

Physicians Professional Liability:

The Current State of the Market and Future Opportunities through Predictive Modeling

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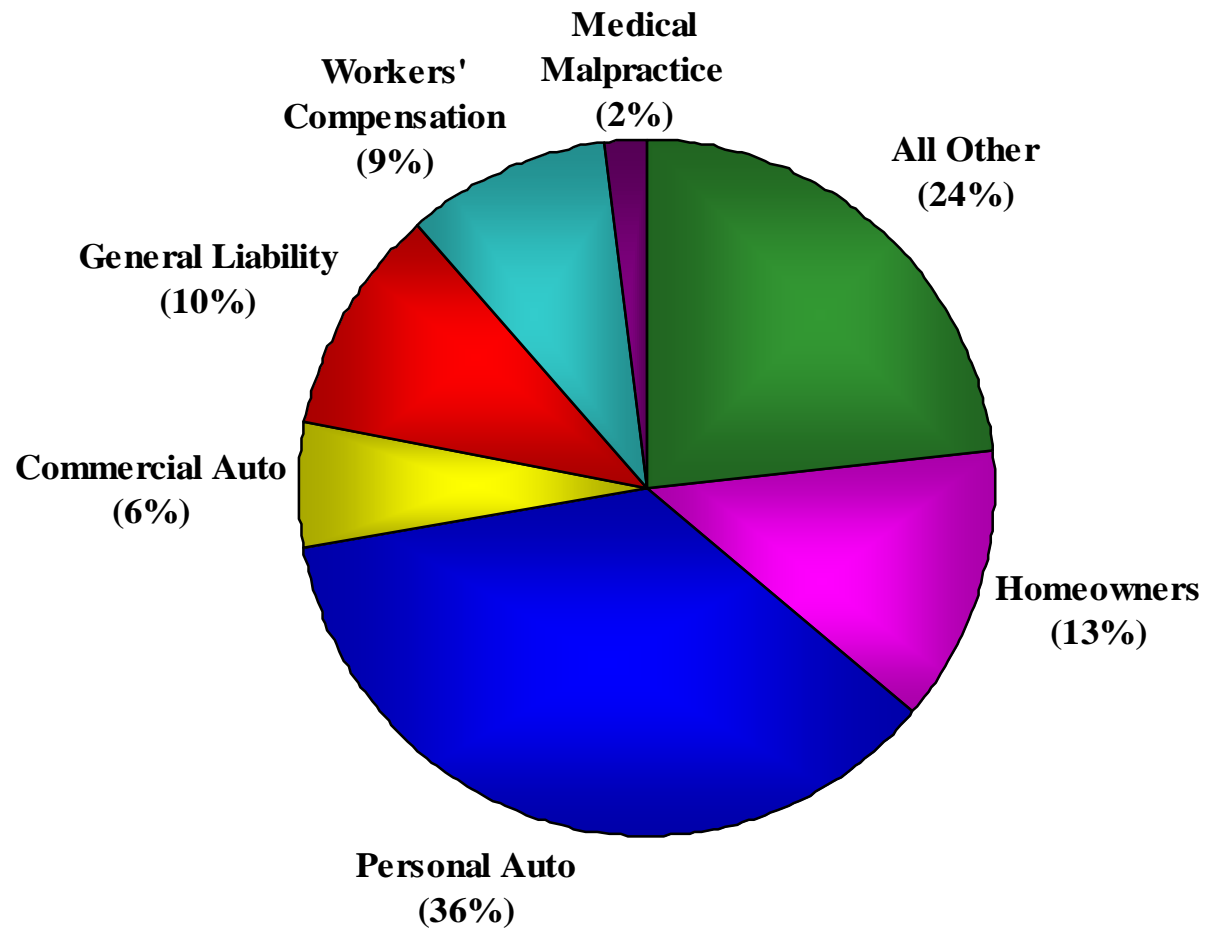
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Overview of the Market

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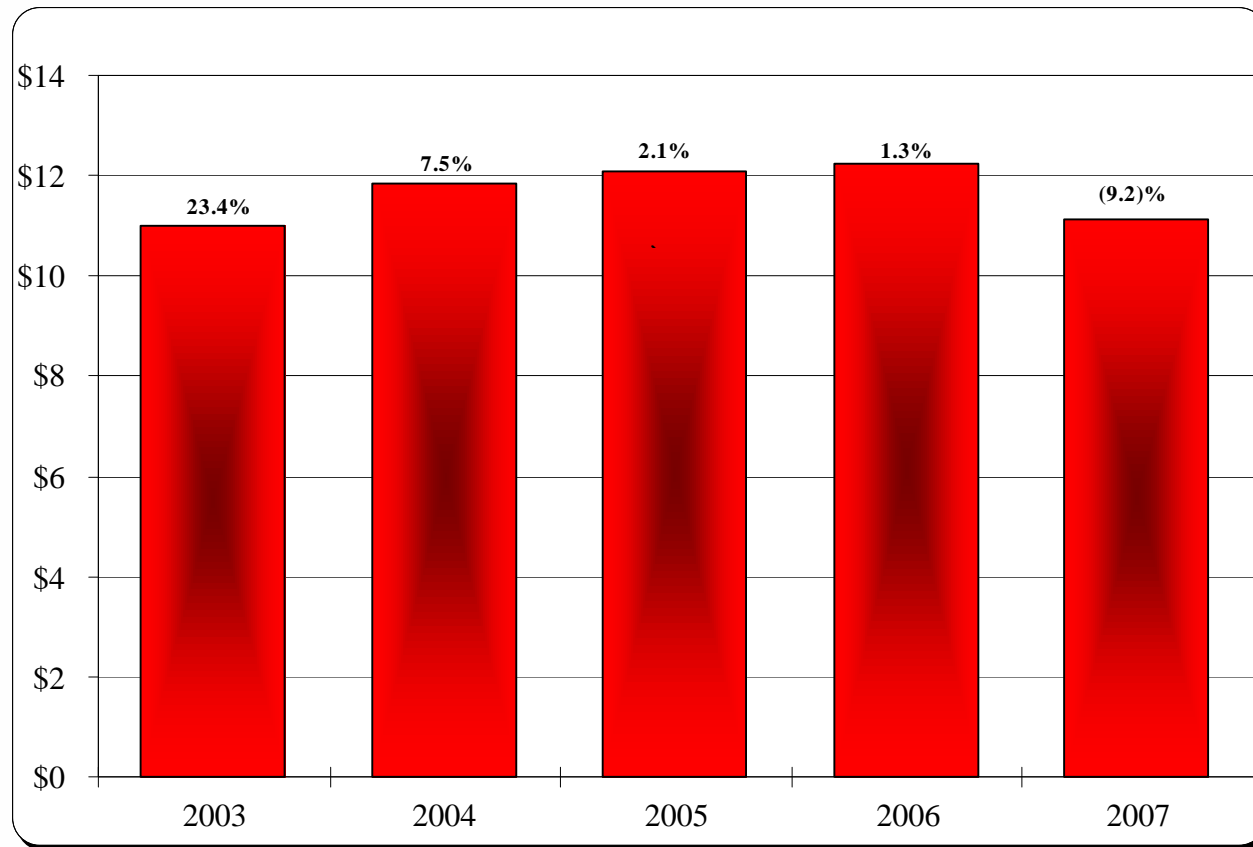
2007 Direct Written Premium by Line of Business



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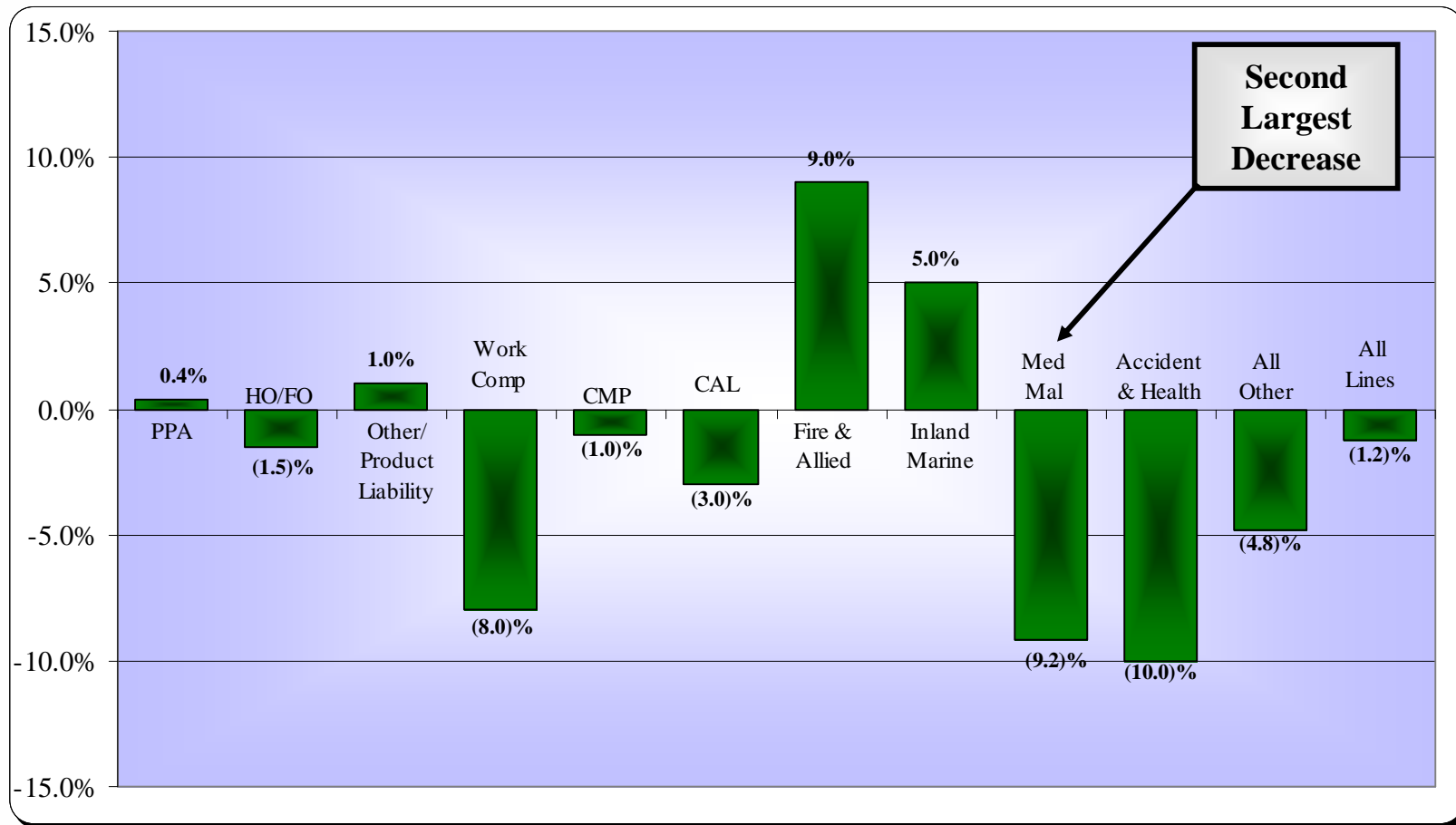
Growth in Direct Written Premium

