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Primary Care Workforce

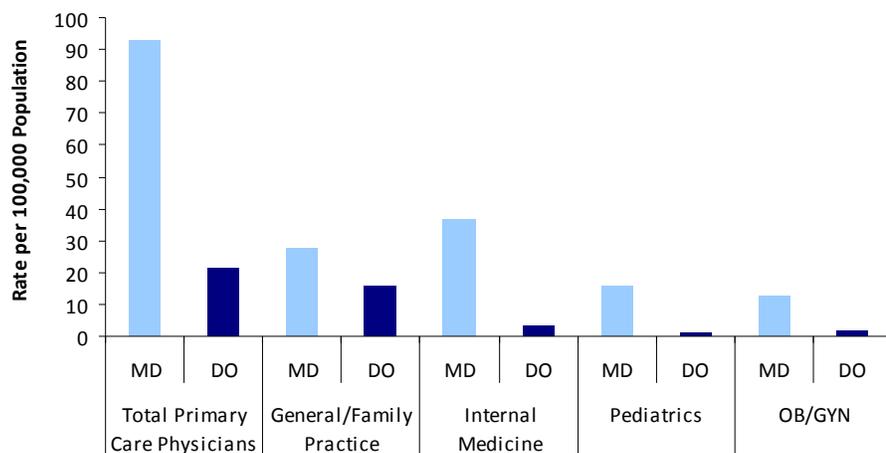
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Indicator Definition: Rate of primary care physicians per specialty in Michigan.

Indicator Overview:

- Michigan and the United States will soon be presented with serious shortages of primary care physicians as an increased number of medical students are choosing non-primary care specialties as opposed to primary care, and existing primary care physicians are leaving the workforce.
- Nearly one in five Americans lacks sufficient access to primary care due to physician shortages.
- Physicians employed by the federal government are not included in the rates presented below. A federal physician is defined as full-time employment by the federal government, including the Army, Navy, Air Force, Veterans Administration, the Public Health Service, and other federally funded agencies.

Primary Care Physicians (MD - 2008, DO - 2007) and Their Specialities in Michigan



←**Trends:** There are more MD primary care physicians than DO primary care physicians in Michigan. A higher percentage of MDs are internal medicine subspecialists among all primary care subspecialists. A higher percentage of DOs are General/Family Practice subspecialists among all DO primary care sub-specialists.

Links to Other Sources of Information:

Area Resource File: HRSA: <http://www.arf.hrsa.gov/>

Links to Related Public Health Programs:

MDCH: Michigan Healthcare Workforce Center:

<http://www.michigan.gov/healthcareworkforcecenter/0,1607,7-231-43178-150217--,00.html>

LARA: Health Careers in Michigan: <http://www.michigan.gov/healthcareers>