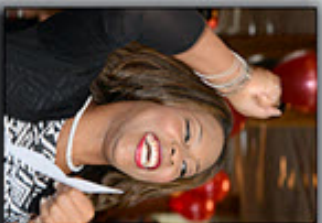


# How Competitive is the Match?

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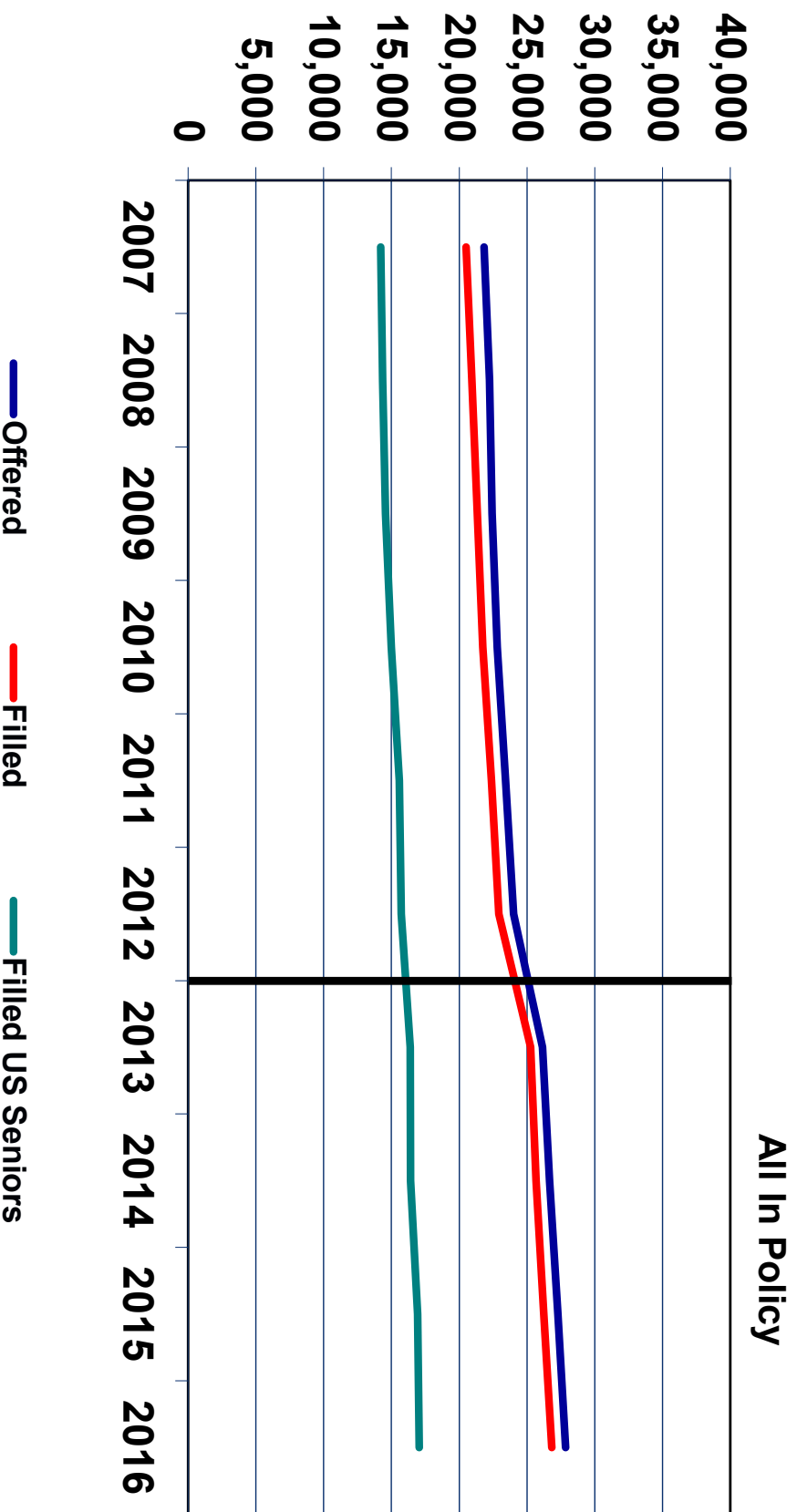


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# Main Residency Match

## PGY-1 Positions Offered and Filled

**6,015 More Positions Since 2007**

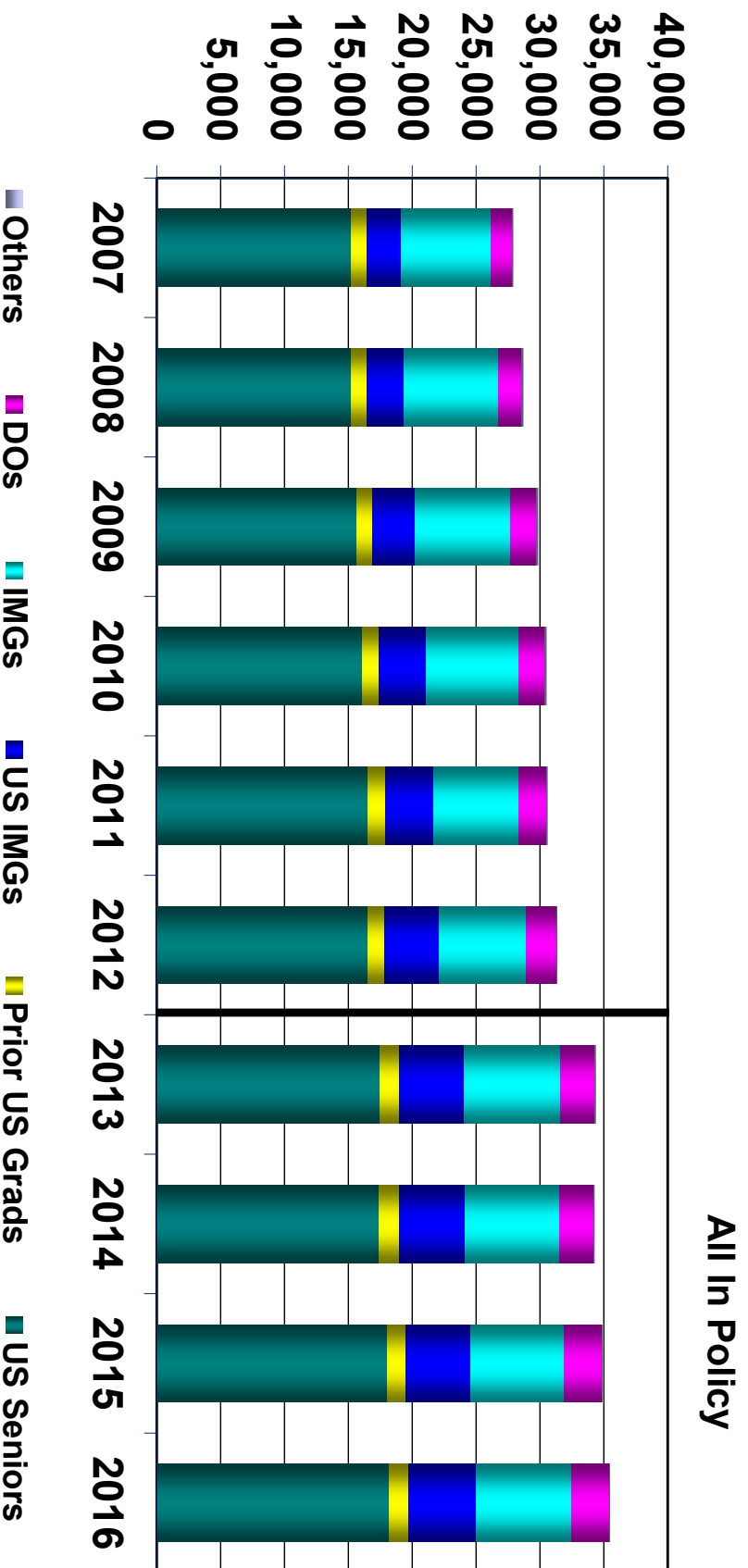


+ 567 PGY-1  
positions  
over 2015

# Active Applicants

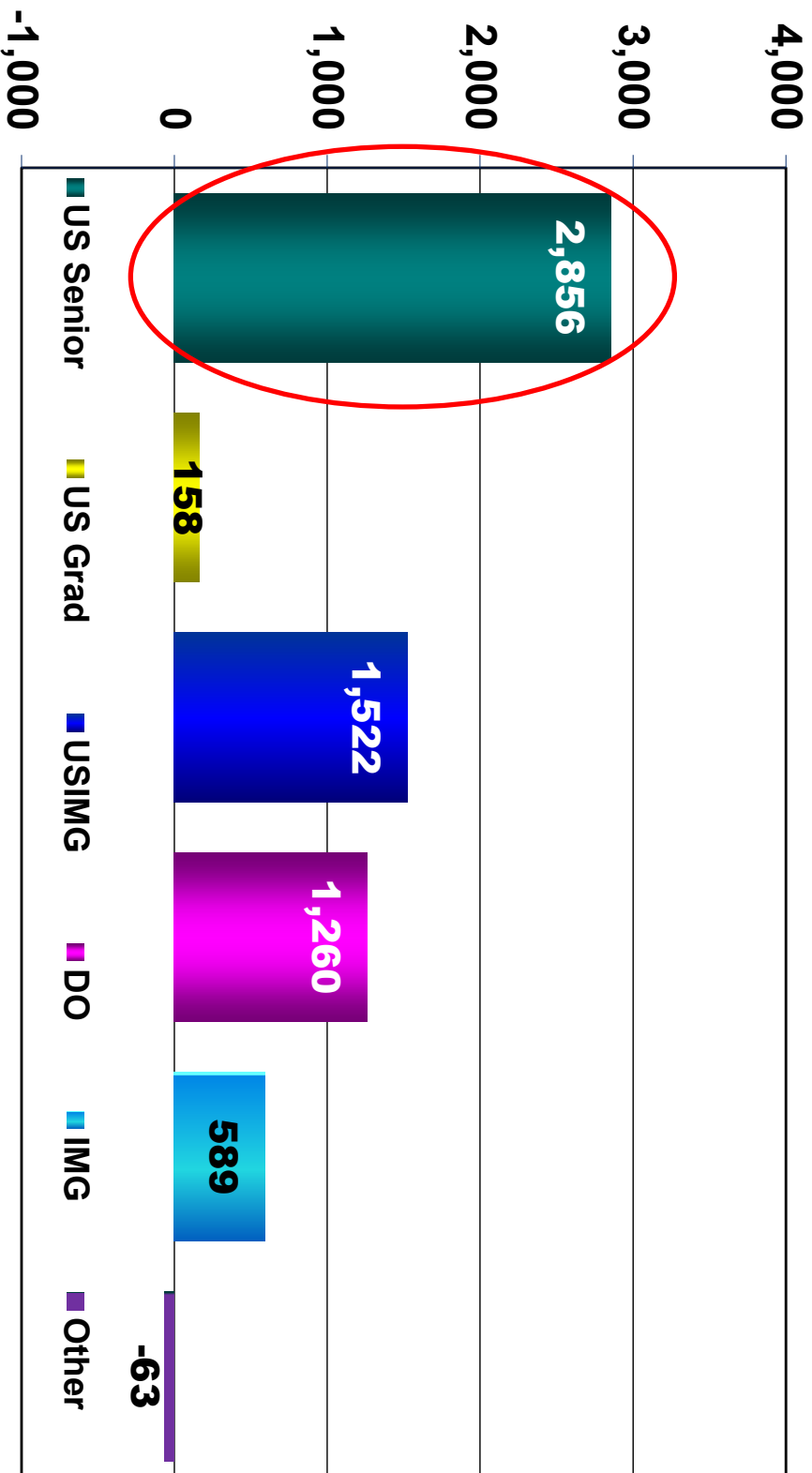
## 162 More Seniors, 571 More Active Applicants

