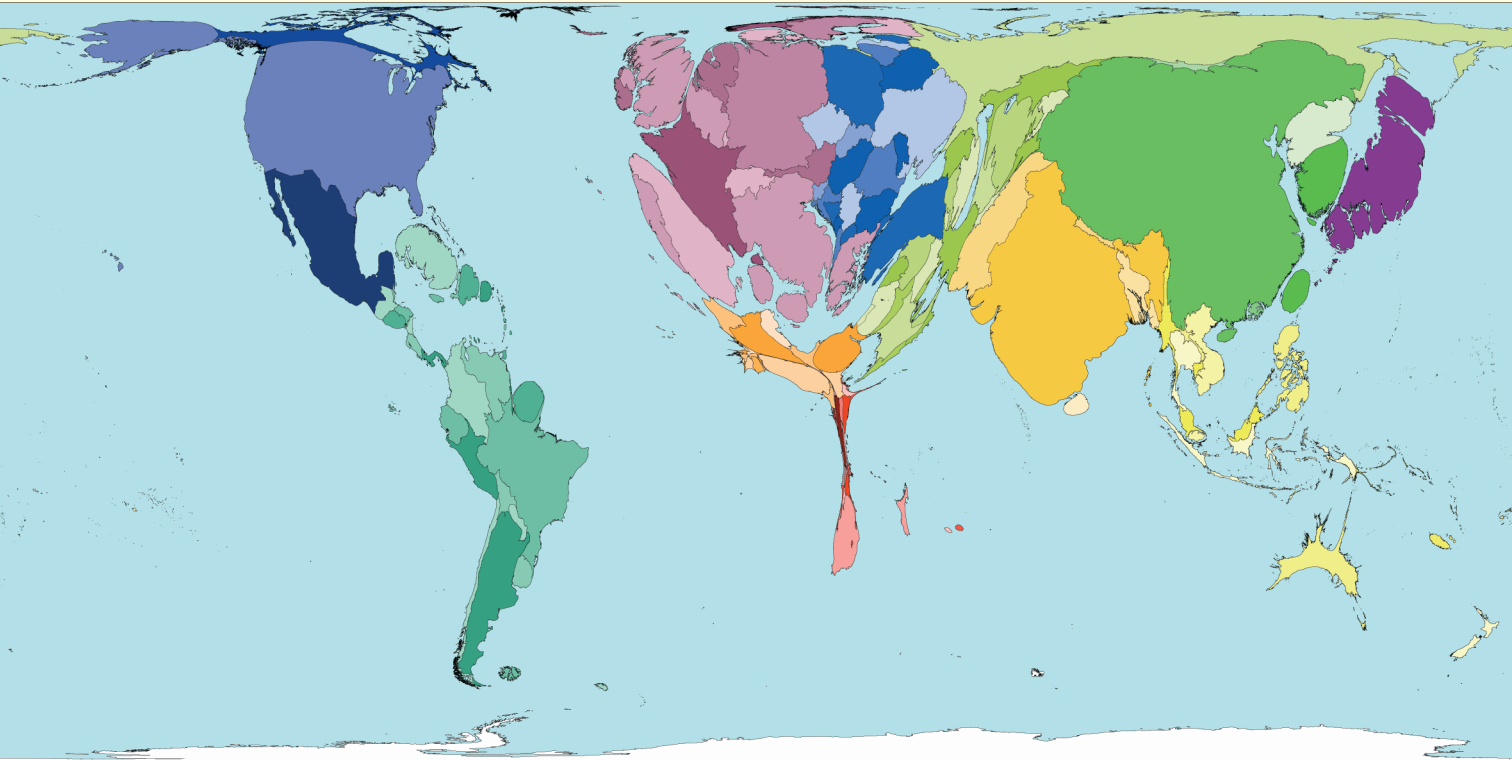


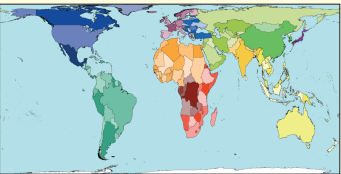
Physicians Working



A physician can also be called a medical doctor. Physicians may be general practitioners or may specialise. The Caribbean island of Cuba has the most physicians per person working there; the fewest physicians per person are in the Southeastern African territory of Malawi.

In 2004 there were 9.6 million physicians working around the world. The largest number were in China, which is the largest territory on the map. If physicians were distributed according to population, there would be 153 physicians to every 100,000 people. The most physicians (45%) live in territories with less than a third of the world population.

Territory size shows the proportion of all physicians (doctors) that work in that territory.



Land area

Technical notes

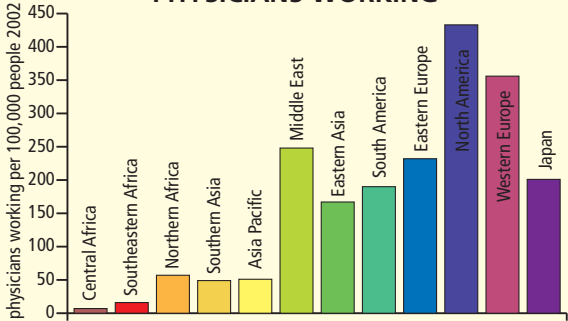
- Data are from the World Health Organisation's 2006 World Health Report.
- Territories for which data have been estimated are not included in the table.
- See website for further information.

MOST AND FEWEST PHYSICIANS WORKING

Rank	Territory	Value	Rank	Territory	Value
1	Italy	606	187	Uganda	4.7
2	Cuba	591	188	Somalia	4.0
3	Monaco	586	189	Burkina Faso	4.0
4	United States	549	190	Gambia	3.5
5	Saint Lucia	518	191	Central African Republic	3.5
6	Belarus	450	192	Niger	3.3
7	Greece	440	193	Eritrea	3.0
8	Greenland	433	195	Chad	2.5
9	Belgium	418	197	Liberia	2.3
10	Russian Federation	417	199	Rwanda	1.9

physicians working per 100,000 people in 2004 or most recent*

PHYSICIANS WORKING



“Hundreds of thousands of African doctors need to be trained ... Nobody worries about it. There’s a rich part of the world that only cares about oil, diamonds, minerals, forests, gas, cheap labour ...”

Fidel Castro, 2001