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Medical School Applicant and Matriculant Pool Trends

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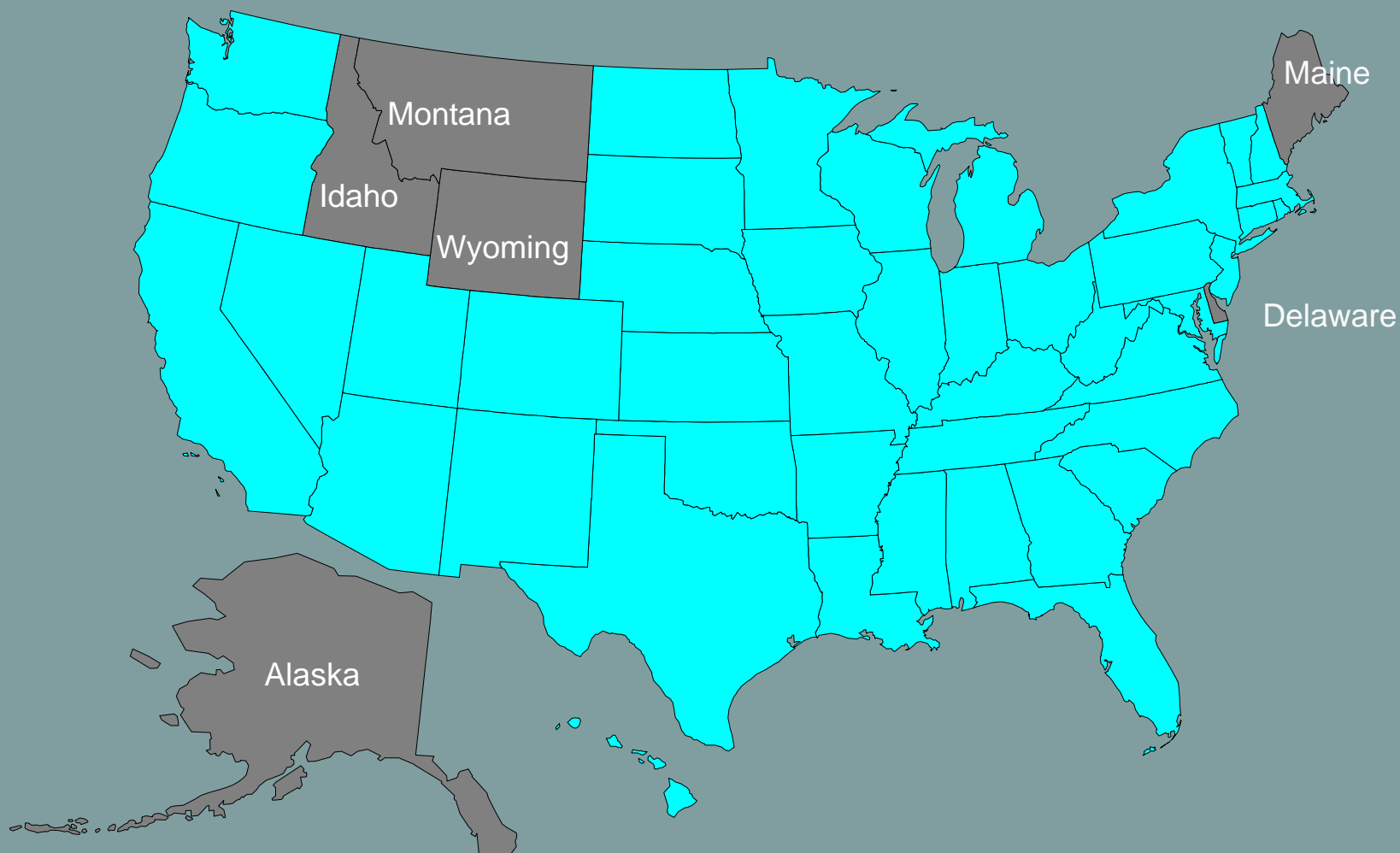


- @2 million records scanning from 1970s-2009
- Centralized Services allow us to provide snapshots as well as trends
- Link on AAMC ID to provide outcomes information.

