

# National Policy Challenges for the Device Sector

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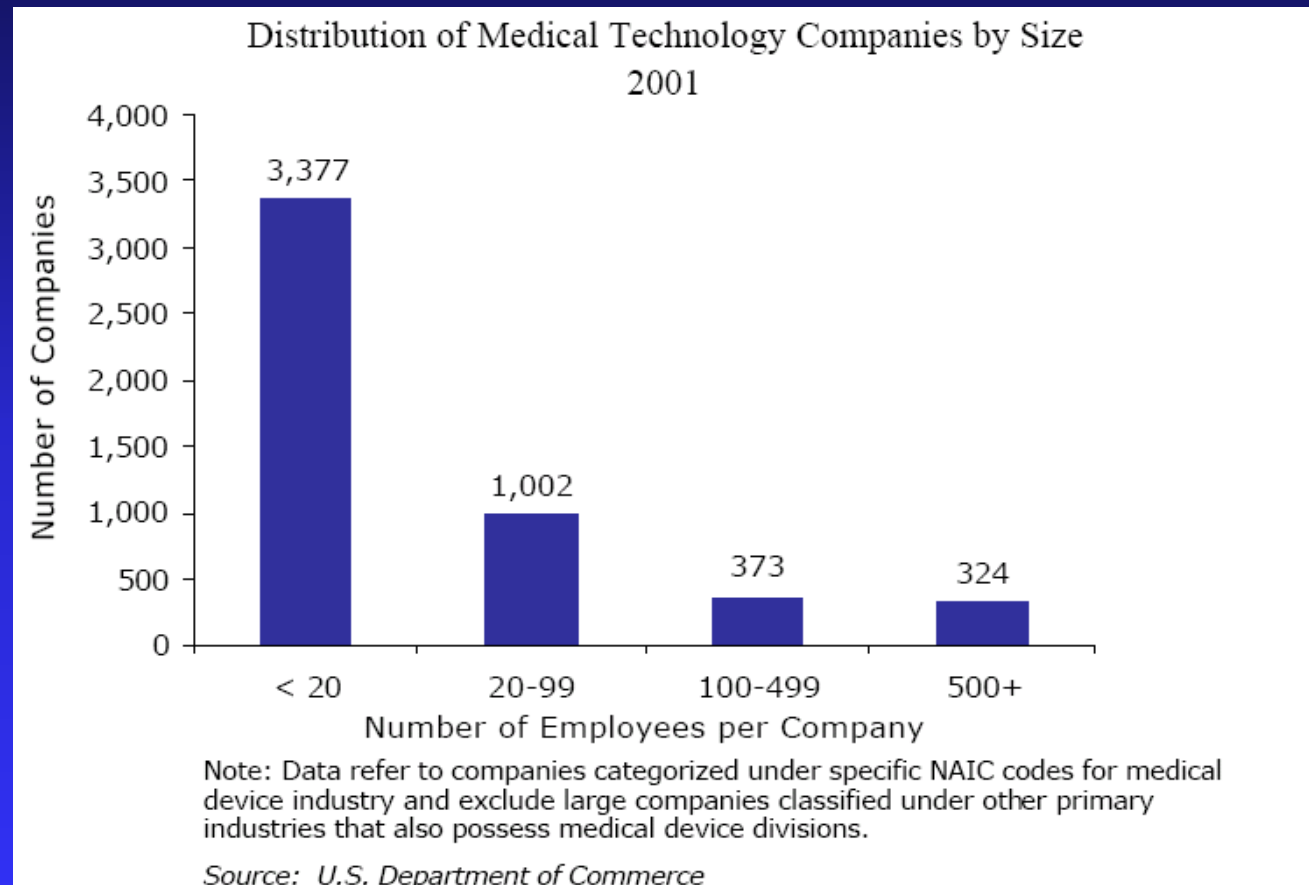
# Device Industry

- A Small Company Industry
- A Research Intensive Industry
- An Industry that depends on Innovation
- A Price Competitive Industry

