## **Controlled Substance Advisory Committee**

Delaware Health Force Team

The primary objective of the Controlled Substance Advisory Committee is to promote, preserve and protect the public health, safety and welfare by regulating and monitoring use and abuse of controlled substances. To meet this objective, the Committee

- carries out a program of registration, inspection, investigation and education,
- recommends new/revised rules and regulations and disciplinary sanctions against registrants to the Secretary of State.

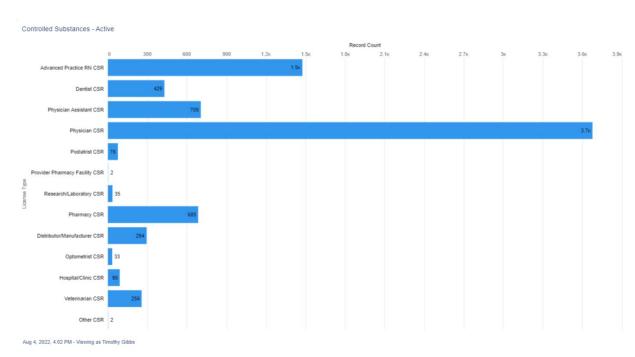
The Committee issues registrations to practitioners and facilities that prescribe, dispense, manufacture or distribute controlled substances (see figures 1-5). Practitioners include physicians, physician assistants, advanced practice registered nurses, podiatrists, dentists, optometrists, and veterinarians. Facilities include pharmacies, distributors, manufacturers, hospitals, clinics, researchers, laboratories and provider pharmacies.

To assist the Committee, the Drug Control Administrator for the Division of Professional Regulation is responsible for the Committee's regular administrative functions. The Committee's authority is in 16 Del. C., Chapter 47 and the <u>Uniform Controlled Substance Act Regulations</u>.

The Controlled Substance Advisory Committee issues an additional license that has a prerequisite of an active practitioner license upon which to build. The following professional licenses may be supplemented with the CSR (Controlled Substances Registration) empowering these provides to prescribe certain classes of medicines which fall under the Uniform Controlled Substance Act Regulations as noted above. In addition, facilities may also be issued a CSR license.

- Advanced Practice Registered Nurse
- Dentist
- Facility
- Optometrist
- Pharmacist
- Physician Assistant
- Podiatrist
- Practitioner (Physicians)
- Veterinarian

Figure 1. Active CSR Licenses by Type\*, N=7,760



<sup>\*</sup> an active license does not guarantee an individual is actively seeing patients.

Figure 2. Active CSR Licenses by Gender select license types

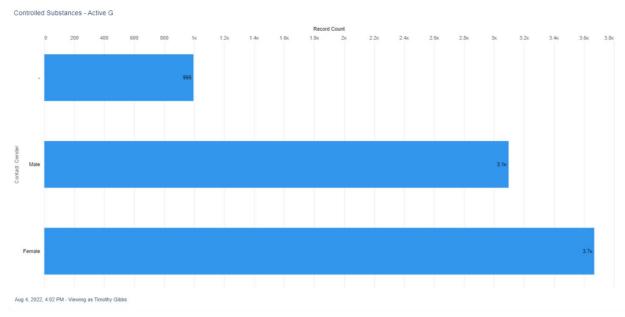
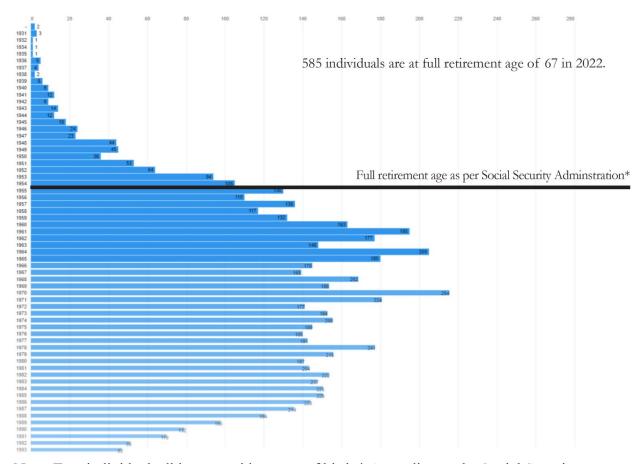


Figure 3. Active CSR Licenses by Birth Year



Note. Two individuals did not provide a year of birth \* According to the Social Security Administration "Full retirement age is the age when you can start receiving your full retirement benefit amount. The full retirement age is 66 if you were born from 1943 to 1954. The full retirement age increases gradually if you were born from 1955 to 1960, until it reaches 67. For anyone born 1960 or later, full retirement benefits are payable at age 67."

One overall map (figure 5) is provided regarding the distribution of CSR licensed individuals as their location has already been disclosed in their section of the report for their primary license.

Figure 4. Numerical Distribution of Active CSR Licenses by ZIP code

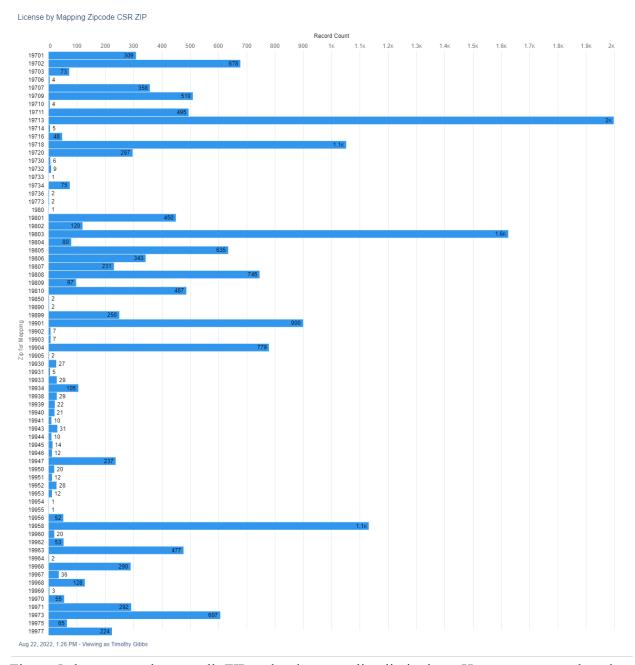
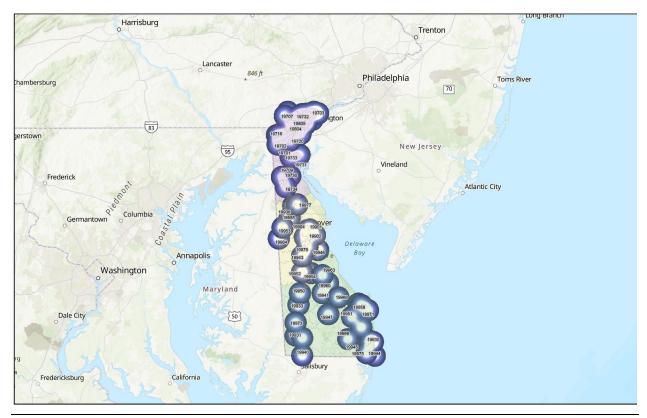


Figure 5 shows most, but not all, ZIP codes due to scaling limitations. Hot spots are employed to bring perspective to viewing the overall map and distribution of healthcare professionals and should not be interpreted has valuing value without referring to the numbers listed in the chart above.

Figure 5. Visual Distribution of Active CSR Licenses by ZIP code



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