Organ donor shortage is expected to grow as demand for organs outweighs supply. However, how various levers impact supply and demand of organs in the present and the future is not understood. Our team has created a framework to better understand some of the many aspects that impact supply and demand of organs to gain insights into how this issue may be ameliorated in the present and the future. Using data from various sources including Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network database, the U.S. Census Bureau and the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (among others), we explore how changes in donation rates (including implied consent) may impact the supply/demand imbalance.

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