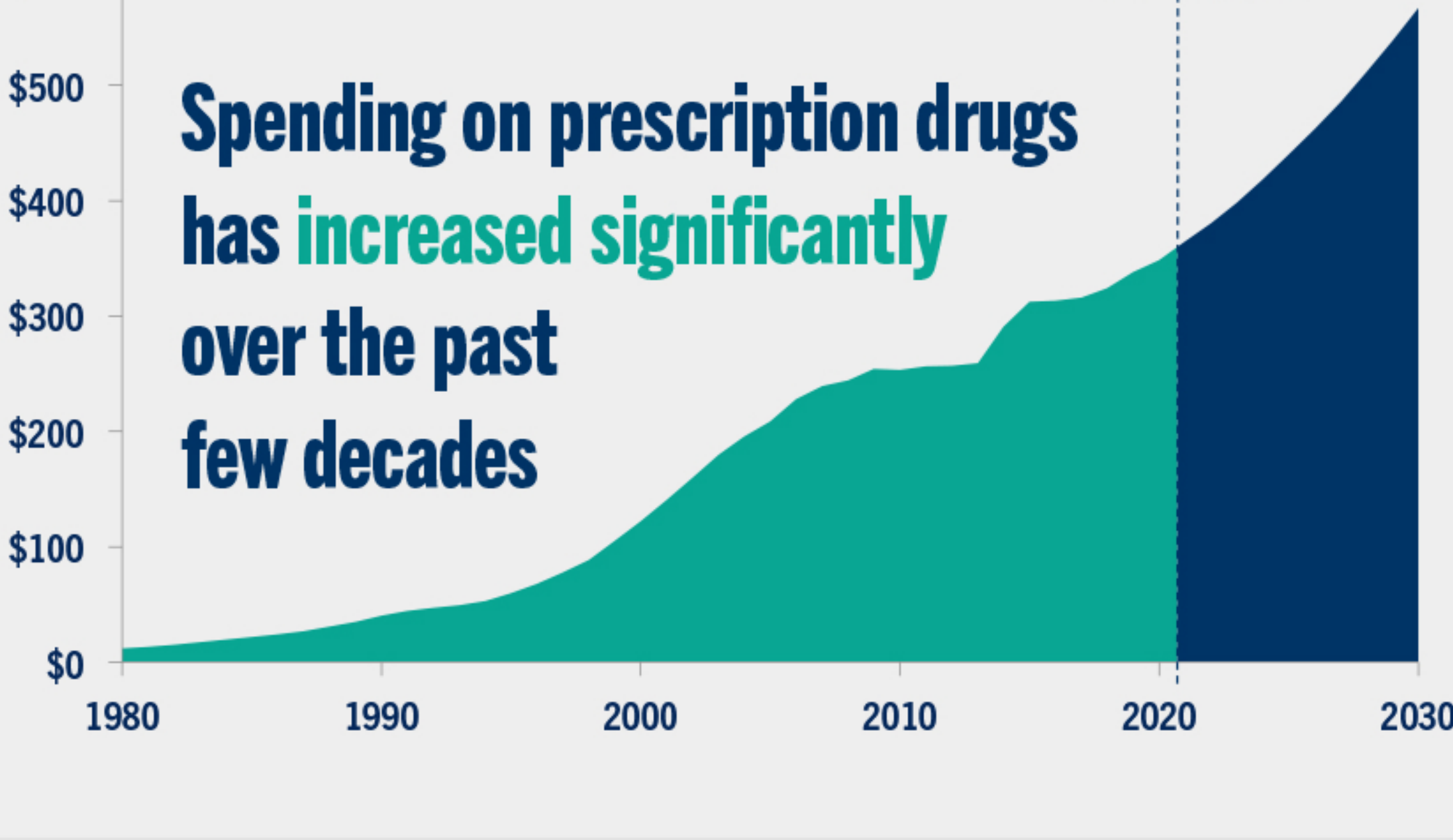


# PRESCRIPTION DRUG SPENDING IN THE U.S.



The U.S. spent **\$348 BILLION** on prescription drugs in 2020 — nearly **3X** more than what we spent 20 years ago.