Medical Schools Admissions: Context and Challenges

- **Context:**
 - Typical Path—Bachelor Degree (4-5 years), Medical School (4-8 years), Residency (3-7 years), Board Certification
 - Four Major Exams—MCAT, USMLE Steps 1,2 and 3
 - Selection Criteria balances both competency and compassion
- **Challenges**
 - Attraction to Medicine and the Composition of the Entering Class
 - Meeting Population Growth and Medical Service needs/demands
 - Expansion of Medical Schools and Residency Positions

131 MD Granting Medical Schools in the U.S. and the territories



Only Six States (AK, MT, ID, WY, DE, ME) do not have a medical school

2009 Applicants and Entering Class

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Medical-School Applications Barely Rise Even as Doctor Shortage Looms

By Katherine Mangan

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Med School Enrollment Inches Up

First-year medical enrollments are up 2 percent over last year, the [Association of American Medical Colleges announced](#) Tuesday. Half of that increase comes from the start of operations of four new medical schools, and half from increased enrollments at older institutions. Twelve medical schools -- responding to projections of a doctor shortage -- increased their class size by 7 percent or more for those entering this fall. Data released by the AAMC also show that:

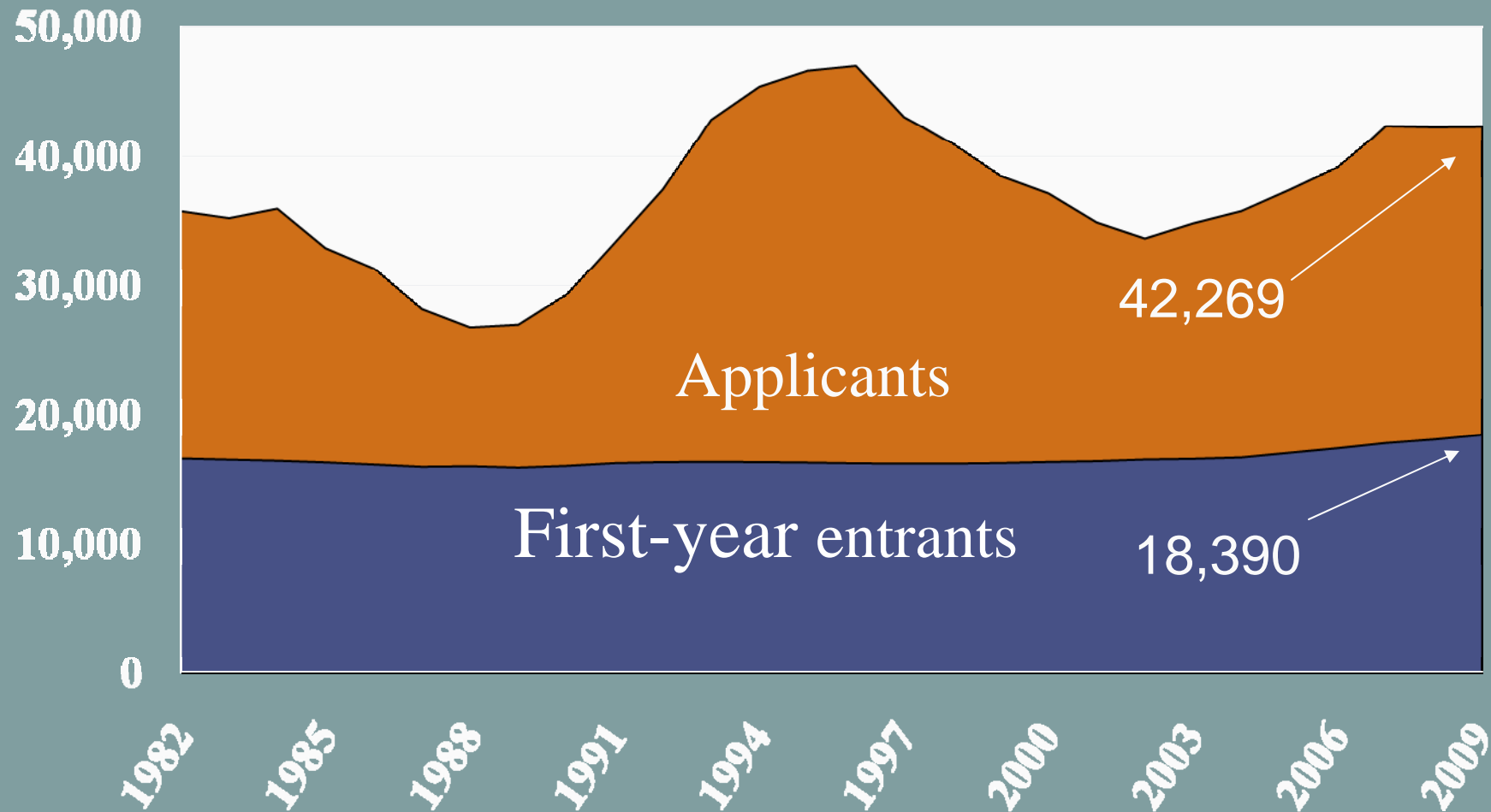
- Male applicants (22,014) outnumbered female applicants (20,252) in 2009.
- The percentage of male enrollees also topped female enrollees in the 2009 entering class, 52 to 48 percent.
- The number of black applicants increased to 3,482 (up 4 percent over 2008), and this year's entering class had the largest number of black students (1,312, an increase of 7 percent).
- Latino applicant numbers dropped to 3,061, a 1 percent decrease from 2008; the enrollees in this group also declined slightly to 1,412 from 1,416 last year.

