

## Healthy People 2010 Operational Definition

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**1-8. In the health professions, allied and associated health profession fields, and the nursing field, increase the proportion of all degrees awarded to members of underrepresented racial and ethnic groups.**

**1-8o. Black or African American—dentistry.**

<b>National Data Source</b>	Survey of Predoctoral Dental Educational Institutions, American Dental Association.
<b>State Data Source</b>	Survey of Predoctoral Dental Educational Institutions, American Dental Association.
<b>Healthy People 2000 Objective</b>	Adapted from 21.8 (Clinical Preventive Services).
<b>Changes since the 2000 Publication</b>	None.
<b>Measure</b>	Percent.
<b>Baseline (Year)</b>	5.1 (1996–97)
<b>Target</b>	13.0
<b>Target-Setting Method</b>	Target is based on the U.S. Bureau of Census projection of the proportion of Black or African Americans in the U.S. population in the year 2000.  For a discussion of target-setting methods, see Part A, section 4.
<b>Numerator</b>	Number of degrees from accredited dental schools awarded to black or African American persons.
<b>Denominator</b>	Number of degrees from accredited dental schools awarded to all persons.
<b>Population Targeted</b>	Students in accredited dental schools.
<b>Questions Used To Obtain the National Baseline Data</b>	From the 1997–98 Survey of Predoctoral Dental Educational Institutions:  ➤ <i>How many students received a D.D.S. or D.M.D. degree between October 1, 1996 and September 30, 1997?</i> <i>(Total must equal the total number of graduates listed</i>

on the graduate class list.)



- How many students received a D.D.S. or D.M.D. degree between October 1, 1996 and September 30, 1997 in each of the following race/ethnicity categories?

	Male	Female	Total
a. White	_____	_____	_____
b. Black	_____	_____	_____
c. Hispanic	_____	_____	_____
d. Native American	_____	_____	_____
e. Asian	_____	_____	_____
f. Not Indicated	_____	_____	_____
Total	_____	_____	_____

(Total must equal the total number of graduates listed on the graduate class list.)

**Expected Periodicity** Annual.

**Comments** Dental degrees include both D.D.S. and D.M.D.<sup>1</sup>  
Objective 1-8 is similar to Healthy People 2000 objective 21.8, which tracked the proportion of degrees awarded to underrepresented persons enrolled in nursing schools. Objective 1-8 tracks degrees awarded to underrepresented populations in all Health professions, nursing, medicine, dentistry, and pharmacy.  
See Appendix A for focus area contact information.

## References

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1. American Dental Association (ADA). *2004 Survey of Dental Education – Volume 1: Academic Programs, Enrollment and Graduates*. Chicago, IL: ADA, 2006.