

Closing the Gaps Through Academic Medicine

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About the AAMC – Member Institutions



158 LCME-accredited US medical schools



LCME accredited **Canadian medical** schools

Teaching Hospitals



teaching hospitals and health systems, ~400 including Veterans Affairs medical centers

Academic and Professional Societies

More than

academic and professional societies

About the AAMC - Communities



193,000+ full-time faculty members



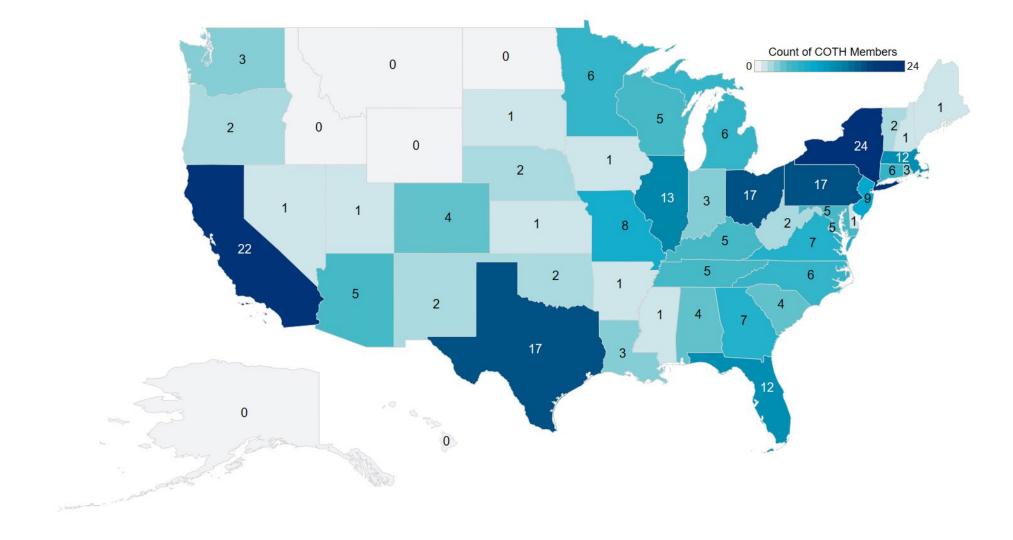
153,000+ resident physicians



96,000+ medical students



AAMC Membership Geography, December 2022





AAMC & AIAMC – A Natural Partnership

~400 teaching hospitals and health systems

150 institutions with 500+ beds

153,882+ residents

158 total US medical schools



~69 teaching hospitals and health systems

32 AIAMC institutions with 500+ beds

11,936+ residents

128 US medical school affiliations



AAMC Relationships With Other Associations



A Healthier Future for All The AAMC Strategic Plan

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MISSION

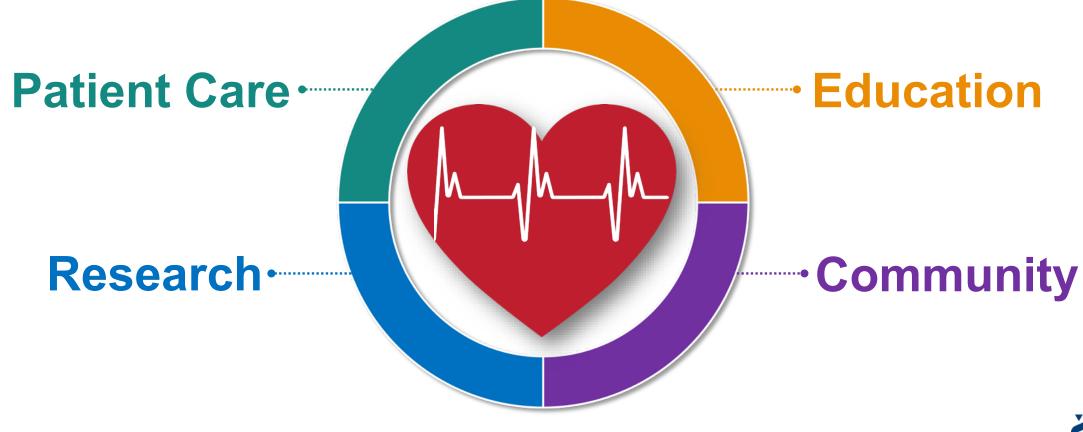
The AAMC leads and serves academic medicine to improve the health of people everywhere.

VISION

A healthier future through learning, discovery, health care, and community collaborations.



AAMC Mission: Your Mission





AAMC's Legislative Agenda

- ✓ FY 2024 Appropriations for NIH, HRSA, CDC, VA, AHRQ, ARPA-H, and all other federal agencies
- ✓ Extending key programs; for example:
 - \odot Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act
 - Funding for Community Health Centers, National Health Service
 - Corps, Teaching Health Centers GME
 - \odot Conrad State 30 and Physician Access Reauthorization Act
- ✓ Averting Medicare Physician Fee Schedule cuts
- ✓ Eliminating pending Medicaid DSH cuts
- Preventing Site Neutral Payments; Medicare payment cuts to hospital outpatient departments (HOPD)





AAMC Data & Programs Support the Advancement of Academic Medicine

Advocacy

- More GME positions
- Dobbs SCOTUS
- Race conscious admissions SCOTUS
- Student Financial Aid
- Pathway Programs
- DACA

Data & Reports

- SCOPE
- AAMC Resident Readiness Survey Program
- Year Two Questionnaire (Y2Q)
- Matriculating Student Questionnaire
- Physician Specialty Data Report
- Report on Residents
- Specialty Workforce
- GMETrack
- Faculty Roster
- Faculty Salary Report
- Graduation Questionnaire

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Medical Education Initiatives

- Foundational Competencies for UME
- QIPS, Telehealth & DEI Competencies
- Transition to Residency & MSPE
- Pedagogy
- Interprofessional Education
- Faculty Development

Service Programs

- Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT)
- American Medical College Application Service (AMCAS)
- Visiting Student Learning Opportunities (VSLO)
- Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS)
- Careers in Medicine

_Student Resources & Programs

- Careers in Medicine (CiM)
- Residency Explorer (with 8 other organizations)
- FIRST (financial guidance)
- Virtual medical school & specialty fairs



Diversity in Medicine

- Summer Health Professions Education Program
- K-12 Educational Initiatives and Summit
- Pathway Programs and Outreach
- Disability in Medical Education
- Specialty-specific demographic reporting across the continuum

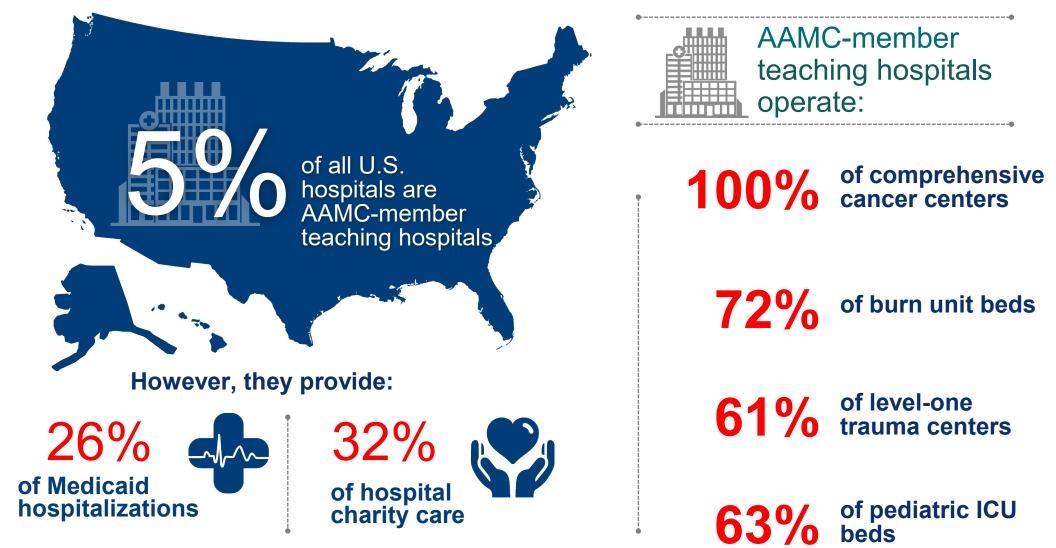
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- Publications
- Academic Medicine Journal
- MedEdPORTAL Journal
- Curriculum Reports
- Data Snapshots
- Various Topical Reports

The Critical Role of Academic Medicine



Overview of AAMC-Member Hospital Services

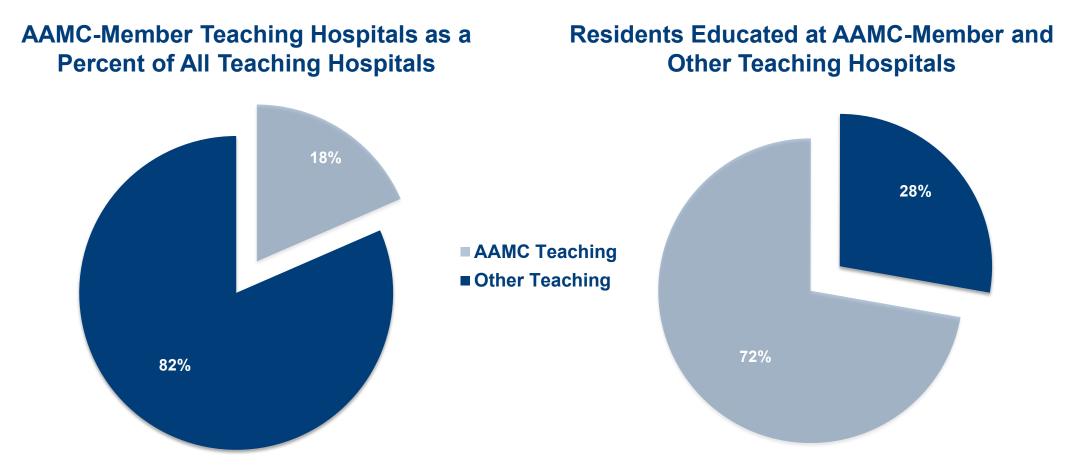


Note: Data reflect short-term, general, nonfederal hospitals.

