

2004 National Physician Survey (NPS): QUEBEC DEMOGRAPHICS

Source of Data:

TOTAL POPULATION – The 2004 National Physician Survey (NPS) was carried out as a self-reported survey, sent to all licensed physicians in Canada. [Note: all 2nd year medical residents and all medical students in Canada were surveyed as well and these results will be reported separately at a later time]. The NPS mail and email list was generated from the Canadian Medical Association (CMA) Masterfile. The CMA Masterfile includes all physicians in Canada holding a medical license and is compiled and updated on a daily basis with information received from provincial licensing bodies, associations, The College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) and The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (RCPSC) membership listings, and individual physicians.

PROVINCE – Extracted from the mailing list (CMA Masterfile) for both NPS Respondents and Total Population columns.

AGE GROUP – The NPS questionnaire asked: *Your year of birth: 19__* . NPS Respondents 'Age' was derived by subtracting year of birth from 2004. Age extracted from CMA Masterfile for Total Population. 'Age Groups' created by database software.

SEX – The NPS questionnaire asked: *Sex: _ male _ female* (this was used for NPS Respondents). Population 'Sex' information was extracted from CMA Masterfile for Total Population.

Physician Demographics by Age Group, Sex:

Family Physicians						Specialists					
	Response Rate	NPS Respondents		Total Population			Response Rate	NPS Respondents		Total Population	
	%	n	Col%	N	Col%		%	n	Col%	N	Col%
Total	28.5%	2273	100.0%	7968	100.0%	Total	28.4%	2223	100.0%	7841	100.0%
Age Group						Age Group					
34 and under	29.9%	315	13.9%	1054	13.2%	34 and under	23.4%	181	8.1%	775	9.9%
35 - 44	26.6%	618	27.2%	2320	29.1%	35 - 44	23.7%	517	23.3%	2185	27.9%
45 - 54	30.6%	822	36.2%	2688	33.7%	45 - 54	31.1%	613	27.6%	1973	25.2%
55 - 64	30.8%	364	16.0%	1183	14.9%	55 - 64	30.1%	519	23.4%	1725	22.0%
65 and over	21.5%	92	4.1%	428	5.4%	65 and over	29.2%	292	13.1%	1001	12.8%
Not known	na	na	na	295	3.7%	Not known	na	na	na	182	2.3%
No response	na	62	2.7%	na	na	No response	na	101	4.5%	na	na
		2273	100.0%	7968	100.0%			2223	100.0%	7841	100.0%
Sex						Sex					
Male	24.8%	1138	50.1%	4589	57.6%	Male	26.2%	1464	65.9%	5580	71.2%
Female	32.0%	1081	47.6%	3379	42.4%	Female	29.4%	664	29.9%	2261	28.8%
No response	na	54	2.4%	na	na	No response	na	95	4.3%	na	na
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na= not applicable

2004 NPS study results in Quebec are considered accurate within +/- 1.5%, 19 times out of 20.