**7,532 More Applicants Since 2007**



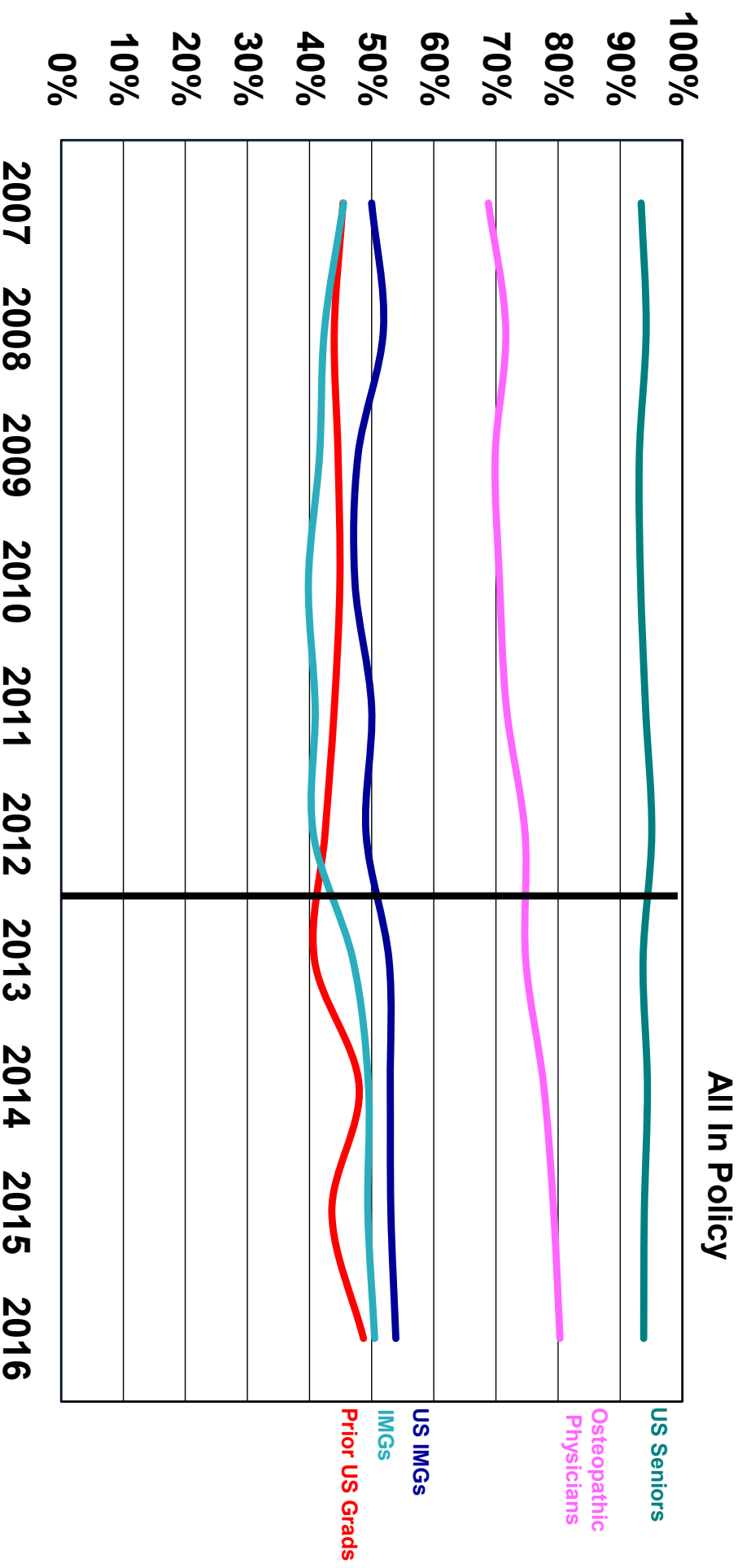
# PGY-1 Matches by Applicant Type

## Change Since 2007



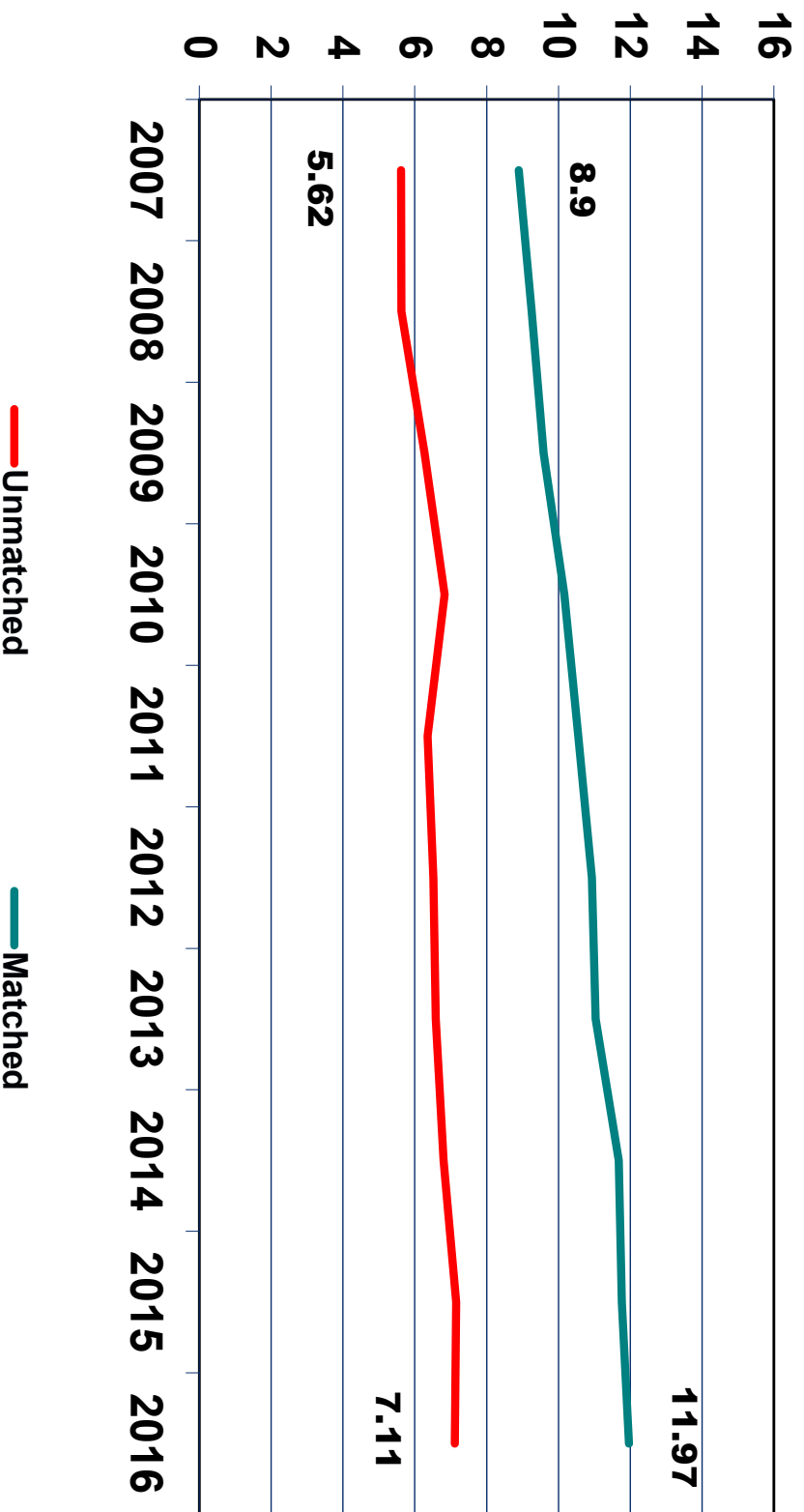
# PGY-1 Match Rates by Applicant Type

**Overall 2016 Match Rate: 75.6%**



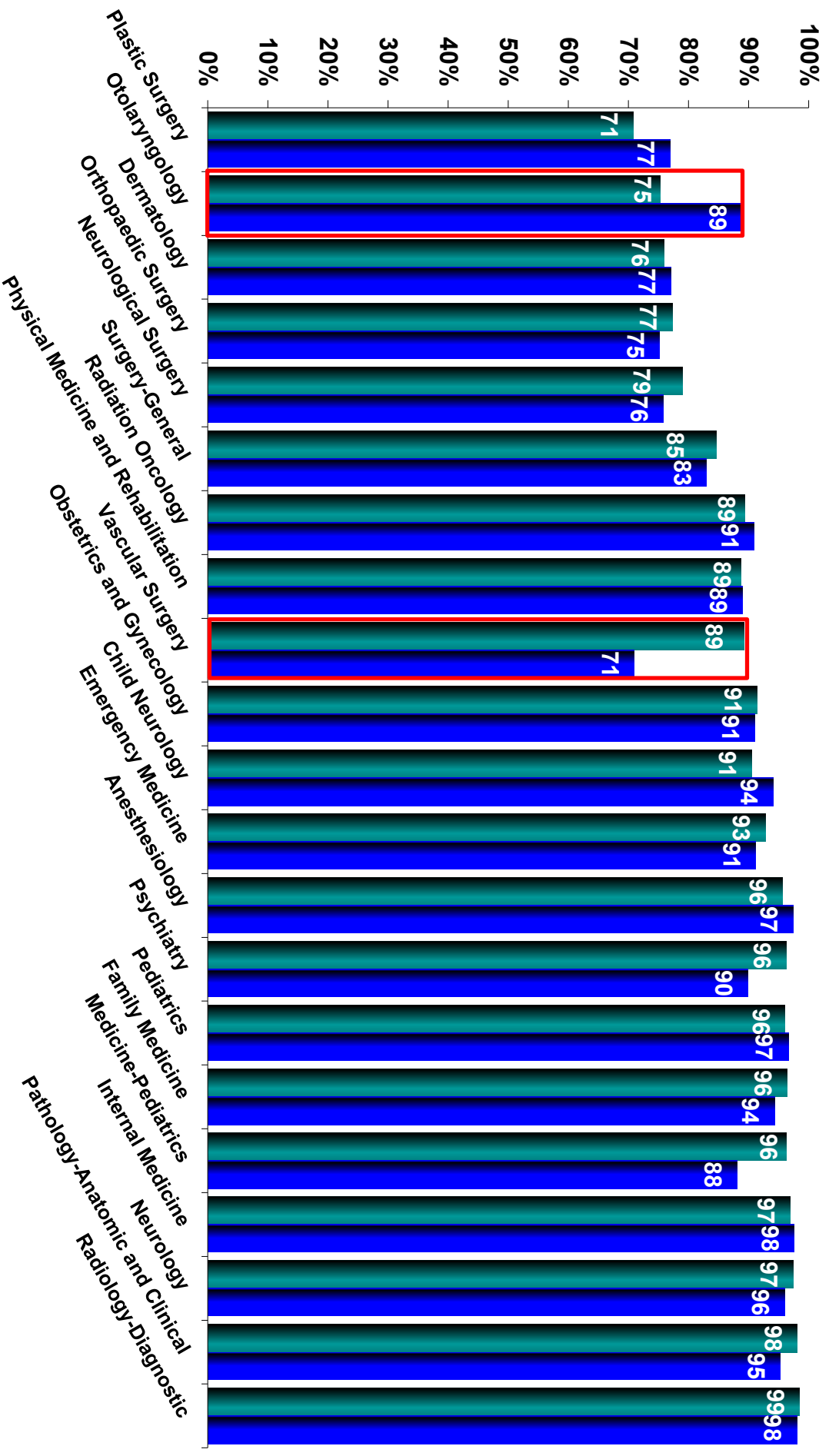