Source: AAMC analysis of FY2022 American Hospital Association data, American College of Surgeons Level 1 Trauma Center designations, 2023, and the National Cancer Institute's Office of Cancer Centers, 2022. AAMC membership data, December 2023.



The Role of AAMC-Member Teaching Hospitals in Graduate Medical Education, 2022



Notes: Data reflect short-term, general, non-federal hospitals. Data for AAMC-member teaching hospitals reflect integrated and independent AAMC members. Source: AAMC analysis of FY2022 American Hospital Association data. AAMC membership data, December 2023



Academic Medicine: Disproportionate Provider of Patient Care, Research, and Training

5% of all inpatient U.S. Hospitals are AAMC-member teaching hospitalsbut they account for		Medical Schools and Teaching Hospitals
24% all inpatient days 22% Medicare days	 98% of comprehensive cancer centers 67% burn unit beds 	50+% of all NIH external grants
26% Medicaid days	63% pediatric ICU beds	72%
30% charity care costs	65% level-1 trauma centers	of all residents

Note: Data reflect short-term, general, nonfederal hospitals.

Source: AAMC analysis of FY2020 American Hospital Association data, American College of Surgeons Level 1 Trauma Center designations, 2020, and the National Cancer Institute's Office of Cancer Centers, 2022. AAMC membership data, December 2021.



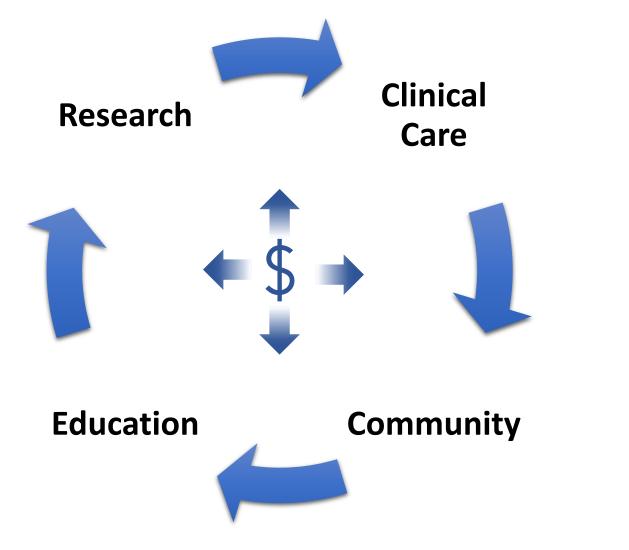
Academic Medicine's Pursuit of Its Missions Has a Major Economic Impact Nationwide



Represents about 3.23% GDP, 4.4% of jobs nationwide

Source: Economic Impact of AAMC Medical Schools and Teaching Hospitals June 2022 report: https://www.aamc.org/data-reports/teaching-hospitals/interactive-data/economic-impact-aamc-medical-schools-and-teaching-hospitals

Cross Subsidization in Academic Medicine





Gov't. Payments Critical to Academic Medicine Missions





Health System Payments in Context

How does a Medicare policy impact my hospital?

Need to translate to their own finances or operations—and impact of cuts on community.

Why does the policy impact me in that way?

Understanding the policy rationale behind special payment streams.

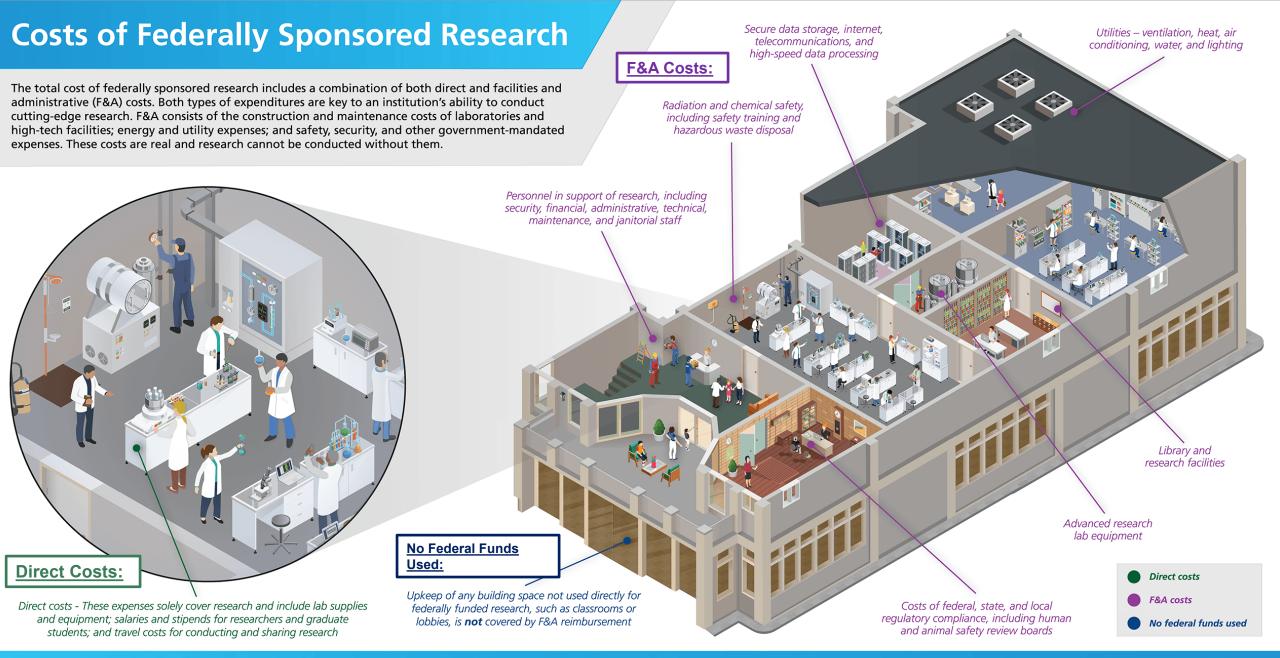
Where should I focus my strategic efforts?

Stability in funding for missions, services critical to long term planning



Research Funding







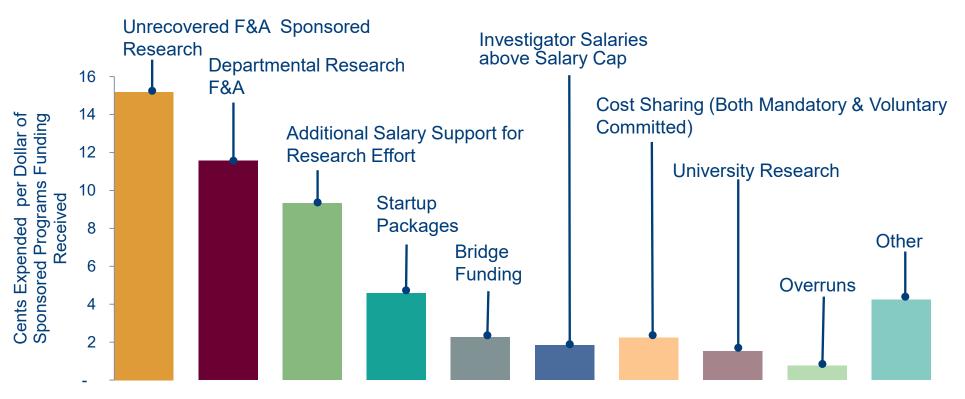






Academic Medicine's Investment in Research

For every \$1 of federal support, on average, med schools contribute \$0.53 more of own funds to research mission.



Average Expenditure by Category

Source: Academic Medicine Investment in Medical Research: Summary and Technical Reports, Association of American Medical Colleges, 2015



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The Research Enterprises at AAMC-Member Institutions Contribute Nationally

\$33 billion in total GDP

\$21 billion in total labor income

348,000 jobs to the entire U.S. economy

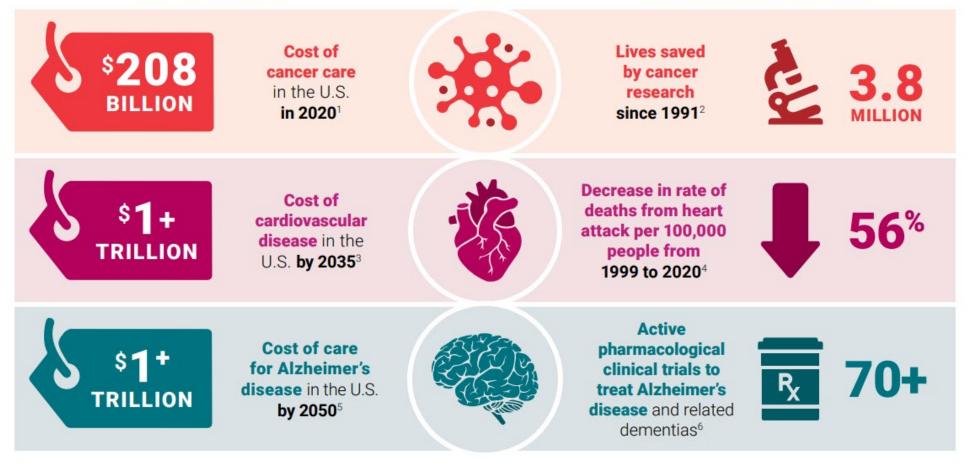
Every dollar granted to AAMC members for research contributes <u>\$1.60</u> to the U.S. economy



AAMC Advocacy: The Value of NIH-Funded Research at Medical Schools and Teaching Hospitals

