

**Q27B– The one most important factor that led to career selection
National and Provincial Data - All physicians (family physicians and other specialists):**

The one most important factor that led to career selection	NL	PE	NS	NB	PQ	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	YT/NT/NU	Canada
	N=352	N=95	N=791	N=516	N=4496	N=8502	N=759	N=587	N=2201	N=2939	N=58	N=21296
	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %	Col %
Intellectual stimulation/challenge	31.3%	20.0%	35.0%	34.1%	36.2%	37.3%	37.0%	38.8%	38.9%	37.3%	36.2%	36.9%
Doctor-patient relationship	23.6%	27.4%	22.8%	28.3%	31.3%	23.1%	20.6%	19.8%	19.3%	21.2%	20.7%	24.1%
Workload flexibility and/or predictability	9.7%	10.5%	8.3%	10.1%	9.4%	10.3%	10.5%	6.3%	11.3%	9.4%	10.3%	9.9%
Influence of a mentor	6.0%	9.5%	9.2%	6.0%	4.9%	6.5%	7.6%	7.3%	7.5%	7.0%	3.4%	6.5%
Influence of family	5.7%	4.2%	5.3%	5.0%	2.1%	4.7%	4.2%	6.8%	4.5%	4.8%	1.7%	4.2%
Prestige	0.6%	0.0%	0.9%	0.4%	0.4%	0.9%	0.8%	0.9%	0.5%	0.7%	0.0%	0.7%
Earning potential	2.6%	3.2%	1.5%	1.4%	0.9%	1.2%	2.1%	2.0%	1.5%	1.4%	0.0%	1.3%
Research opportunities	1.1%	0.0%	0.5%	0.2%	1.1%	0.6%	0.4%	0.7%	0.6%	0.2%	1.7%	0.7%
Teaching opportunities	0.6%	1.1%	0.3%	0.4%	0.7%	0.3%	1.1%	0.5%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%	0.4%
Ability to pursue non-work related interests	0.9%	2.1%	1.4%	0.6%	1.4%	1.2%	1.7%	1.7%	1.5%	1.5%	3.4%	1.4%
Availability of training opportunities	2.0%	3.2%	0.9%	1.6%	0.3%	1.1%	0.9%	2.2%	1.4%	0.8%	5.2%	1.0%
Other	5.7%	9.5%	7.6%	7.4%	5.6%	6.2%	6.7%	6.0%	5.4%	7.0%	6.9%	6.2%
Not Answered	10.5%	9.5%	6.3%	4.7%	5.7%	6.4%	6.3%	7.0%	7.4%	8.4%	10.3%	6.7%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Source: National Physician Survey, 2004. College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC), Canadian Medical Association (CMA), Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (RCPSC).