# Average Length of U.S. Seniors' ROLs

## Matched and Unmatched Applicants



# Match Rates By Preferred Specialty

## Most Seniors Match!



Source: Charting Outcomes in the Match

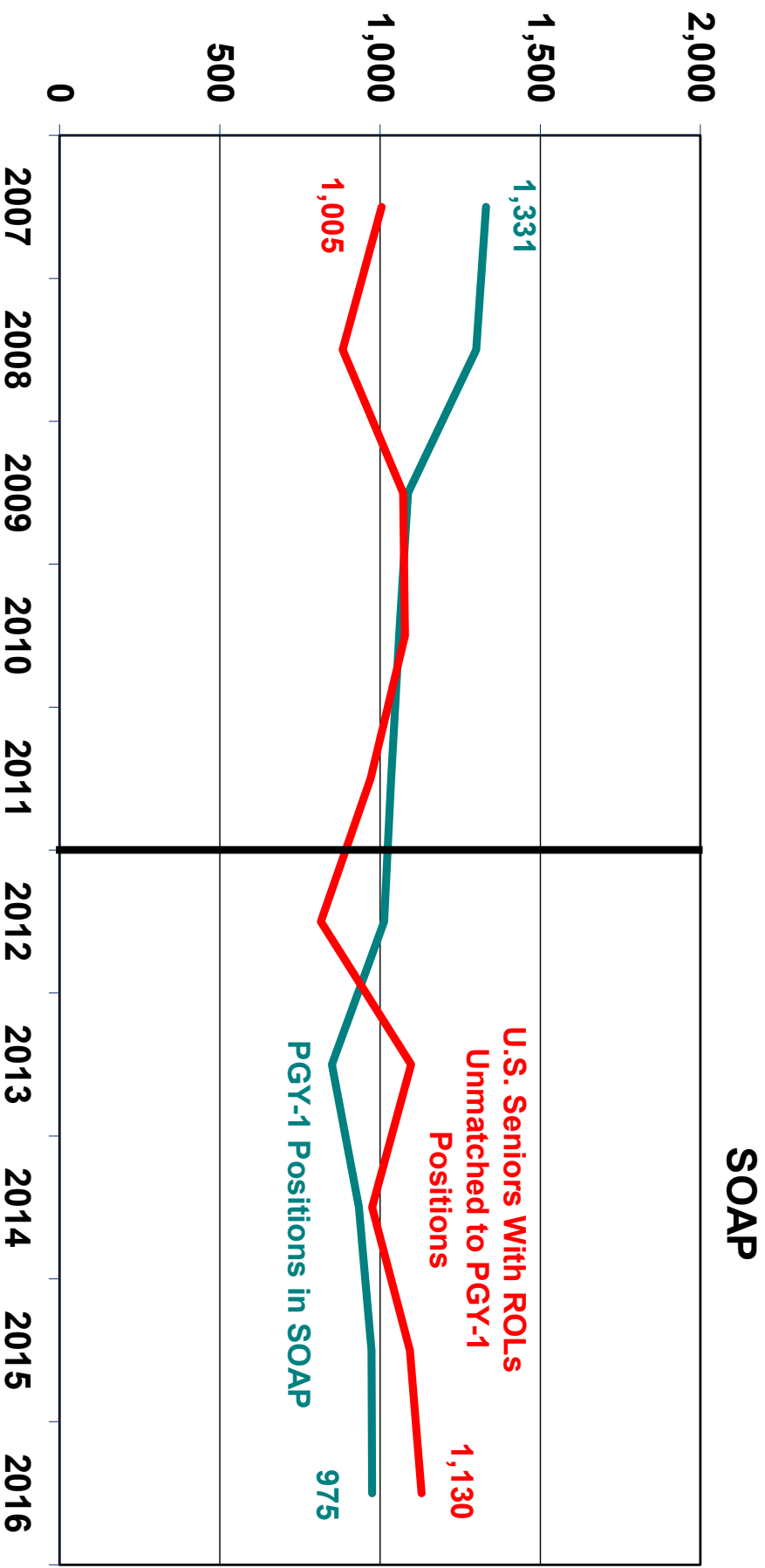
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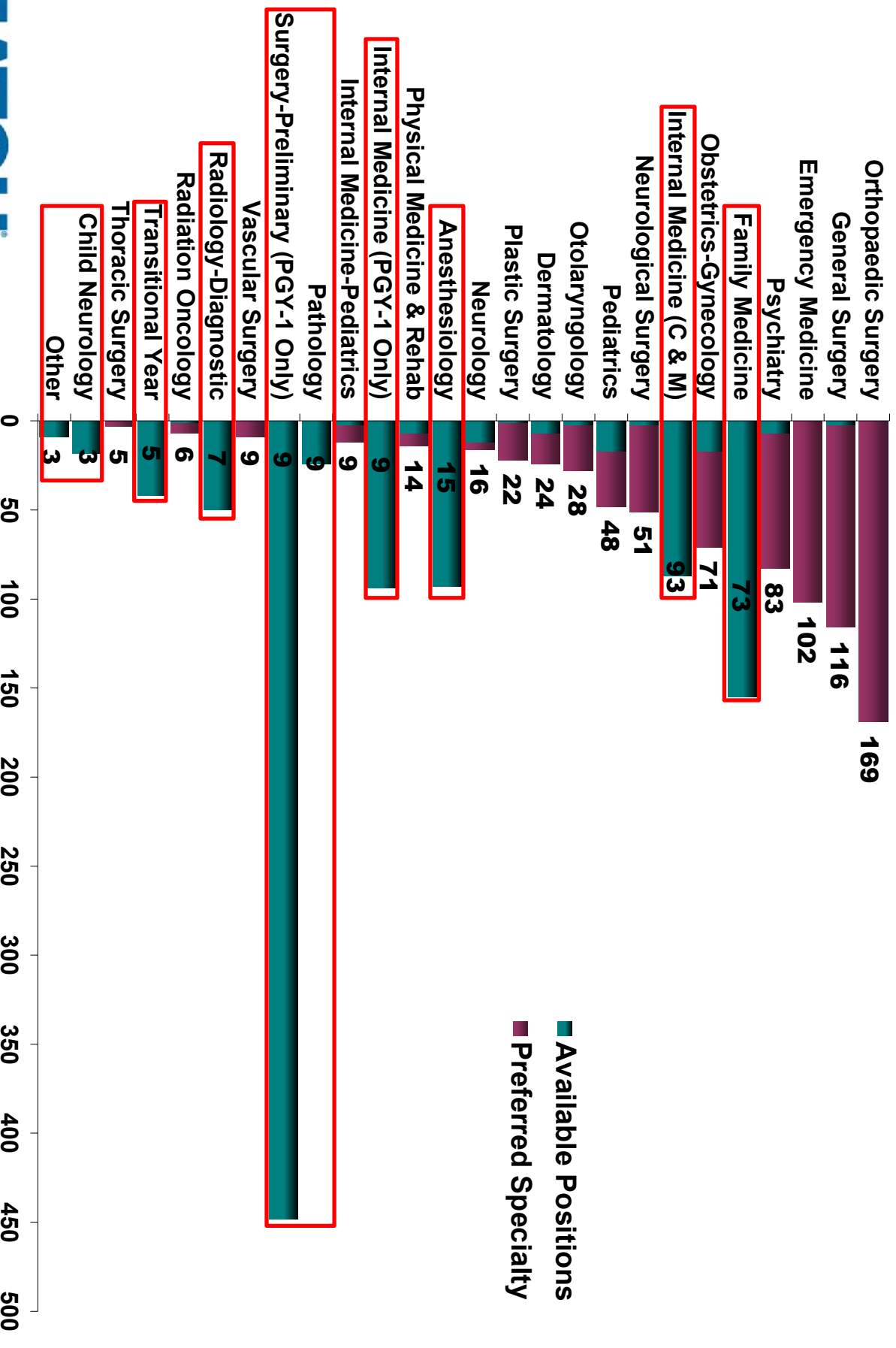
# Unmatched Seniors, PGY-1 Positions in SOAP

