

Endodontic Facts

- **25 million** root canal procedures are performed every year
- **More than 41,000** root canals are performed each day
- Endodontists perform **25 root canal treatments** each week; general dentists perform fewer than 2
- **45% of people** have heard of a root canal specialist
- **Nearly half of people** surveyed would prefer root canal treatment by a specialist
- **89% of patients** are satisfied after root canal treatment by an endodontist
- Most people have **strong, negative feelings** about losing their teeth
- **Up to 15% of people** in the U.S. avoid seeking dental care because of misconceptions and fears
- **94% of dentists** have positive or very positive perceptions of endodontists and the care they provide
- General dentists refer about **half of their root canal cases** to an endodontist
- **87% of general dentists** say work performed by endodontists is worth the cost
- **9 out of 10 dental educators** would seek root canal treatment from an endodontist
- **93% of dental educators** believe that endodontists are an essential part of the dental health care team
- **87% of dental educators** consider endodontists a reliable and trustworthy resource in advanced dental technologies and leading-edge techniques in root canal treatment
- There are **58 advanced specialty education programs** in endodontics in the U.S. and Canada
- **213 students** graduated from an endodontic specialty program in 2016

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