

National Physician Survey, 2007: Results for Medical Students

Q29c. Please indicate the amount of debt, directly related to your medical education, that you expect to have upon completion of medical school.

		Year of medical school study			
		1st year or année préparatoire n=897	2nd year n=781	3rd or 4th year n=1109	All students n = 2819
		%	%	%	%
Expected debt upon completion of medical school	no debt	11.9%	9.3%	10.0%	10.4%
	less than \$1,000	.1%	.6%	.4%	.4%
	\$1,001 to \$5,000	3.0%	2.3%	2.3%	2.5%
	\$5,001 to \$10,000	5.4%	4.4%	3.2%	4.3%
	\$10,001 to \$20,000	8.9%	6.1%	6.0%	7.2%
	\$20,001 to \$40,000	11.3%	11.8%	12.4%	12.0%
	\$40,001 to \$60,000	10.4%	10.8%	11.7%	11.0%
	\$60,001 to \$80,000	7.9%	9.7%	10.4%	9.4%
	\$80,001 to \$100,000	8.6%	10.9%	12.4%	10.6%
	\$100,001 to \$120,000	10.5%	11.1%	8.7%	9.9%
	\$120,001 to \$140,000	4.6%	5.5%	5.7%	5.2%
	\$140,001 to \$160,000	5.9%	5.5%	6.1%	5.9%
	Over \$160,000	2.7%	4.6%	5.5%	4.3%
	I prefer not to provide this information	3.1%	1.8%	.7%	1.8%
	NR	5.8%	5.5%	4.5%	5.2%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	

NR= No Response.

The 'total' column includes 32 students who indicated 'Other' or did not indicate their current year of study.

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Q29d. If you indicated that you expect to have debt upon completion of medical school, do you intend to do any of the following to pay off these debts?

		Year of medical school study			
		1st year or année préparatoire n=710	2nd year n=651	3rd or 4th year n=940	All students n = 2328
		%	%	%	%
To pay off debts	Select a short residency program	13.1%	17.8%	16.2%	15.6%
	Select a specialty I believe will have high earning potential	20.1%	23.2%	24.1%	22.6%
	Fulfill a return of service obligation	10.8%	11.2%	12.0%	11.3%
	Practice in the United States	3.9%	4.3%	3.4%	3.9%
	Practice as a locum tenens	16.9%	19.8%	25.7%	21.3%
	Practice where I am offered a financial recruitment incentive	29.6%	35.6%	35.2%	33.5%
	Practice where I am offered a non-financial recruitment incentive	6.8%	10.1%	7.4%	8.0%
	I do not intend to do any of the above to pay off my debts	56.2%	47.0%	46.5%	49.8%
	NR	1.8%	2.0%	1.5%	1.8%

Results apply only to respondents who indicated that they expected to have debt directly related to being in medical school when they complete medical school.

Column totals may exceed 100% as this question allowed for multiple responses.

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