

Post-Graduate Training Positions for Medical School Graduates – The True Gateway to Practicing Medicine in America

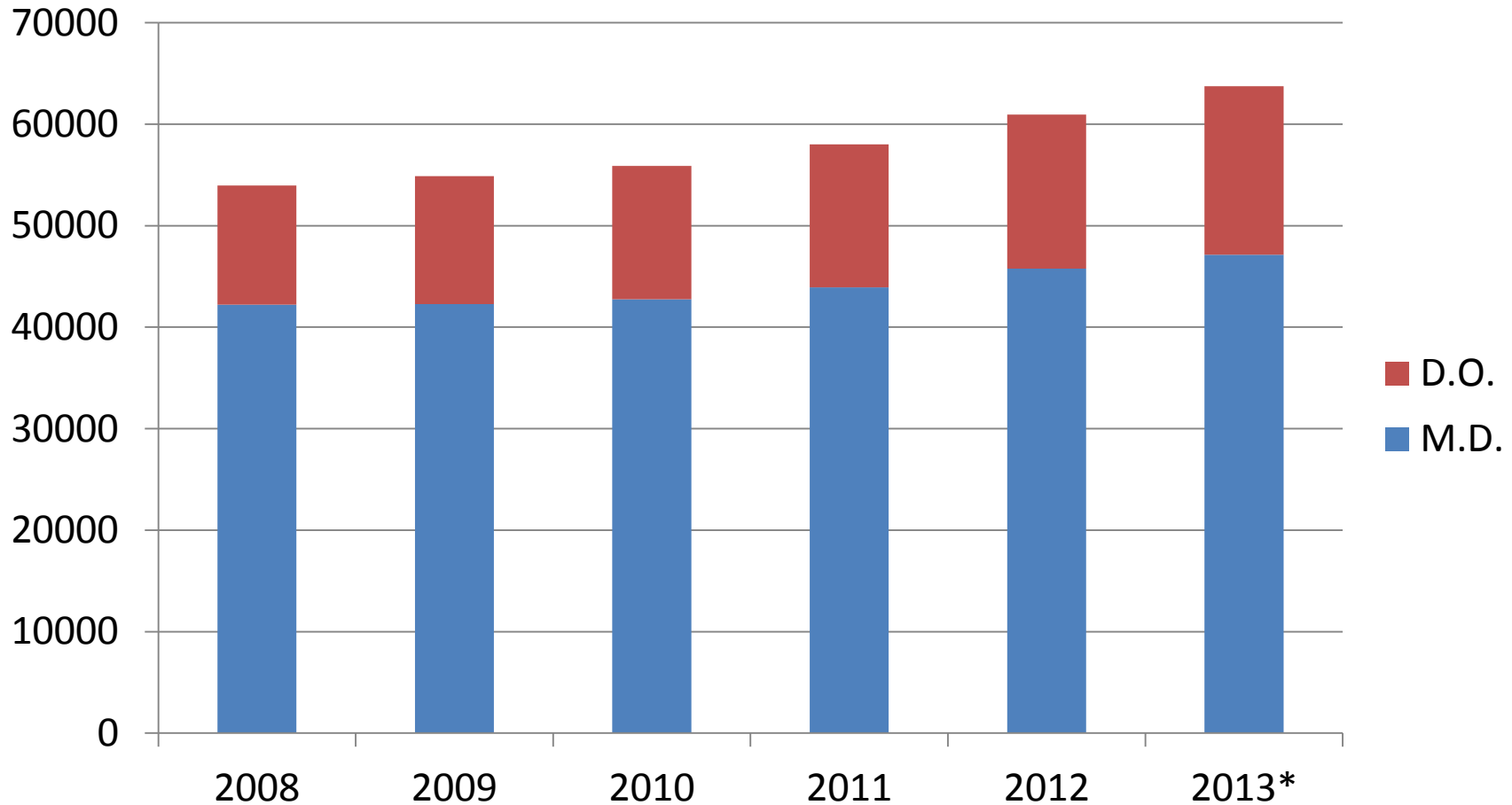
