

### Cardiology Training Programs and Trainees in the U.S. (1950-2006)

Year	Programs	Total trainees (all years)
1950	19	37
1960	72	142
1972	280	1,260
1980	239	1,492
1990	221	2,310
1994	209	2,419
1995	206	2,354
1996	202	2,309
1997	199	2,238
1998	189	2,138
1999	186	2,175
2000	181	2,106
2001	179	2,160
2002	175	2,223
2003	173	2,117
2004	170	2,170
2005	172	2,209
2006	174	2,310

Source: Accreditation Council on Graduate Medical Education, Accreditation Data System. Accessed May 25, 2007.

- The number of adult cardiology training positions reached its peak in 1994 (green).
- Between 1994 and 1999, the number of first-year and total adult cardiology training positions fell by 20% and 10%, respectively.
- The number of training positions reached its lowest point in 2000 (blue), and since then has fluctuated.
- As of the 2006-2007 academic year, the number of training positions had still not reached 1994 levels.