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Projected Shortage of Physicians through 2030

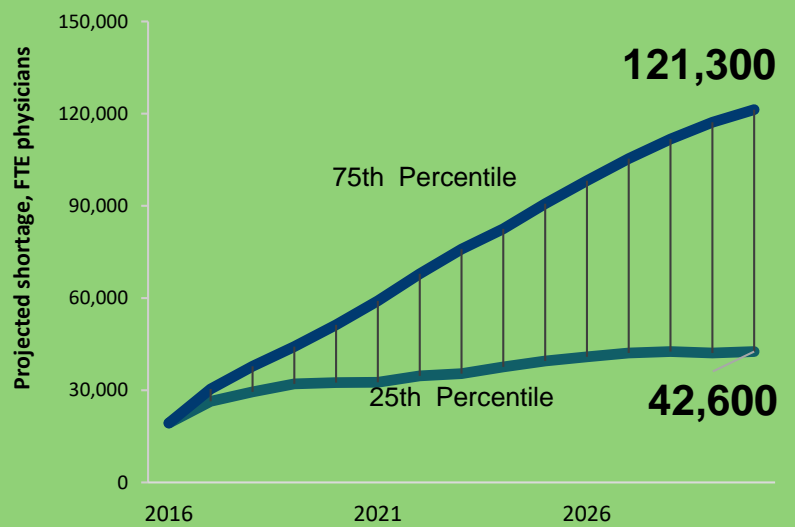
Size of Projected Shortage Varies by Specialty Group

Source: The 2018 Update: Complexities of Physician Supply and Demand: Projections from 2016 to 2030.

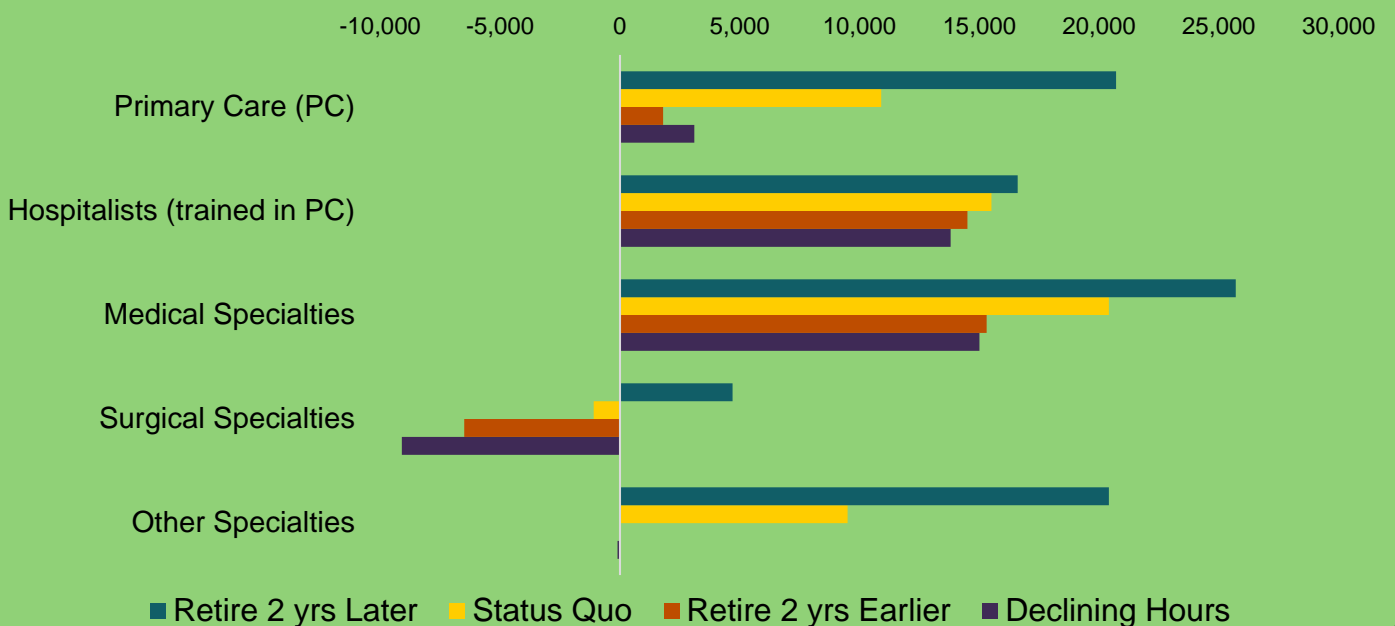
Physician demand in the US continues to grow faster than supply

- ✓ By 2030 demand for physicians will exceed supply by a range of 42,600 to 121,300.
- ✓ The projected physician shortage persists under most likely scenarios: a moderate increase in use of advanced practice nurses & PAs, greater use of retail clinics, delayed physician retirement, & rapid changes in payment & delivery (e.g., ACOs).

Total projected physician shortfall range 2016-2030



Projected Change in Physician Supply by Specialty Category, 2016-2030



- ✓ In most specialty groups, supply is projected to grow - though not at a rate that will keep pace with projected demand.
- ✓ In the surgical specialties, a largely stagnant or declining supply will contribute significantly to projected shortages.

Additional Information:

For more information on the Complexities of Physician Supply and Demand: Projections from 2016 to 2030: aamc.org/workforce