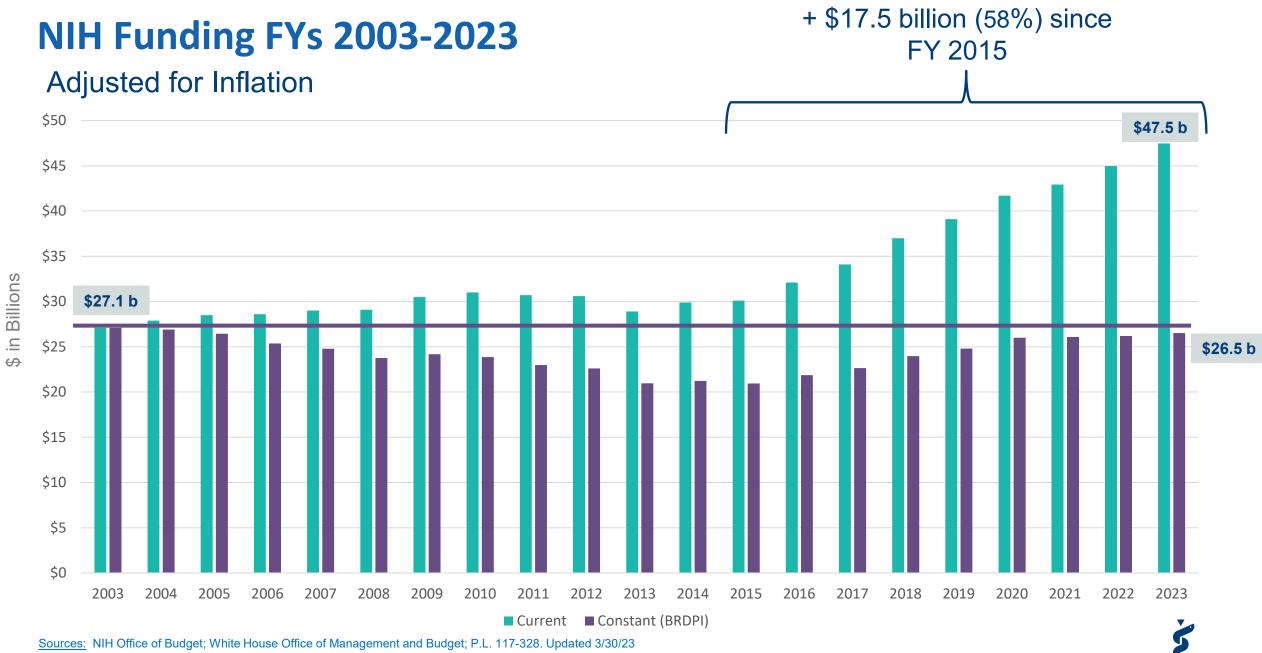
DISEASE IS COSTLY

RESEARCH PROVIDES HOPE



Source: Association of American Medical Colleges, 2024.





Note: Funding levels do not include emergency supplemental funding or funding for the Advanced Research Projects Agency for Health (ARPA-H). © 2019 AAMC. May not be reproduced without permission.

Medical Education: Resource Intense



Federal Sources of Funding for GME

Medicare

The largest single explicit funder of GME programs*

Medicaid

• The Medicaid program contributed about ~\$7.93b

The Department of Veteran's Affairs

• 90% of VA facilities host residents for training

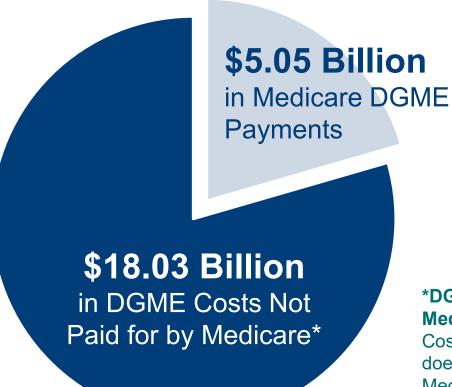
The Health Resources and Services Administration

- Teaching Health Center Graduate Medical Education (THCGME)
- Children's Hospital Graduate Medical Education (CHGME)

Department of Defense

Medicare Covered Only 22% of All DGME Costs for US Teaching Hospitals in FY2021

Total Teaching Hospital DGME Costs FY2021 \$23.1 Billion



*DGME Costs Not Paid for by Medicare = \$3.41B in Medicare Costs above the Cap that Medicare does not pay and \$14.63 B in non-Medicare DGME costs.

Note: This analysis was restricted to hospitals that were included in the FY2024 IPPS impact file released by CMS. The total training costs include intern and resident salary, fringe, and other costs. Source: AAMC Analysis of FY2021 Medicare Cost Report data, July 2023 Hospital Cost Reporting Information System (HCRIS) release. If FY2021 data is not available, FY2020 data is used.



DGME Costs for US Teaching Hospitals in FY2021

There are approximately 125,238 trainees, including 119,539 residents in ACGME accredited programs. Of trainees in those programs, Medicare reimburses only 93,885 at or below the cap established in 1997.

Per Resident Amount, FY2021

DGME Cost per Trainee	Average Cost
Average Cost per trainee	\$184,313
Average Per Resident Amount (PRA)*	\$125,826
Average Medicare DGME payment per Resident (based on Medicare's share of the PRA)	\$53,823
Total Cost of Training in US Teaching Hospitals	\$23.1 billion
Total Medicare DGME Payment	\$5.05 billion
Medicare underpayment (based on Medicare share of DGME costs)	\$3.41 billion

*The amount Medicare uses which represents the maximum payment from Medicare per resident assuming 100% of care is borne by Medicare Source: AAMC Analysis of FY2021 Medicare Cost Report data, July 2023 Hospital Cost Reporting Information System (HCRIS) release. If FY2021 data is not available, FY2020 data is used.

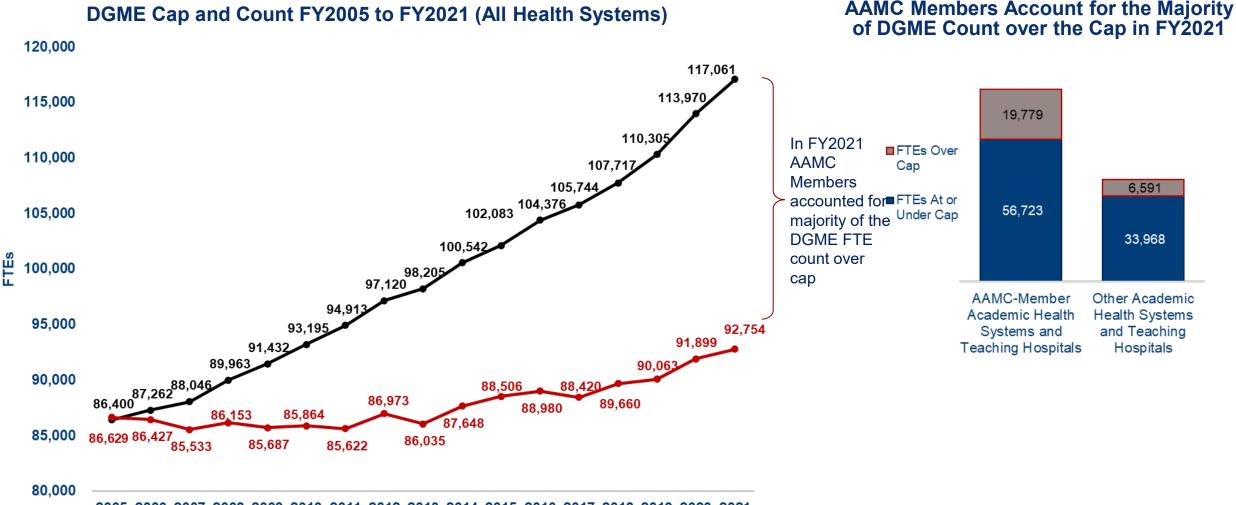


Caps on Medicare GME Payments

- Medicare only supports a <u>limited</u> number of resident training positions, referred to as the Medicare GME cap
 - Caps were introduced in the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 (BBA) in response to concerns of physician oversupply
 Each hospital has its own caps
- Medicare does not pay for residents training over the cap
 Both DGME <u>and</u> IME are capped
 Dental and podiatry residents are not capped
- Medicare GME caps are <u>permanent</u> O Limited exceptions



Trends in GME Cap and Count Growth at Academic Health Systems



2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021

Source: AAMC's analysis of FY2021 Hospital Cost Reporting Information System (HCRIS) data, July 2023 release. <u>Note</u>: DGME counts include allopathic and osteopathic residents. Includes redistributed slots under Section 422, Section 5503, and Section 5506. DGME counts are unweighted FTEs. © AAMC. May not be reproduced without permission.



Policy Updates: New Medicare Funded GME Slots

CAA, 2021 included 1,000 new Medicare-supported GME positions for hospitals adding new programs or expanding existing programs; first awards were effective as of July 1, 2023

CAA, **2023** Included 200 new Medicare-supported GME positions; at least 100 of the positions must be for psych or psych subspecialty programs. First awards effective as of July 1, 2026

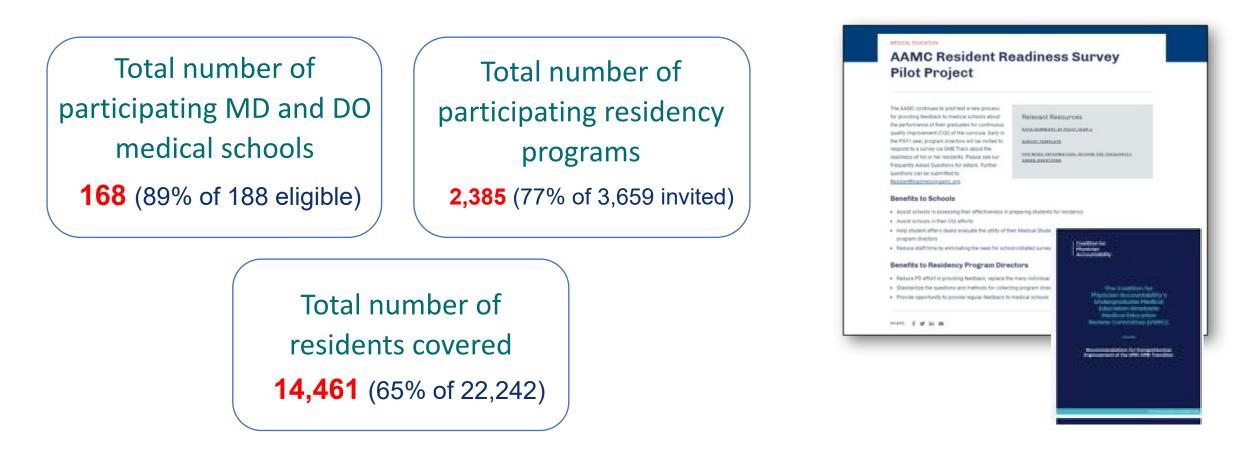


Challenges in Medical Education

- Competency Based Medical Education (CBME)
- Transition to Residency
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI)
- Artificial Intelligence (AI)
- Public and population health
- Transition to Residency (TTR)



