Structure of Dental Practices in the U.S.

Sources: HPI analysis of the ADA masterfile and the Association of Dental Support Organizations (ADSO) membership list. Based on data from 2016. Note: Dentists are considered to be in non-DSO affiliated solo practice if there is one dentist practicing in one location with no affiliation with ADSO members, American Dental Partners, Western Dental Services Inc. or Kool Smiles. Dentists are considered to be affiliated with a dental service organization (DSO) if at least one location they practice in is a member of the ADSO or part of American Dental Partners, Western Dental Services Inc. or Kool Smiles. Dentists are considered to be in a non-DSO affiliated group practice if there is more than one dentist practicing in the same location with no affiliation with ADSO members, American Dental Partners, Western Dental Services Inc. or Kool Smiles.

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