

State of Oncology Practice in America

The State of Oncology Practice in America reports on important trends in oncology practice ownership, practice concerns, along with details on the size, geographic distribution, and number of practices. This report is part of the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) State of Cancer Care in America series, which is published in the *Journal of Oncology Practice*.

TOP ONCOLOGY PRESSURES²



58% of surveyed practices say payer pressures are a top concern

76% Prior

Coverage denials/appeals

OTHER TOP CONCERNS:



pressures

39% 379
Competitive Staffi

37%

authorizations

Staffing issues



36%Electronic health records



36% Increasing expenses

EVERCHANGING ONCOLOGY PRACTICE LANDSCAPE



18%

of practices opened a new site



9%

of practices merged/ joint venture



8%

of practices purchased a site



34%

Unsure

8%

Unprepared

7% of practices closed a site

GETTING READY FOR MIPS³



2% of practices sold a site

58%

practices

MIPS

of oncology

prepared to comply with

CONSOLIDATION CONTINUES



25%

of practices grew (18% shrunk) from 2016 to 2017



9.4%

decrease in practices from 2013 to 2017 (2,248 total oncology practices in the U.S.)



Yet the number of oncologists increased by 9.5% from 2013

(12,423 total U.S.-based oncologists)

DESPITE CONSOLIDATION, MOST PRACTICES REMAIN SMALL

76% employ 1-5 oncologists

employ 6-40 oncologists

3% employ 41+ oncologists



72% have **1** site



25% have 2-5 sites



4% have 6+ sites

CANCER CARE IN RURAL AND SOUTHERN U.S.



earn more: asco.org/state-of-cancer-care

of the U.S. population

resides in rural areas

¹Data is based on annual ASCO Practice Census of 394 oncology practices (18% of total oncology practices in the United States) and analysis of the April 2017 Physician Compare research file.

²Practices were able to select more than one option

³Merit-based Incentive Payment System



of new cancer cases were

diagnosed in the South