# Device Innovation:

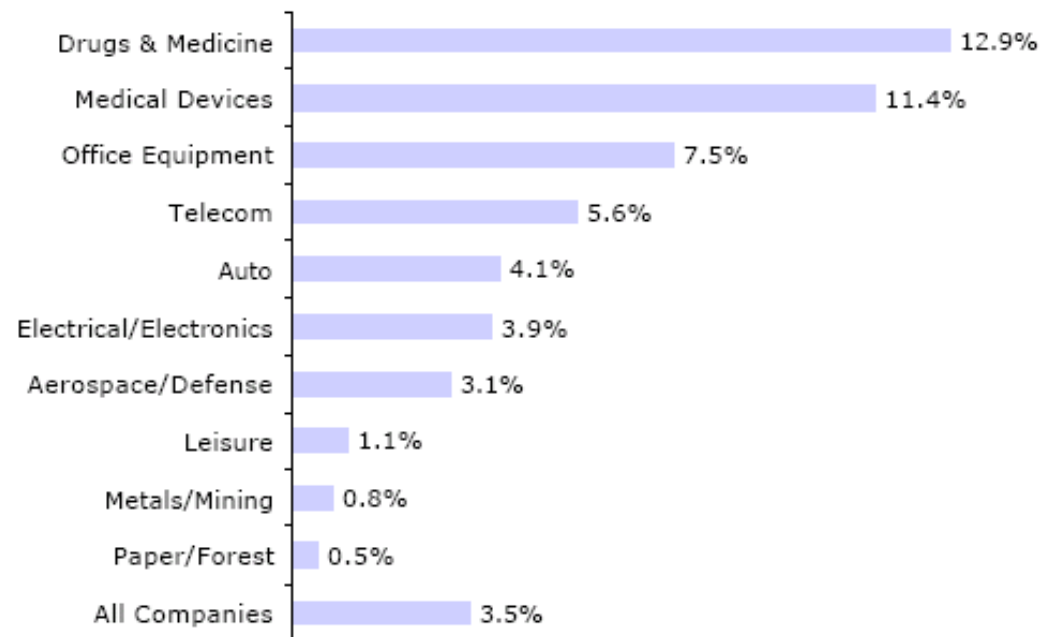
## A small company industry

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# Device R&D

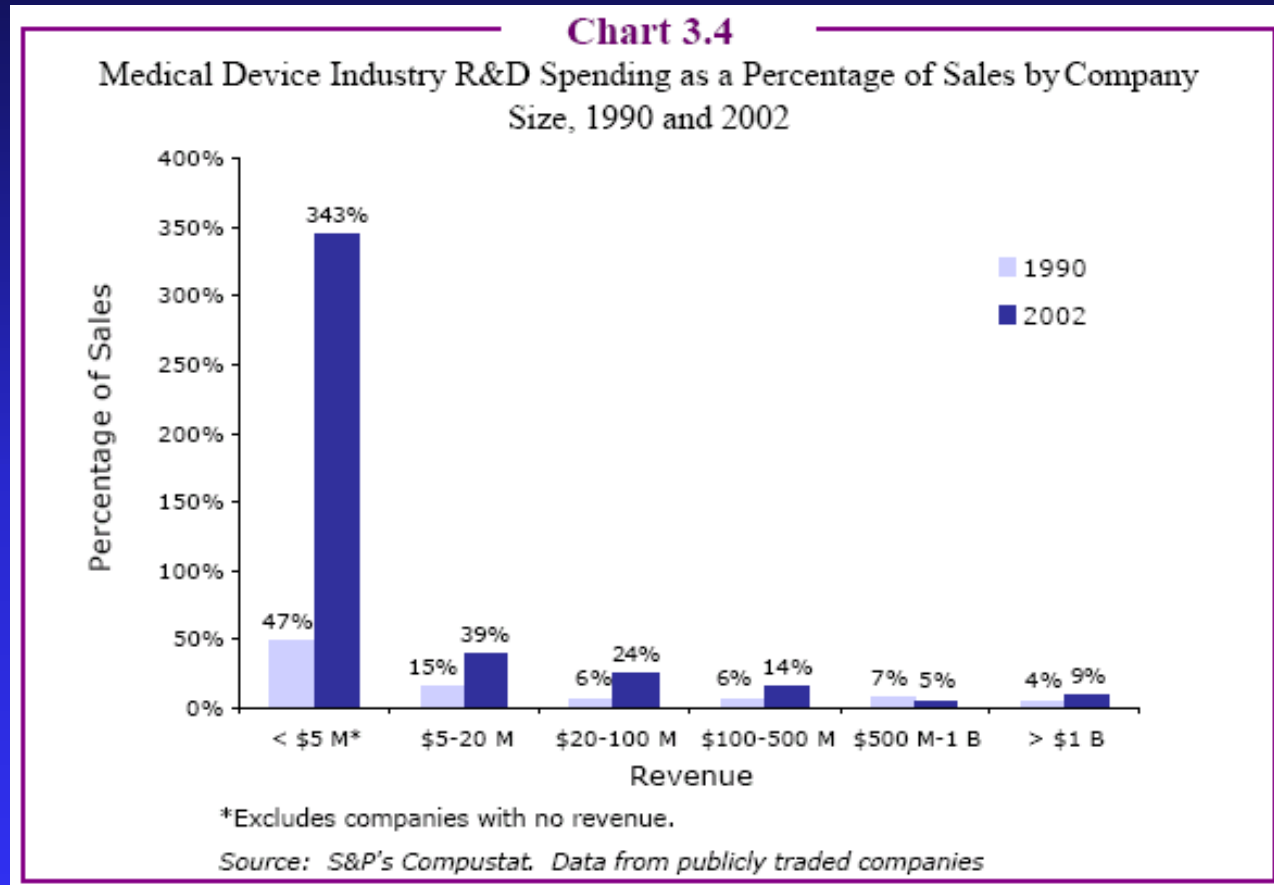
R&D as a Percentage of Sales for U.S. Medical Device Industry and Selected Industrial Sectors, United States, 2002