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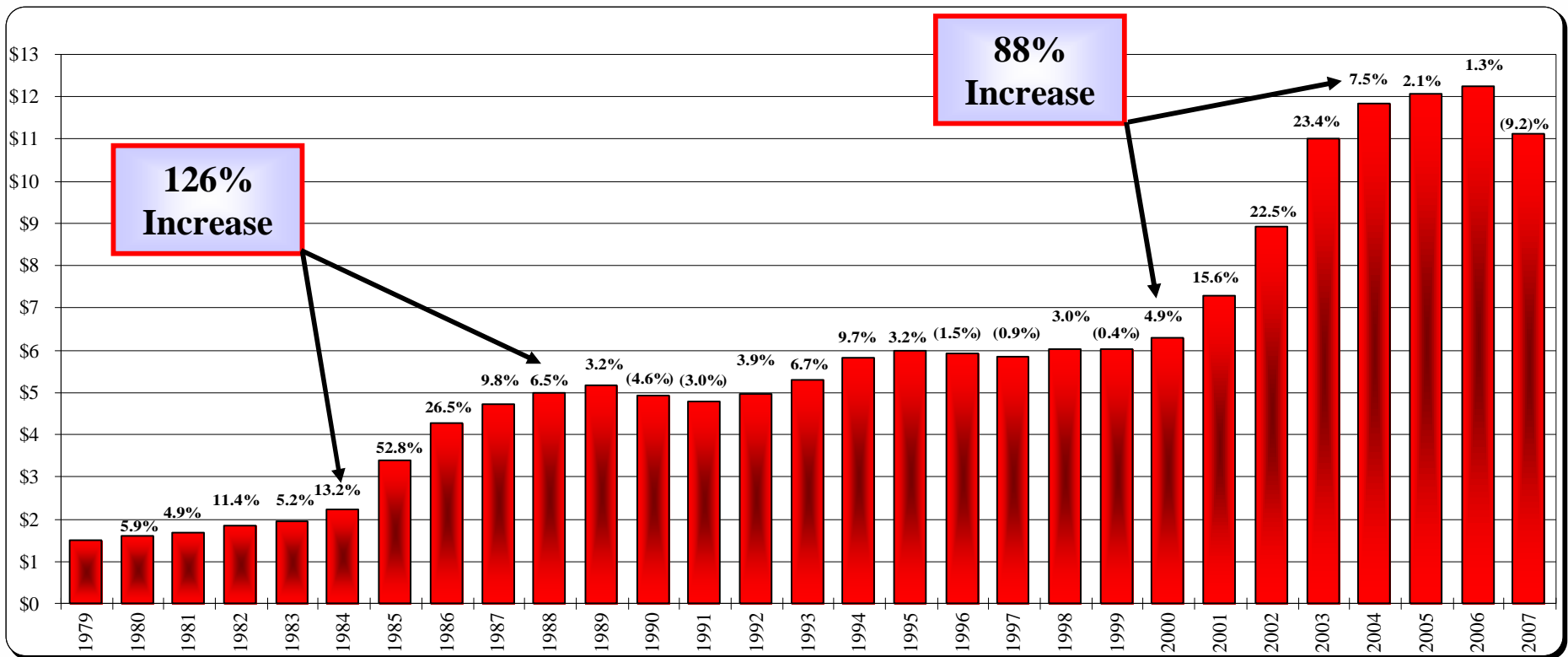
A.M. Best Estimated Change in 2007 Net Written Premium by Product Line



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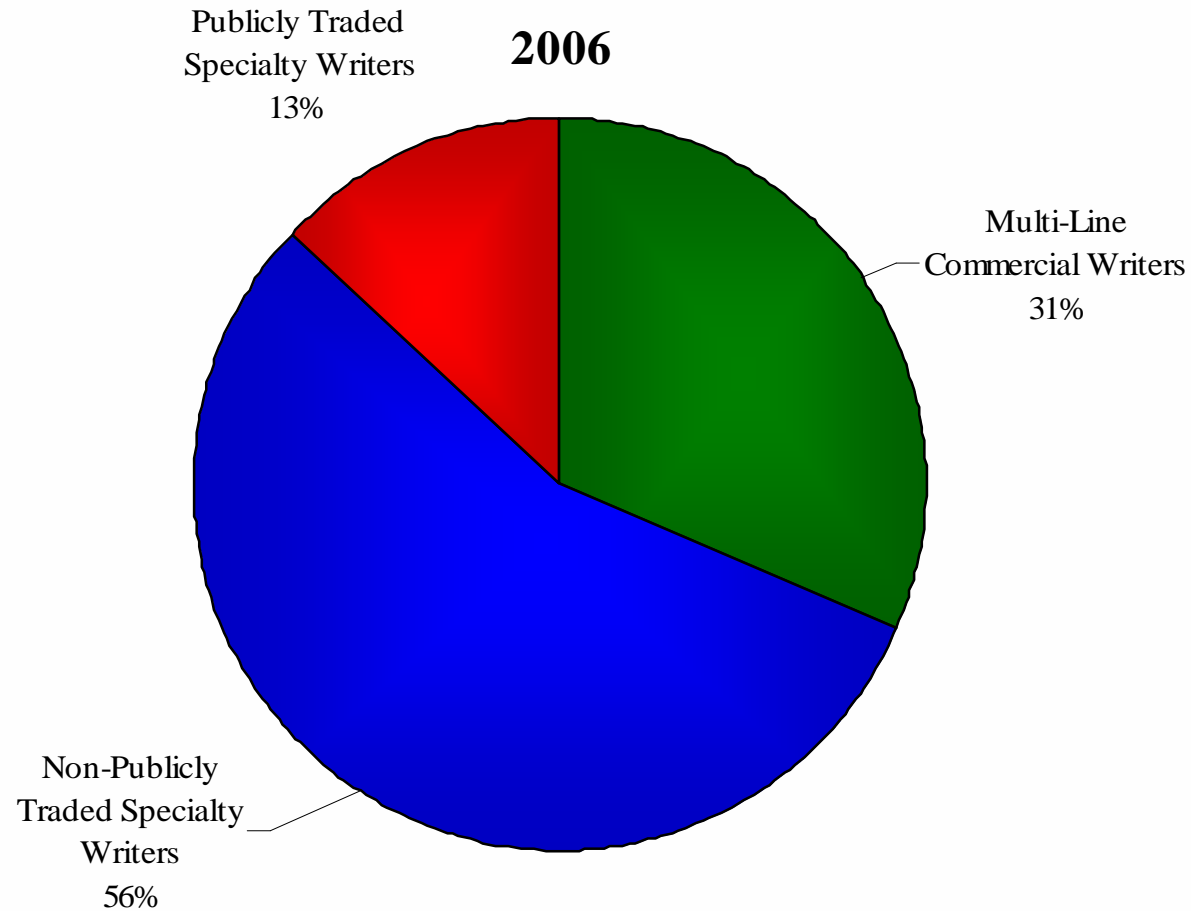
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Top 20 Writers

Ranking		Company	2006 Direct Written Premium		Type of Company	2006 Market Share
2006	2005		(\$000's)	% Growth		
1	1	MLMIC Group	\$945,445	8.5%	Specialty - Mutual	7.7%
2	2	American International Group	819,221	-4.4%	Multi-Line - Public	6.7%
3	3	Berkshire Hathaway	724,940	2.1%	Multi-Line - Public	5.9%
4	4	ProAssurance Corporation Group	616,160	0.6%	Specialty - Public	5.0%
5	5	CNA Insurance Group	578,206	10.5%	Multi-Line - Public	4.7%
6	6	Doctors' Company Group	531,823	7.6%	Specialty - Reciprocal	4.3%
7	7	ISMIE Group	385,714	-4.9%	Specialty - Mutual	3.1%
8	8	MAG Mutual Insurance Group	345,182	-3.0%	Specialty - Mutual	2.8%
9	9	Promutual Companies	334,992	-2.8%	Specialty - Mutual	2.7%
10	12	Physicians Reciprocal Insurers	331,691	14.1%	Specialty - Reciprocal	2.7%
11	10	Health Care Indemnity	311,243	-6.1%	Specialty - Captive	2.5%
12	11	Medical Group Holdings and Affiliates	300,750	1.0%	Specialty - Mutual	2.5%
13	14	State Volunteer Mutual Insurance Company	266,548	2.9%	Specialty - Mutual	2.2%
14	15	MCIC Vermont Incorporated, RRG	256,855	3.8%	Specialty - Captive	2.1%
15	13	FPIC Insurance Group	245,916	-12.0%	Specialty - Public	2.0%
16	17	Medical Insurance Group of Maryland	189,566	1.8%	Specialty - Mutual	1.5%
17	16	Zurich Group	181,728	-11.9%	Multi-Line - Public	1.5%
18	20	Mutual Insurance Company of Arizona	171,575	1.8%	Specialty - Mutual	1.4%
19	19	AP Capital Group	156,862	-10.3%	Specialty - Public	1.3%
20	18	Markel Corporation Group	153,158	-14.8%	Multi-Line - Public	1.3%
		Total Top 20	\$7,847,575	0.4%		64.1%
		Total US	\$12,251,014	1.3%		100.0%

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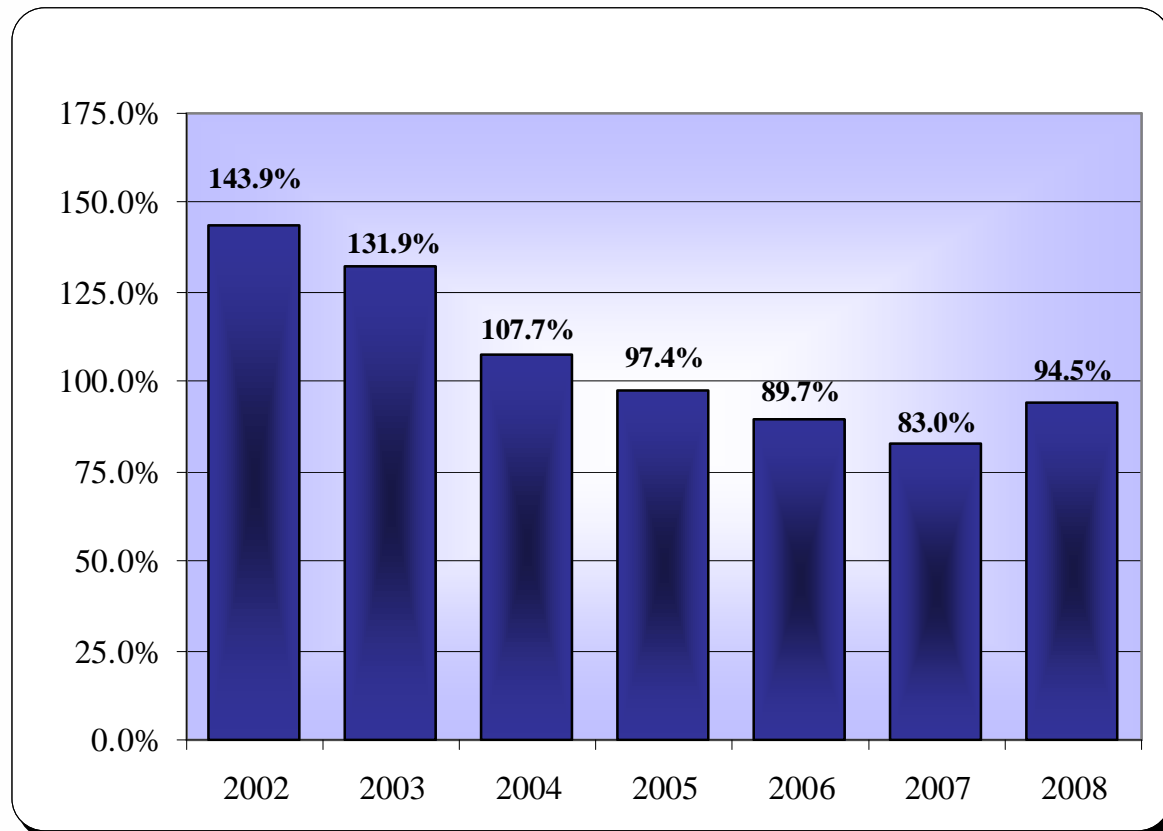
Market Share: Commercial Carriers vs. Specialty Writers