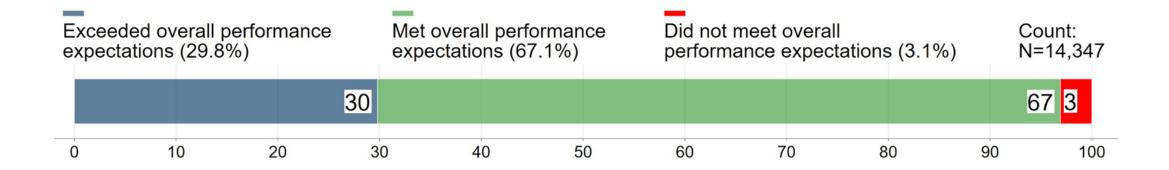
Medical School Participation in the 2022 Resident Readiness Survey



Source: Lisa Howley, Douglas Grbic, Mark R. Speicher, Lindsay B. Roskovensky, Amy Jayas, Dorothy A. Andriole; The Resident Readiness Survey: A National Process for Program Directors to Provide Standardized Feedback to Medical Schools About Their Graduates. *J Grad Med Educ* 1 October 2023; 15 (5): 572–581.



Overall Readiness



During the transition to GME (0-6 months of PGY-1 year), did this resident meet overall performance expectations?

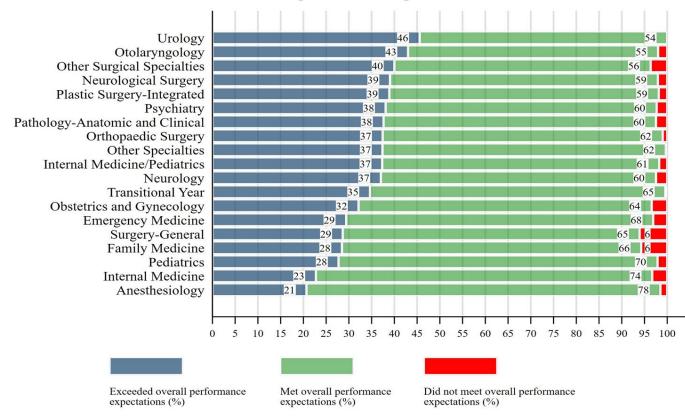
- 29.8% "exceeded"
- 67.1% "met"
- 3.1% "did not meet"

Source: Lisa Howley, Douglas Grbic, Mark R. Speicher, Lindsay B. Roskovensky, Amy Jayas, Dorothy A. Andriole; The Resident Readiness Survey: A National Process for Program Directors to Provide Standardized Feedback to Medical Schools About Their Graduates. *J Grad Med Educ* 1 October 2023; 15 (5): 572–581.



Overall Readiness By Specialty

During the transition to GME (0-6 months of PGY-1 year), did this resident meet overall performance expectations?



"Other specialties" includes, for example, dermatology and radiology

NOTE: N = 14,347

Source: Lisa Howley, Douglas Grbic, Mark R. Speicher, Lindsay B. Roskovensky, Amy Jayas, Dorothy A. Andriole; The Resident Readiness Survey: A National Process for Program Directors to Provide Standardized Feedback to Medical Schools About Their Graduates. *J Grad Med Educ* 1 October 2023; 15 (5): 572–581.





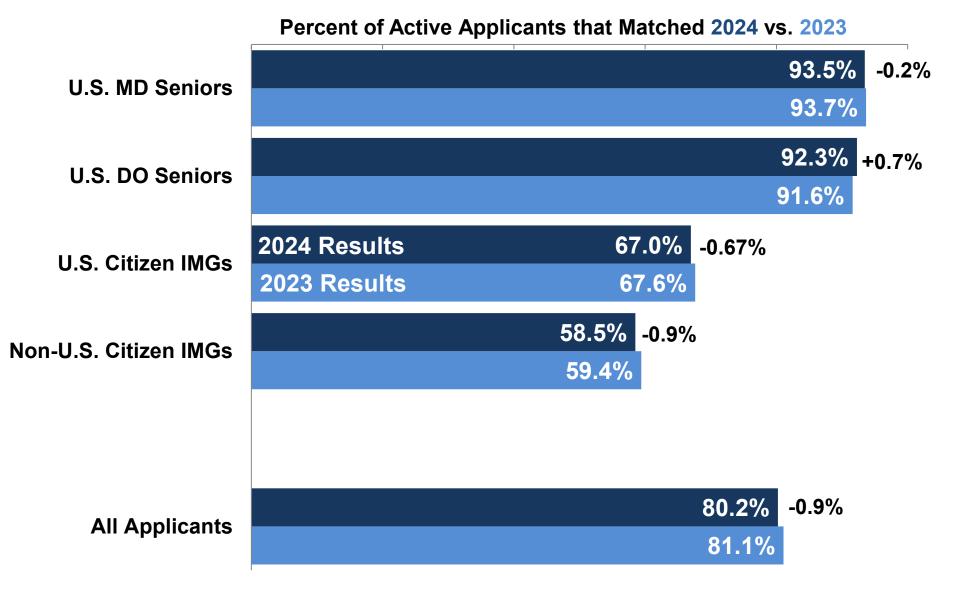


Innovation Transitioning to a Strong Future



2024 NRMP® Match Data

Main Residency Match results prior to SOAP[®] week



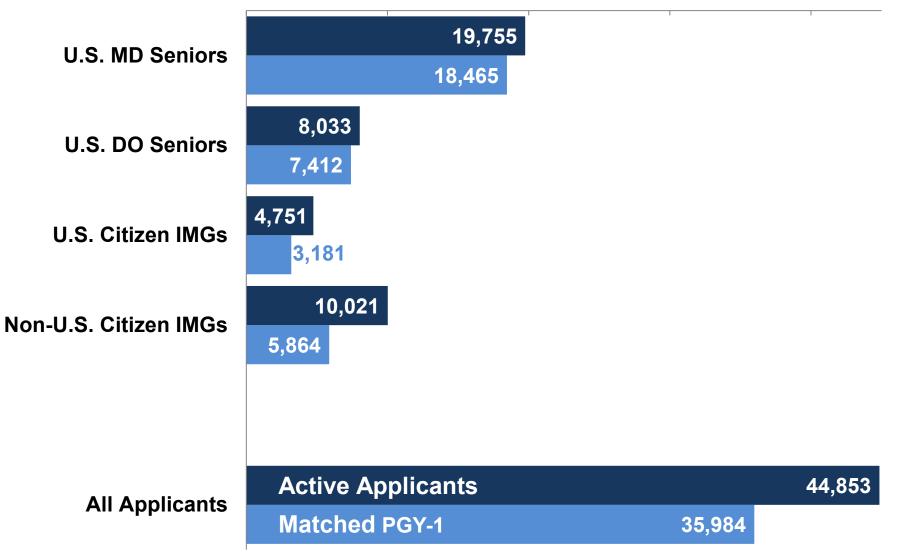
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Source: NRMP Advance Tables, 2024 Main Residency Match. "All Applicants" includes minor categories not shown.

2024 NRMP® Match Data

Main Residency Match results prior to SOAP[®] week

Count of Active Applicants and Matched PGY-1





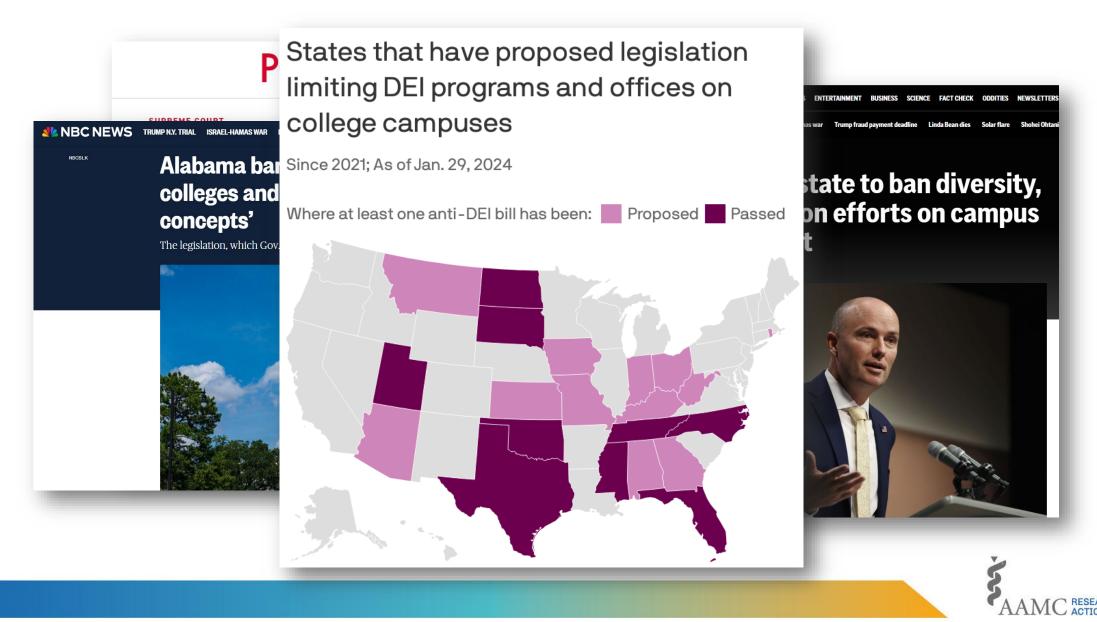
Overall PGY-1 Positions Filled and Percent filled by US M.D. Seniors Top 14 Specialties with most US M.D. Seniors 2024 Main Residency Match

Percent of All PGY-1 Positions Filled and Percent Filled by US M.D. Seniors

Internal Medicine (Categorical)	36.8%	95.2%
Family Medicine	33.2%	87.8%
Pediatrics (Categorical)	51.8%	91.8%
Psychiatry	58.8%	99.5%
Emergency Medicine	44.4%	95.5%
Anesthesiology		70.3% 100.0%
Medicine-Prelim. (PGY-1 Only)		78.0% 91.9%
Obstetrics-Gynecology		72.0% 99.6%
Surgery (Categorical)	62.5%	6 99.7%
Transitional (PGY-1 Only)	6	8.2% 86.8%
Orthopedic Surgery		79.3% 99.9%
Neurology	53.1%	99.9%
Otolaryngology	89.0% 99.7%	
Medicine-Pediatrics		86.9% 100.0%

Source: NRMP Advance Tables, 2024 Main Residency Match.