Other News Today

Medical school enrollment numbers continue to rise

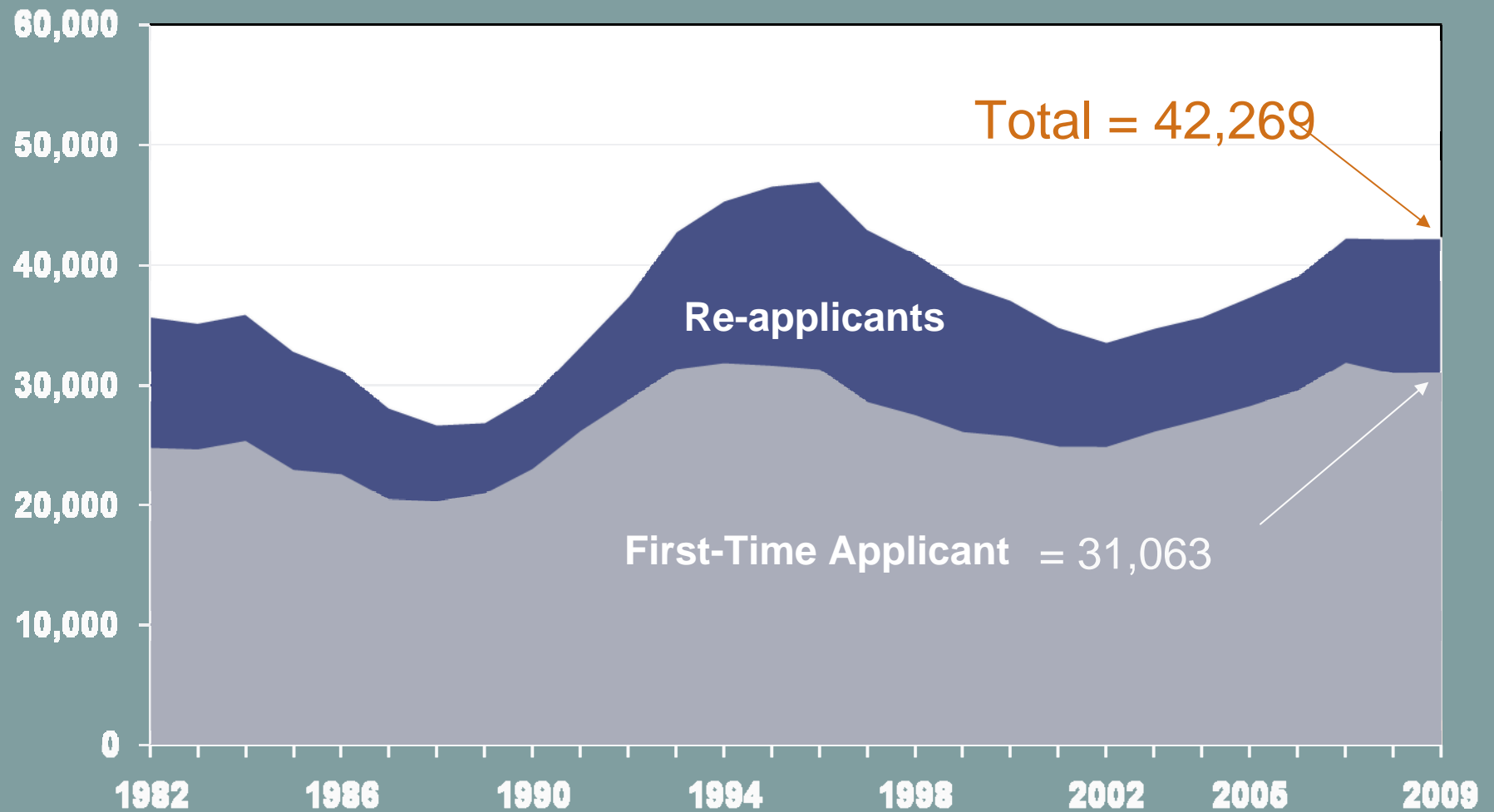
Four new institutions helped lead to a 2% increase—to 18,390 from 18,036—in enrollment at U.S. ... [FULL STORY](#)