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Historical Underwriting Results

Combined Ratio After Dividends



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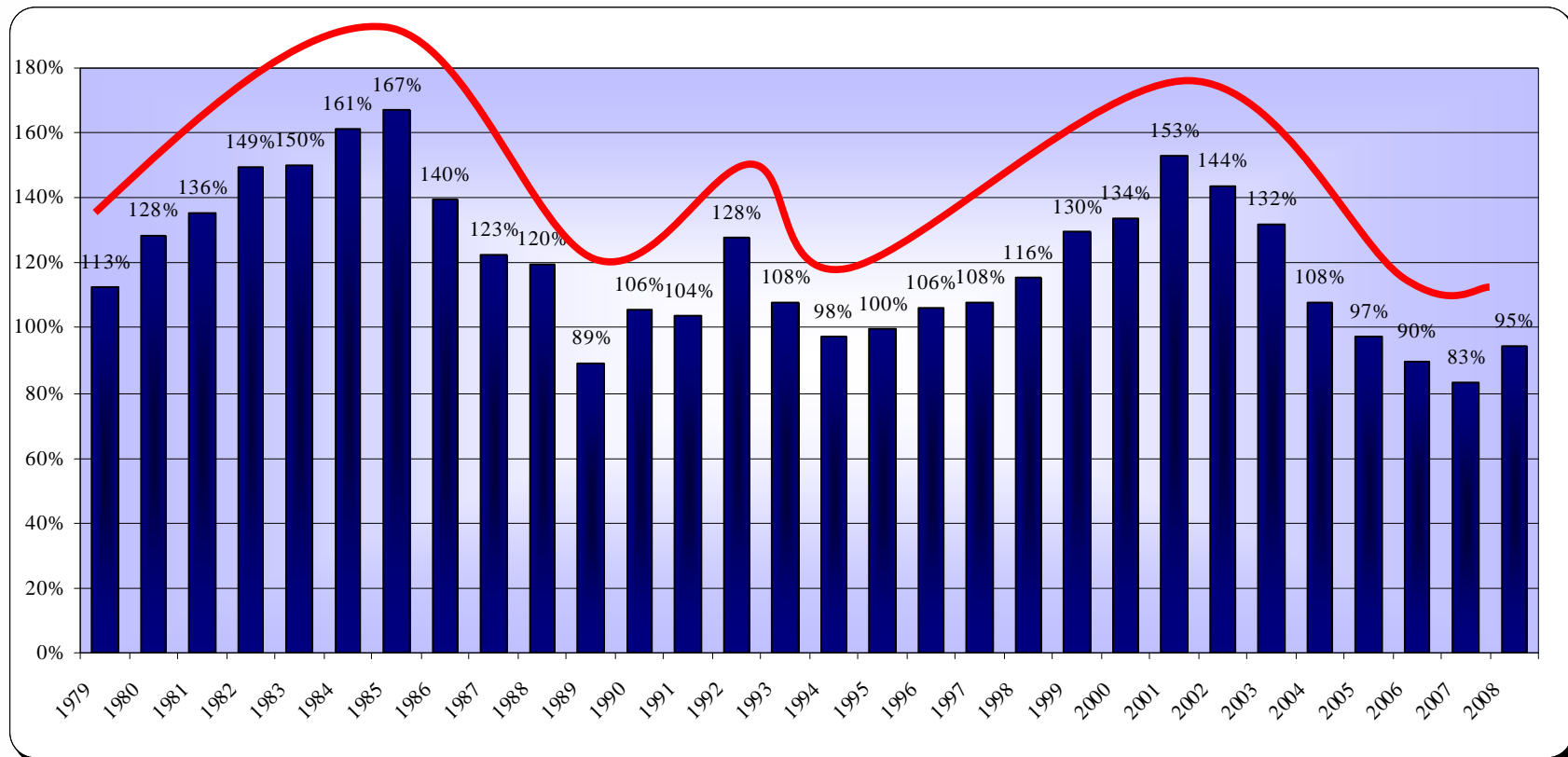
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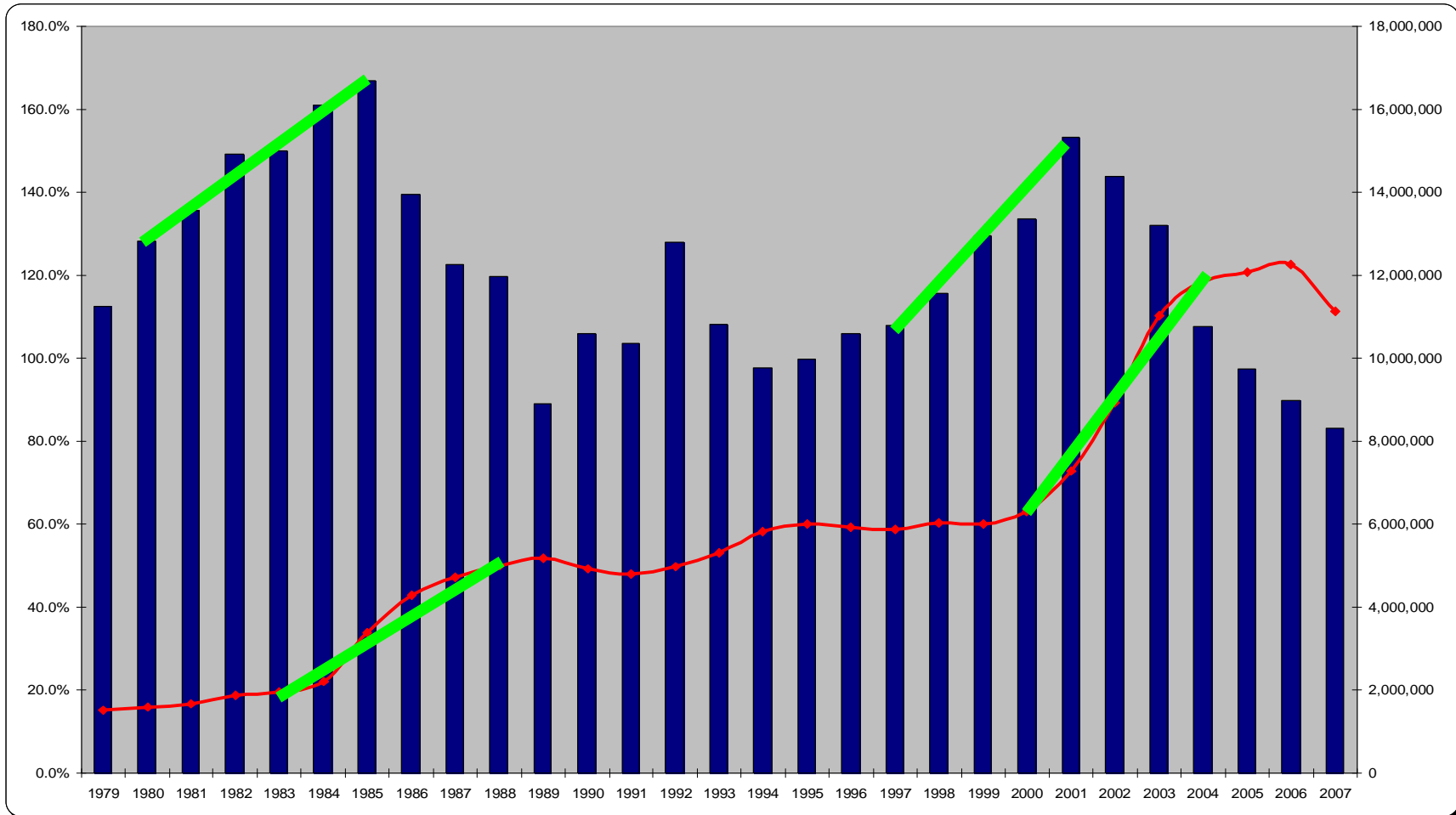
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Direct Written Premium versus Combined Ratio

A Three Year Lag?



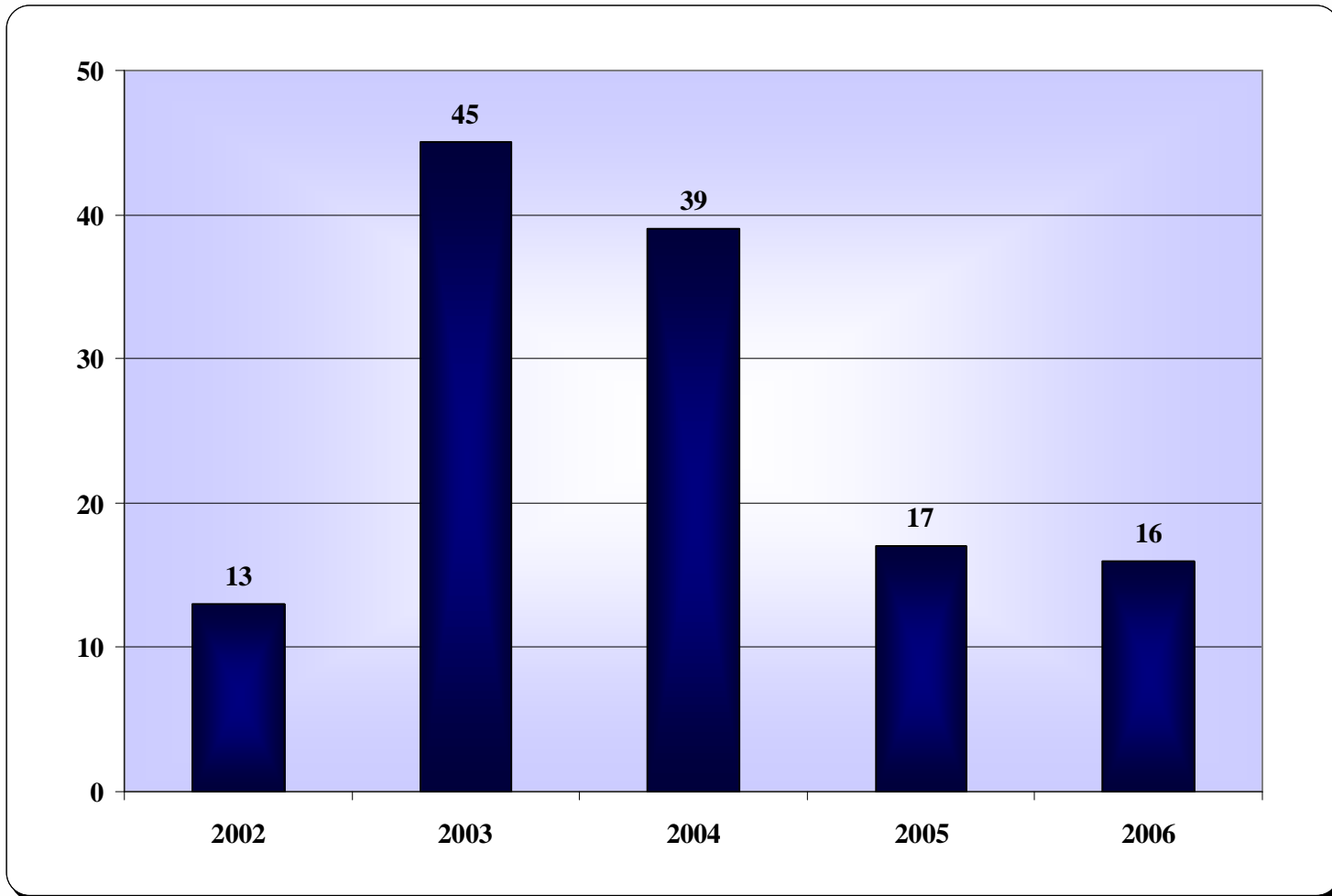
Med Mal Start-Up Programs

Characteristics of Universe

Item	Value
Number of Companies	130
Statutory Admitted Assets as of 12/31/06	\$2,357,592,000
Statutory Surplus as of 12/31/06	\$786,284,000
2006 Direct Written Med Mal Premium	\$1,022,127,000
2006 Med Mal Market Share	8.3%