Assaults on DEI in Academic Medicine



AAMC Center for Health Justice collaborates with public health and community-based organizations, government and health care entities, the private sector, community leaders, and community members. The center builds a case for health justice through research, analysis, and collaborations that drive our efforts to build a better future.



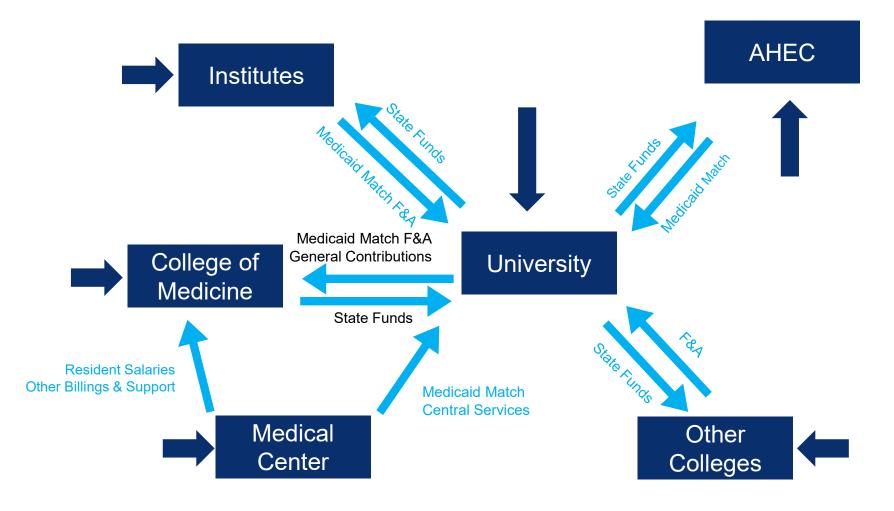
- Develop tools to help institutions and community organizations communicate with each other about their health equity work.
- Guide institutions toward a deeper understanding of equity-focused, person-first language and narratives
- Conduct nationally representative opinion polling to learn how the public feels about health equity and justice.
- Produce original research and analysis to build support for policy and practice changes that have a systemic impact.



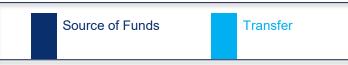
Clinical Care: A Mixed Bag



Complexity in Missions and Financing



Slide by Kurt Salmon 9/14/2014







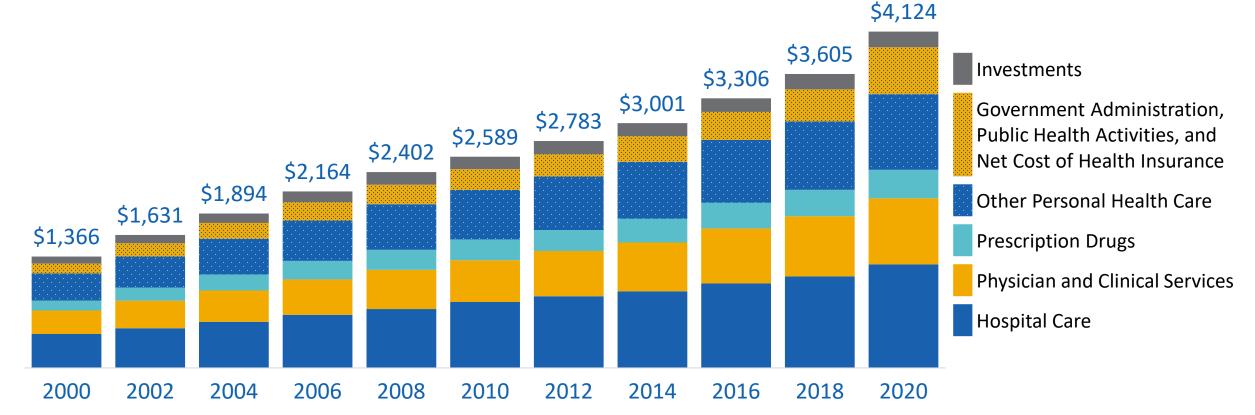
(number of services delivered per person)

(number of people to whom services are delivered) ×

(average cost of each service)



National health spending continues to grow, and hospital care remains around 30% of total.



Note: Investments include research and development spending of drug companies and other manufacturers and providers of medical equipment and structures. Other Personal Health Care includes other professional and dental services, home health care, medical equipment and products, nursing care facilities and continuing care retirement communities, and other health, residential, and personal care. Sources: AAMC analysis of Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. National Health Expenditure Data. https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-

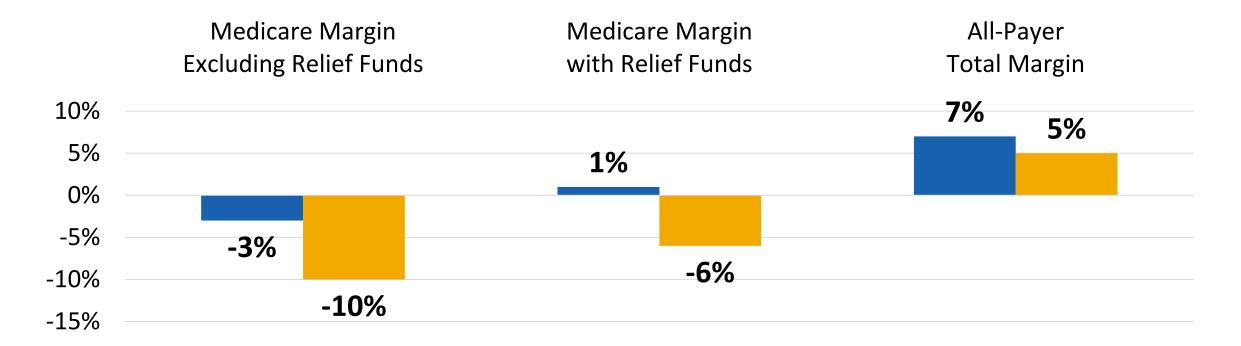
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https://www.aamcresearchinstitute.org/our-work/issue-brief/health-care-costs-what-s-problem

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Even the most efficient providers lose money on patients with Medicare

Relatively Efficient Hospitals
Other Hospitals

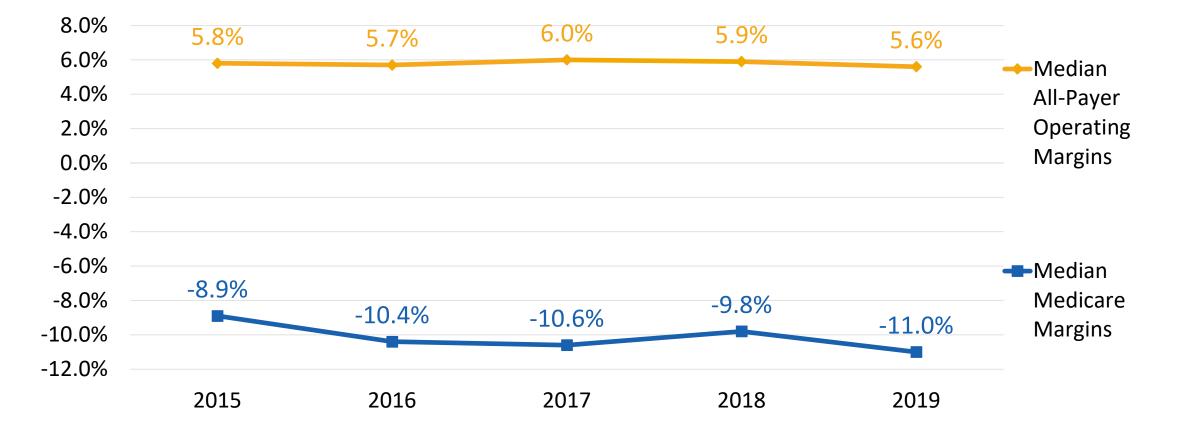


Note: Relief funds were those provided during COVID-19.

<u>Source:</u> Medicare Payment Advisory Commission. Medicare Payment Policy: Report to the Congress. https://www.medpac.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Mar22_MedPAC_ReportToCongress_SEC.pdf. Published March 15, 2022. Accessed March 22, 2022.

