Disclosure of Gainful Employment

Work Environment
Some dentists own their own businesses and work alone or with a small staff. Other dentists have partners in their practices, and a few work for other dentists as associate dentists.

How to Become a Dentist
Dentists must be licensed in all states; requirements vary by state. To qualify for a licensure in most states, applicants must graduate from an accredited dental school and pass written and practical exams.

Pay
The median annual wage of dentists was $146,920 in May 2010.

Job Outlook
Employment of dentists is expected to grow by 21% from 2010 to 2020, faster than the average for all occupations. Dentists will continue to see an increase in public demand for their services as studies continue to link oral health to overall health.

### General Dentists

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