

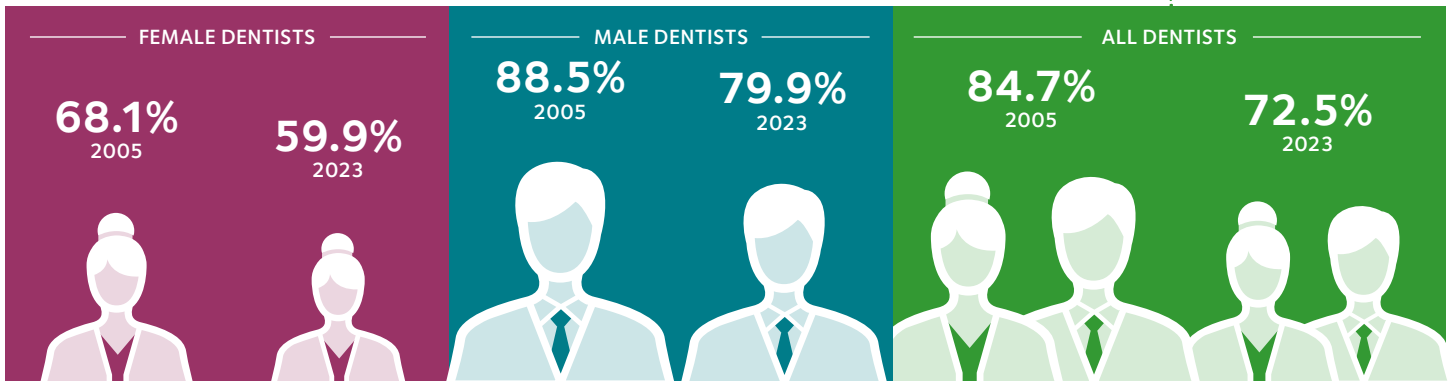
Practice Ownership Among Dentists Continues to Decline

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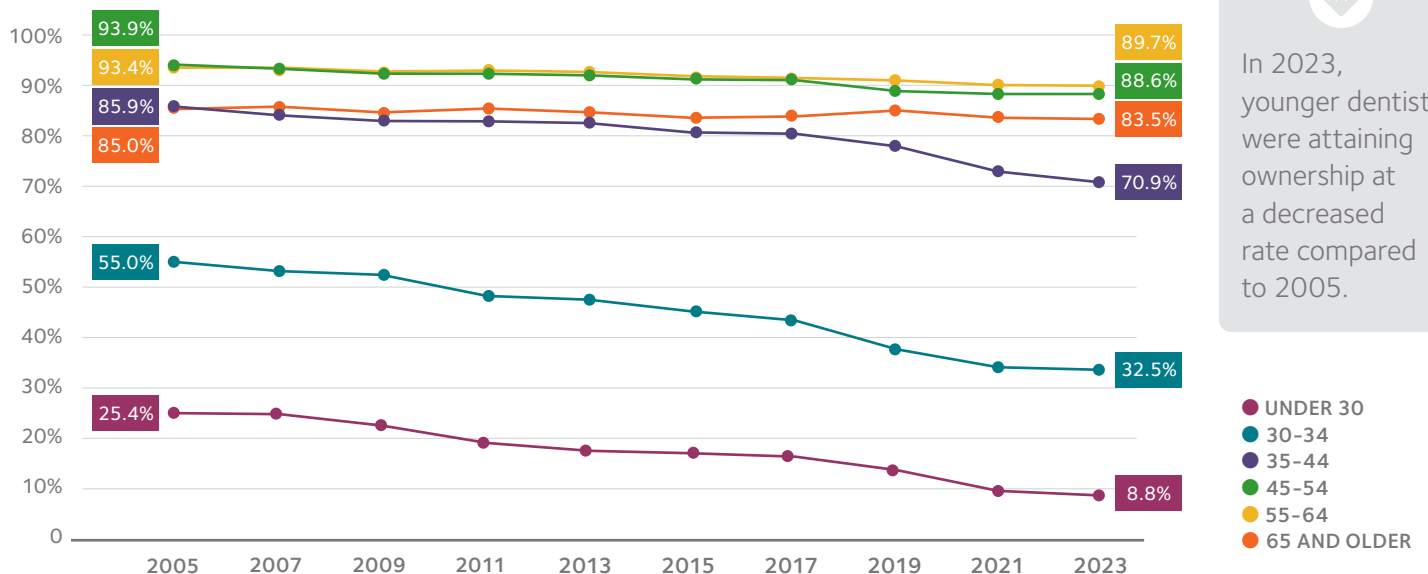
Practice ownership among dentists in private practice has been declining over the years, dropping from **84.7% in 2005** to **72.5% in 2023**.

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 2023, younger dentists were attaining ownership at a decreased rate compared to 2005.

- UNDER 30
- 30-34
- 35-44
- 45-54
- 55-64
- 65 AND OLDER

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