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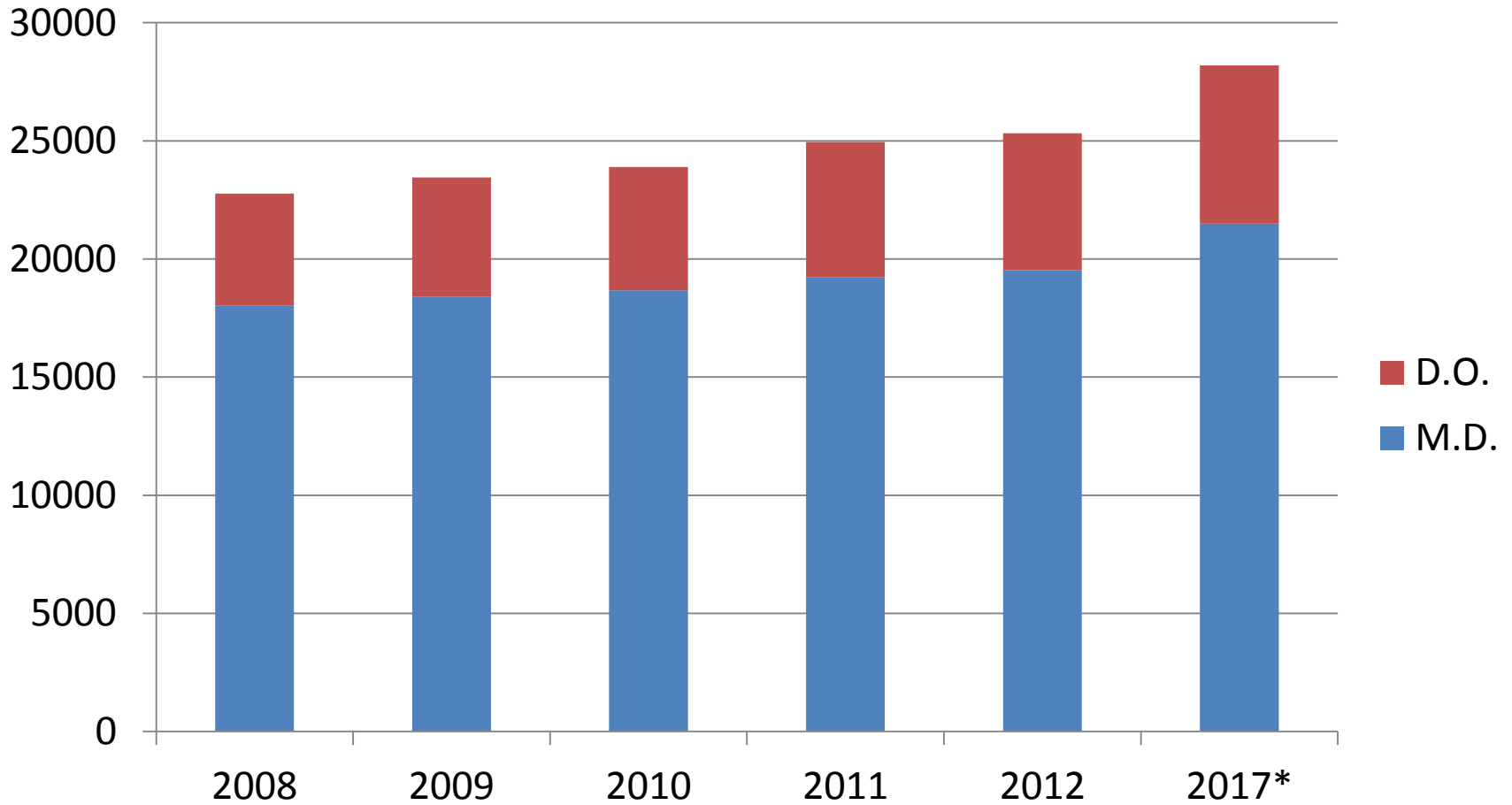
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Medical School Applicants



