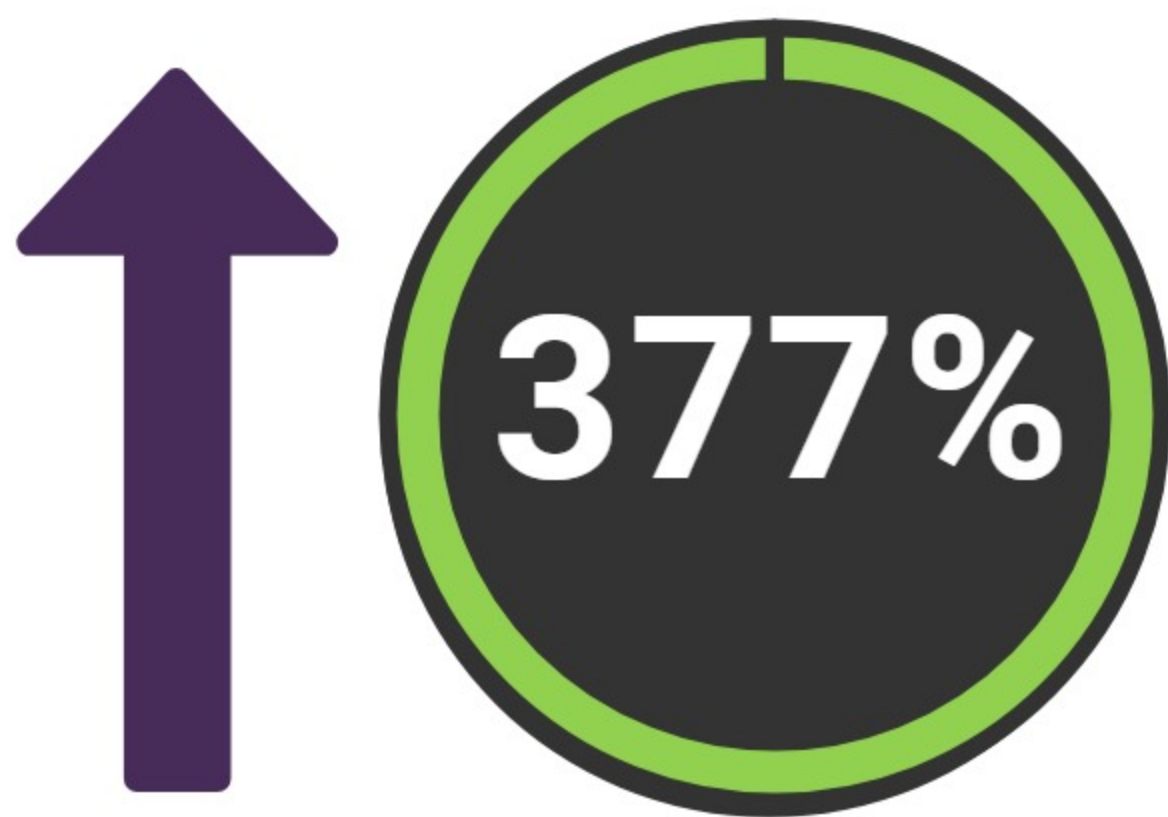




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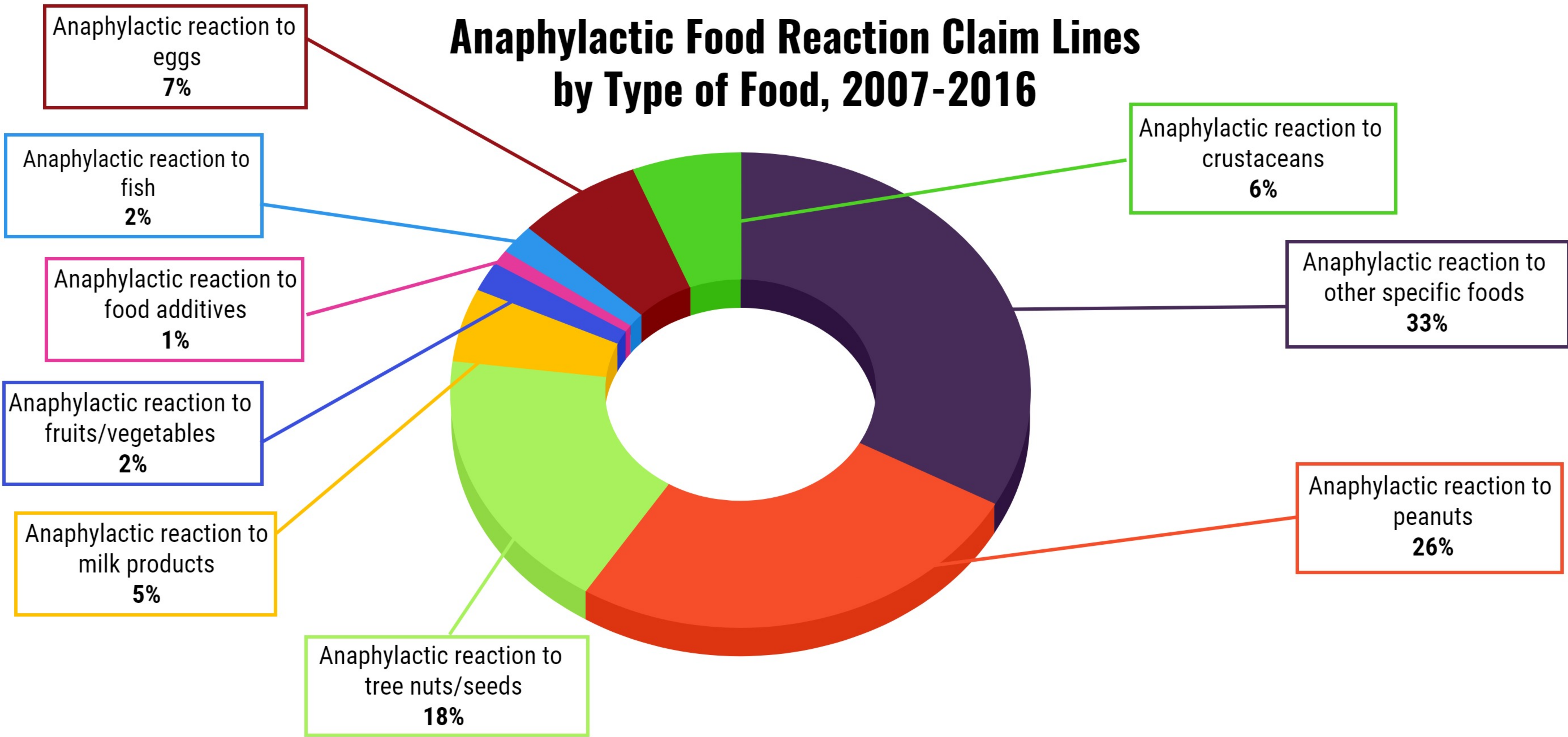
A Growing Health Concern

Anaphylaxis is a severe, life-threatening, allergic reaction that can be caused by