Med Mal Start-Up Programs

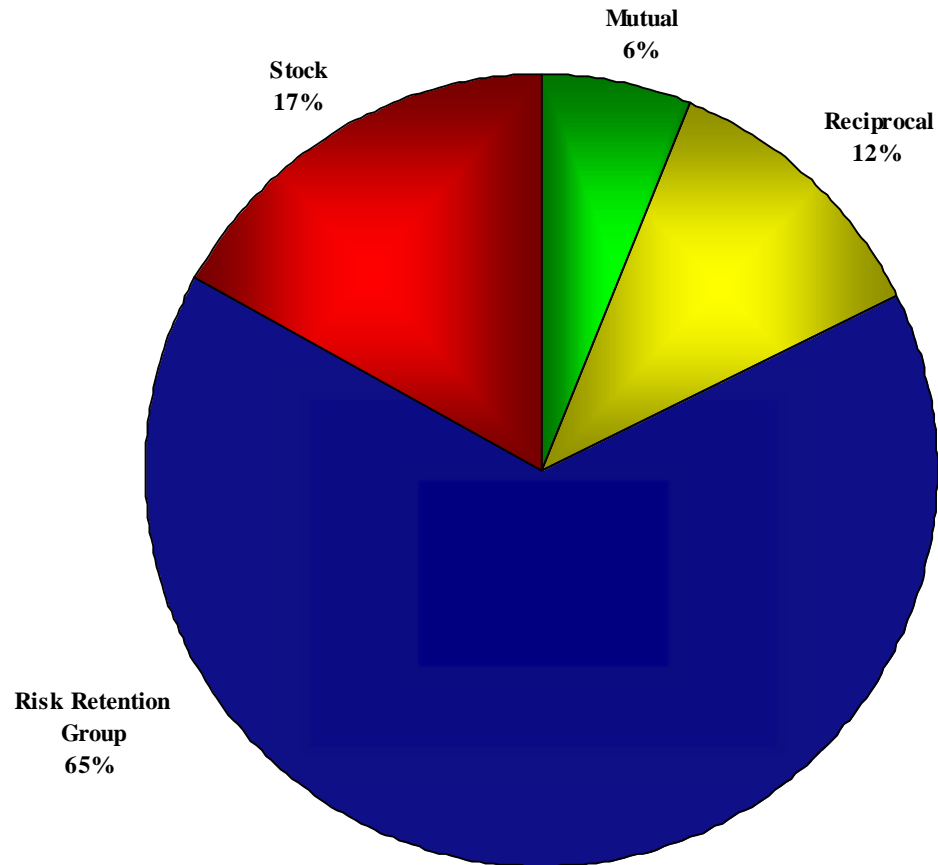
Profile by Year of Commencement



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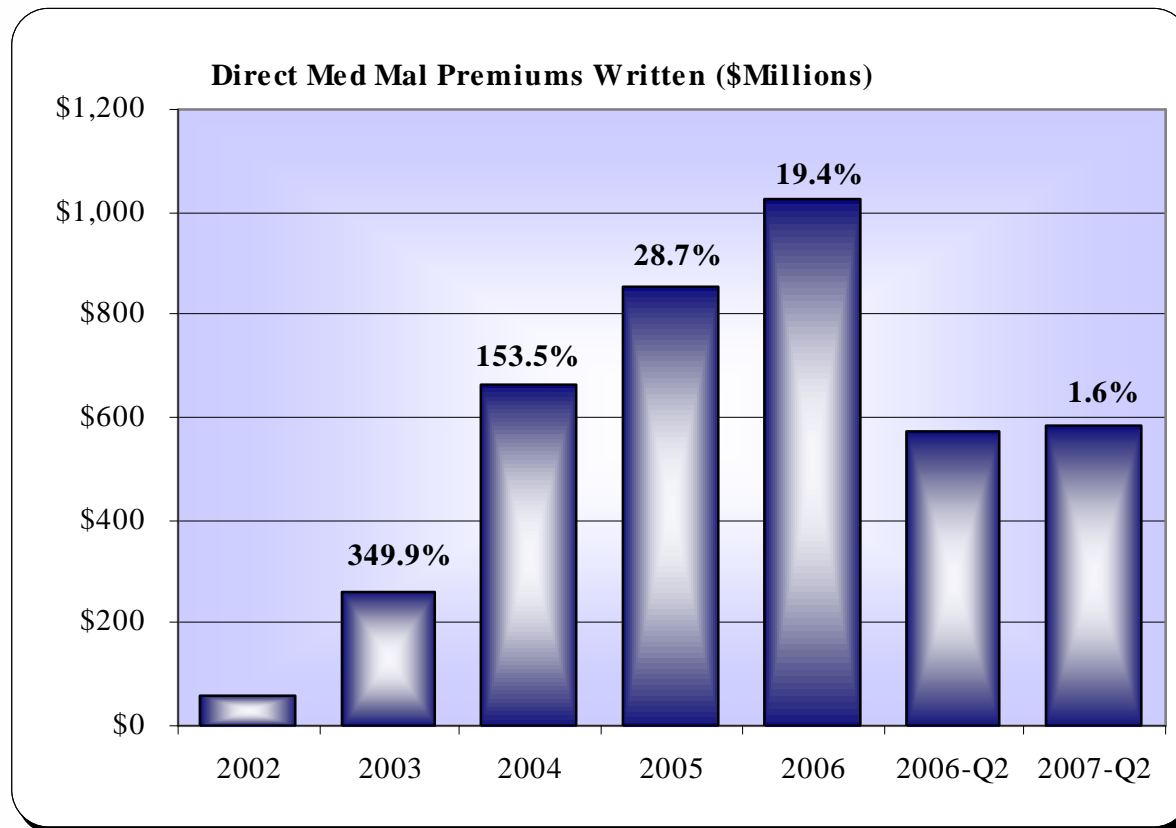
Profile by Business Type

Based on 2006 Direct Written Med Mal Premium



Med Mal Start-Up Programs

Growth in Direct Written Med Mal Premium



Note: Second quarter values represent total direct written premiums

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Med Mal Start-Up Programs

Profile of Market Penetration by State

Rank	State	2006 Med Mal Direct Written Premium (\$000's)		Market Penetration
		Start-Up Programs	Med Mal Industry	
1	West Virginia	\$61,940	\$110,870	55.9%
2	Pennsylvania	279,199	741,717	37.6%
3	Nevada	39,958	108,721	36.8%
4	Missouri	74,252	238,513	31.1%
5	Montana	12,389	44,541	27.8%
6	Indiana	26,173	135,301	19.3%
7	Mississippi	10,408	56,212	18.5%
8	Kentucky	25,058	172,664	14.5%
9	Texas	49,803	487,663	10.2%
10	Florida	85,494	847,216	10.1%
	Total Top 10	\$664,674	\$2,943,419	22.6%
	Grand Total	\$1,022,128	\$12,251,013	8.3%



Current Approach to Rating

Current Approach to Rating

Ø Primary Rating Factors

- Ø Specialty
- Ø Territory – in some cases

Ø Additional Rating Factors may include

- Ø Claims-free credits/surcharges
- Ø Group discounts
- Ø Risk management credits
- Ø Other workload type adjustments
 - Ø Part-time, New to Practice, Teaching, etc.
- Ø Other schedule rating adjustments
 - Ø Risk peculiarities, CME, Billing practices, EMR

Current Approach to Rating

Comparison to Other Lines

- Ø Medical professional liability with an average premium of \$15,000 to \$20,000, and upwards of \$200,000, relies primarily on specialty and maybe territory
- Ø Lawyers professional liability with an average premium of \$2,000 to \$4,000 relies on
 - Ø Size of Firm
 - Ø % of revenue coming from 20+ different Areas of Practice
 - Ø Territory
- Ø Personal Auto with an average premium of \$1,000 to \$5,000 relies on
 - Ø Age
 - Ø Gender
 - Ø Credit Score
 - Ø Zip Code
 - Ø Type of Automobile
 - Ø DMV Records


Alternative (Advanced?) Approach to Rating

Ø The concepts and approaches used to refine the personal lines rating plans can be applied to medical professional liability

Ø Additional challenges exist due to the more volatile nature of this line

Ø Significant opportunities also exist without having to completely overhaul the rating plan

Ø Slowly being embraced by some companies in the marketplace, though the traditional specialty/territory approach still dominates the market



*Predictive Modeling Background
Information*

Definition of Predictive Modeling

Predictive Modeling is a Process ...

- ∅ While the model building relies heavily on statistics, there is also judgment involved in interpreting the effects of the data on the model itself
- ∅ Develops understanding of data, rating variables, & subject line

... That Results in a Model

- ∅ The goal is to build a model to predict future outcomes
- ∅ All models are a simplification of reality

Uses of Predictive Modeling

Probability of ...

- ∅ Disease
- ∅ Baseball Wins
- ∅ Auto Accidents
- ∅ Malpractice Claim

is a function of ...

- family history, age, race
- on-base %, ERA, slugging %
- age, sex, driving record
- specialty, location, other factors?

- Predictive modeling attempts to convert these tendencies into a mathematical formula

- ∅ $y = b_o + b_1 * v_1 + \dots + b_n * v_n + error$

- ∅ $y = e^{(b_o + b_1 * v_1 + \dots + b_n * v_n + error)}$

Benefits of Predictive Modeling

- Better understand exposures and the interaction of various risk characteristics
- Assess pricing and/or underwriting factors more accurately and more scientifically
- Identify types of risks to more easily walk away from
- More precise rating plan reduces potential for adverse selection

Building a Predictive Model

- Data
 - ∅ Gather Data
 - ∅ Prepare Data
 - ∅ Segment Data
- Model
 - ∅ Create Model
 - ∅ Validate Model
- Implementation
 - ∅ Rating Variables / Rating Factors
 - ∅ Underwriting Decisions

Building a Predictive Model

Data Gathering

- **Internal**

- ∅ Underwriting / Policy Database

- age, gender, territory, coverage, limits, etc.

- ∅ Claims Database

- occurrence date, claim type, loss/ALAE amounts, etc.

- ∅ Application Data

- **External**

- ∅ Behavioral (DMV, third party scorecards, etc.)