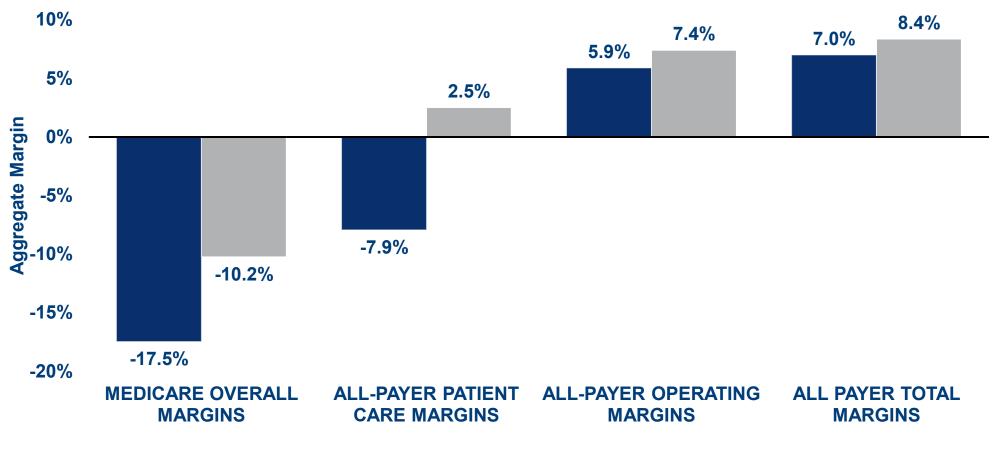


Medicare & All-Payer Margins for U.S. Hospitals, 2015-2019



Note: All margin calculations are based on an AAMC analysis of cost reports between Oct. 1, 2014, and Sept. 30, 2019 for all U.S. hospitals. Margins are as reported after sequestration and exclude costs (both high and low) for outlier institutions. The general formula is as follows: (revenues expenses)/revenues. For the operating margin, revenues include all sources other than contributions, donations, bequests, and investment income and expenses include all hospital expenses. Source: Hospital Cost Reporting Information System (HCRIS), released Sept. 30 each year, obtained from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

Aggregate Margins at AAMC-Member and Non-Member Teaching Hospitals, FY2021



■ AAMC Member Hospitals

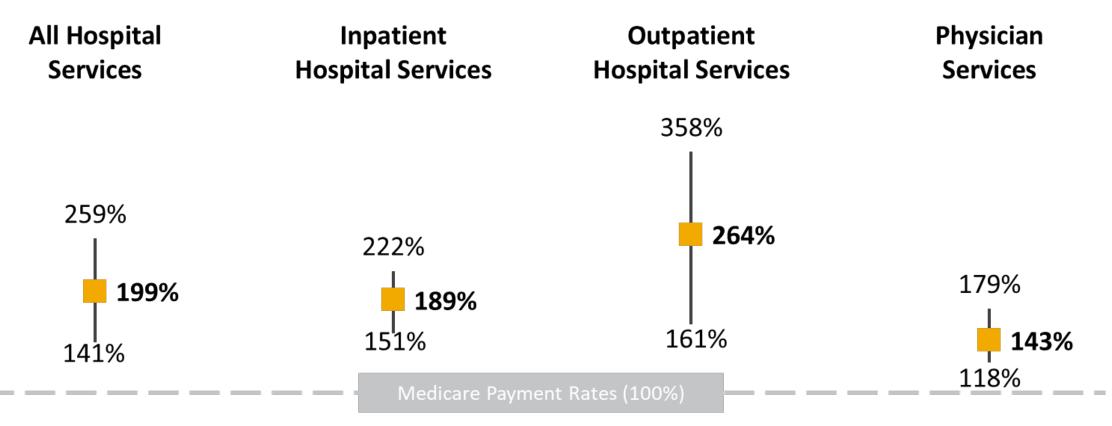
Non-Teaching

Notes: Margins are as reported, after sequestration, and excludes outlier institutions, both high and low. General formula: (Revenues - Expenses) / Revenues. Operating Margin: revenues include all sources other than "Contributions, Donations, Bequests" and "Investment Income" and expenses include all hospital expenses. Source: AAMC analysis of FY2021 the Hospital Cost Reporting Information System (HCRIS) released on July 30, 2023. AAMC membership data, September 2023.



Private insurance payment rates are about twice the rate Medicare pays

Average Private Insurance Rates as a Percentage of Medicare Rates, Across Studies Using 2010-2017 Data



Private insurance payment rates relative to Medicare payment rates for hospital and physician services.

Source: Lopez E, Neuman T, Jacobson G, et al. How Much More Than Medicare Do Private Insurers Pay? A Review of the Literature. Executive Summary. San Francisco, CA: The Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation. https://www.kff.org/medicare/issue-brief/how-much-more-than-medicare-do-private-insurers-pay-a-review-of-the-literature/. Published April 15, 2020. Accessed Feb. 10, 2022.



"So-called" Site Neutral Payments – Solution?

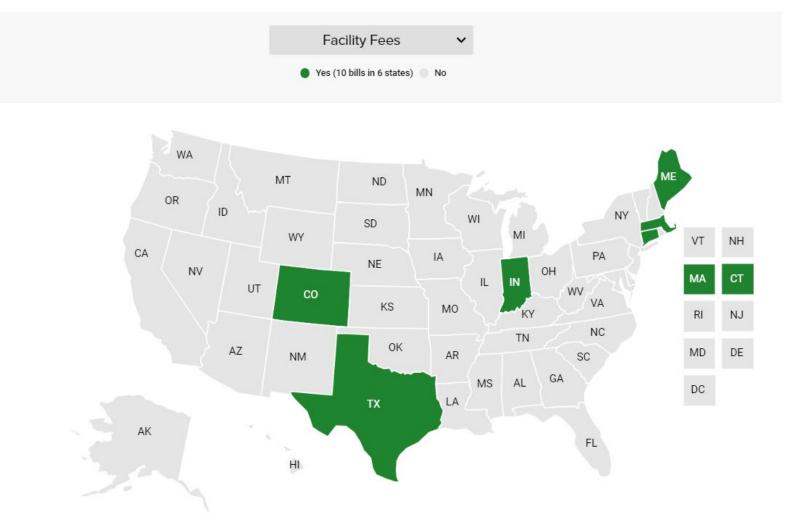
Proponents claim it will save millions in Medicare, but opponents say outpatient sites offer higher level of care that comes with additional licensing, accreditation, and regulatory requirements not offered in physician offices, as well as account for other costs hospitals incur

Major hospital groups (like AAMC) are fighting back

- Site Neutral Payments disproportionately impact teaching hospitals and reduce access to care for Medicare beneficiaries
- Smaller hospitals, rural hospitals, government-run, and safety net hospitals will see a greater drop in Medicare revenue



State Tracker of Legislative Bills on Facility Fees

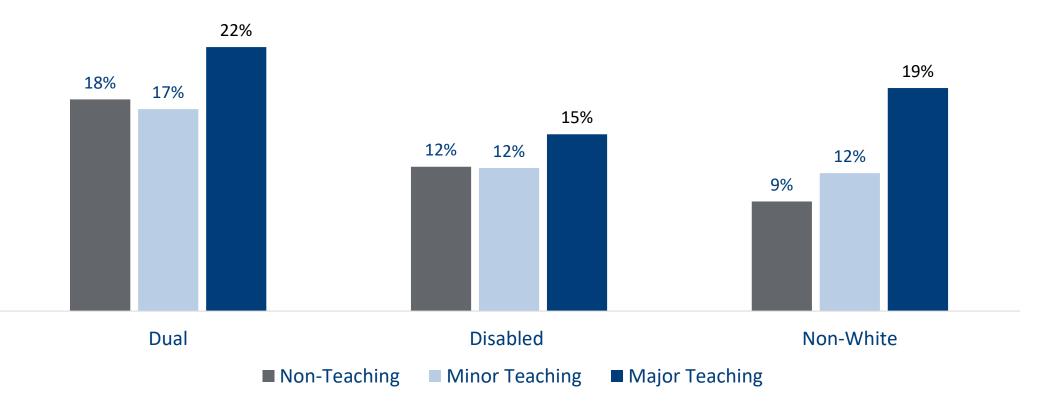


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Source: National Academy for State Health Policy (NASHP) 2023.

Major Teaching Hospitals Serve Proportionately More Vulnerable Patients at all HOPDs

Percent Hospital Outpatient Visits by Patient Population

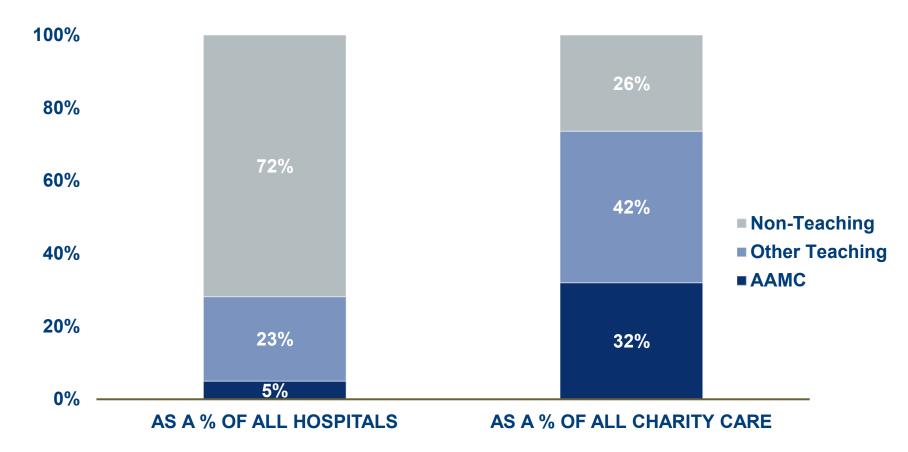


<u>Note</u>: Major Teaching are defined as having intern and resident to bed ratios (IRB) equal to or greater than 0.25. Minor teaching are defined as having IRB of less than 0.25 and Non-Teaching are defined as having IRB equal 0. Source: AAMC Analysis of 2021 5% Medicare Standard Analytic File.



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Proportion of Charity Care Costs Provided at Hospitals by Teaching Status, 2022



Notes: Data reflect short-term, general, nonfederal hospitals. Data for AAMC-member teaching hospitals reflect integrated and independent AAMC members. Charity care is defined as the revenue forgone as a result of care provided without the expectation of payment. As these labels are rounded percentages, the totals for each bar may not add up to 100%. Source: AAMC analysis of FY2022 American Hospital Association data. AAMC membership data, December 2023.