***More Unmatched Seniors than PGY-1 Positions = 4 Years***



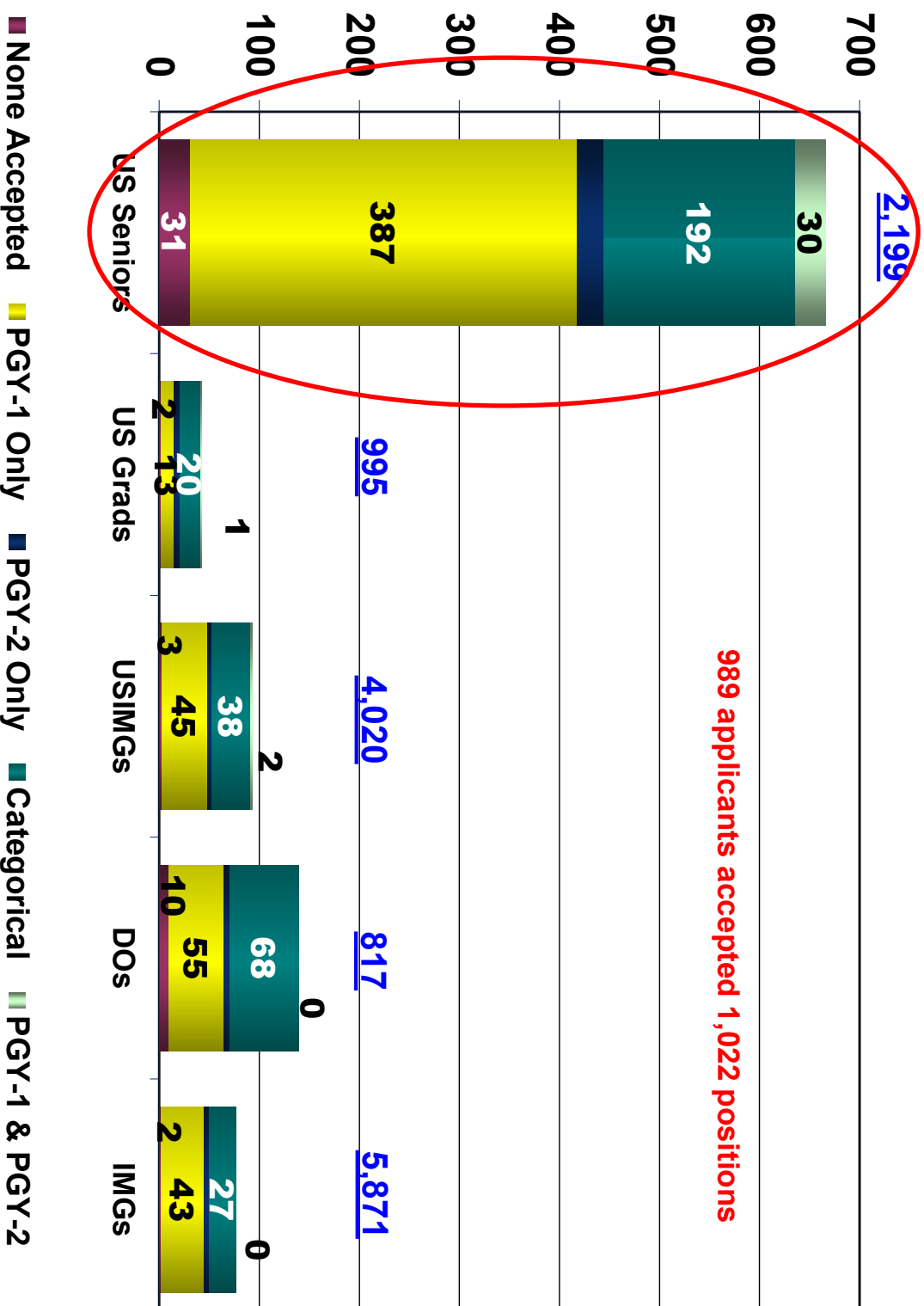


# Preferences of Unmatched Seniors Available SOAP Positions



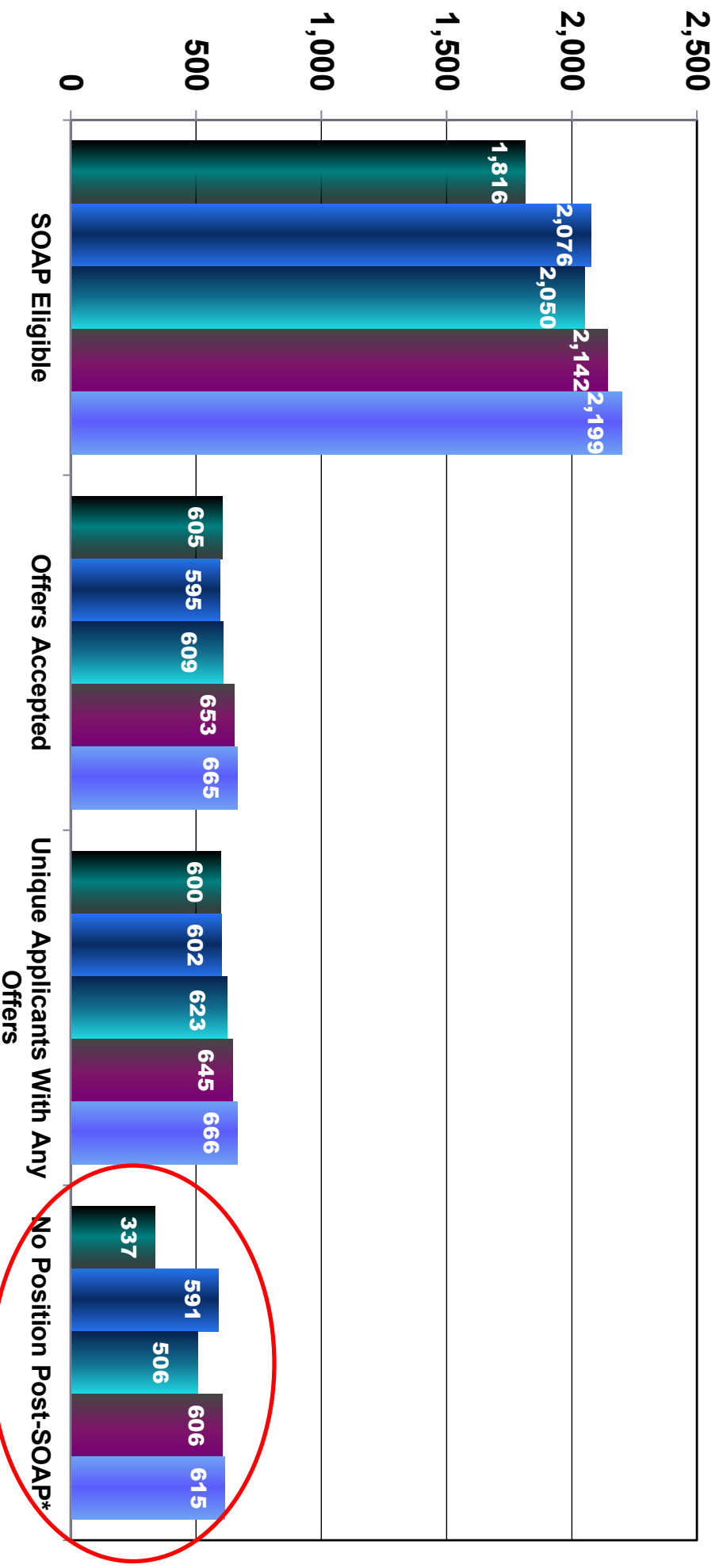
# SOAP Positions

## Accepted by Applicant & Position Type



# U.S. Allopathic Seniors in SOAP

## 2012 - 2016

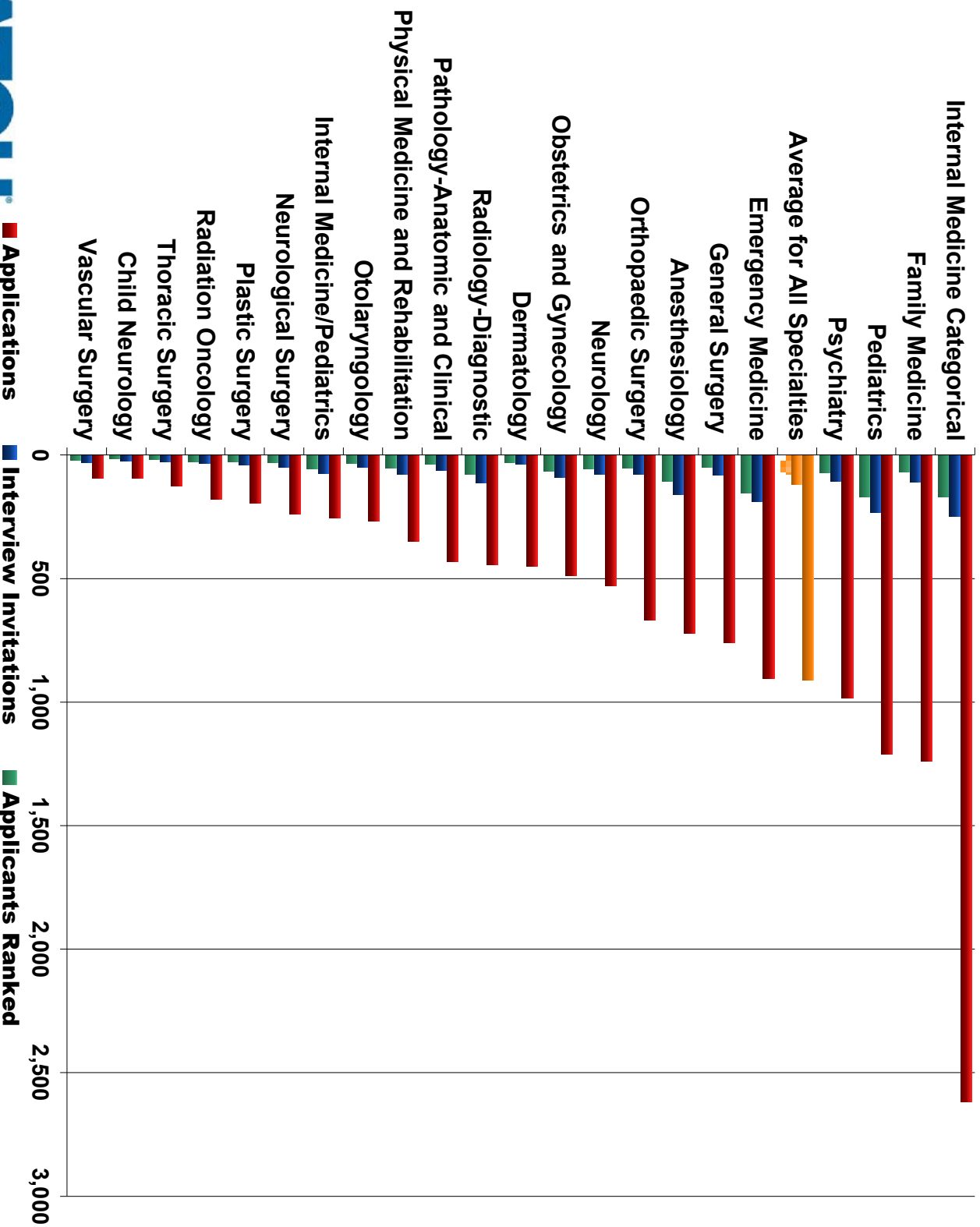


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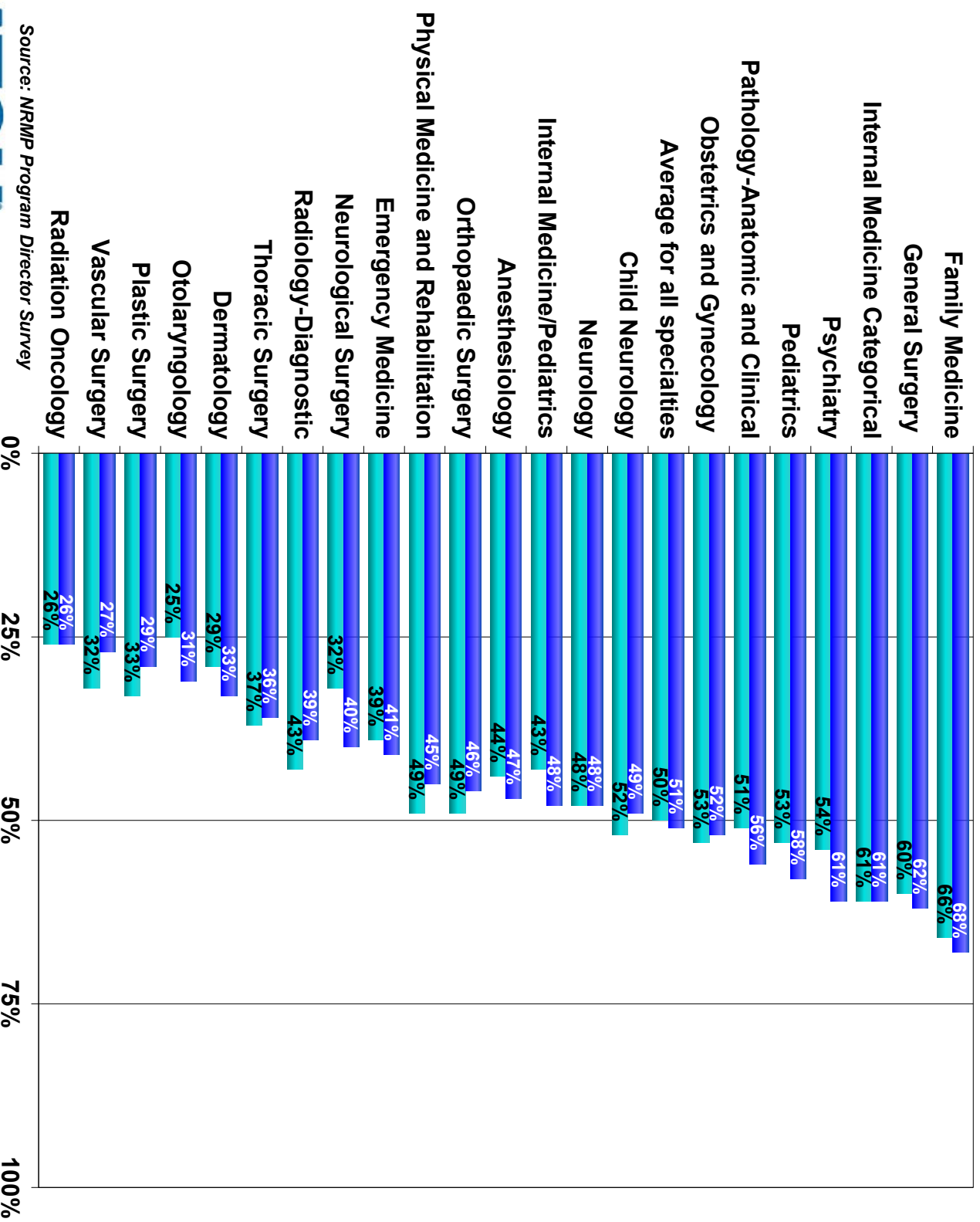
# Getting the Interview



