

Kansas Medical Malpractice Summary and Statistics

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Tort Reform Law: §60-19a02. \$250,000 limit on noneconomic damages for personal injury recoverable by each party from all defendants.
Effective 1987

	2012-2016 Average	State Rank
Annual Per Capita ¹ Malpractice costs: All Providers ²	\$8.74	29
Annual Per Capita Malpractice costs: MD/DO only	\$7.82	25
Annual Claims per 1 Million Residents	49.21	9
Annual Claims per 100 Practicing Physicians	1.92	3

Table showing the average amount paid per capita¹ each year in Kansas from 2012-2016 for medical malpractice claims against all practitioners as well as against physicians (MD and DO's) only. It also shows the number of paid claims per million residents and per 100 practicing physicians in Kansas those years.

Brief summary: Kansas has a \$250,000 cap on non-economic damages in medical malpractice cases. In spite of this cap, Kansas has a surprisingly high number of paid claims when compared to other states in the U.S. The total cost of medical malpractice in Kansas is close to the national average, though.

Notes

- 1) Total amount paid in medical malpractice claims in the state each year/ the state's Population.
- 2) All practitioners includes physicians, podiatrists, dentists, nurses, hygienists, pharmacists, pharmacy techs, lab techs, physical therapists, etc...

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Graphic Summary of Medical Malpractice Incidence and Cost for Kansas from 1991-2017

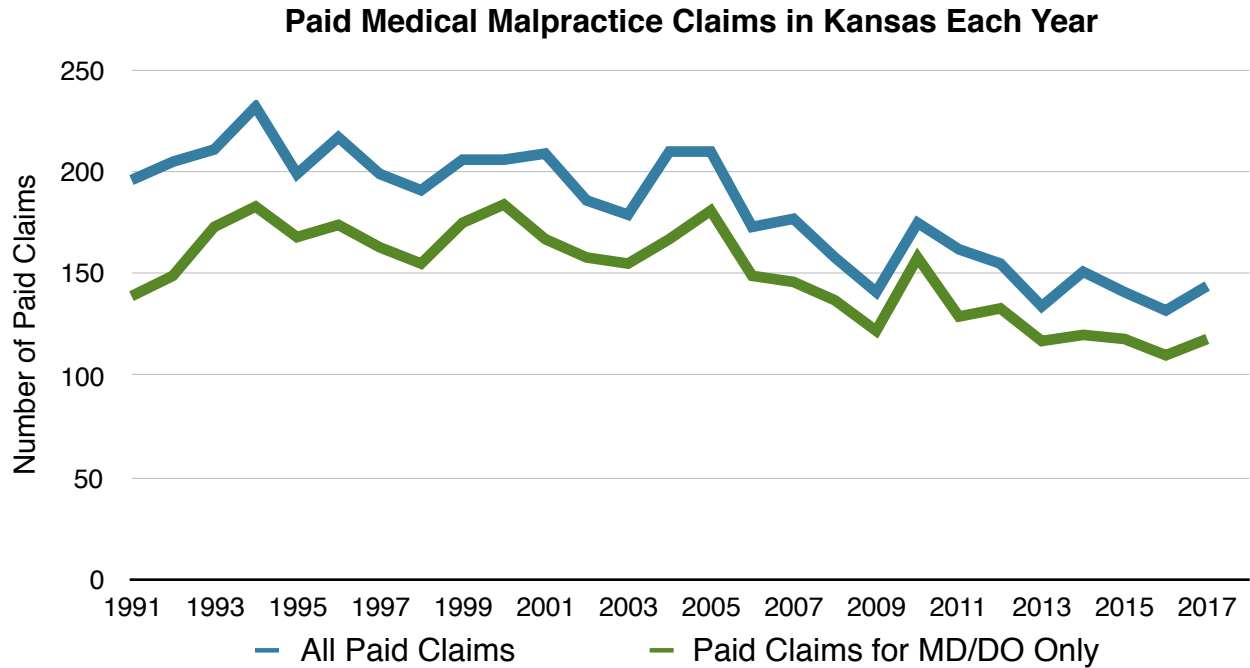


Figure 1: Total number of paid medical malpractice claims for Kansas from 1991-2017 for all health care practitioners combined as well as for MD/DOs only.