Source: S&P's Compustat. Data from publicly traded companies

# Small Firms, Big R&D

## Small companies invest heavily



# Small Firms, Big Breakthroughs

Big advances often from small firms

- Artificial hips, knees
- Bypass machines
- Glucose monitors
- Ultrasound tests
- Automated blood analyzers
- Mechanical heart valves
- Flexible endoscopes
- Kidney dialyzers

# Device Innovation

## Short life cycles

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Device Life Cycle = 6 - 24 months



Pharma Life Cycle = 7 -10 years



# Device Innovation

## Companies Rely on New Products

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“Half of our sales revenue during the past four years was derived from products less than one year old.” 2003

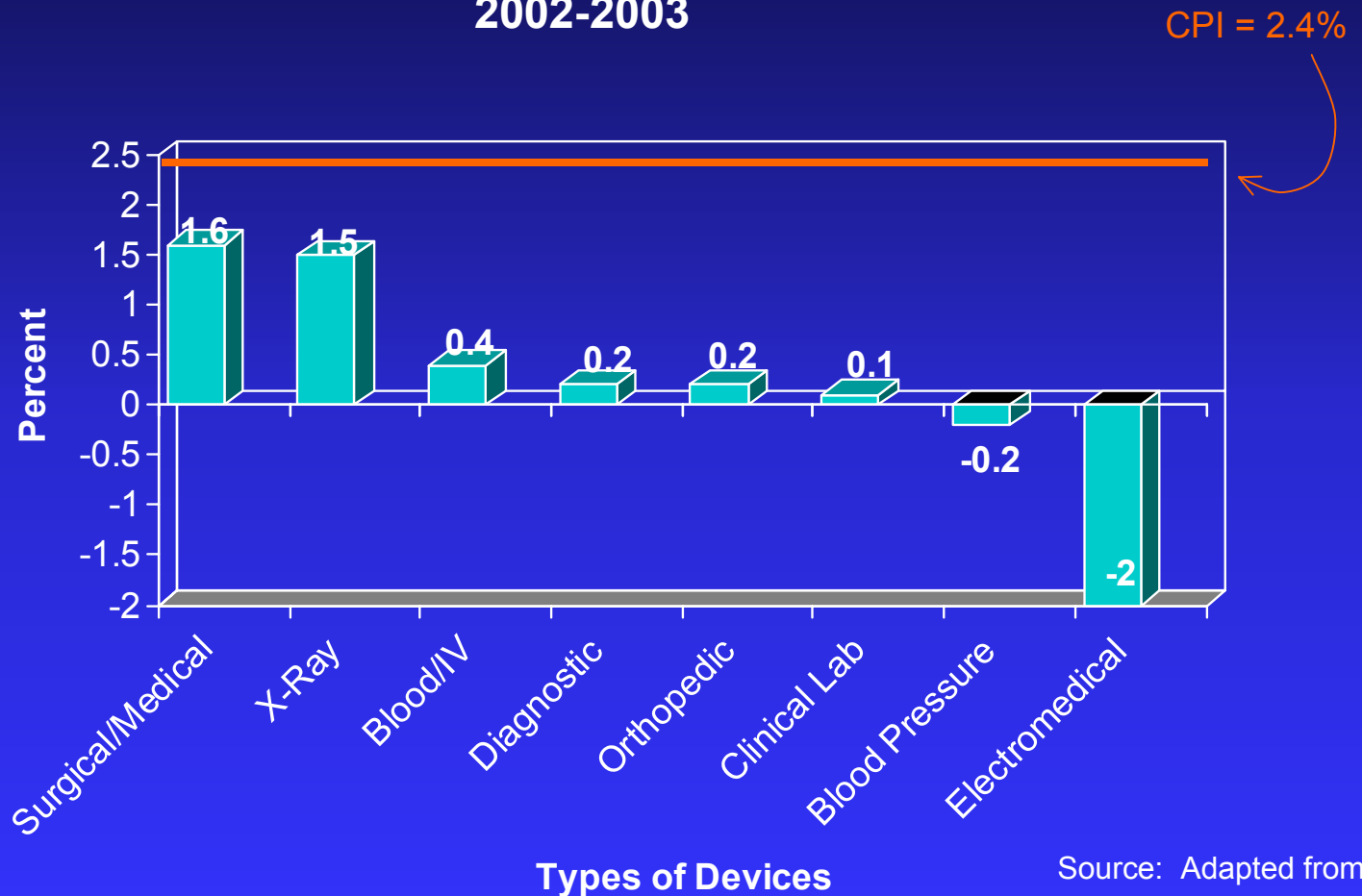
“...About two-thirds of [our] current revenues are generated from products and therapies introduced within the last two years. 2004



