Help Wanted: More U.S. Doctors

Projections Indicate America Will Face Shortage of M.D.s by 2020
Number of Elderly Will Double by 2030

65+: 104% increase from 2000 to 2030

Source: U.S. Census
First-Year M.D. Enrollment per 100,000 Population Has Declined Since 1980

Source: AAMC; U.S. Census Bureau
Prepared by Center for Workforce Studies, AAMC, Feb. 2006
Doctor Visits Are Sharply Higher for Those Over 65

Prepared by AAMC Center for Workforce Studies
The Physician Workforce Is Aging: 250,000 Active Physicians Are Over 55

Source: American Medical Association (AMA) Physician Characteristics and Distribution for 1985 data: AMA Masterfile for 2005 data
Active physicians include residents/fellows
NOTE: 1985 data excludes 24,000 DOs.
Prepared by AAMC Center for Workforce Studies, March 2006
30 Million People Live in Federally Designated Shortage Areas

Source: HRSA/AAFP
United States Has Low Physician-to-Population Level

- Greece: 448
- Italy: 405
- Belgium: 388
- Austria: 383
- Slovak Republic: 368
- Switzerland: 351
- Denmark: 342
- France: 329
- Spain: 326
- Germany: 326
- Portugal: 318
- Sweden: 304
- United States: 264
- Australia: 244
- New Zealand: 223
- Ireland: 222
- Canada: 210
- United Kingdom: 201
- Japan: 193
- Korea: 130
U.S. M.D.s Represented Two-Thirds of Physicians Entering Training in 2005

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<td>U.S. M.D. Graduates</td>
<td>15,411</td>
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Total 24,735

* All M.D.s, IMGs, and one-half of the D.O. graduates (1,478) enter Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) residency programs.

Source: AAMC Center for Workforce Studies
Voters Believe There Are Too Few U.S. Doctors

**Today**
- 60% Too Few
- 28% Too Many
- 5% Just Right

**Next 10 Years**
- 66% Too Few
- 22% Too Many
- 5% Just Right

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