- ∅ Demographic (AMA, state medical societies, etc.)

- ∅ Environmental (lawyers per capita, etc.)

- ∅ Financial (credit score, business practices, etc.)

Building a Predictive Model

Data Gathering

Personal Lines vs. Commercial Lines:

	Personal Lines	Commercial Lines
# of States	50	1
# of Years	4 (2003-2006)	13 (1994-2006)
# of Records	30,000,000	150,000
Variables per Record	400-500	80-90
Datasets Merged	Claim, Coverage, Credit, Insured, Policy, & Vehicle	Claim & Policy

- Both situations pose unique challenges ...



Case Study Discussion

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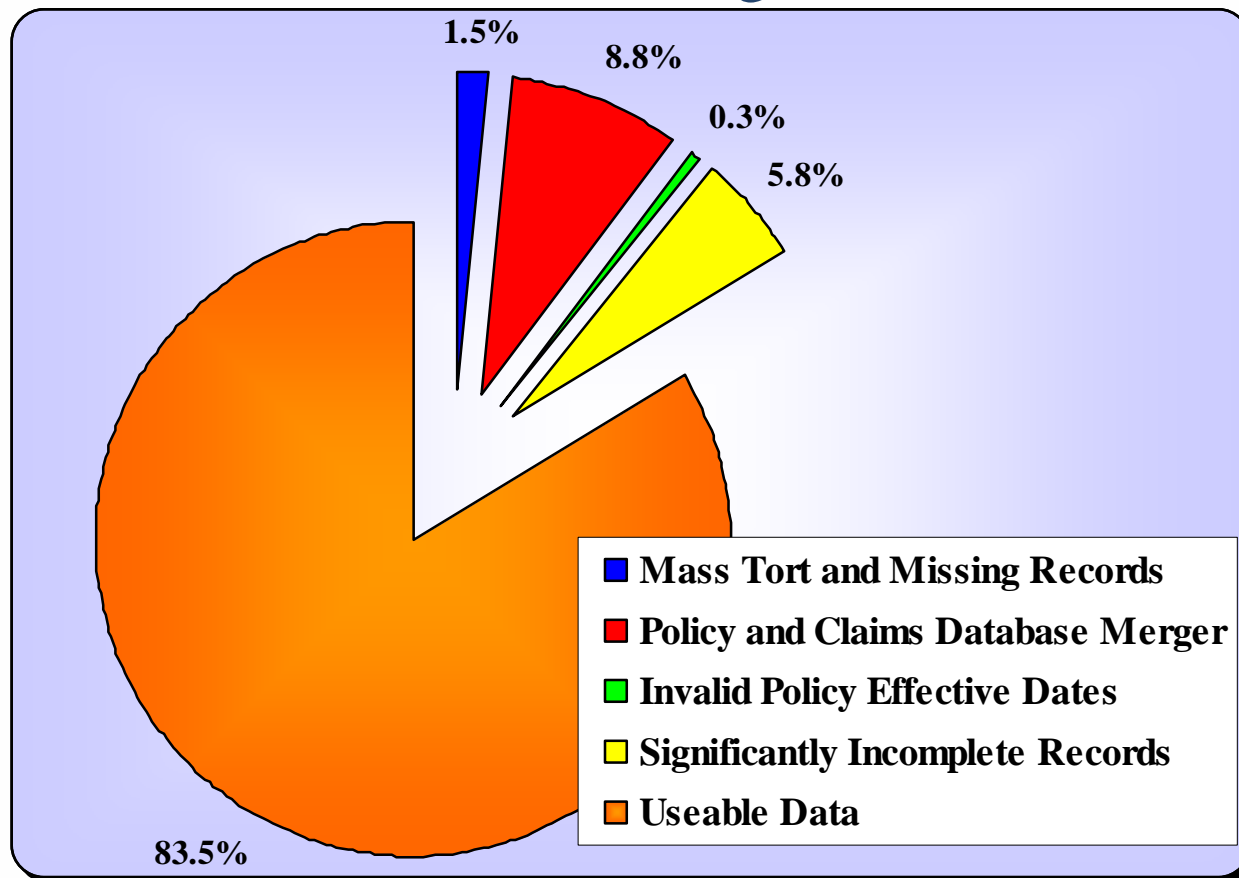
Background Information

- Company is the largest writer in a top 10 state
 - Ø 13 years of policy data; 145,000 policy records
 - Ø 28 years of claim data; 40,000 claims
 - Ø Over \$1.5 billion of loss and ALAE payments
 - Ø Built model using 60% of the data; 40% used for validation
- Relied exclusively on the Company's internal policy and claims databases
 - Ø Final model based on relatively limited number of variables
 - Ø Examples include: Age, Gender, Coverage Type, Historical Claims Experience, Limit, Specialty, & Territory
 - Ø Claims data included claim status, loss/ALAE payments, & loss/ALAE case reserves

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Data Preparation

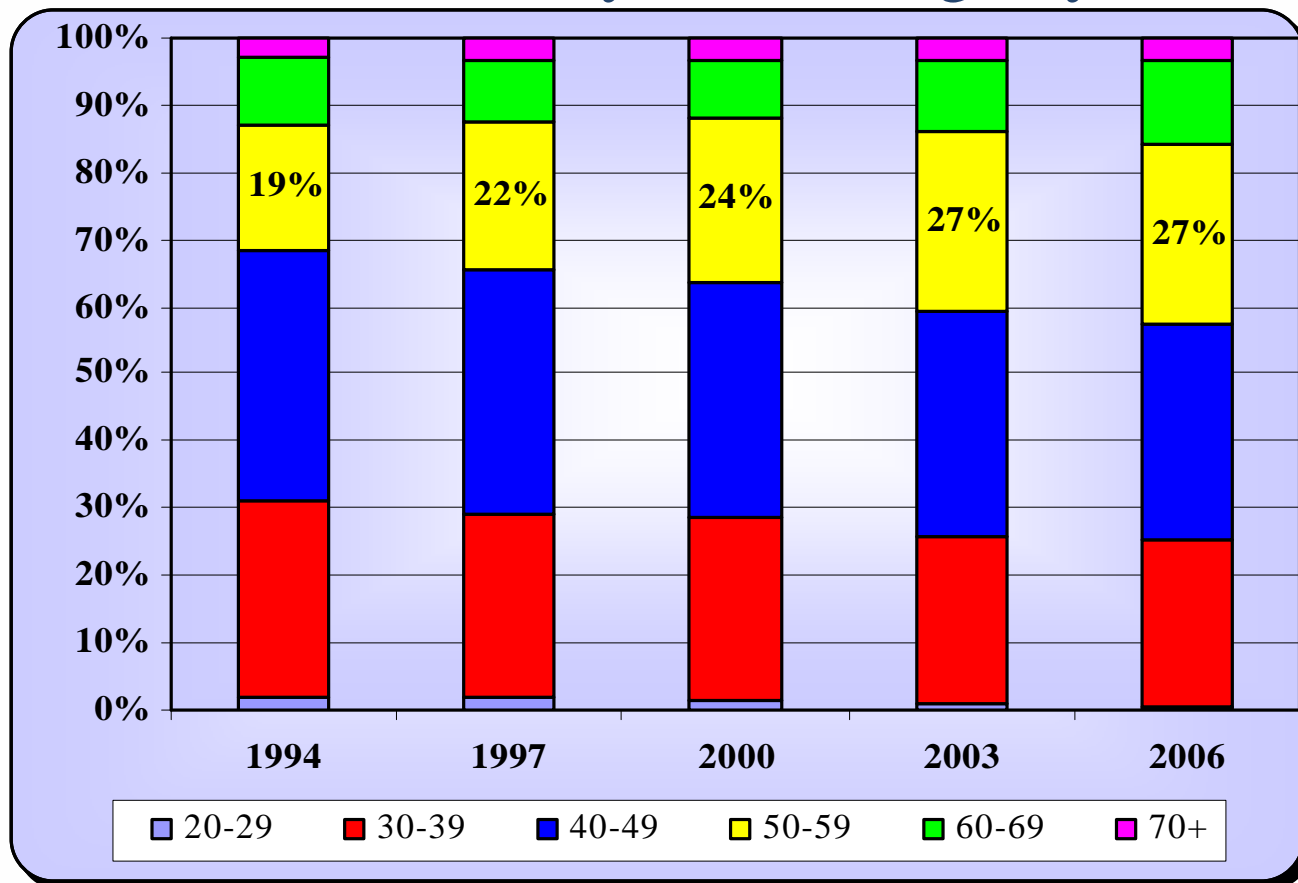
Losses Eliminated Through Data Cleansing



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Assessing Distribution Shifts Over Time