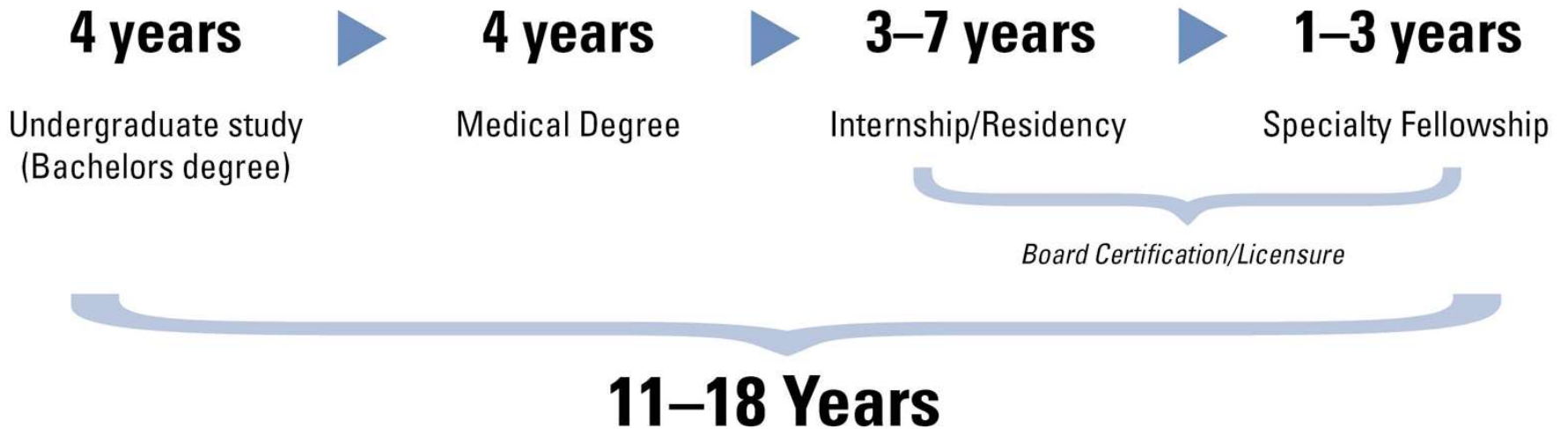
Medical School Matriculants



Graduate Medical Education

- Unlike other health professions, one can not practice medicine without GME in any U.S. jurisdiction
- All require passing COMLEX 3 or USMLE 3
- GME must be accredited in U.S. or Canada
- GME must be accredited by the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) or the American Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) or the Royal College of Canada

Medical Education Timeline



Graduate Medical Education

- States vary in the number of years of required GME
- Many still only require one year
- Fourteen require at least two years
- Three require three years

GME

- Terminology
 - Categorical
 - Preliminary or Transitional
 - Advanced
- PGY-1
 - May be categorical or preliminary/transitional
- Focus of this talk on PGY-1 as entry point (and required for all PGY-2, etc.)

Entry to GME

- Military Match
- San Francisco Match
- D.O. Match (OGME)
- National Residency Matching Program (NRMP)

Military Match

- December each year
- Open to D.O. and M.D. graduates with a military obligation (graduates of Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences or HPSP recipients or ROTC with an educational delay)
- Approximately 800 PGY-1 positions each year (approximately $\frac{2}{3}$ M.D., $\frac{1}{3}$ D.O.)
- 2011
 - Army - 334
 - Navy - 256
 - Air Force - 200 (approximate)