# Device Prices

Often below inflation or dropping

**Change in IMS Composite Medical-Surgical Price Index  
2002-2003**

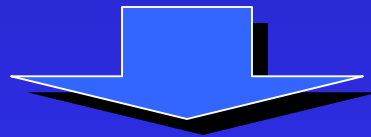


Source: Adapted from  
Lewin Group 2004

# Overall Value of Investment

Since '80, per capita expenses up \$2,254, but:

- Overall death rate down 16%
- Life expectancy up 3.2 years
- Disability rates down 25% for over 65
- 25% fewer days are spent in the hospital



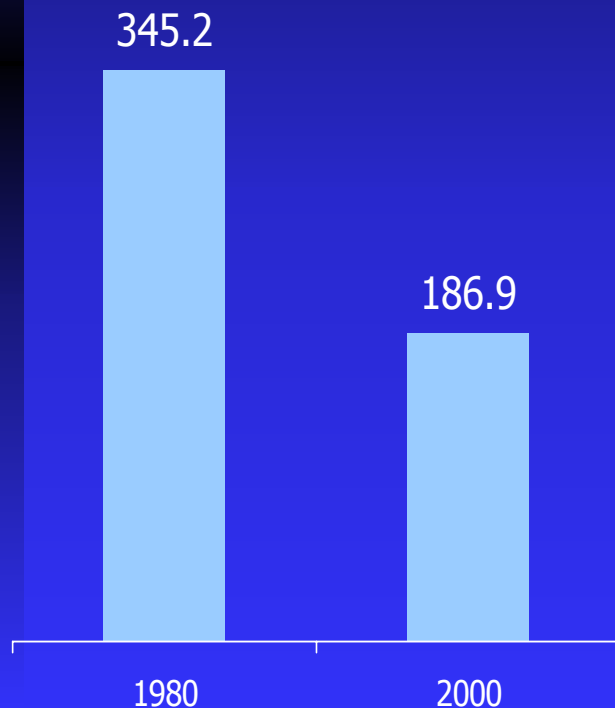
*Health gains of \$2.40 to \$3.00 per  
dollar invested*

# Heart Attack:

Mortality reduced, hospital stays down

Death Rate Due to  
Heart Attack

(Age-adjusted, per 100,000)



- Mortality cut  $\approx 50\%$
- Death in 30 days: cut from 1 in 4... to 1 in 8
- Hospital stays: from 3-4 *weeks* ...to 5-7 *days*