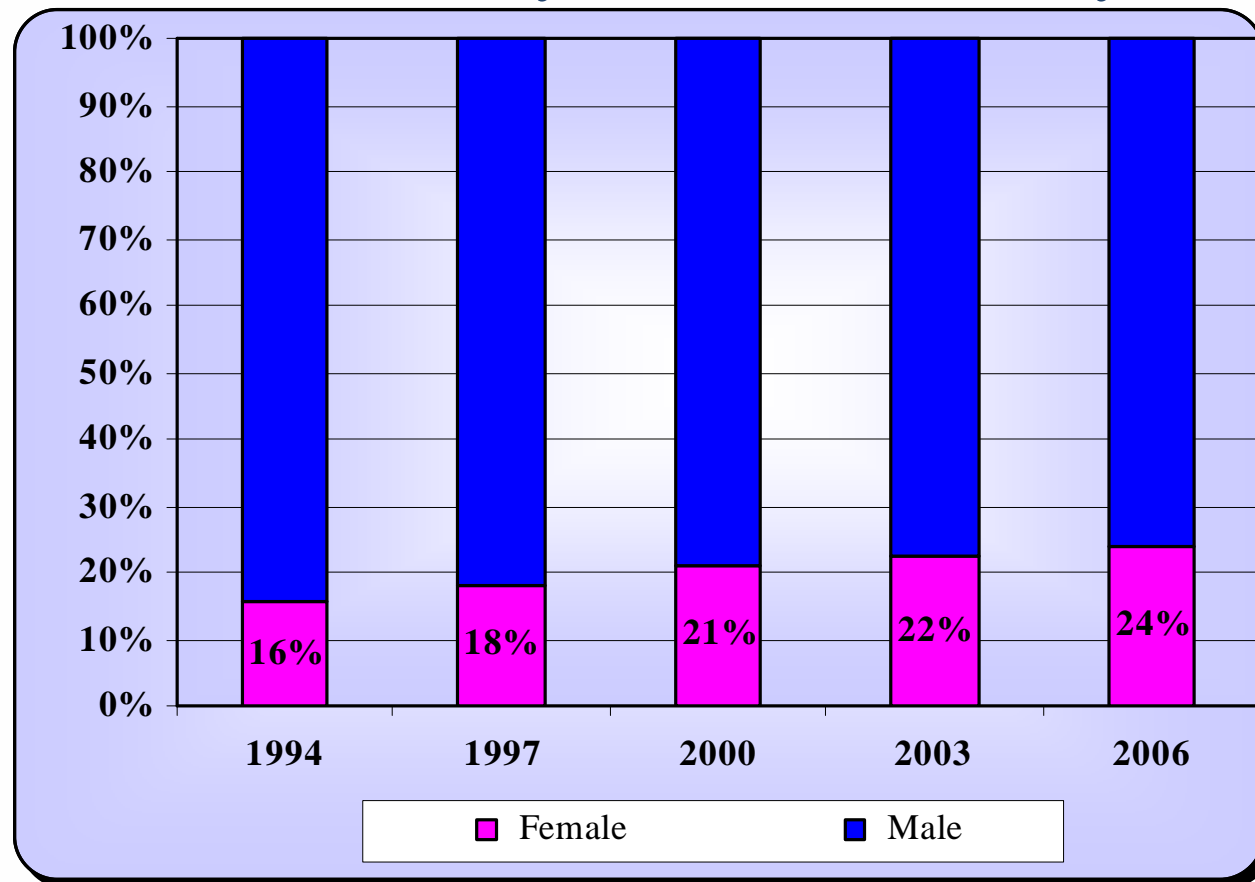
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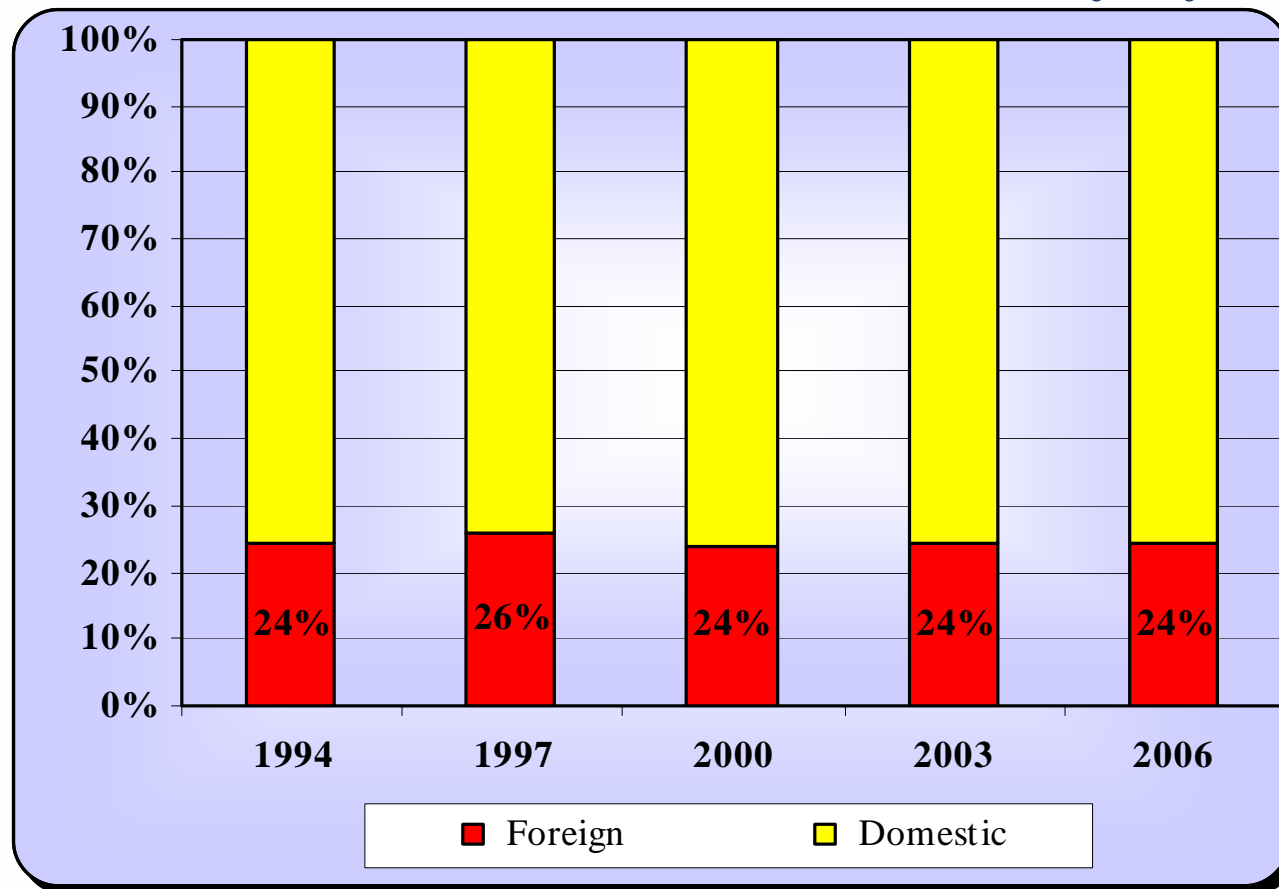
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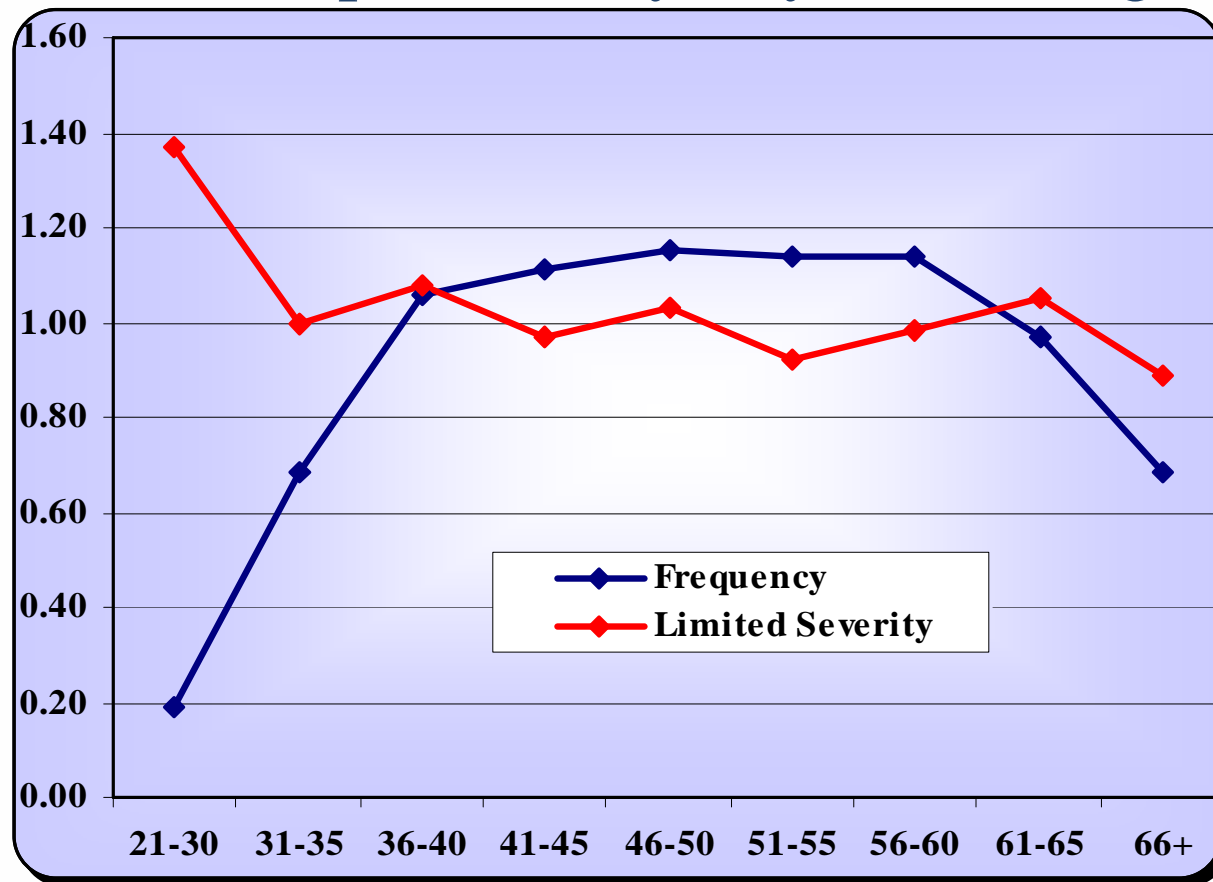
Distribution of Medical School Country by Year



