

Table 1: Data from the 5,828 death certificates collected from 22 registries of the prefecture of Laconia, Greece over the period 2006-2010. Data regarding: i. Deceased age group and gender, ii. municipality and place of death, iii. speciality, training, specialist grade and place of work of physicians iv. percentage of attending physicians who completed death certificates for their patients.

Total		5,828
Gender		
	Male	2,953 (50.7 %)
Age		
	≤40	40 (0.7 %)
	41-60	281 (4.8 %)
	61-80	1,840 (31.6 %)
	>80	3,667 (62.9 %)
Municipality		
	Eastern Mani	1,165 (20 %)
	Evrotas	1,059 (18.2 %)
	Monemvasia	1,441 (24.7 %)
	Sparta	2,163 (37.1 %)
Place		
	Private home	2,557 (43.9 %)
	Private clinics or Nursing homes	753 (12.9 %)
	Primary Health Care Center	71 (1.2 %)
	Secondary hospital	1,692 (29 %)
	Tertiary hospital	755 (13 %)
Specialty		
	Internal medicine or subspecialties	3,935 (67.59 %)
	General surgery or subspecialties	539 (9.2 %)
	General Practitioner	780 (13.4 %)
	Non-specialized Rural Physicians	574 (9.9 %)
Training grade		
	Specialized	4,454 (76.4 %)
	In training	800 (13.7 %)
	Rural doctor	574 (9.9 %)
Specialist grade*		
	Consultant B	486 (29.7 %)
	Consultant A	316 (20.1 %)
	Associate Head Physician	287 (16.9 %)
	Head Physician	432 (33.3 %)
Specialist in Private Practice		2,933 (50.3 %)
Attending physician		
	Yes	2,938 (51.2 %)

*: in the Greek National Health System there are 4 specialist grades: Consultant B, Consultant A, Associate Head Physician, Head Physician.