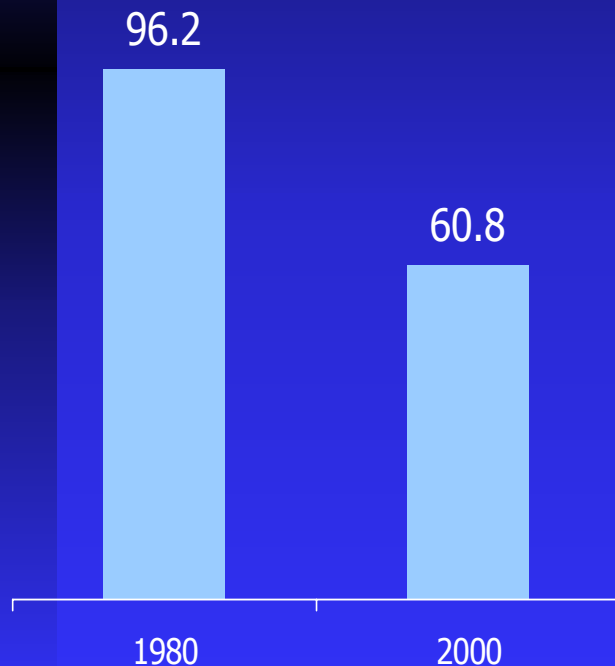
# Stroke:

## Faster detection, less disability

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### Death Rate Due to Stroke

(Age-adjusted, per 100,000)

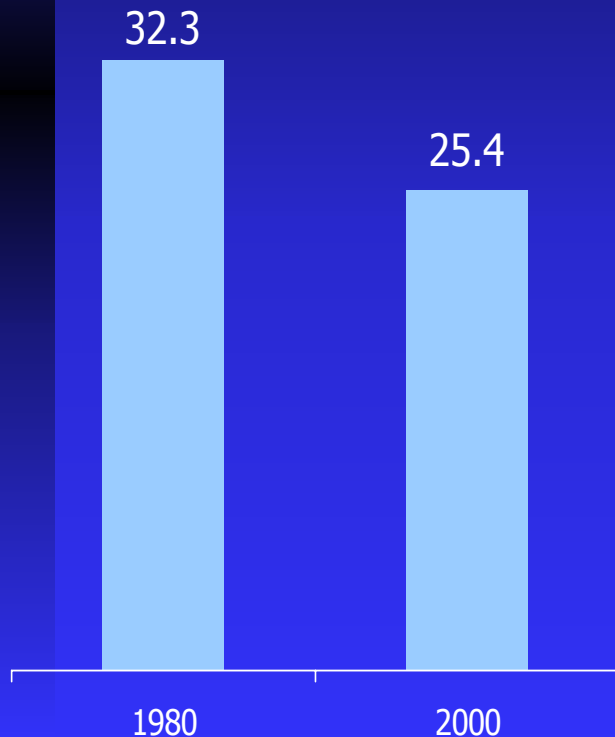


- Mortality cut 37 %
- Stroke-related disability reduced by up to 30%
- Faster diagnosis

# Breast Cancer:

## Better detection, therapy; lives saved

Death Rate Due to  
Breast Cancer  
(Age-adjusted, per 100,000)



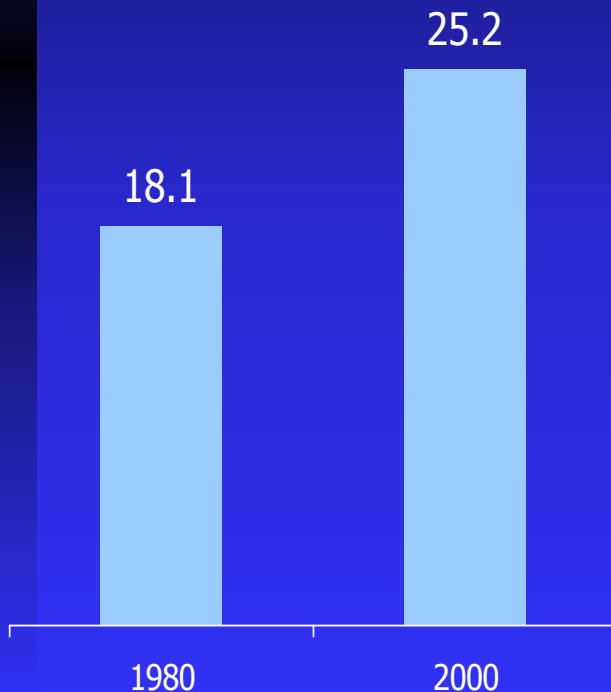
- Mortality cut 21%
- 5-year overall survival rates increased from 77% to 87%
- Risk of developing metastatic disease declined from 40% to 15%