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One-Way Analyses

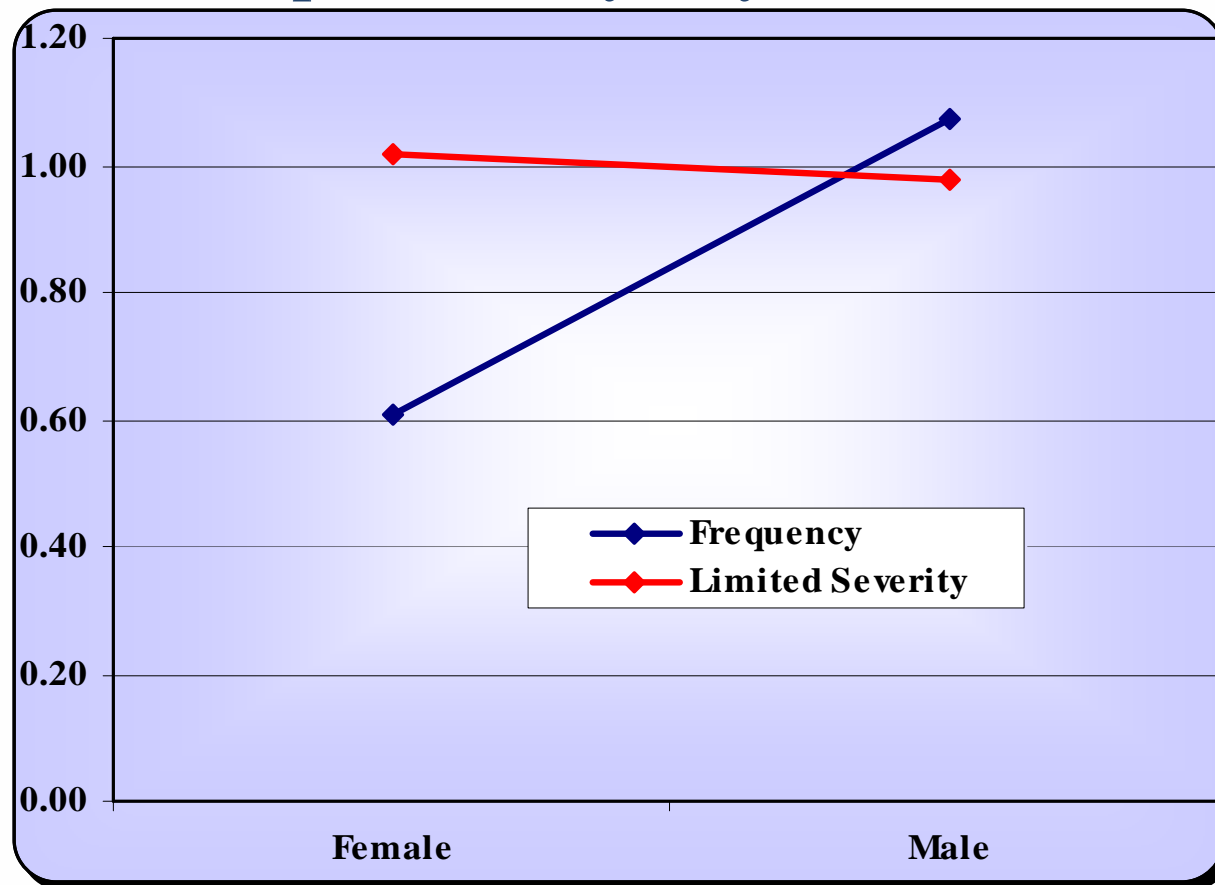
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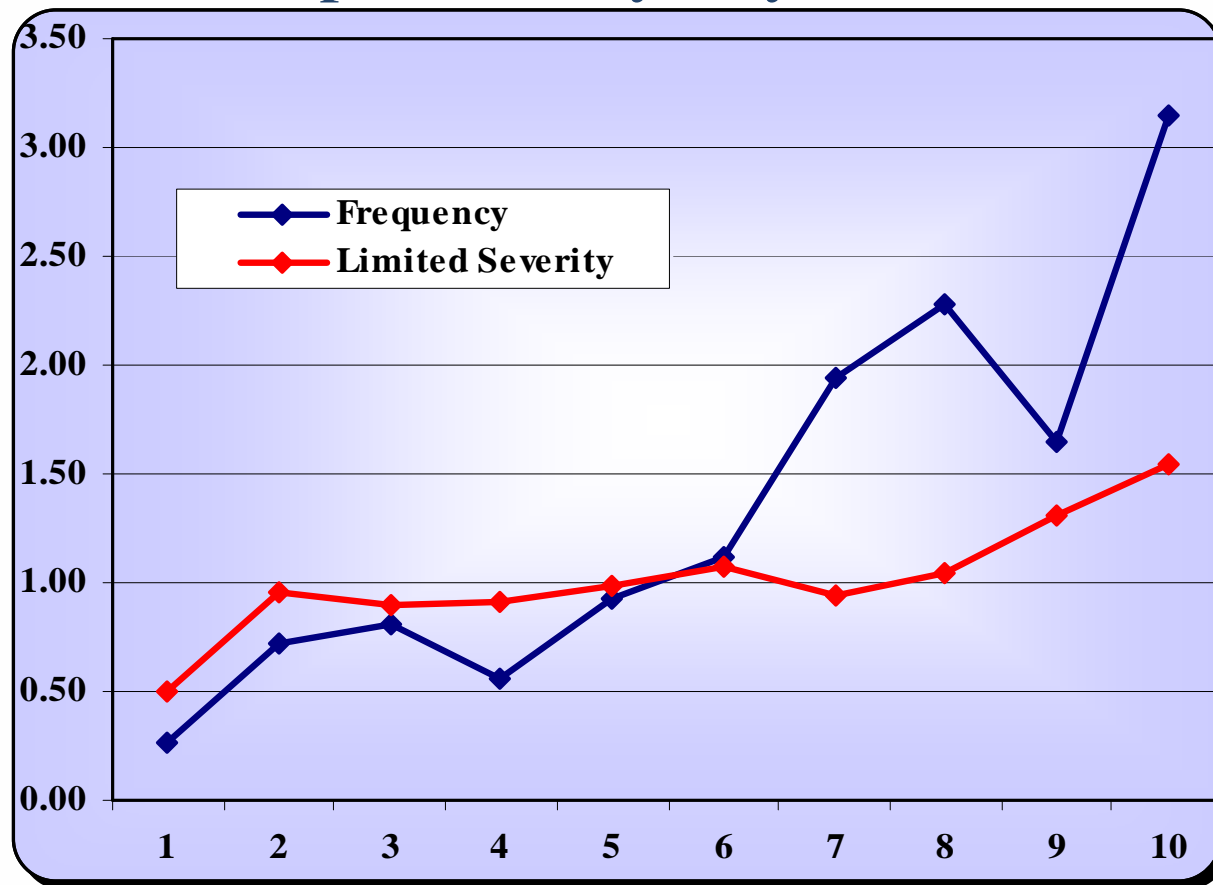
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Claim Experience by Physician's Class



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One-Way Analyses

- Using one-way analyses, the indicated rate for a 28-year old, Female Pediatrician would be ...

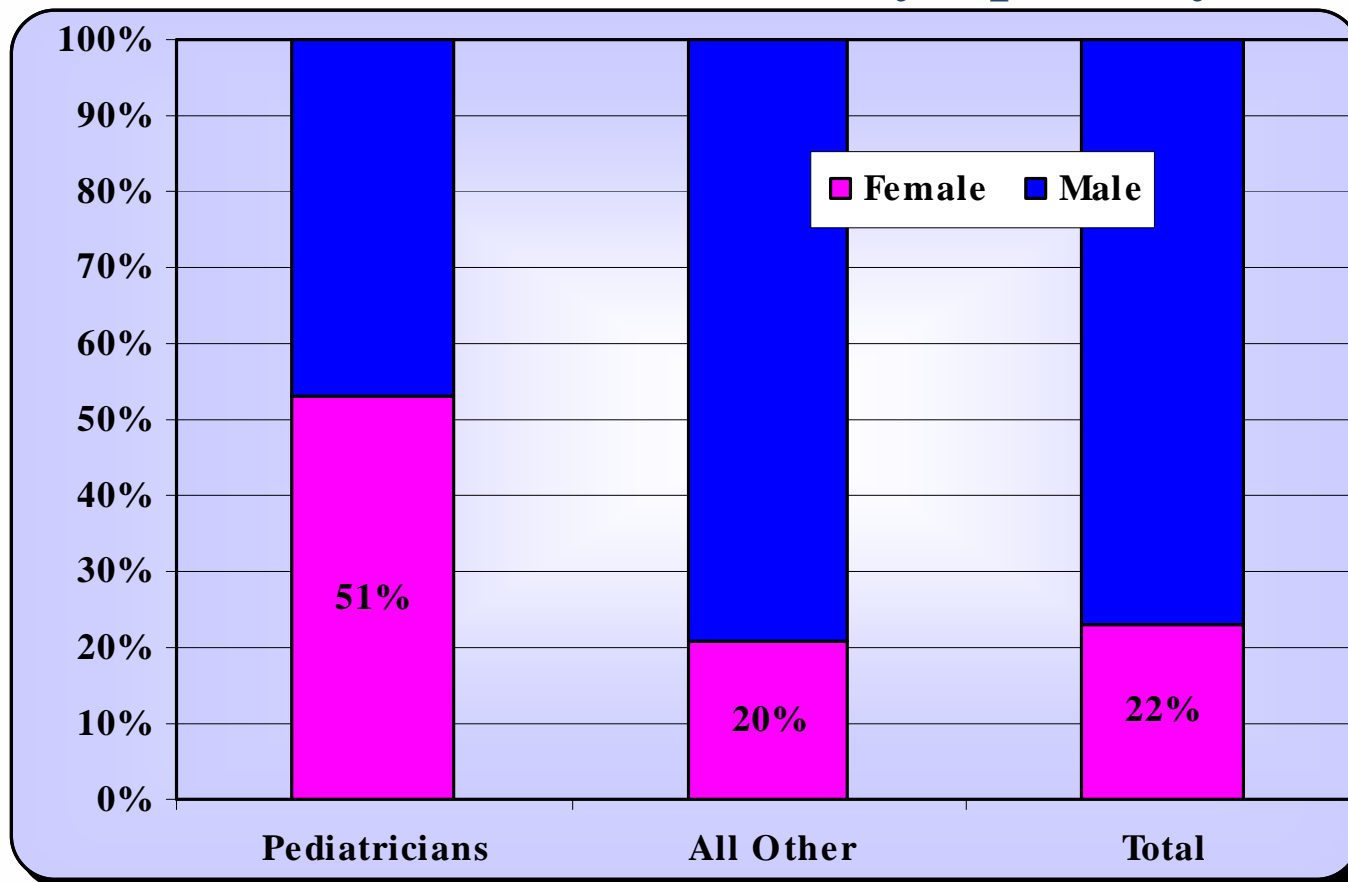
Rating Variable	Sample Insured	Indicated Rate Factor
Age	28	0.19
Gender	Female	0.61
Specialty	Pediatrician	0.26
Indicated Overall Rate Factor		0.03

- What if she ...
 - ü works in a rural part of the state?
 - ü graduated from a domestic medical school?
 - ü has been claims-free?
 - ü requests first year claims-made coverage?

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Assessing Distributional Skewness