Without reform, those costs are projected to rise — **increasing 63% from 2020 to 2030.**

## WHAT'S DRIVING THIS GROWTH?



Rising prices of brand-name drugs



Lack of competition due to the U.S. patent system



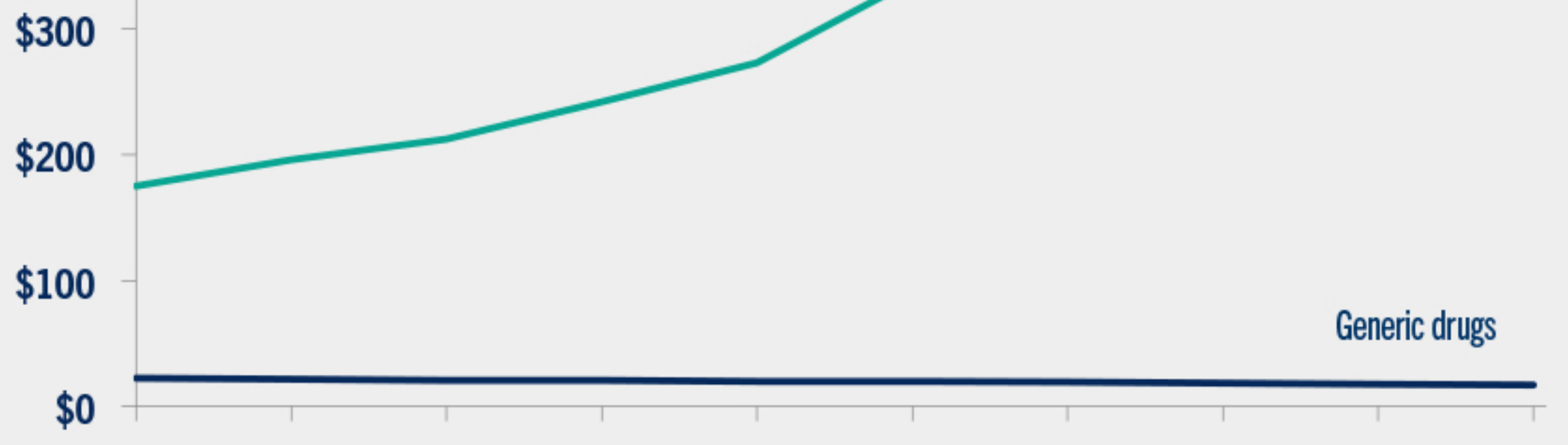
The cost and use of specialty drugs



PRICES FOR **BRAND-NAME PRESCRIPTION DRUGS** HAVE

**GROWN SUBSTANTIALLY**

WHILE GENERIC DRUG PRICES HAVE REMAINED RELATIVELY STABLE



**BRAND-NAME DRUGS ARE ONLY 8% OF ALL DRUGS DISPENSED**



**BUT ACCOUNT FOR ALMOST 84% OF DRUG COSTS**



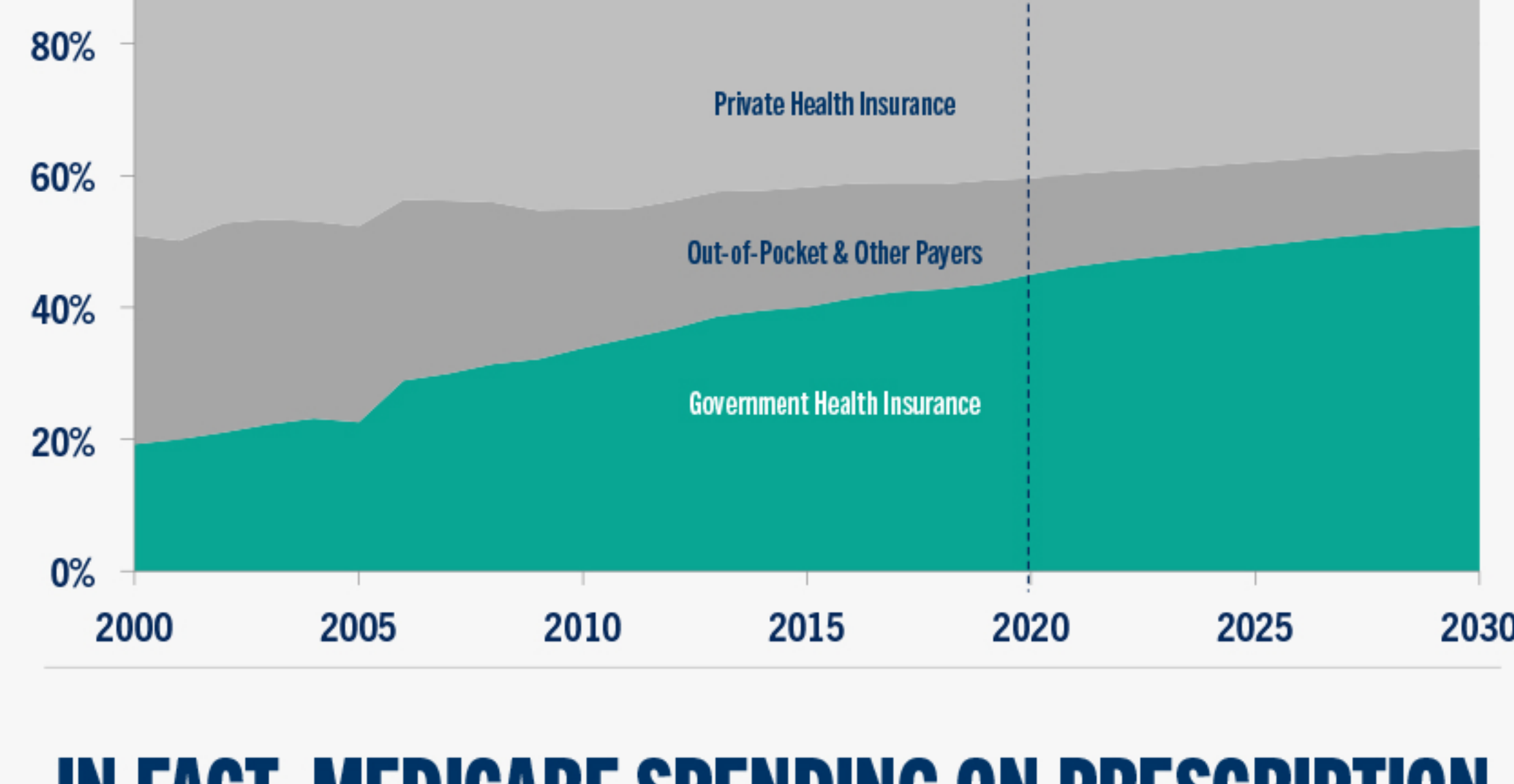
Spending per person on **SPECIALTY DRUGS** **INCREASED BY 35%** from 2016 to 2021 alone.

**This is not just an issue for individuals.**

**It also affects our fiscal sustainability.**



**BECAUSE THE GOVERNMENT IS PICKING UP A GROWING PORTION OF THE TAB FOR PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.**



**IN FACT, MEDICARE SPENDING ON PRESCRIPTION DRUGS IS EXPECTED TO DOUBLE OVER 10 YEARS.**

**2020**  
**\$110 Billion**



**2030**  
**\$216 Billion**



**THAT PLACES AN ADDITIONAL STRAIN ON THE FEDERAL BUDGET.**

Containing rising healthcare costs is **critically important for our nation's health** — but also for our fiscal and economic well-being.