HOSPITALS

By Jill R. Horwitz and Austin Nichols

Hospital Service Offerings Still Differ Substantially By Ownership Type

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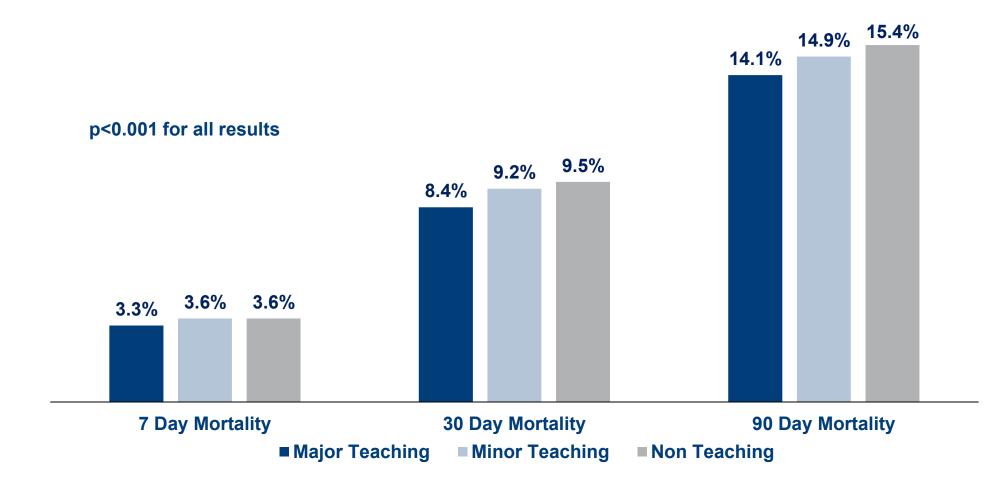
ABSTRACT Nonprofit, for-profit, and government hospitals are all more likely to offer services when they are relatively profitable than when they are relatively unprofitable. However, for-profit hospitals are considerably more likely than others to provide services based on profitability. After hospital and market characteristics are adjusted for, nonprofit hospitals offer relatively unprofitable services more than for-profit hospitals and less than government hospitals. Profitable services typically exhibit the opposite pattern. For-profit hospitals are also more likely to adopt or discontinue services consistent with changes in service profitability than are nonprofits, which in turn are more likely to do so than government hospitals. These results are similar to those we found before passage of the Affordable Care Act, when many more patients were uninsured. Policy makers and researchers tend to focus on whether nonprofit hospitals provide sufficient free care to justify tax benefits, thereby overlooking the significance of ownership for service provision, which likely has critical health and spending consequences.

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Austin Nichols, Abt Associates, Rockville, Maryland. March 2022 *Health Affairs* article finds nonprofits were 6% and government hospitals were 9% more likely than comparable for-profits to offer unprofitable services.



Value: Patient Mortality is Lower at Teaching Hospitals



Notes: Model includes state fixed effects and adjusted for correlation of patients at the hospital level. Patient characteristic adjustments include principal discharge Diagnosis Related Group Weight, age, sex, Medicaid eligibility, and Hierarchical Condition Category. Hospital characteristic adjustments include profit status, rural/urban location, and volume of hospitalizations.

Source: Burke, Laura G., Austin B. Frakt, Dhruv Khullar, E. John Orav, and Ashish K. Jha. "Association Between Teaching Status and Mortality in US Hospitals." JAMA 317, no. 20 (2017): 2105-2113.

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What Are The Uncompensated Costs?

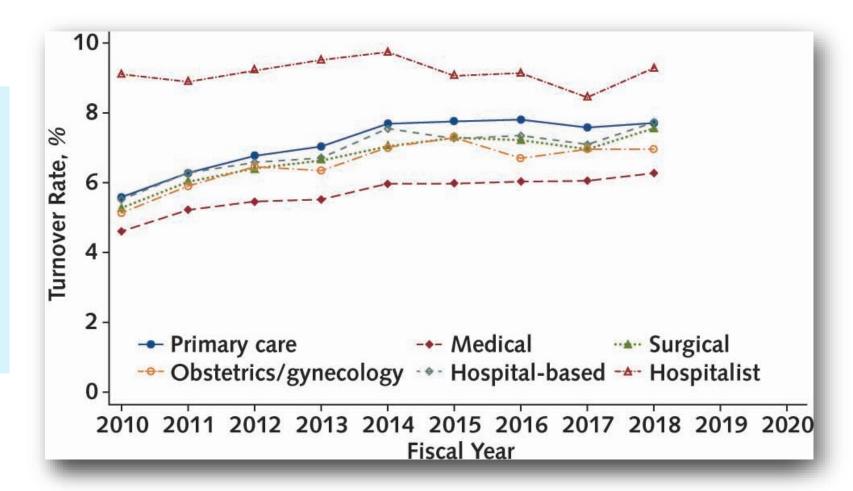
Patient Care	example	
-Standby costs of personnel, facilities	Trauma team, dedicated rooms on hold	
-Services that are loss leaders	Mental health, primary care, inpt psych, Trauma	
-Services that lose \$\$\$ depending upon payer	Medicaid and Medicare losses	
-Advancing new models of care	Inter-professional/interdisciplinary care	
-Uncaptured complexity of care	MCC and complex/acute pts in MS-DRG	
Research	example	
-Start up and recruitment funds	Bridge funding, recruitment pkgs	
-Ongoing personnel costs	Salary cap gap funding	

Where are costs rising? Labor, drug and supply acquisition? How does it affect losses?



Physician Turnover Rates Increase Costs

July 2023 Annals of Internal Medicine study finds annual physician turnover has risen steadily with rates from 5.3% to 7.6% between 2010 - 2018

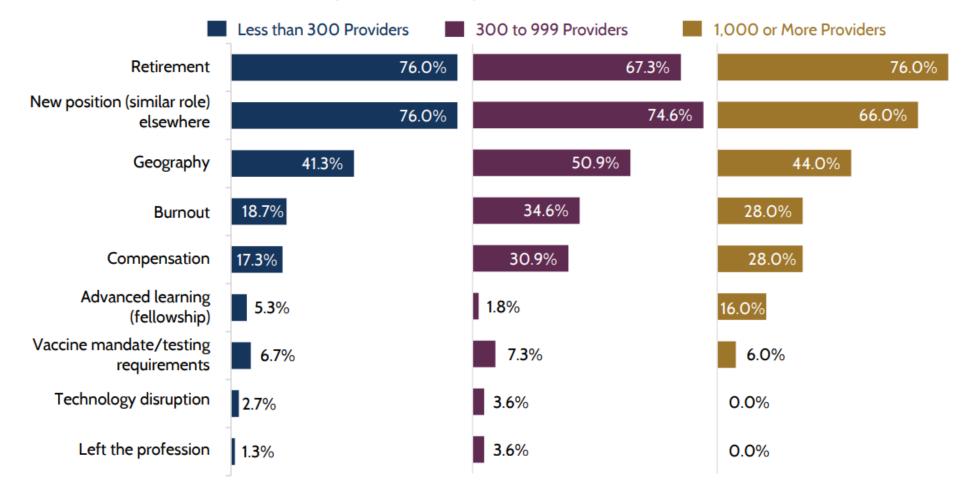


Source: Amelia M. Bond, Lawrence P. Casalino, Ming Tai-Seale, et al. Physician Turnover in the United States. Ann Intern Med. 2023;176:896-903.



Why Are Physician Turnover Rates Increasing?

Primary Reason for Physician Turnover in 2021



Source: Physician and Provider Retention and Turnover Report, 2022. Association for Advancing Physician and Provider Recruitment (AAPPR)

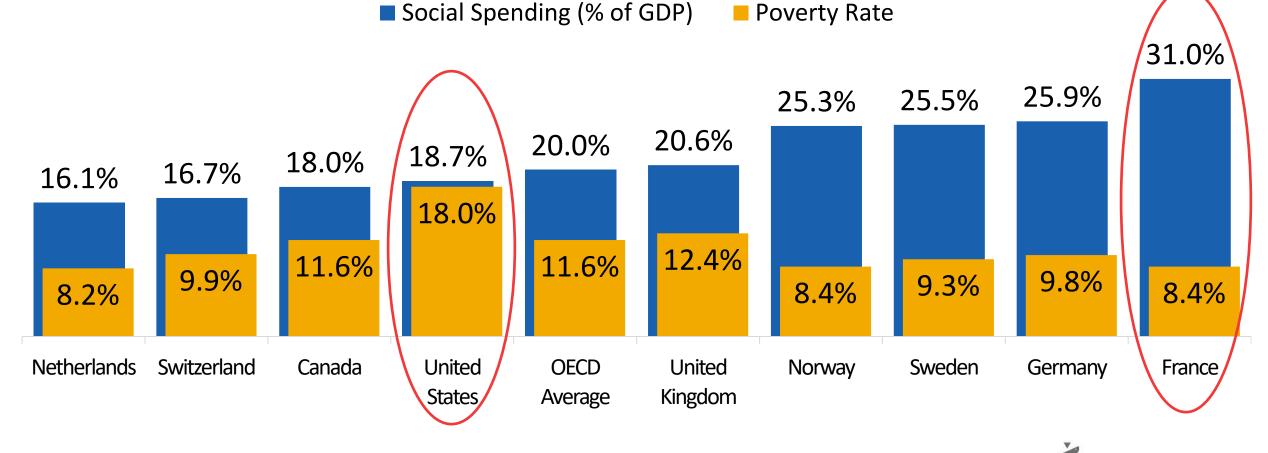


Social Determinants Drive Mortality



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The U.S. spends less than other countries on social services despite higher poverty rates

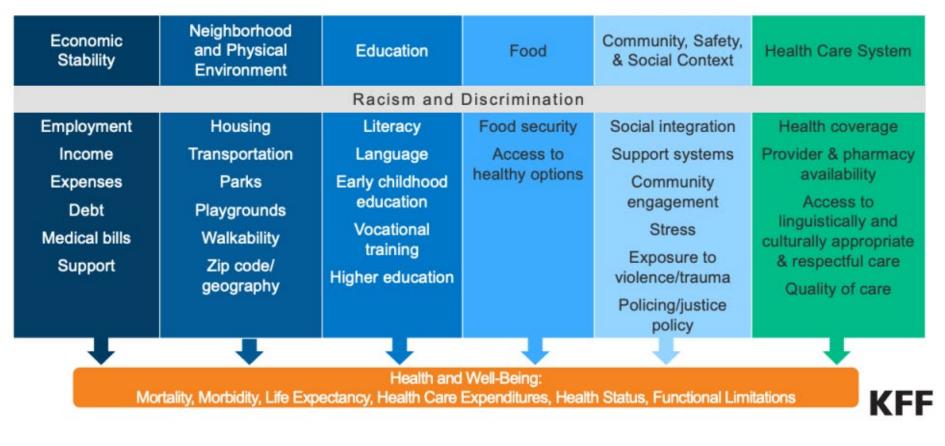


Note: Values for Canada and Switzerland are from 2018; data for all other countries are from 2019. Source: OECD (2022), Social spending (indicator). doi: 10.1787/7497563b-en (Accessed on 25 March 2022).

