

Indiana Physician Shortage Facts

THE PROBLEM

Physician supply lags patient demand nationally and across Indiana. As supply falls, patients wait longer to see a doctor, and doctors burn out.

BY 2030

The U.S. is projected to have 120,000 too few doctors nationally.¹⁻³



- ▶ Nearly 40% of American physicians will reach retirement age.
- ▶ 33.3% of Indiana physicians are within retirement range right now.

Indiana is projected to be short 817 doctors. 4-6

- There are only 116 residency slots in Indiana for primary care each year.
- ▶ 45.2% of those new doctors will practice out of state.



71 of Indiana's 92 counties are health professional shortage areas (HPSA).7-9

- ▶ Low-income citizens are disproportionately affected by these shortages.
- ► HPSA designations indicate areas where there are 3,500 or more patients for every one provider.
- ▶ 2,033,082 Indiana residents live in a HPSA.

Indiana's physician-to-patient ratio is 23 percent worse than the national average.

45% worse for critical care medicine

24% worse
in emergency
medicine

64% worse in geriatric medicine 52% worse in internal medicine 48% worse in pediatric medicine

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