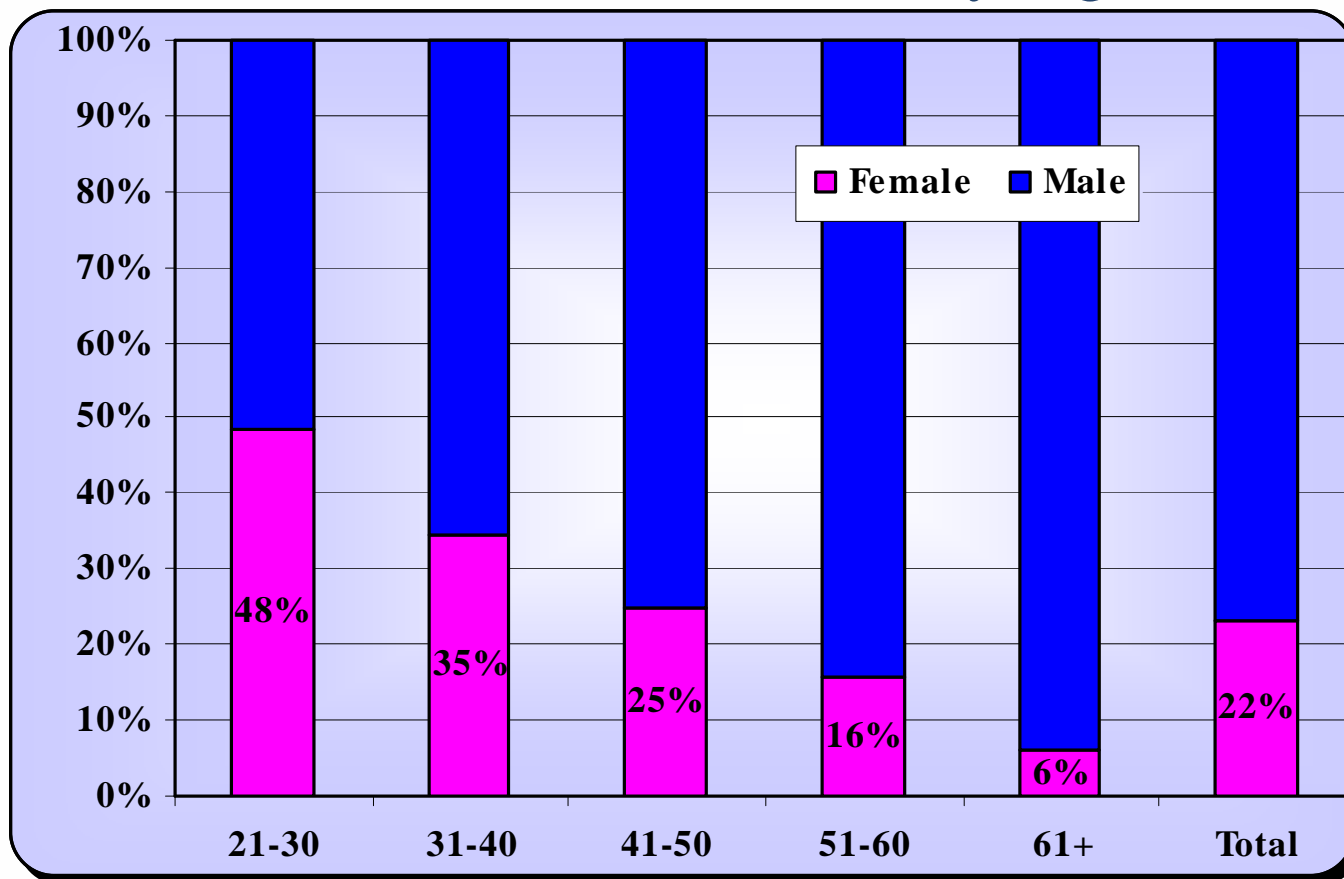
Distribution of Gender by Specialty



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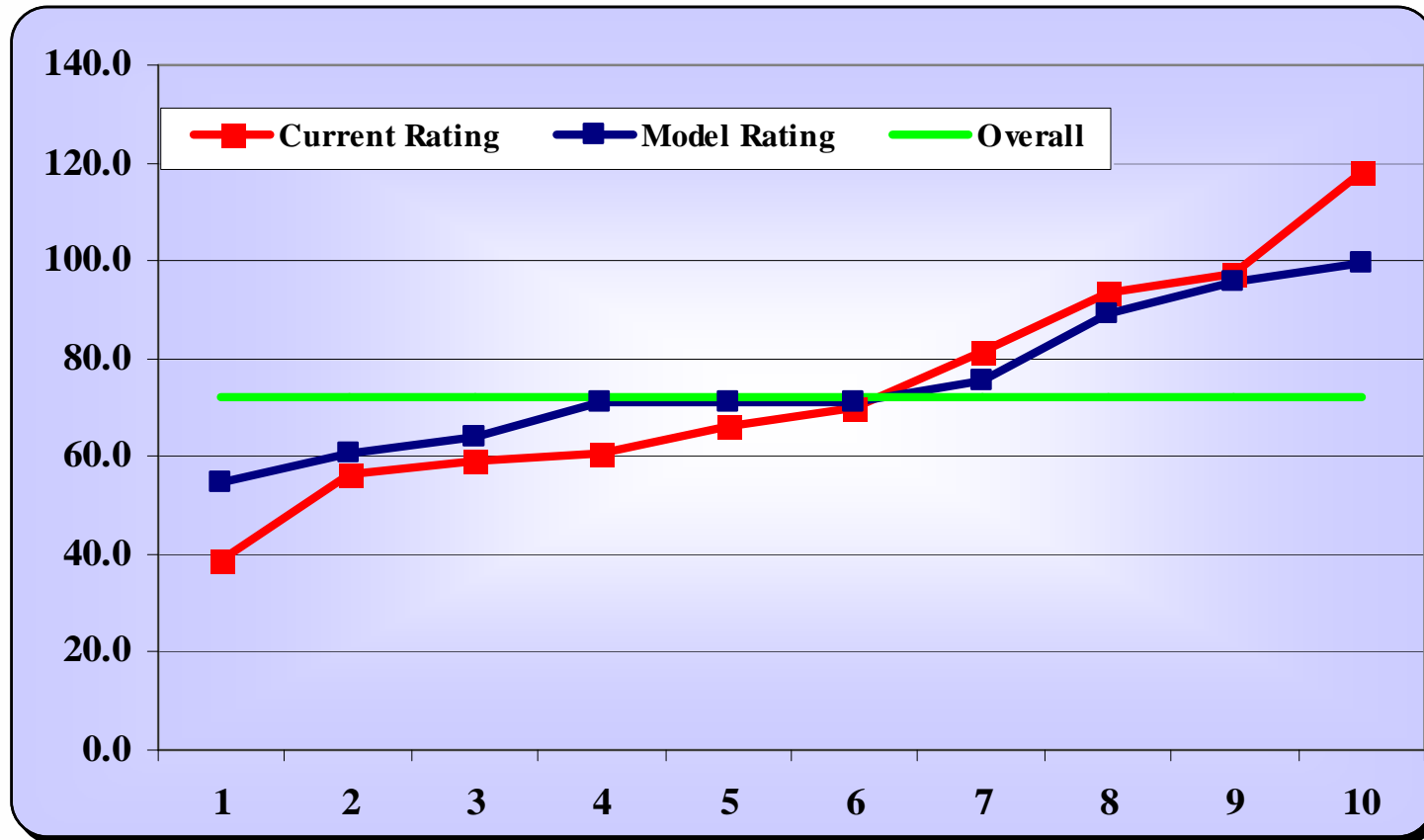
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Multivariate Analysis

- Multivariate approach evaluates the relationships between many variables simultaneously
 - ∅ Controls for shifts in distributions over time
 - ∅ Controls for skewness in distributions
 - ∅ Eliminates the requirement that all input variables be totally independent and uncorrelated
- Results in a formula that best predicts the probability and size of claims

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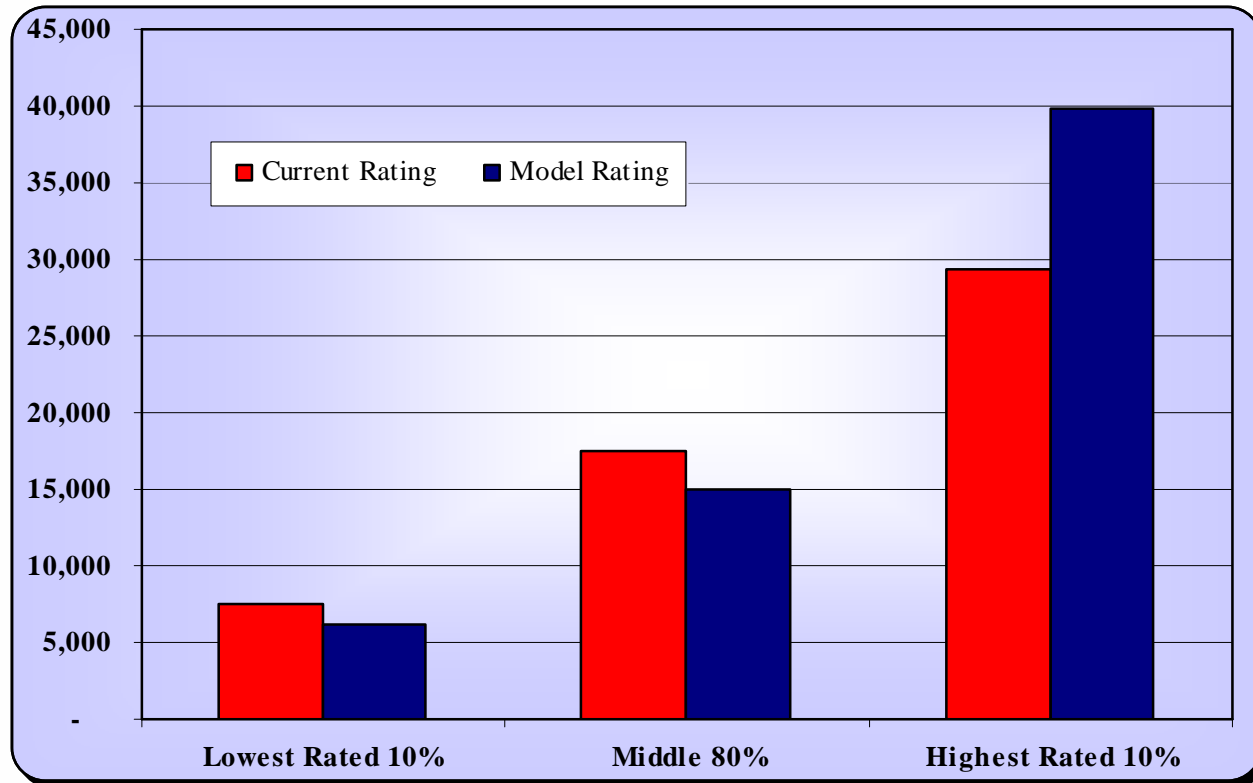
Model Validation: Expected Loss Ratio by Decile



- Results based on a preliminary Frequency-only model

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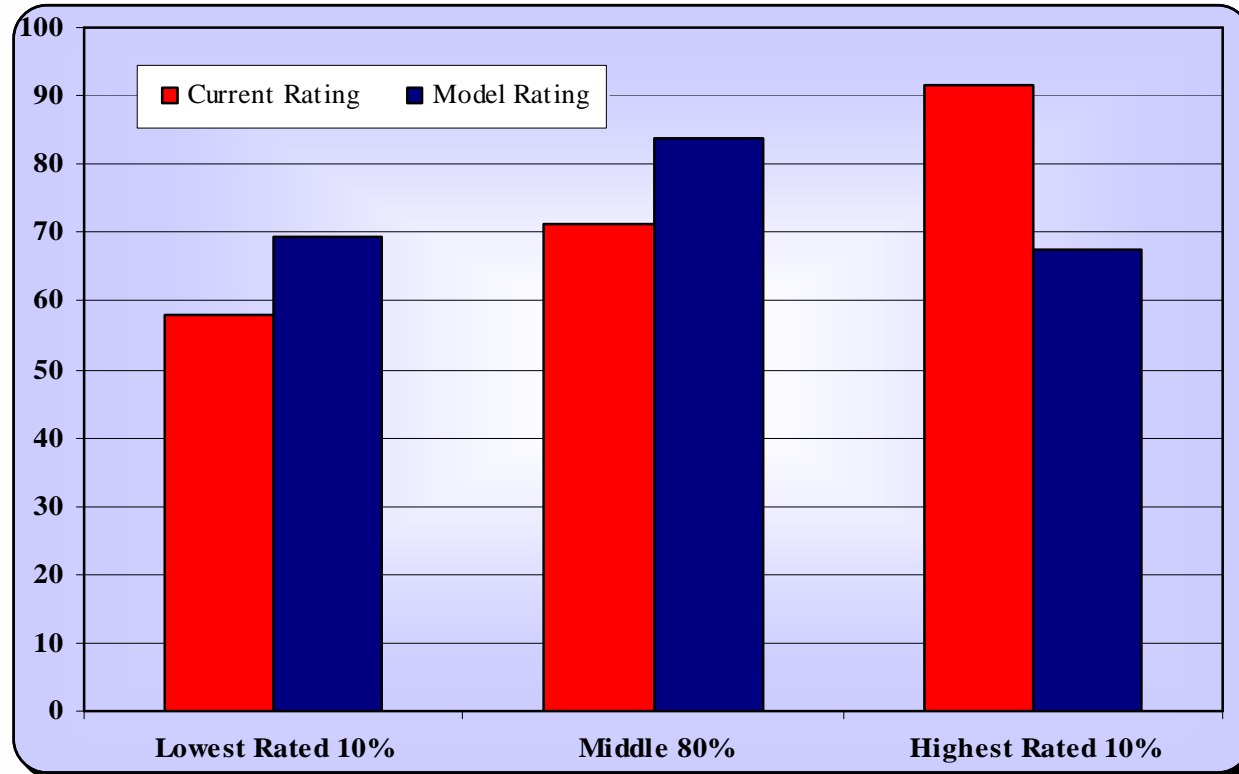
Model Validation: Average Premium by Class Group



- Ranked all Surgical Classes by their proposed premiums
- Model significantly increases rate spread

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Model Validation: Loss Ratios by Class Group



- Same groupings within the Surgical Classes
- Model reduces loss ratio variance by 40%

Case Study Discussion

Summary of Results

- Data preparation phase improved our overall understanding of the data and the subject line:
 - Ø Clarified the interaction between different variables
 - Ø Quantified the latest trends and/or distribution shifts
- Identified 3-5 new rating variables that were significant
 - Ø These could be added to the premium calculation process or could be used to improve Underwriting decisions

Questions?