# Applications, Interviews, Ranks

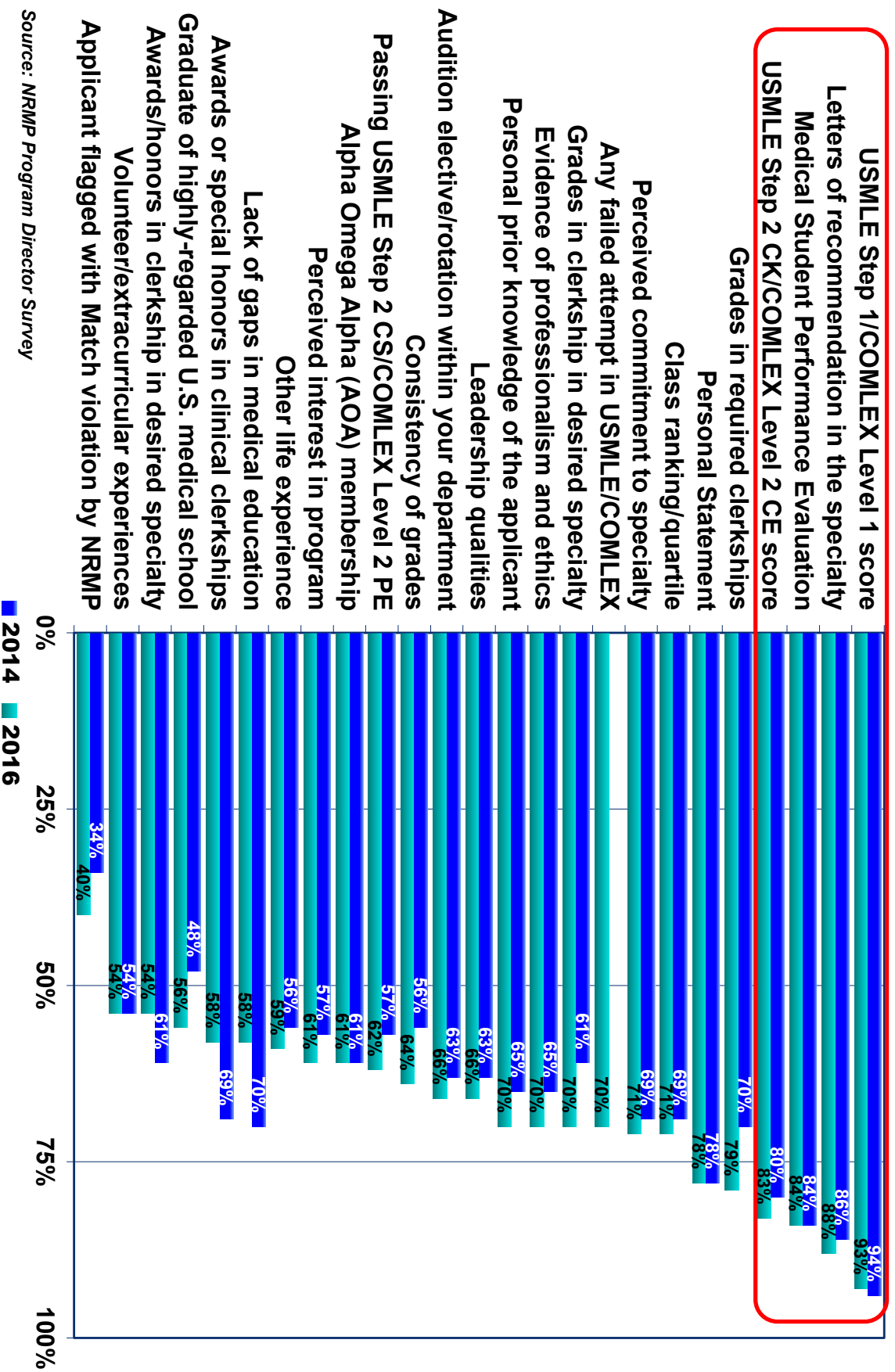


# Average Percentage Applications Rejected

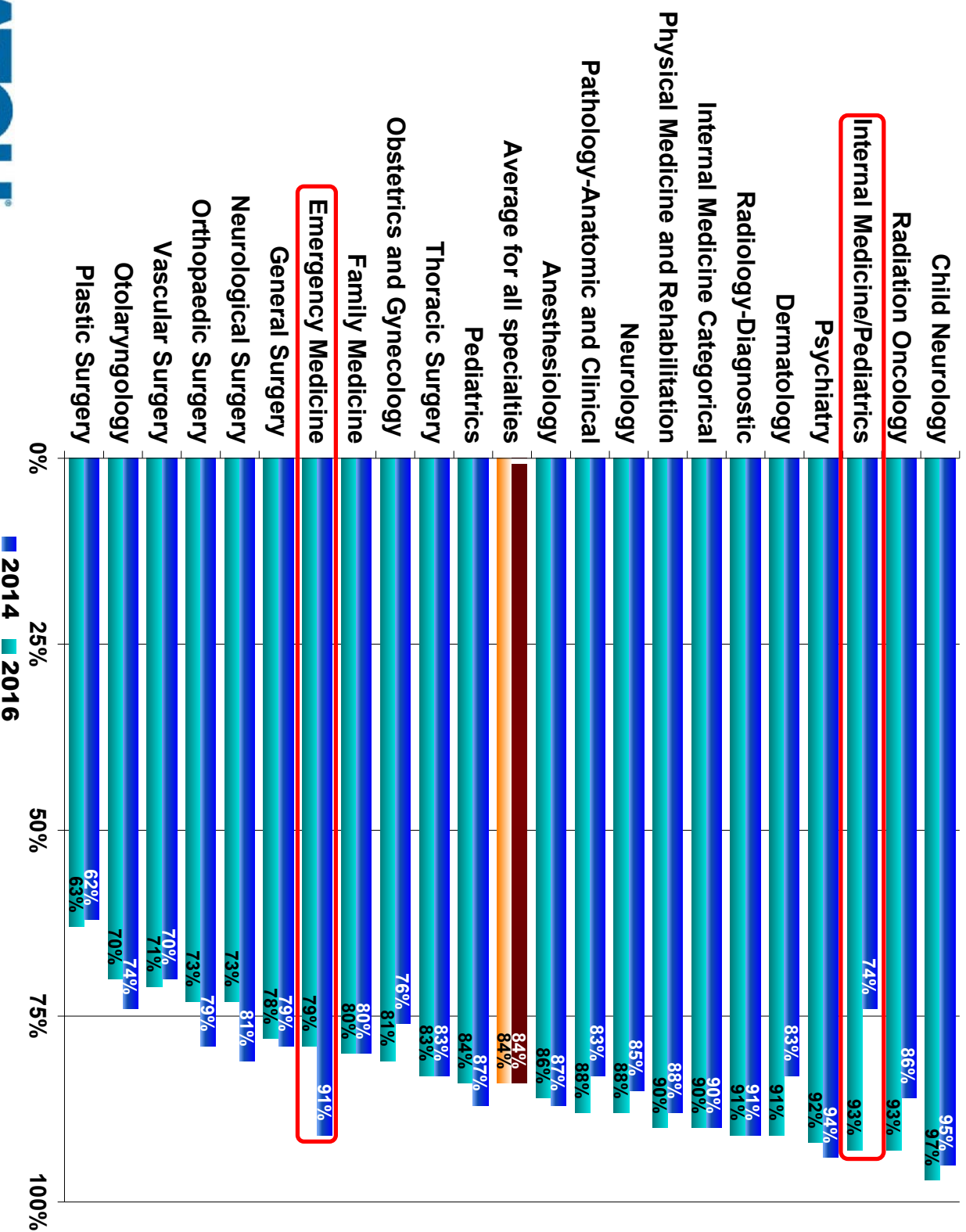


Source: NRMP Program Director Survey

# Percentage of Programs Citing Each Factor in Interview Selection



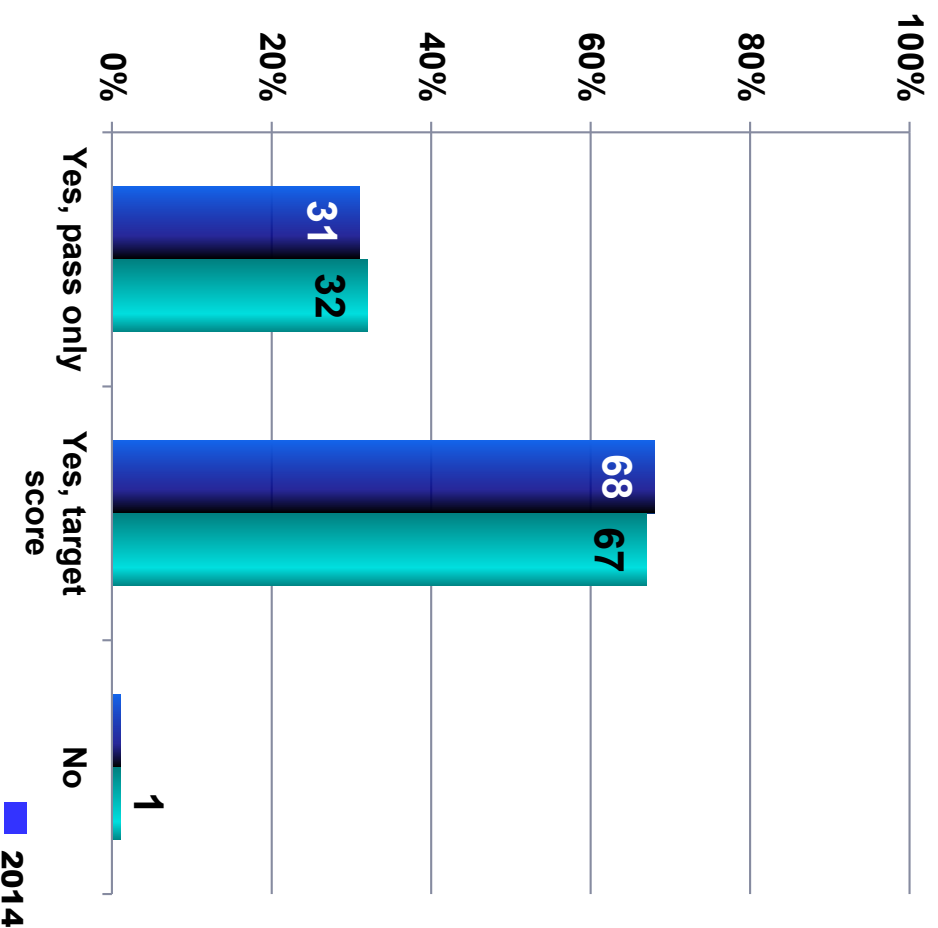
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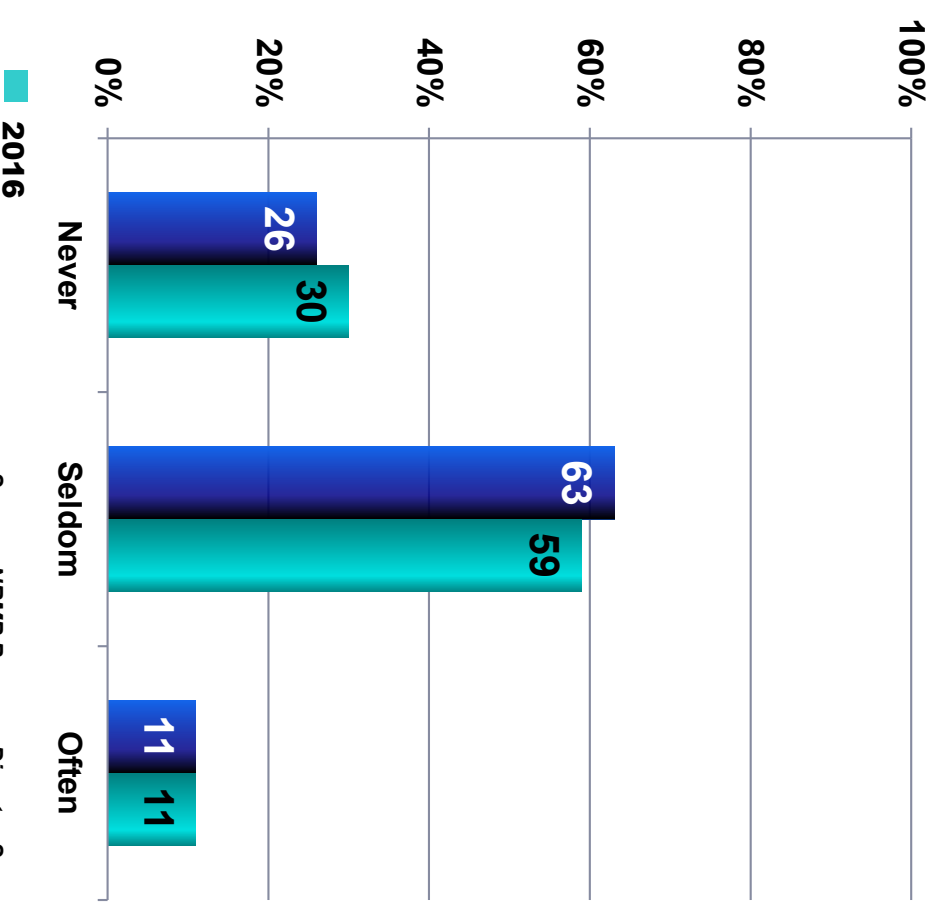


# Percentage of Programs Using USMLE Step 1 Scores for Interview Selection

Scores Required?

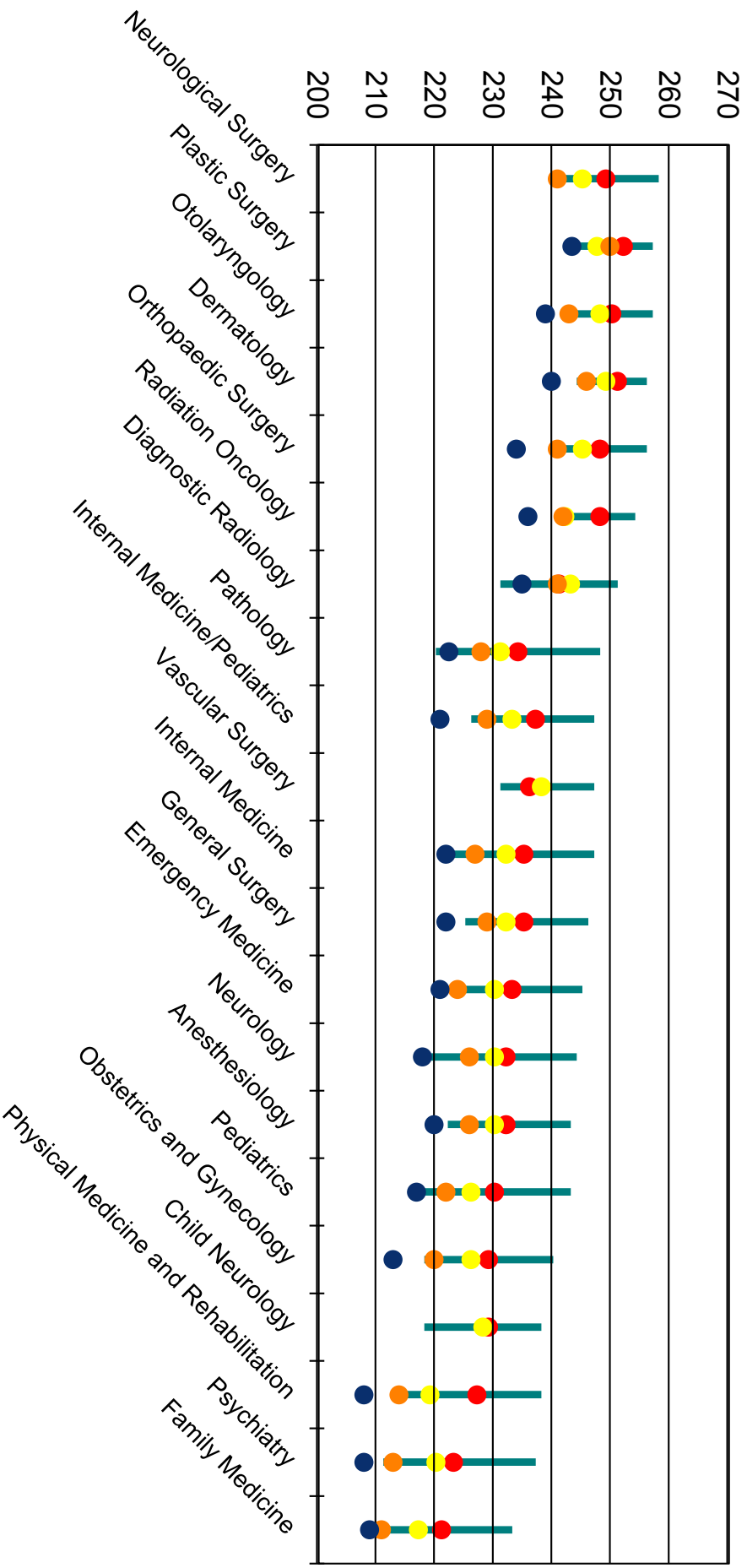


Consider applicants who fail 1<sup>st</sup>  
attempt?