Medical School Applicants and First-year Entrants



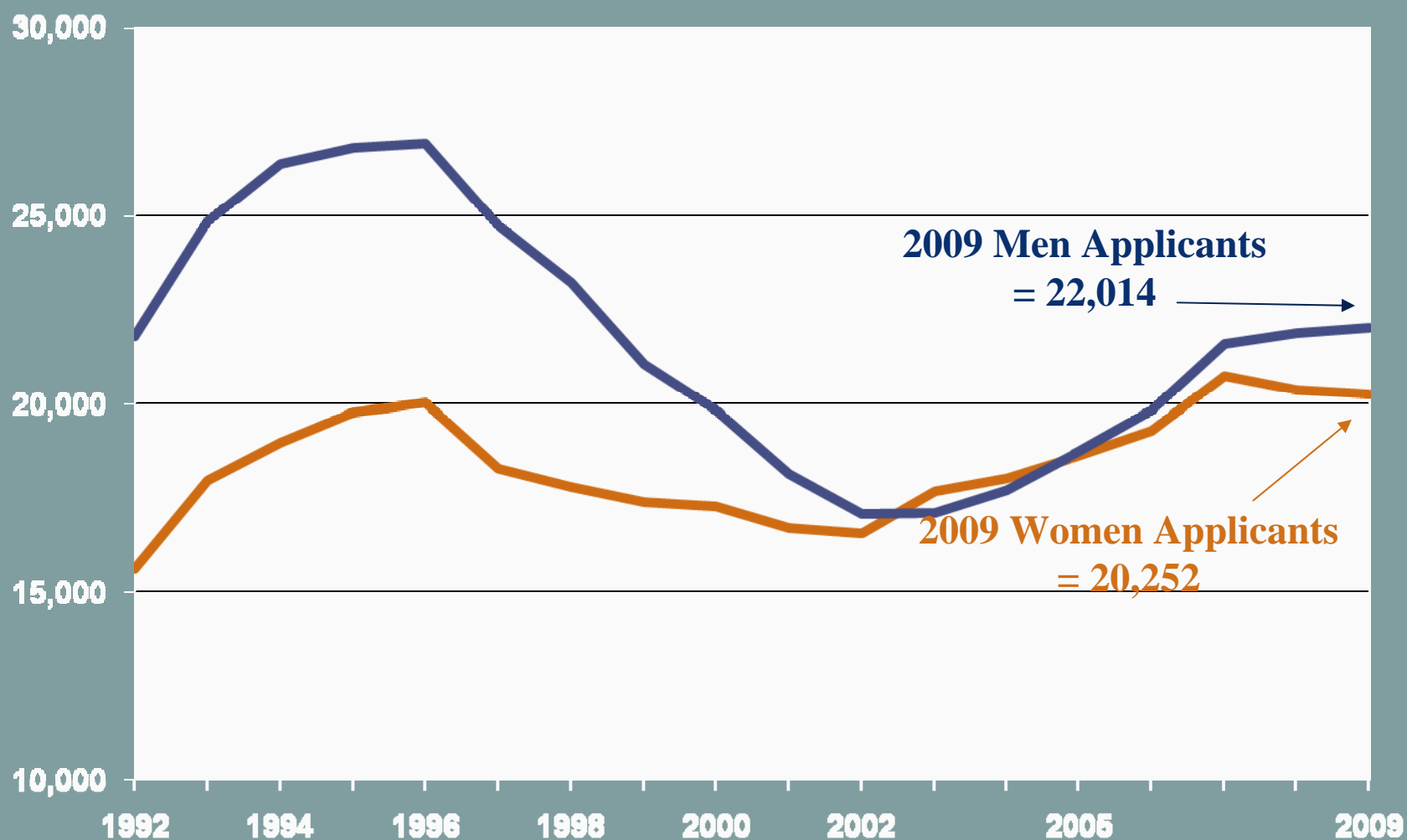
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2009 Medical School Applicant Pool Remains Steady



