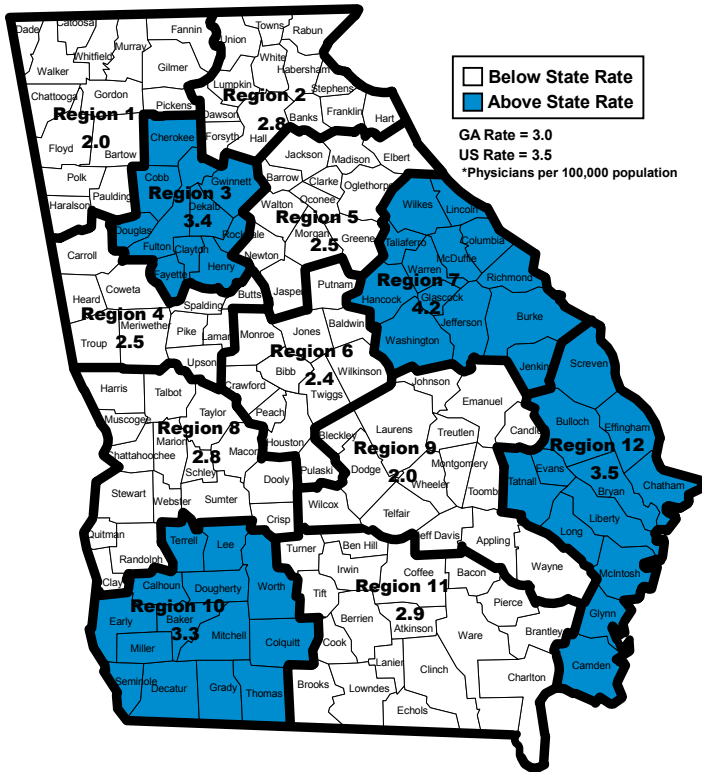




**TRENDS IN UROLOGY PHYSICIANS 1996-2006**  
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**SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION OF UROLOGY PHYSICIANS**

**Urology**  
**Physician Distribution – 2006**  
**Secondary Care Service Areas\* (SCSA)**



- There was an increase in physicians becoming board certified between 1996 and 2006.
  - 1996: 83.7% of urologists physicians were board certified compared to 73.4% of total physicians.
  - 2006: 86.5% of urology physicians were board certified compared to 83.2% of total physicians.
- Urologists have grown by 11.7% between 1996 & 2006.
- Of all the urology physicians:
  - 1996: 4.4% were residents
  - 2006: 1.1% were residents
- Of all the residents:
  - 1996: 1.4% were in urology
  - 2006: 0.9% were in urology

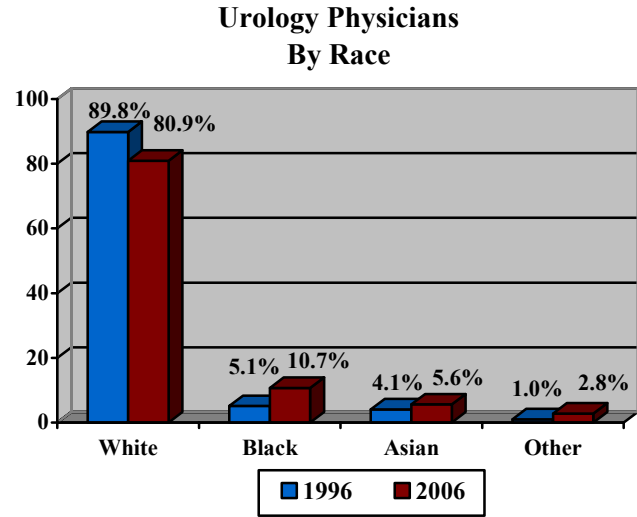
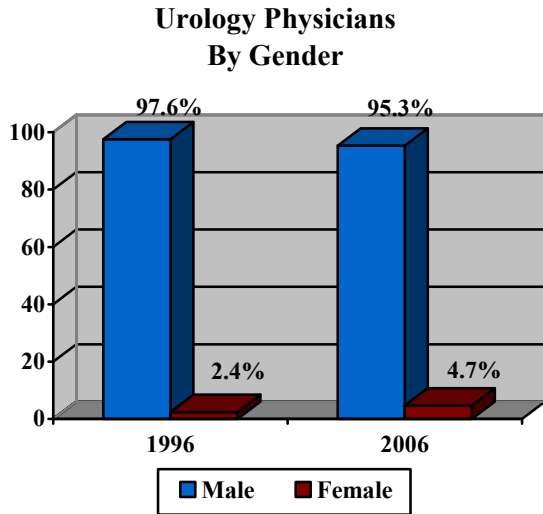
\*State Service Delivery Regions; Effective July 1, 1998, the State Legislature voted to provide regional boundaries for the purpose of consistency in planning and service delivery from State Agencies.

**MSA VERSUS NON-MSA DISTRIBUTION OF UROLOGY PHYSICIANS**

Urology physicians have always been concentrated in Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs). Likewise, there has been a decline in urologists practicing in Non-Metropolitan Statistical Areas (Non-MSAs). From 2004 to 2006, there was a 9.5% decrease in the percentage of urologists practicing in Non-MSA designated areas.

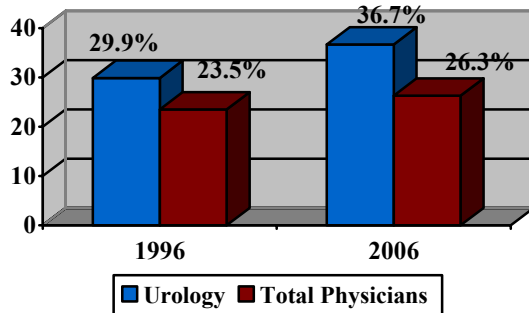
<b>UROLOGY PHYSICIANS BY YEAR:</b>		
<b>GEORGIA MSA/NON-MSA</b>		
<b>DESIGNATION</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2006</b>
MSA	77.9%	87.4%
NON-MSA	22.1%	12.6%

## DEMOGRAPHICS



Since 1996, there has been an increase in the number of female urology physicians practicing in Georgia. Additionally, the percentage of black physicians has increased by 5.6%, while the percentage of white urology physicians has decreased by 8.9% between 1996 and 2006.

### Percentage of Urology Physicians and Total Physicians Age 55 and Older 1996 and 2006



- The percentage of urologists age 55 and older increased 6.8% between 1996 and 2006.
- Similarly, the percentage of total practicing physicians age 55 and older increased by 2.8% during the same time period.

## TRENDS IN THE NUMBER AND RATE OF UROLOGY PHYSICIANS

Over the last ten years, the **NUMBER** of urology physicians practicing in Georgia has fluctuated from year-to-year, but increased overall. The **RATE** for urology physicians has decreased from 3.4 in 1996 to 3.0 in 2006.