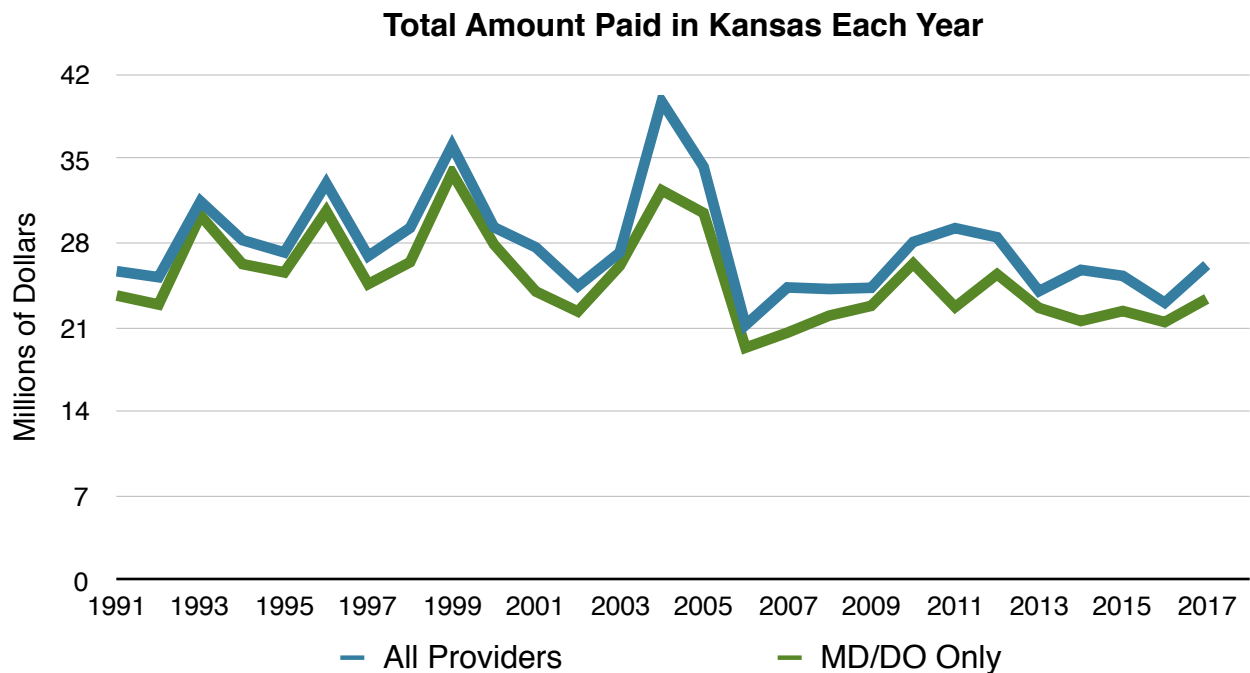


Figure 2: Total amount paid for all medical malpractice claims from 1991-2017 for all health care practitioners and MD/DOs only in Kansas.

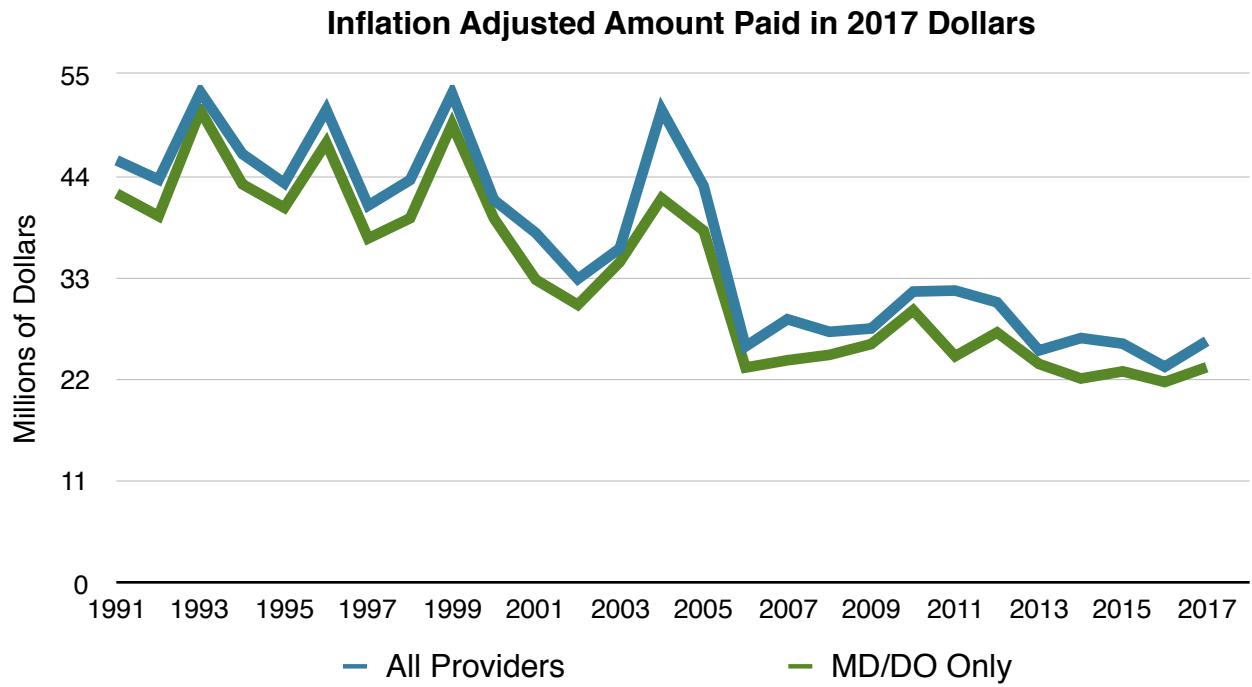


Figure 3: Figure 2 data when adjusted for inflation.