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Figure 4

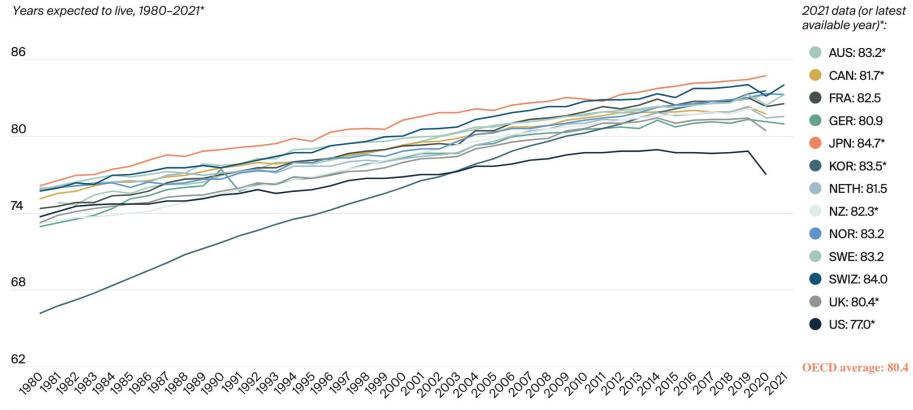
Health Disparities are Driven by Social and Economic Inequities



Source: Ndugga, N, Artiga, S. Disparities in Health and Health Care: 5 Key Questions and Answers. KFF Health News, 2023.



U.S. life expectancy at birth is three years lower than the OECD average.



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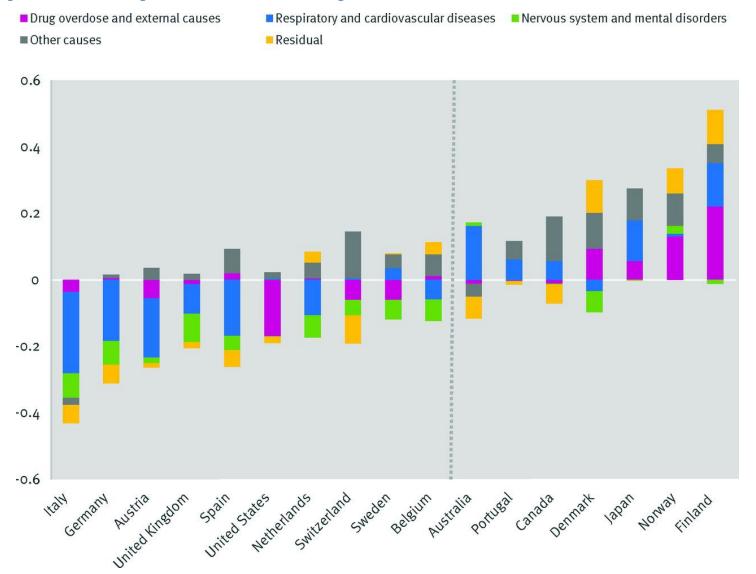
Note: * 2020 data. Total population at birth. OECD average reflects the average of 38 OECD member countries, including ones not shown here. Because of methodological differences, JPN and UK data points are estimates.

Data: OECD Health Statistics 2022.

Source: Munira Z. Gunja, Evan D. Gumas, and Reginald D. Williams II, U.S. Health Care from a Global Perspective, 2022: Accelerating Spending, Worsening Outcomes (Commonwealth Fund, Jan.



US Life Expectancy Declines By Cause of Death

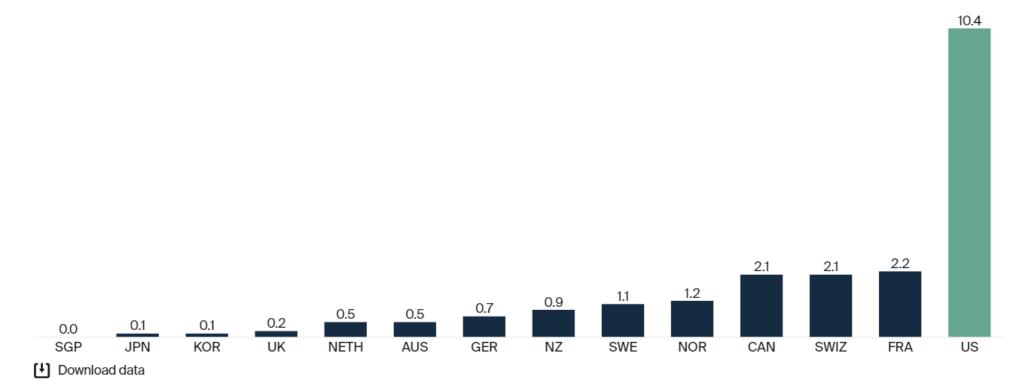


Source: Ho J Y, Hendi A S. Recent trends in life expectancy across high income countries: retrospective observational study BMJ 2018; 362:k2562 doi:10.1136/bmj.k2562 https://www.bmj.com/content/362/bmj.k2562



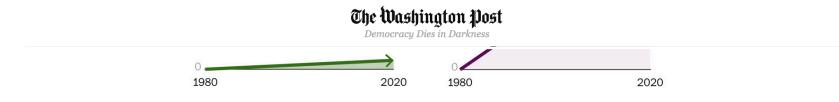
The U.S. has the highest rate of firearm deaths, nearly five times that of the second-highest country, France.

Age-standardized rate of death because of firearms per 100,000 people, 2019



<u>Source:</u> The Commonwealth Fund. April 20, 2023. <u>https://www.commonwealthfund.org/publications/2023/apr/health-costs-gun-violence-how-us-compares-other-countries#1</u>

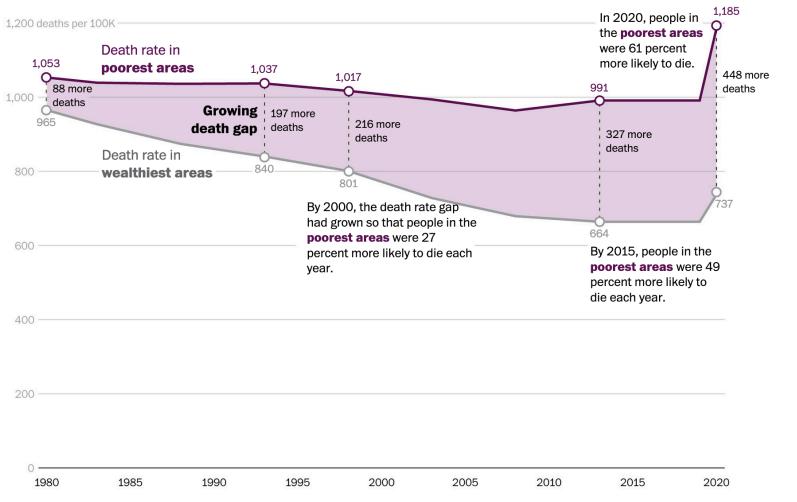




SMALL DEATH GAP HAS GROWN WIDE

Death rates of poorest and richest counties

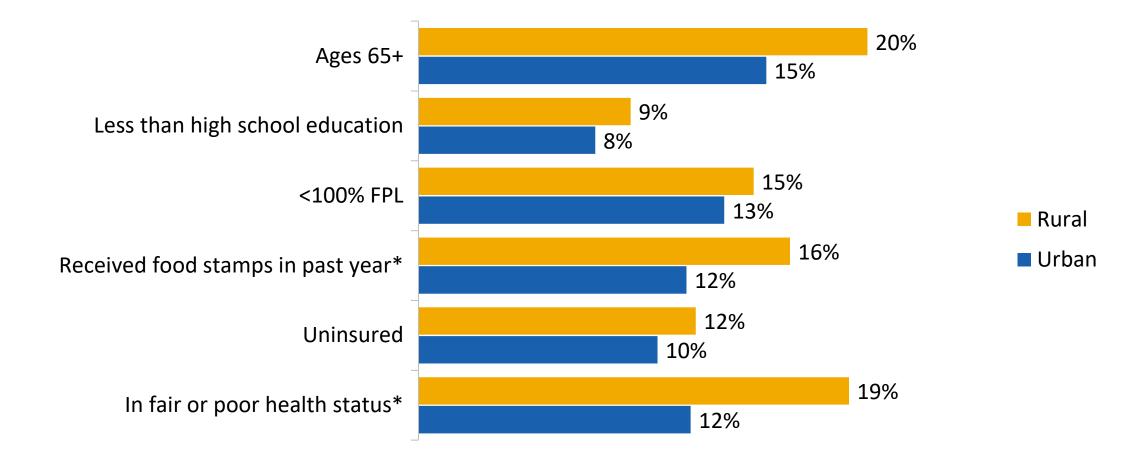
In the early 1980s, people in the poorest areas were 9 percent more likely to die each year, with 88 more deaths per 100,000 people than their wealthy counterparts. That gap has widened significantly over time.



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Note: Income differences are adjusted for inflation.

Rural areas have higher shares of people ages 65+, with incomes below poverty, and in fair or poor health than urban areas



Note: * Indicates comparison is between nonmetro (labeled Rural) and metro (labeled Urban). Uninsured rates are for those ages 0 to 64. Educational attainment is among those ages 35 and older. Health status is self-reported. Source: 2021 American Community Survey and 2021 National Health Interview Survey



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