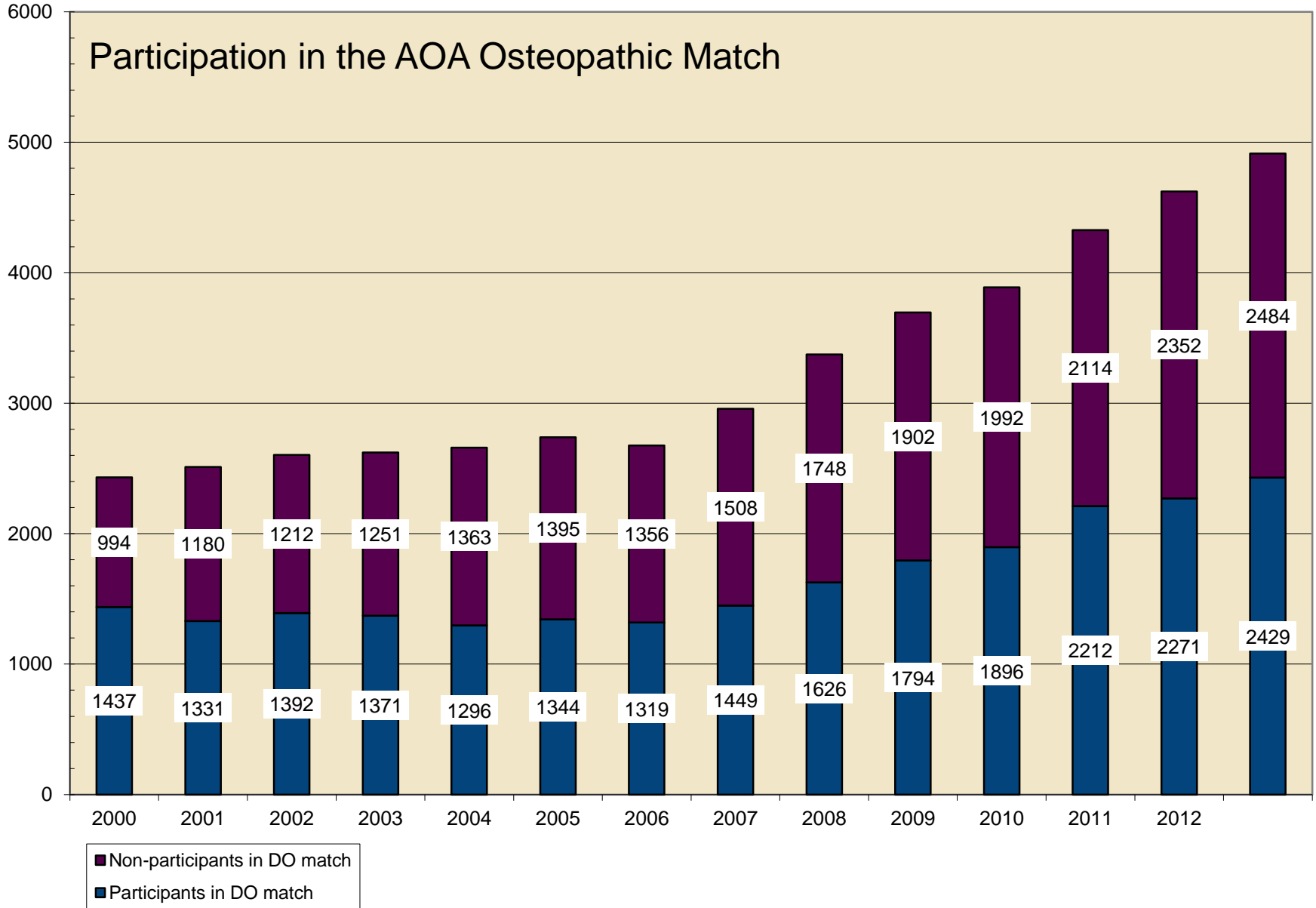
San Francisco Match

- Open to D.O. and M.D. graduates
- Ophthalmology and Plastic Surgery
- Various times during the year
- Also some advanced subspecialty matches
- Number of PGY-1 positions about 375