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# Step 1 Scores Are Rising By Preferred Specialty

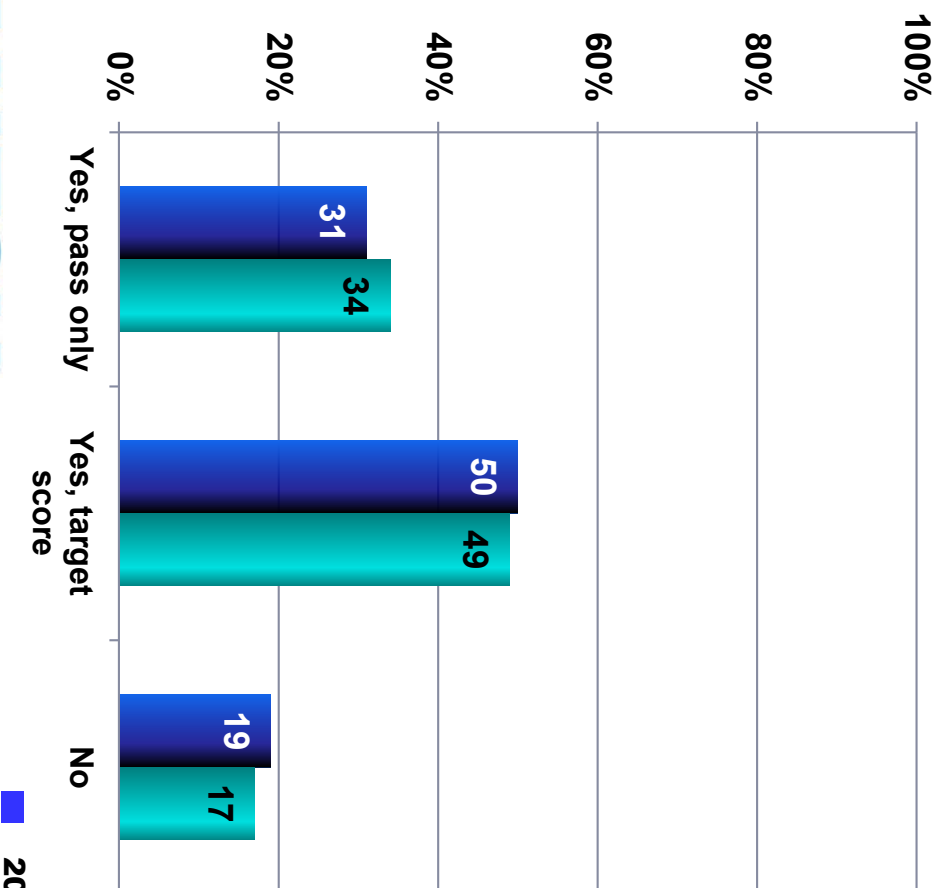


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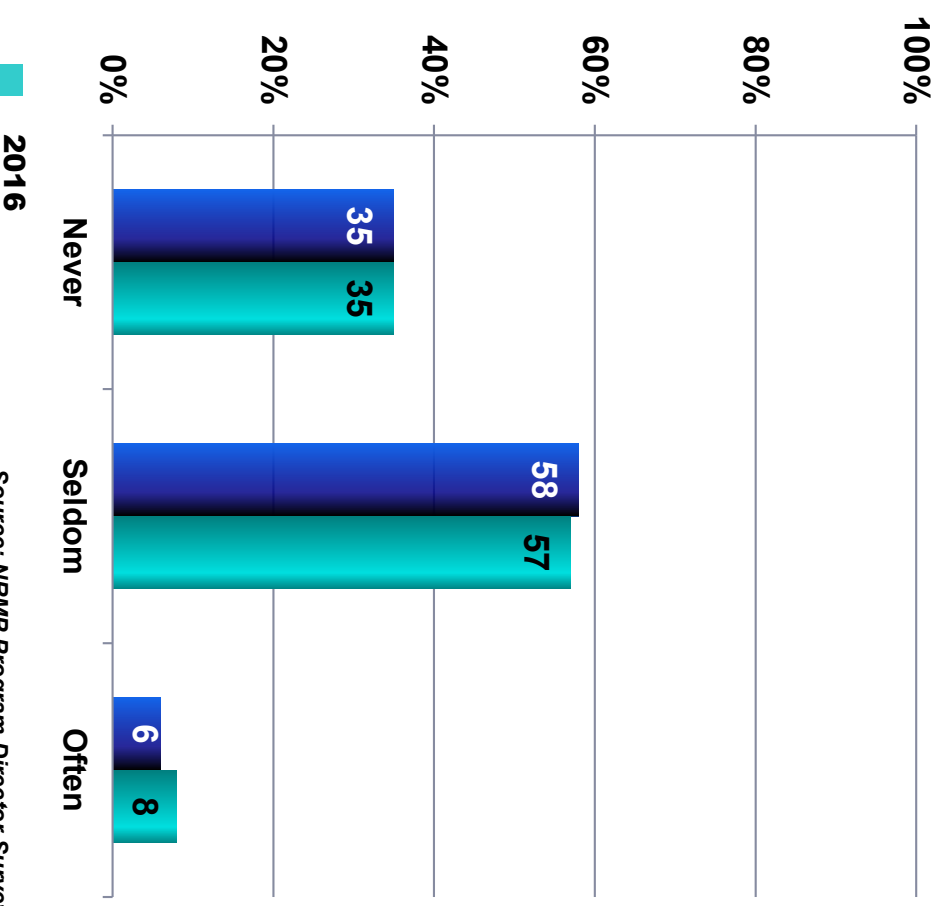
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# Percentage of Programs Using USMLE Step 2 CK Scores for Interview Selection

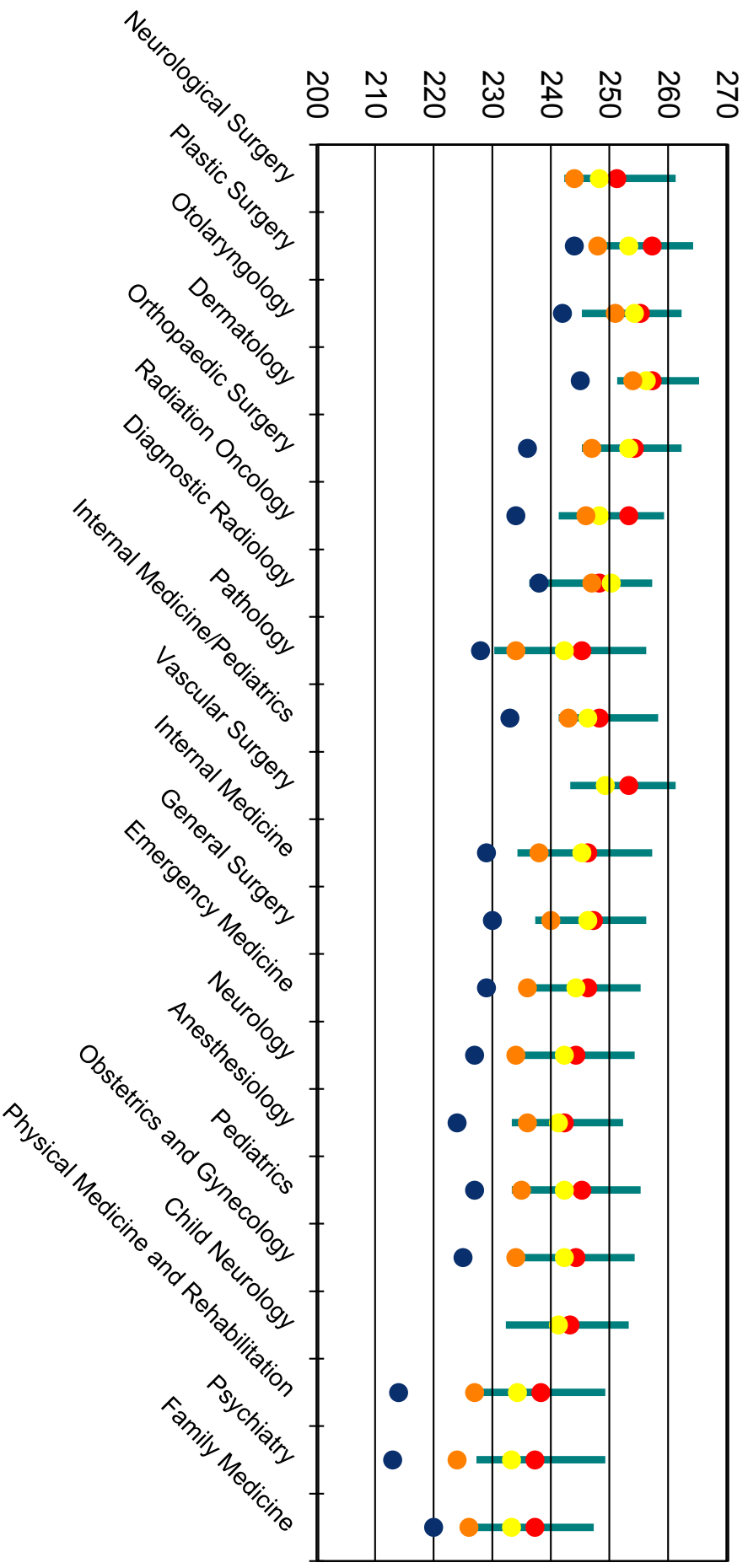
Scores Required?



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# Step 2 CK Scores Are Rising By Preferred Specialty



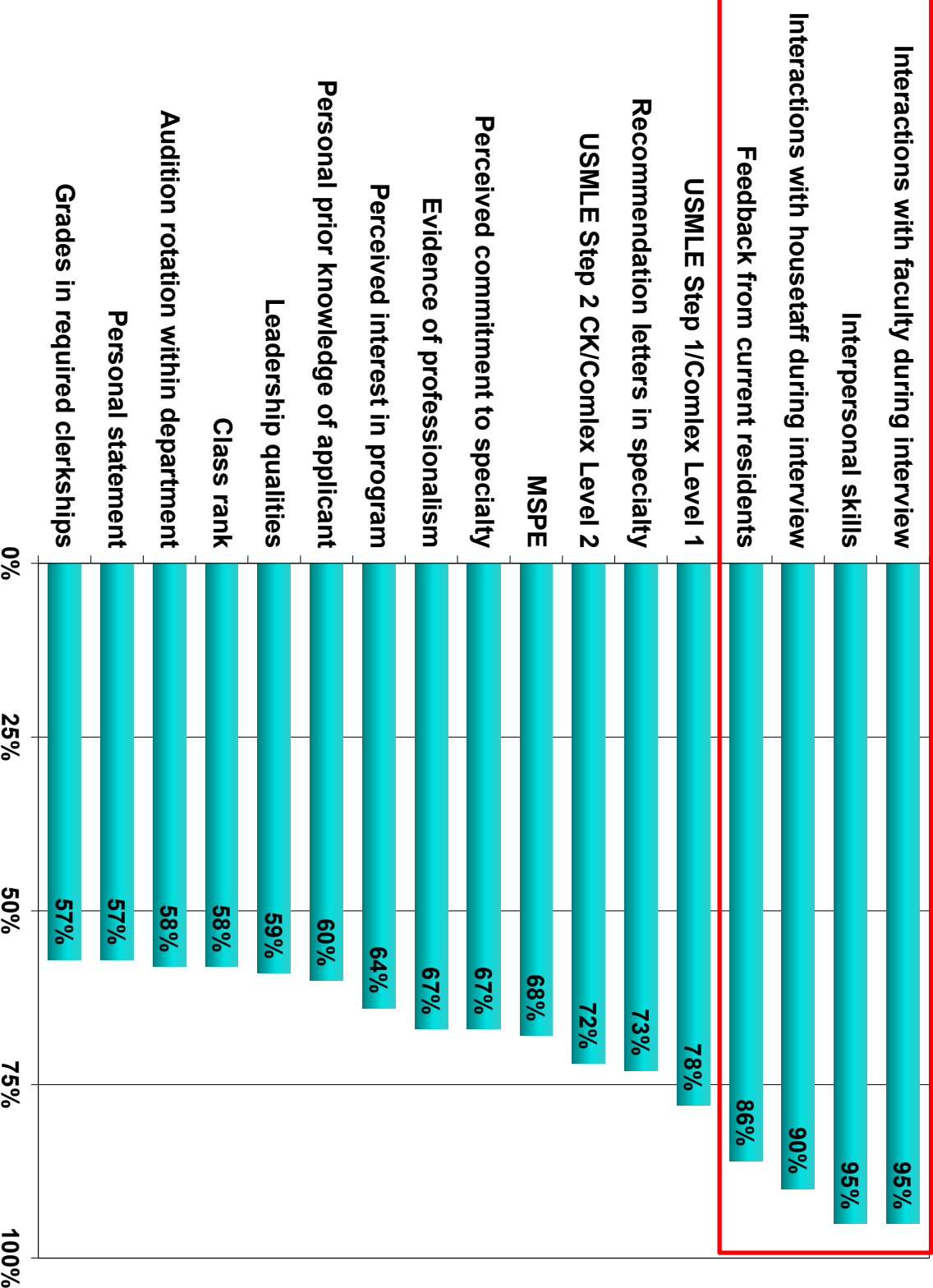
● 2007 Median ● 2011 Median ● 2014 Median ● 2016 Median

