County HPSA

Legend
- Geographical Population HPSA (6 Counties)
- Low Income Population HPSAs (57 Counties)
- Not Health Professional Shortage Areas

Dentist Definition:
Dentists are DDS or DMDs that practice in general or pediatric dentistry. The number of dentists in a HPSA is determined by the number of DDS or DMDs which:
1) have an active Oklahoma license and
2) a verifiable practice address in the state.

Note: Federal criteria exclude residents and dentists not working in direct primary care. Dentists working at federal or inpatient-only facilities are also excluded from HPSA calculations.

Notes on Health Professional Shortage Areas:
HPSAs demonstrate a critical shortage of dentists, in accordance with the federal Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) Shortage Designation Branch guidelines. Each type of HPSA is further classified into one of the following categories: geographic, population group, facility, or automatic. Each HPSA is given a score by the Shortage Designation Branch based on certain specific criteria for each type of HPSA. This score indicates the degree of shortage.

Data Source: HRSA Datawarehouse, SDMS, Office of Primary Care & Rural Health Development
Projection/Coordinate System: USGS Albers Equal Area Conic

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