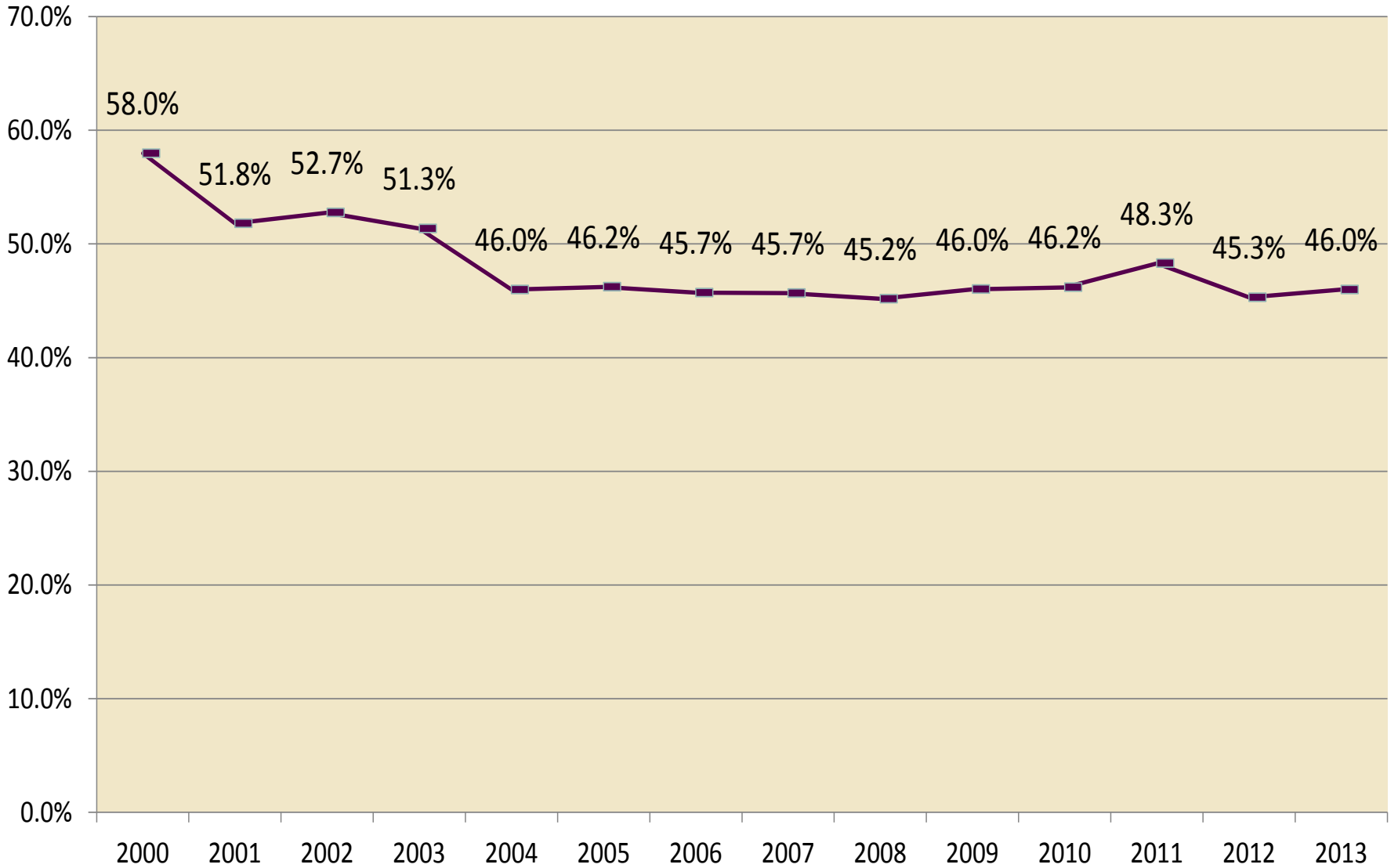
OGME Match

- February each year
- Open only to D.O. graduates
- Fewer positions (2900 in 2013) than D.O. graduates (4913 in 2013) even now!!
- Approximately half of the D.O. graduates enter the OGME match, half wait for the NRMP match in March

Participation in the AOA Osteopathic Match



% DO grads participating in DO match



NRMP

- March each year
- Open to M.D. and D.O. graduates as well as both U.S. citizen and non-citizen IMGs
- 26,392 PGY-1 positions were offered in the 2013 match
- 25,463 were filled during the Match (96.5%)
- Only 929 left for the supplemental period

“All In Rule”

- Only U.S. M.D. seniors (without a military obligation) must go through the NRMP match
- IMGs, D.O. graduates, Canadian citizens, and previous year M.D. graduates can get ACGME approved places before the NRMP
- However, the new “all in” rule this year brought in more than 2,000 “new” slots so very little pre-matching still ongoing

Total Number of PGY-1 Positions

• Military	-	800
• SF	-	375
• AOA	-	2,900
• NRMP	-	<u>26,392</u>
	about	30,500

A little math

- 2013:
 - 30,500 - 22,271 (95% of 23,444 2009 matrics)
 - 8,229 spots for IMGs (U.S. and non-U.S.)
- Consistent with a quarter of the places available for foreign medical graduates – the historic figure
- 2021:
 - 30,500 - 26,789 (95% of 28,199 2017 estimated matriculants)
 - 3,711 spots for IMGs (U.S. and non-U.S.)

GME – The True Gateway

- The current GME system readily accommodates qualified U.S. D.O. and M.D. graduates with a quarter of the positions available for U.S. citizen and non-citizen IMGs
- Unless there is significant GME expansion over the next decade, the situation will be much tougher for IMGs and may become more stressful for D.O. and M.D. graduates as well