food. Private insurance claim lines with diagnoses of **anaphylactic food reactions increased 377 percent** from 2007 to 2016.



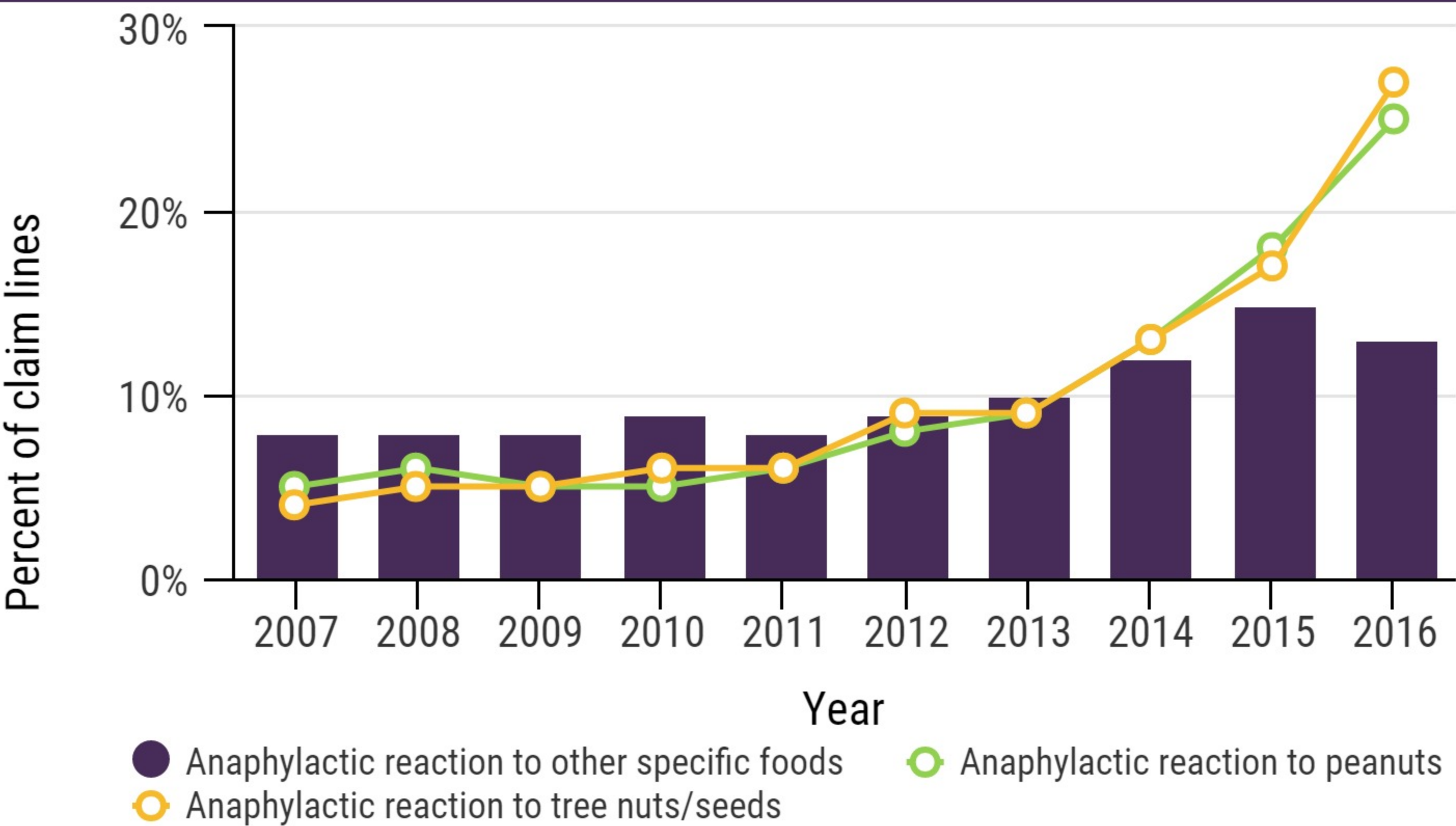
"Claim lines" are the individual procedures or services listed on an insurance claim.

