1 in 5 pediatricians is sued once over the course of their careers.

1 in 10 pediatricians is sued for care provided during residency training.

Source: AAP Periodic Surveys 2015
CLOSED MALPRACTICE CLAIMS BY PEDIATRICIAN AGE

Source: Jena, Chandra, and Seabury
Pediatrics, 2013;131:1148
CLOSED MALPRACTICE CLAIMS BY PATIENT AGE AT TIME OF INCIDENT

Source: Jena, Chandra, and Seabury
Pediatrics, 2013;131:1148
MEAN PEDIATRIC MALPRACTICE PAYMENTS BY PATIENT AGE

Source: Jena, Chandra, and Seabury
Pediatrics, 2013;131:1148
PEDIATRIC MALPRACTICE CLAIMS
FREQUENCY AND SEVERITY

Source: Jena, Seabury, Lakdawalla, Chandra, NEJM 2011;365:629-63
PROPORTION PHYSICIAN’S CAREER SPENT WITH AN OPEN MALPRACTICE CLAIM BY SPECIALTY

Source: Seabury, Chandra, Lakdawalla, Jena Health Affairs 2013;32:111-119
SELECT PHYSICIAN SPECIALTIES
RANKED BY AVERAGE MALPRACTICE INDEMNITIES


- Neurology - 1st
- Neurosurgery - 2nd
- OB/GYN - 3rd
- Pediatrics - 4th
- Emergency Medicine - 11th
- Internal Medicine - 14th
- Orthopedic Surgery - 21st
- Family Physicians - 22nd
MOST COMMON PATIENT CONDITIONS IN PEDIATRIC MALPRACTICE CLAIMS AVERAGE INDEMNITY

(% Claims Closed With Payment)

PERCENT OF NPDB PAYMENTS FOR MALPRACTICE CLAIMS INVOLVING CHILDREN BY PROVIDERS

Source: Kain
Pediatrics 2006 118:464