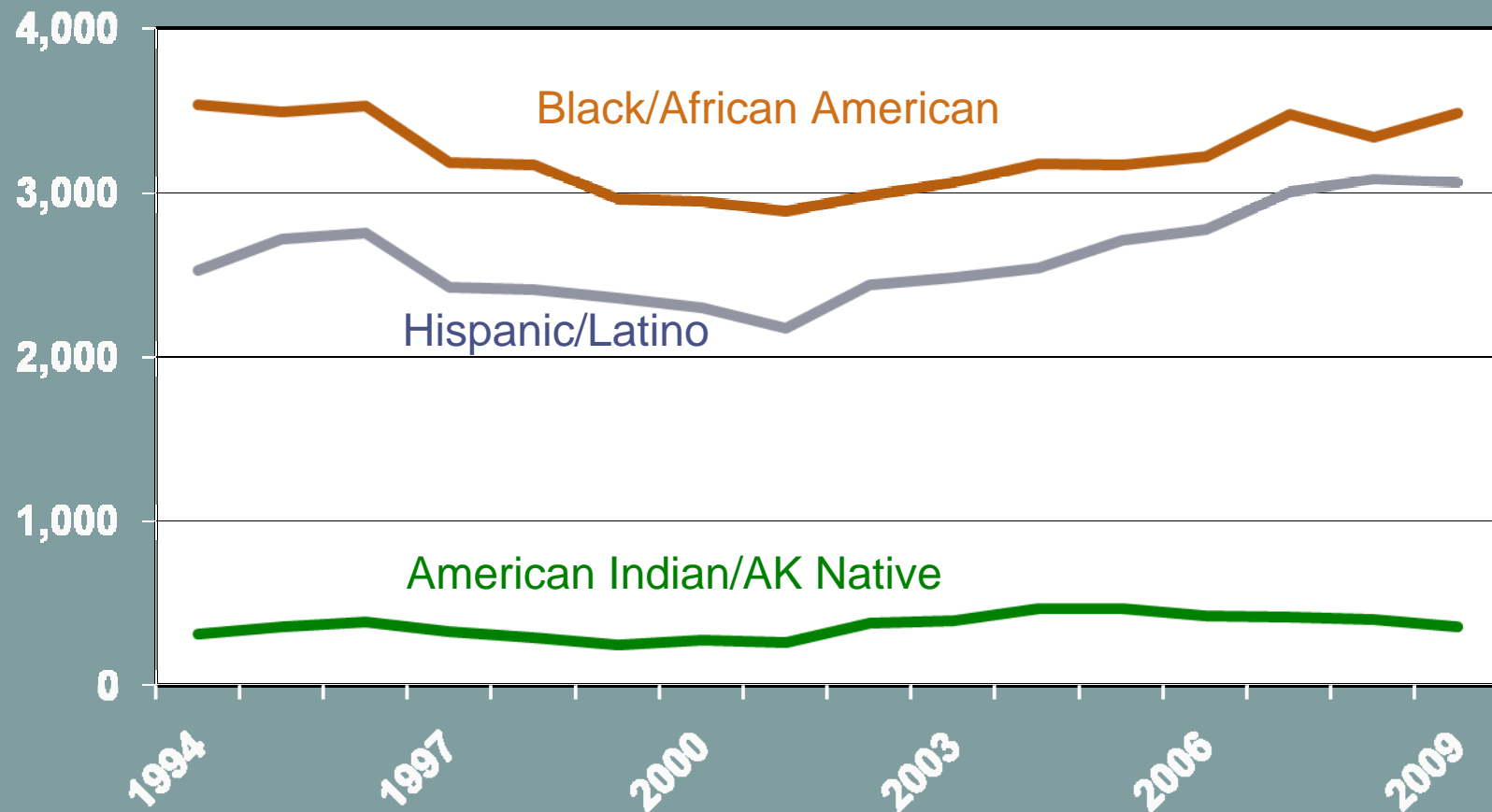
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Nearly Equal Numbers of Men and Women Apply