Anaphylactic Food Reaction Claim Lines by Type of Food, 2007-2016



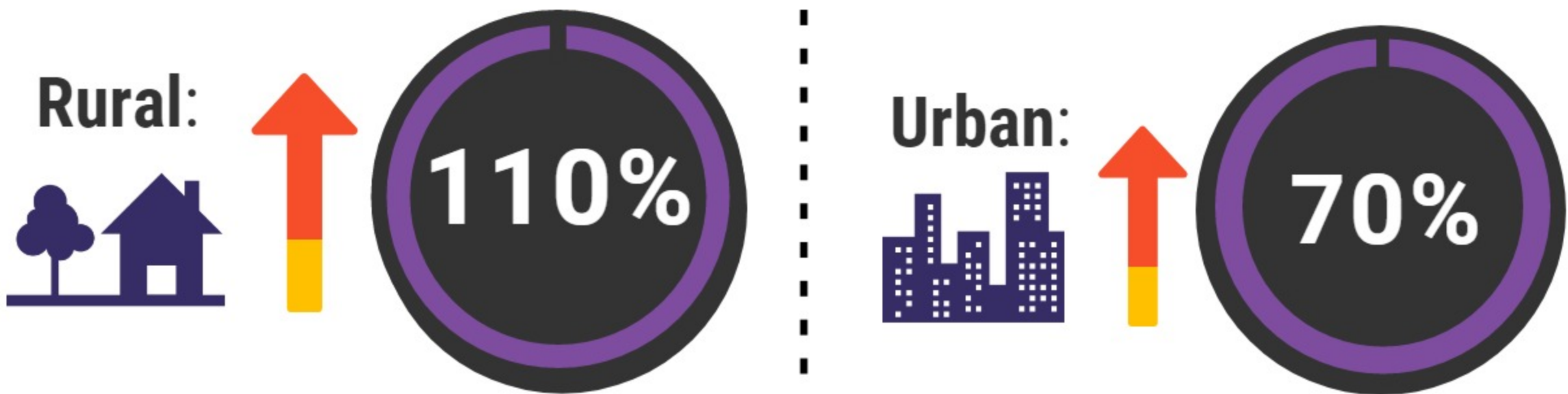
Increase in Claim Lines: Anaphylactic Peanut and Nut Reaction Diagnoses Compared to "Other Specific Foods" Diagnoses

When the precise food that caused an anaphylactic food reaction is not known, the physician often enters a diagnosis code for **"Other specific foods."** Claim lines with that code had a **smaller increase (71 percent)** from 2007 to 2016 than those associated with **peanuts (445 percent)** and **tree nuts/seeds (603 percent)**.



"Percent of claim lines" is the percent of all claim lines associated with a given diagnosis in a given time period.

Claim Lines with Diagnoses of History of Food Allergy: Increase from 2007 to 2016



Claim Lines with History of Food Allergy Diagnoses by Age Group, 2007-2016

