



ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

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Public Records Department

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Thank you for submitting a public records request to the Alabama State Board of Pharmacy. Below you will find all records relevant to your request. Please note that due to varying renewal submissions and the way certain reports are pulled, some of these numbers may slightly vary. Should you have any additional questions, please contact Anne Marie Nolen at anolen@albop.com.

1. How many pharmacies are currently licensed to practice in Alabama?
 - a. As of August 28, 2024:
 - i. Chain: **570**
 - ii. Community: **729**
 - iii. Institutional: **161**
 - iv. Non-resident pharmacy/out-of-state: **649**
2. What has been the number of licensed pharmacists in Alabama over the period of 2019-2024?
 - a. We do not have the data to run snapshots of the number of active pharmacists in a given year. We only have current year data, and as of 8/28/24, there are approximately **10,837** licensed pharmacists. Please note this includes pharmacists who have an Alabama license, but they may not practice or reside in Alabama.
3. How many community retail pharmacies are currently operating in Alabama?
 - a. As of August 28, 2024, there are **729** active community pharmacies in Alabama.
4. How many chain retail pharmacies are currently operating in Alabama?
 - a. As of August 28, 2024, there are **570** active chain pharmacies in Alabama.
5. How many mass merchant retail pharmacies are currently operating in Alabama?
 - a. There is no mass merchant retail pharmacy type. We divide our in-state pharmacies by community, chain, and institutional.
6. What has been the number of community retail pharmacies operating in Alabama over a period of 2019—2024?
 - a. We do not have the data to run snapshots of the number of active pharmacy permits in a given year. We can provide the number of openings and closures for each year but cannot provide a total snapshot of the year.
7. What has been the number of chain retail pharmacies operating in Alabama over a period of 2019-2024?
 - a. We do not have the data to run snapshots of the number of active pharmacy permits in a given year. We can provide the number of openings and closures for each year but cannot provide a total snapshot of the year.
8. What has been the number of mass merchant retail pharmacies operating in Alabama over a period of 2019-2024?
 - a. N/A



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9. How many Alabama community retail pharmacies have closed over the period of 2019-2024?
 - a. 2019: 19
 - b. 2020: 27
 - c. 2021: 20
 - d. 2022: 27
 - e. 2023: 41
 - f. 2024: 19
10. How many Alabama chain retail pharmacies have closed over the period of 2019-2024?
 - a. 2019: 26
 - b. 2020: 6
 - c. 2021: 3
 - d. 2022: 8
 - e. 2023: 47
 - f. 2024: 9
11. How many mass merchant retail pharmacies have closed over the period of 2019-2024?
 - a. N/A
12. How many community retail pharmacies have opened during the period of 2019-2024?
 - a. 2019: 24
 - b. 2020: 9
 - c. 2021: 13
 - d. 2022: 15
 - e. 2023: 19
 - f. 2024: 16
13. How many chain retail pharmacies have opened during the period of 2019-2024?
 - a. 2019: 7
 - b. 2020: 2
 - c. 2021: 3
 - d. 2022: 6
 - e. 2023: 5
 - f. 2024: 4
14. How many mass merchant retail pharmacies have opened during the period of 2019-2024?
 - a. N/A