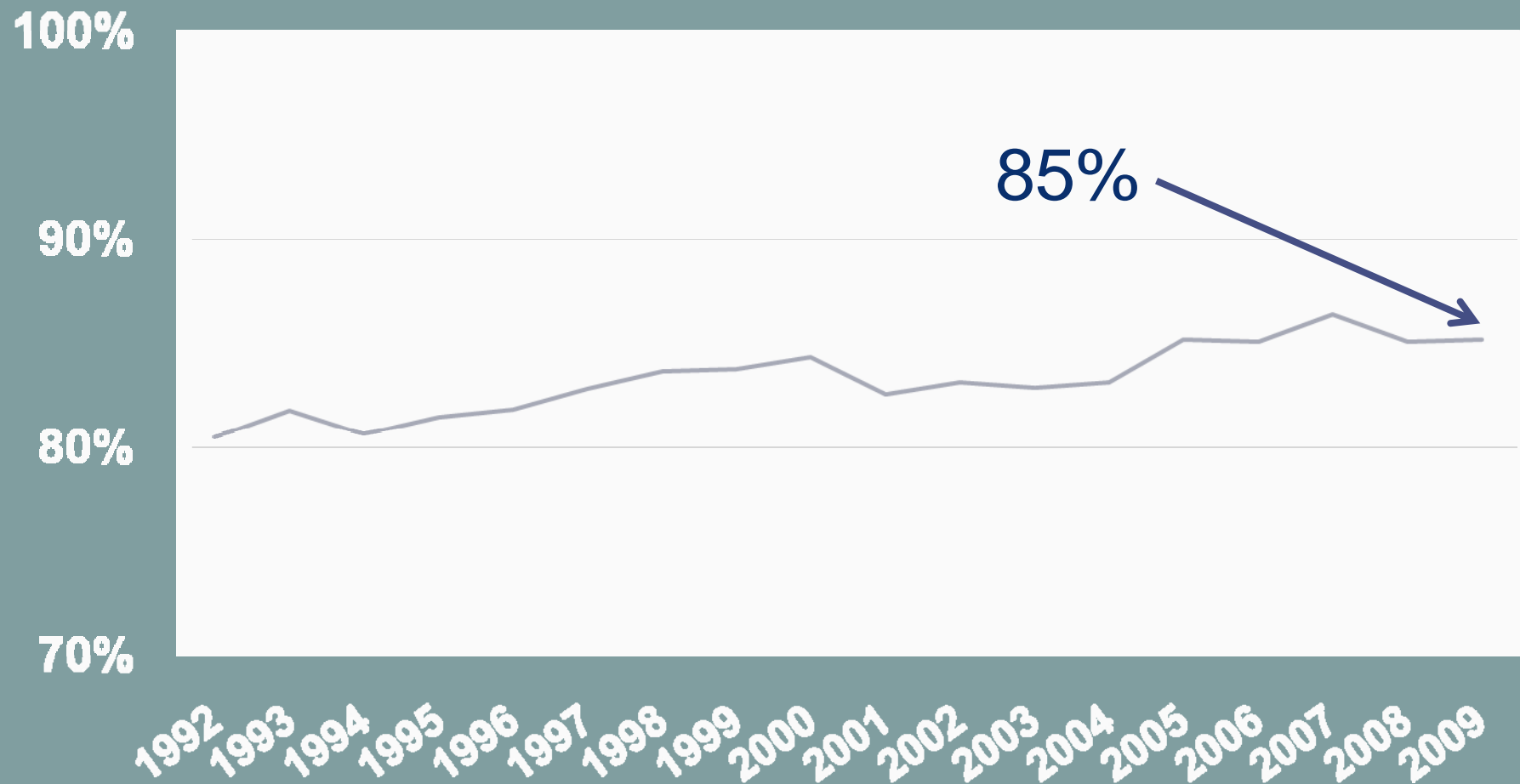
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Minorities in Medicine Fluctuate in the Medical School Applicant Pool



