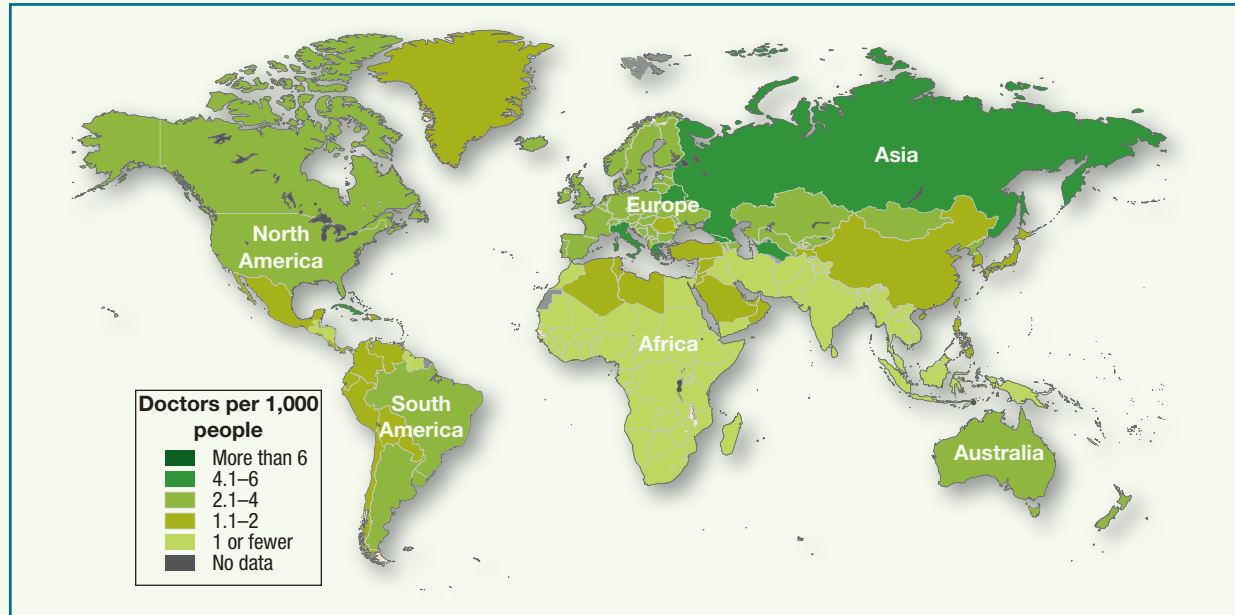


ENGAGING SOCIOLOGY

Access to Health Care for Rich and Poor

FIGURE 11.7 Number of Physicians per 1,000 People



Source: NationMaster (2014).

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Study the map in Figure 11.7. Then, answer the following questions:

1. How do you think the scarcity of physicians in the Global South and rural areas affects the health care of individuals and the functioning of communities and society?
2. How might a surplus of physicians influence health care?
3. How could a nation increase the number of qualified medical workers and people who have access to health care?
4. How might health care differ depending on where one lives in the United States?