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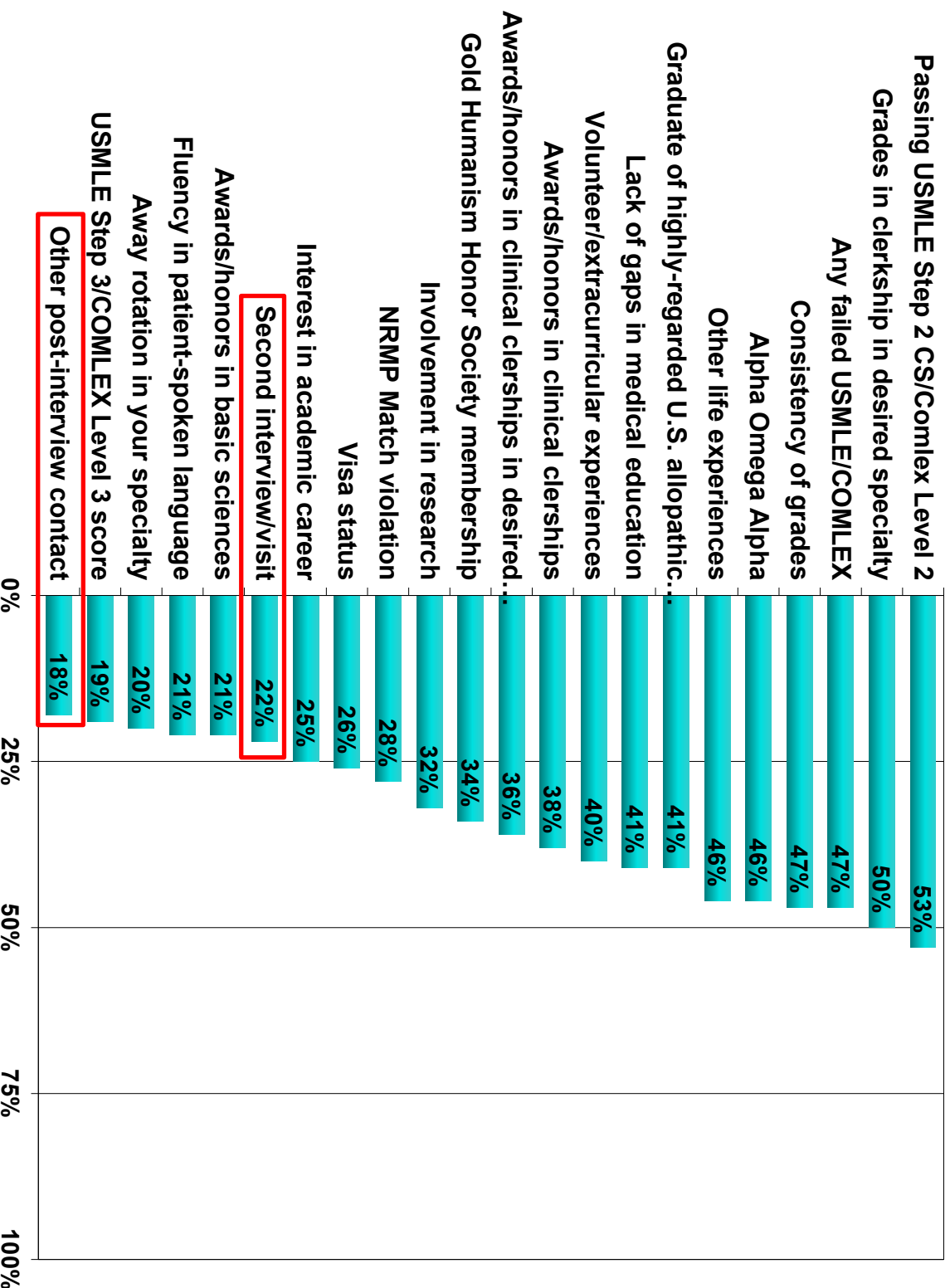
# Factors in Ranking Applicants