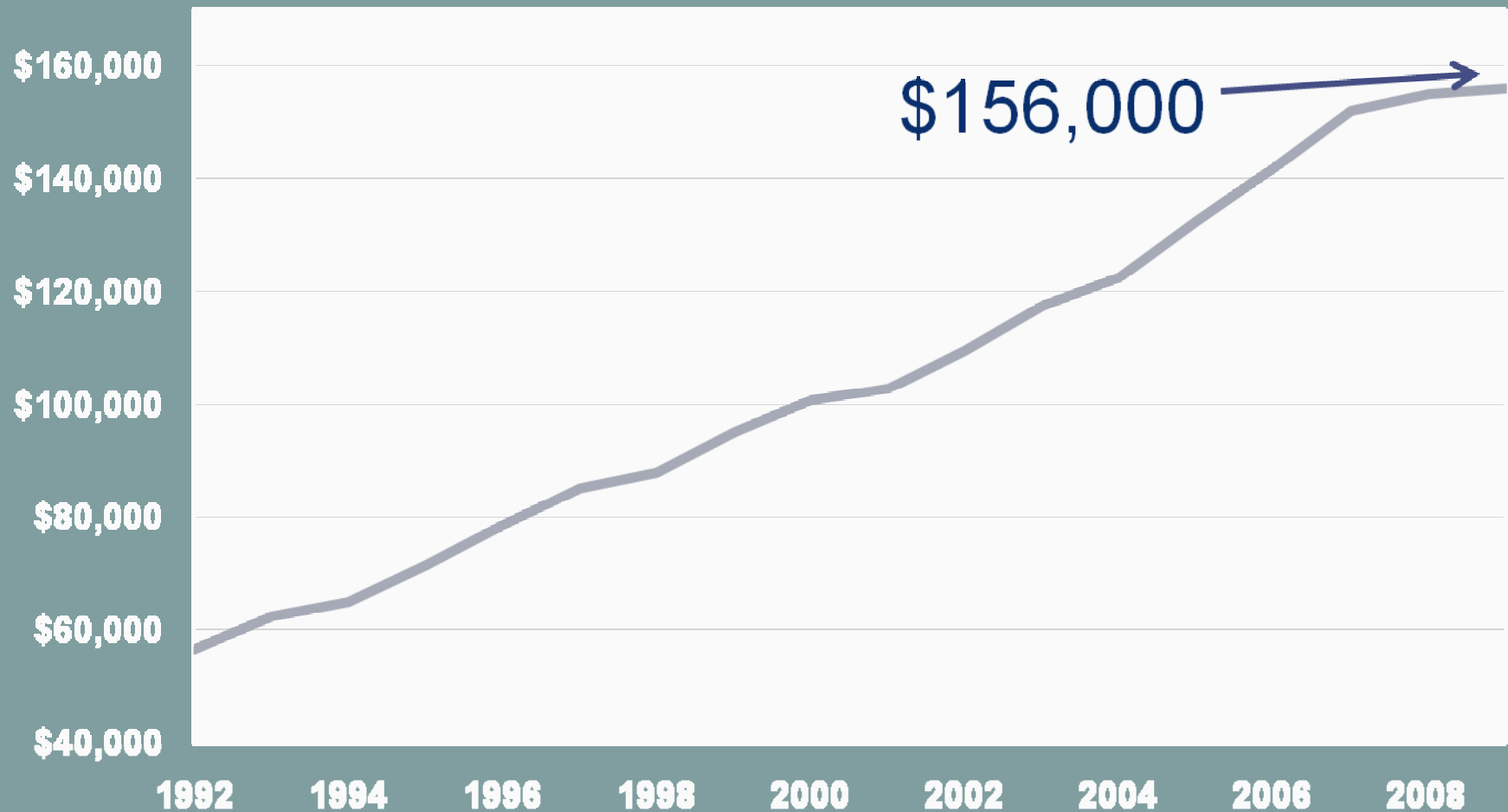
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Percent of Graduates Who Are in Debt



Source: AAMC Graduation Questionnaire

Median Educational Debt of Indebted Graduates



Source: AAMC Graduation Questionnaire

Wrap Up:

- The Ratio of Applicants to Matriculants is steady at 2.2 to 1
- We remain concerned about Minority applicants
- Debt may play a role in the attraction to medicine.

Comments and Questions

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