# Type 2 Diabetes:

## Better detection, control

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Death Rate Due to  
Diabetes  
(Age-adjusted, per 100,000)



- Mortality increased, obesity rates doubled
- When glucose controlled, mortality decreases 10%, eye disease by 25%
- When blood pressure is controlled, mortality decreases 32%, eye disease by 37%

# Role of medical devices...

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## Breast Cancer

- Mammograms
  - Image-guided breast biopsy
  - Minimally invasive surgery
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## Stroke

- MRI, CT exams
  - Coils for brain aneurysms
  - Carotid endarterectomy
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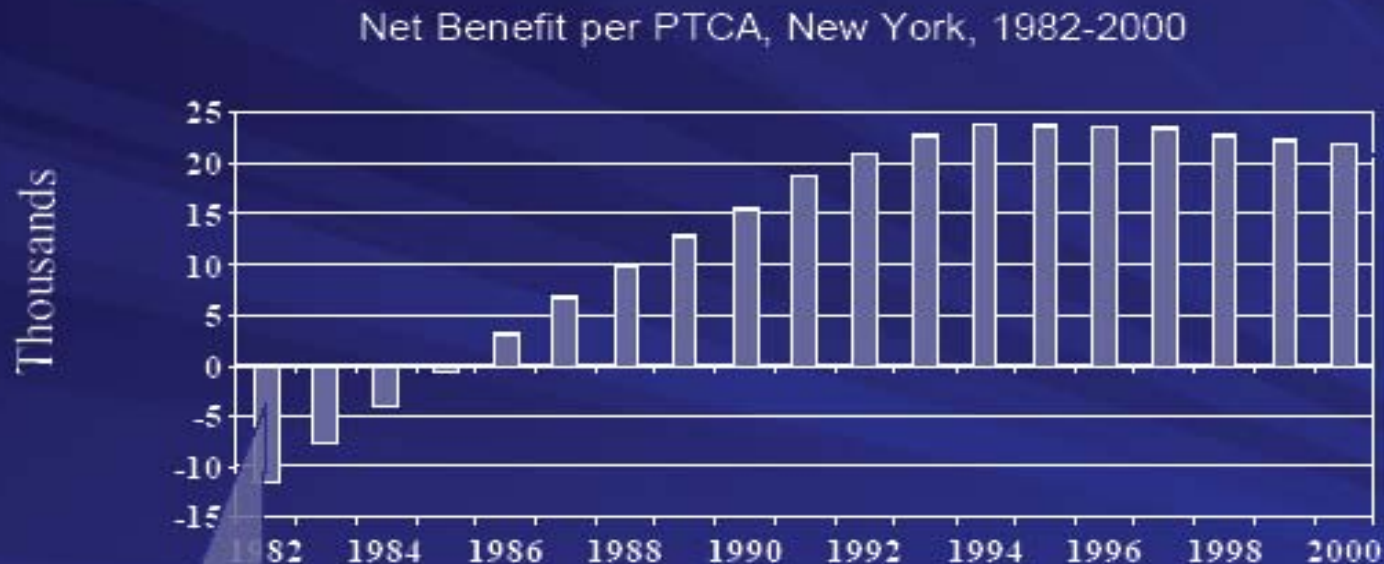
## Heart Attack

- Coronary angioplasty
  - Angiography
  - Defibrillators
  - Stents
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## Diabetes