## It's All About the Interview: 2016



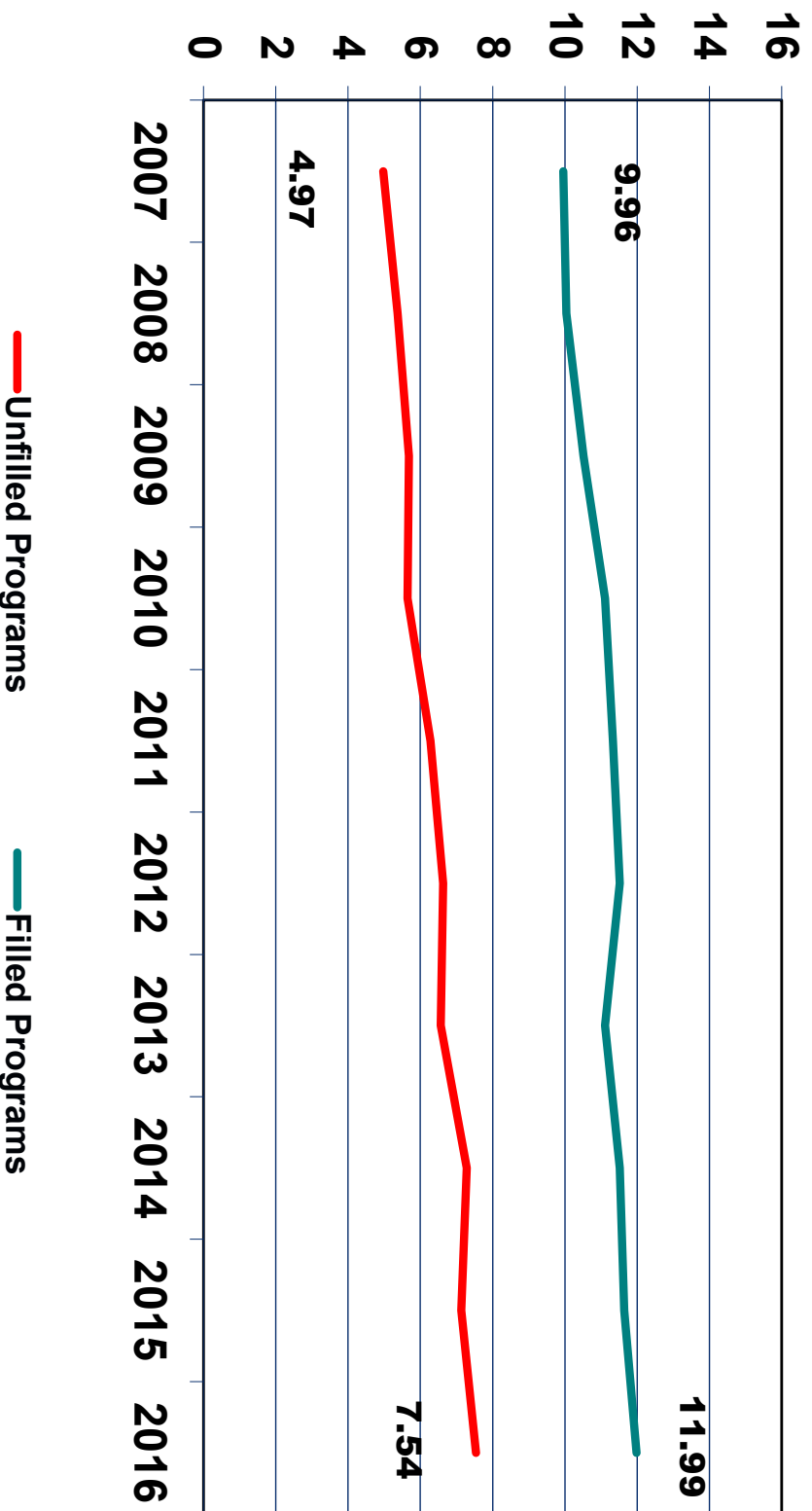
# Factors in Ranking Applicants

## It's All About the Interview, cont'd



# Average Ranks Per Position

## Filled and Unfilled Programs

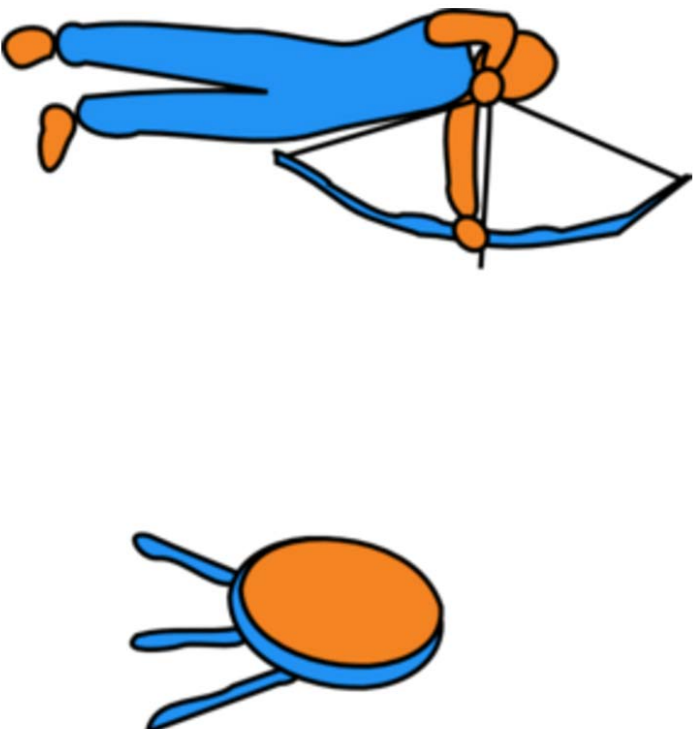


# How Competitive is the Match?

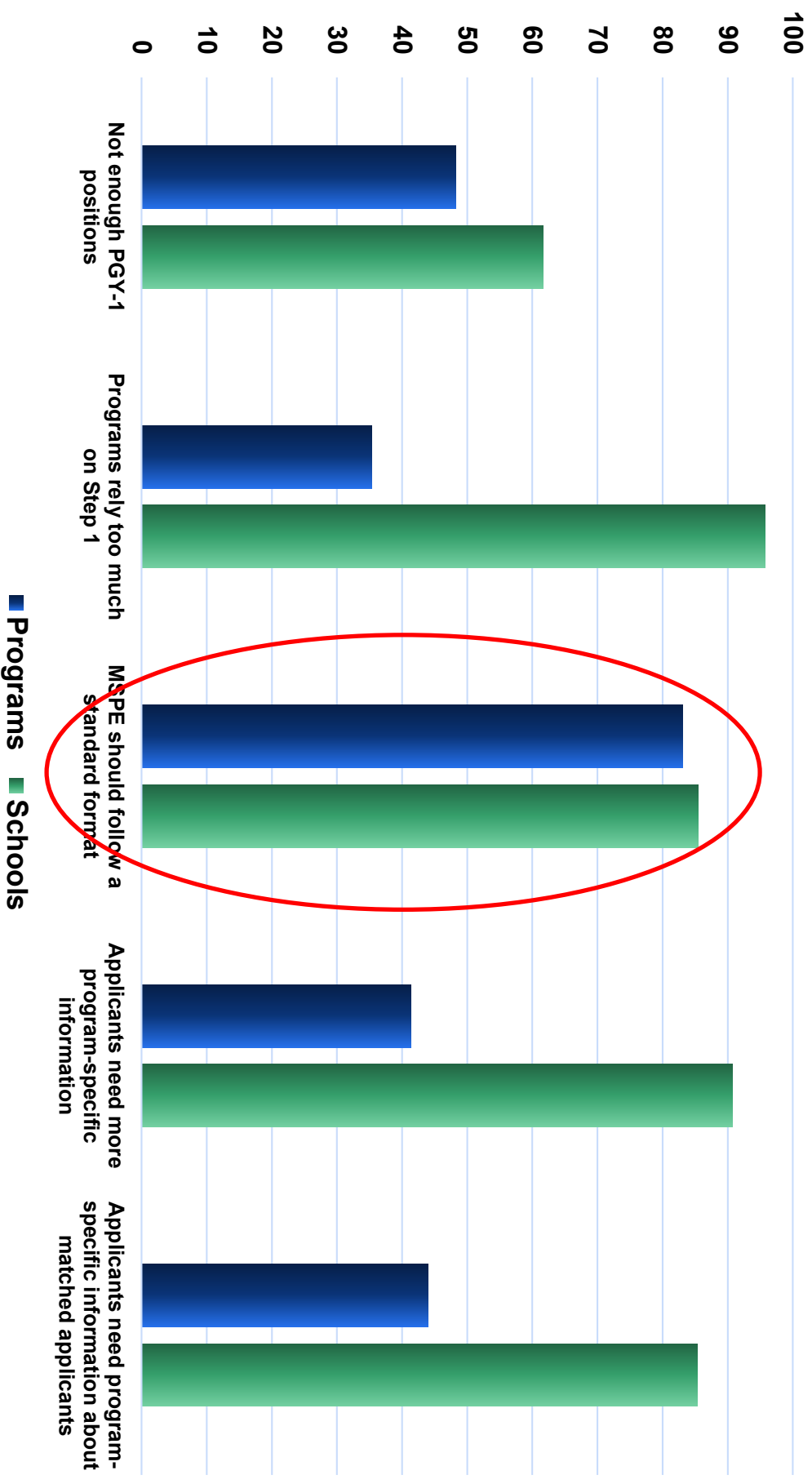
- 9,600 more PGY-1 positions than active seniors in the Match
- No change in U.S. seniors' PGY-1 match rate
  - ✓ No change in match rate by preferred specialty
  - ✓ 1,130 seniors unmatched to PGY-1 positions
  - ✓ 615 seniors with no position post-SOAP
- 2,400 DOs & 6,600 IMGs matched to PGY-1 positions
- No change in total number of unmatched applicants in 2016
- No change in percentage of applications rejected
- USMLE Step scores are rising
- ROLs are getting longer



# How do we help students target their applications?

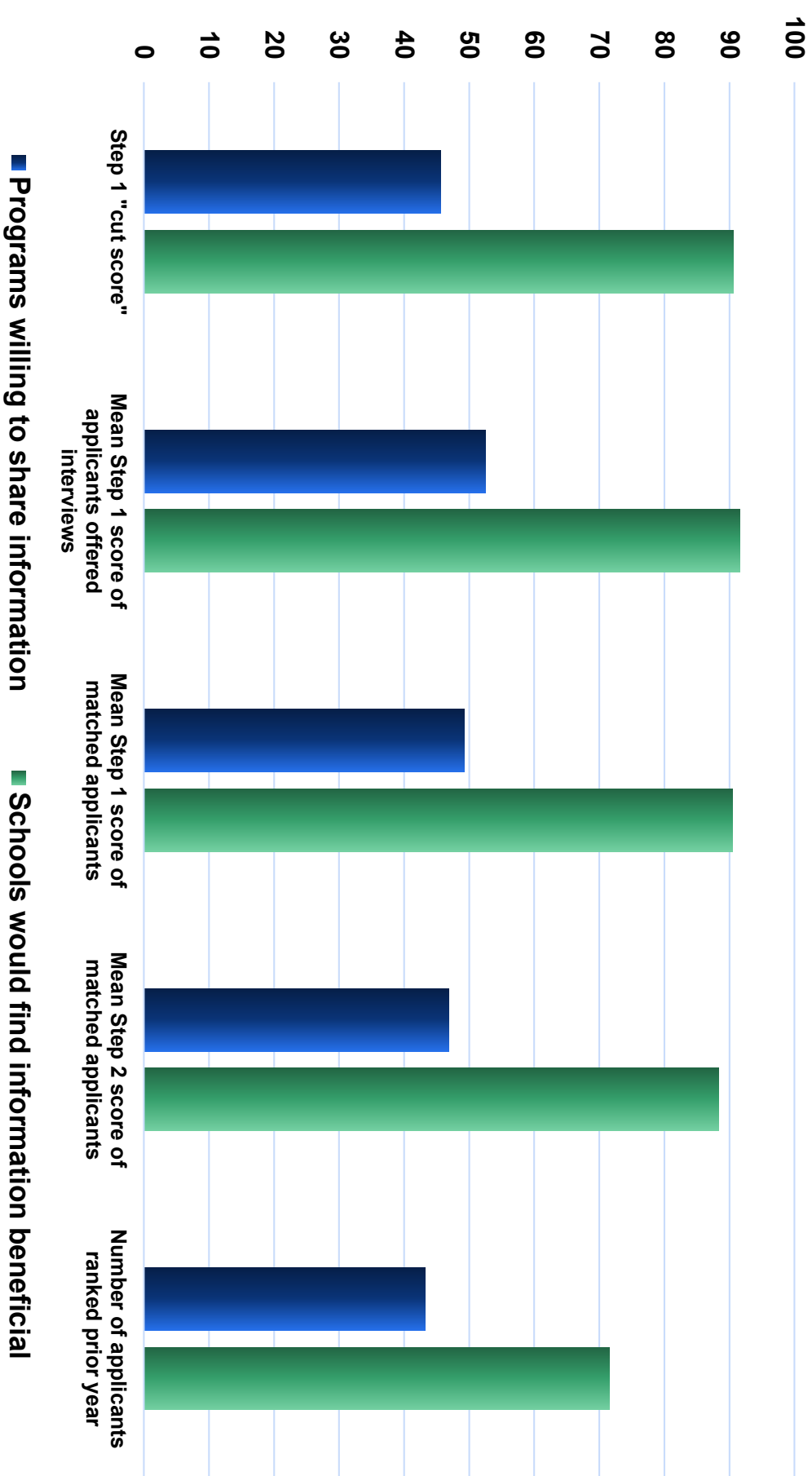


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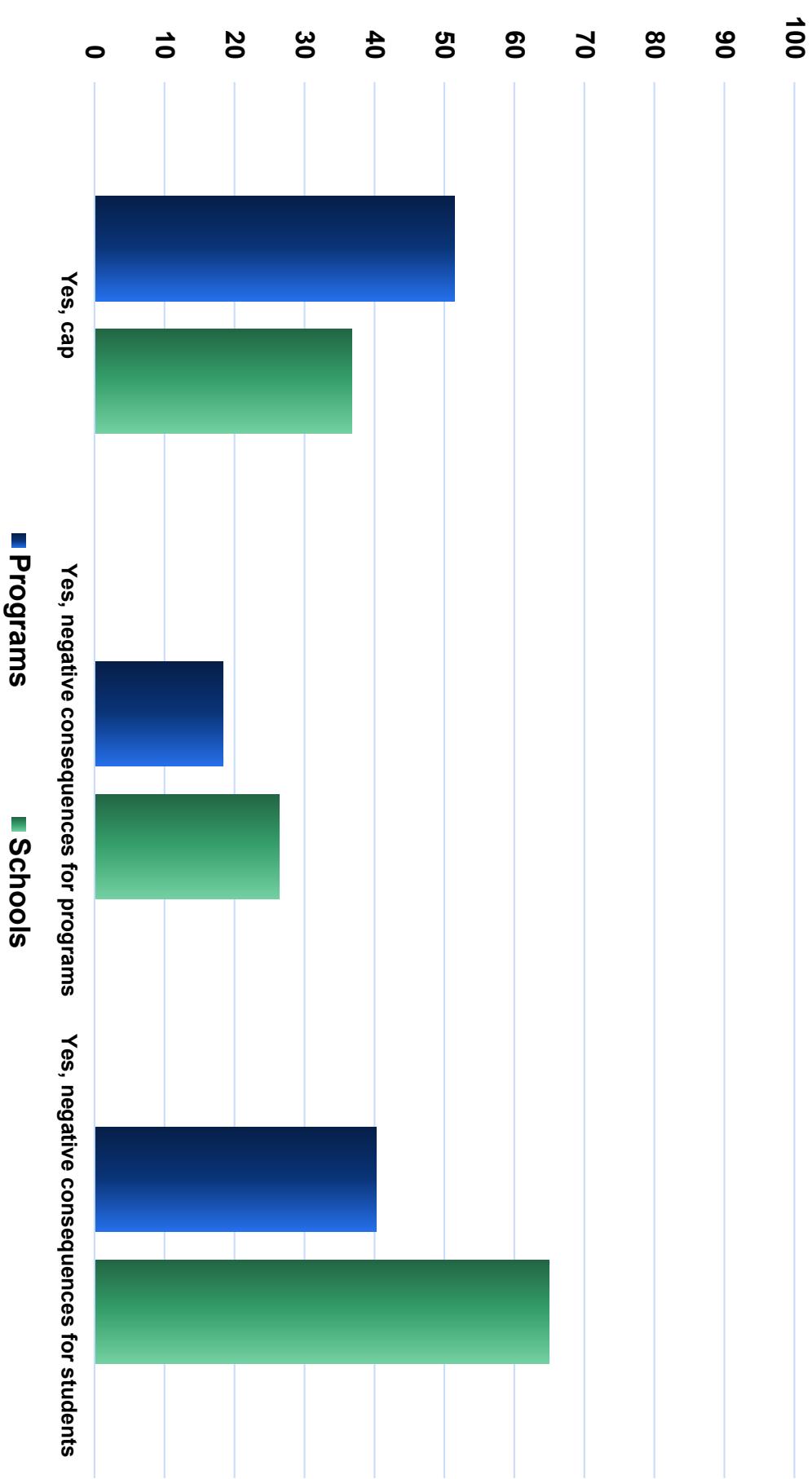


\*Respondents who agree or strongly agree

# Share Program-Specific Information?



# Limit Number of ERAS Applications?



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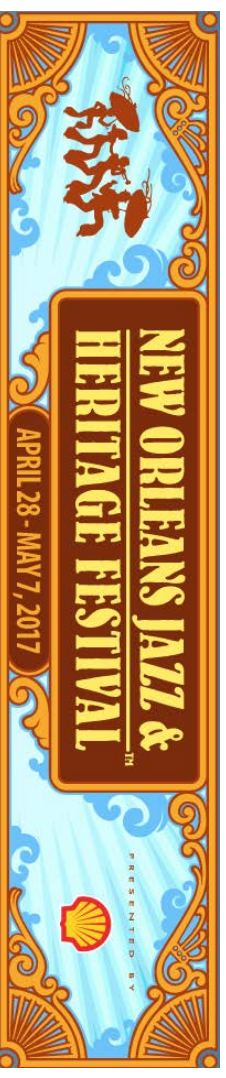
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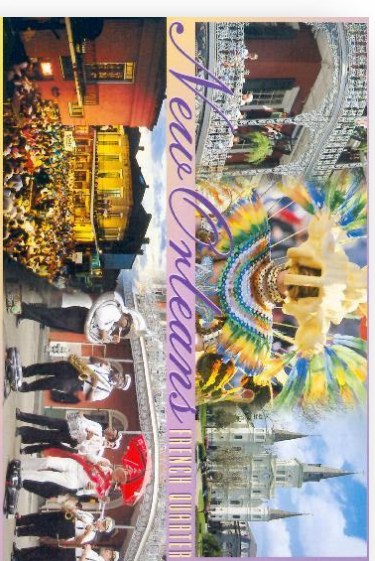


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