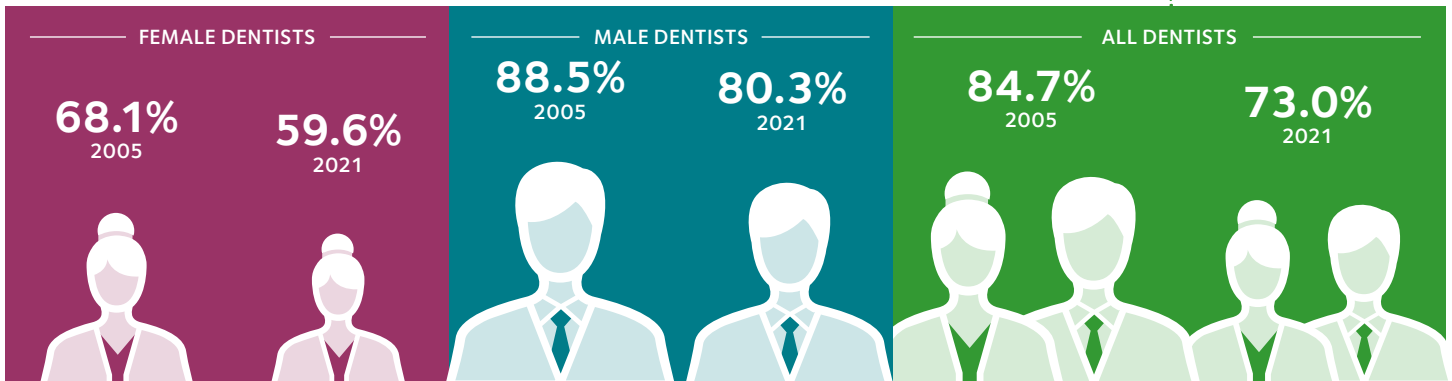


Practice Ownership Among Dentists Continues to Decline



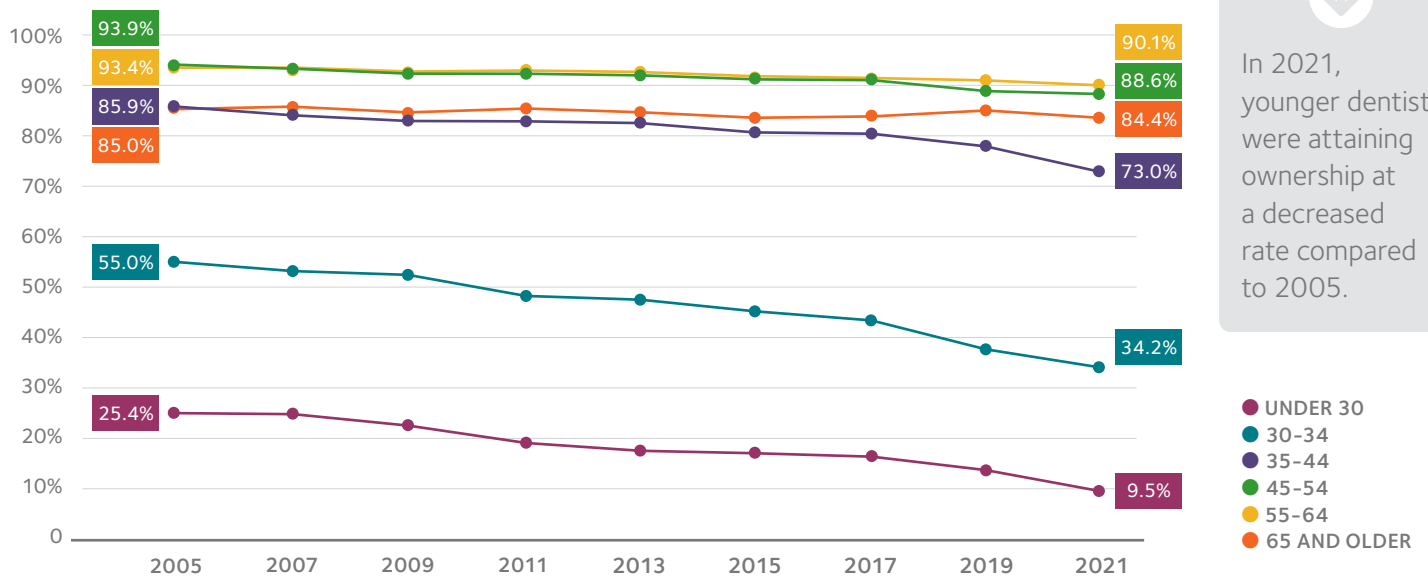
Practice ownership among dentists in private practice has been declining over the years, dropping from **84.7% in 2005** to **73.0% in 2021**.

PERCENTAGE OF DENTISTS IN PRIVATE PRACTICES WHO ARE OWNERS, BY GENDER



Female dentists have been **consistently less likely** than male dentists to own their practice.

PERCENTAGE OF DENTISTS IN PRIVATE PRACTICES WHO ARE OWNERS, BY AGE GROUP



In 2021, younger dentists were attaining ownership at a decreased rate compared to 2005.

Source: ADA Health Policy Institute analysis of Distribution of Dentists survey and Survey of Dental Graduates. Notes: Results are weighted to adjust for nonresponse bias.