- Hemoglobin A1c tests
- Home glucose tests

# Angioplasty reduces angina, opens blockages



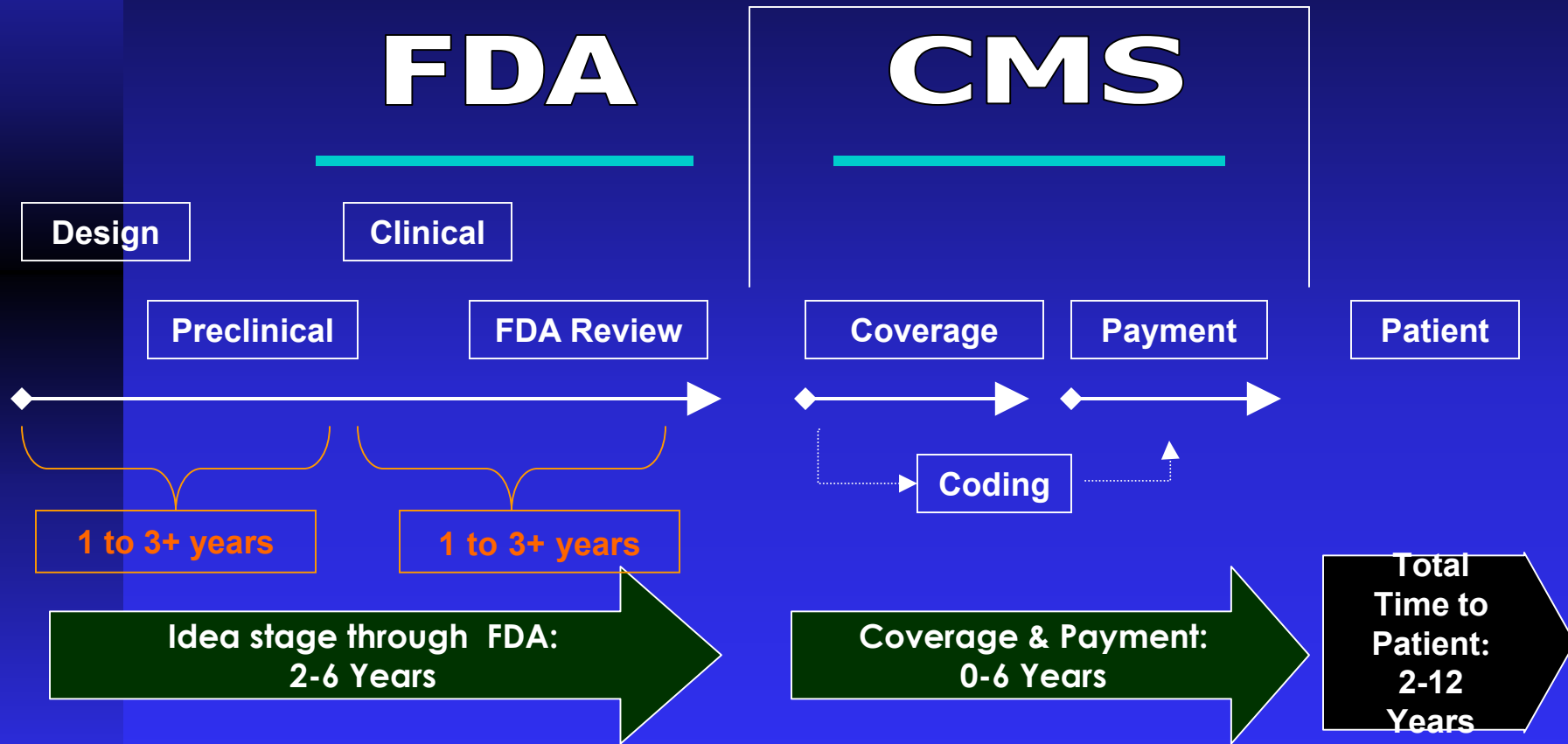
Net cost in  
1982 =  
(\$11,600)

Net benefit  
in 2000 =  
\$21,900

"Technological Development and Medical Productivity: Diffusion of Angioplasty in New York State," Cutler D, Huckman, R; National Bureau of Economic Research, Oct 2002



# Device Innovation: From FDA through Medicare



# Working with FDA to Shorten Device Review and Development Times

- User Fees
- Performance Standards
- Critical Path Analysis

# Working with Medicare to Speed Coverage and Payment

- Coding Reform
- New Methods of Paying for New Technology
- “Charge Compression”

# Concern About Costs Presents New Challenges

- Declining Insurance Coverage
- Paying for Performance
- Rebasing DRGs
- Cutting Cost and Ignoring Value
  - Comparing Resource Use by Physicians
  - Imaging