

2004 National Physician Survey (NPS): FAMILY PHYSICIANS with or without CCFP

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 have been reported separately]. 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), The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (RCPSC) and the Collège des Médecins du Québec (CMQ) 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.

SPECIALTY - Drawn from the CMA Masterfile and based on information on most recent specialty/sub-specialty certification as it is issued by the CFPC, RCPSC and CMQ.

Release of NPS results by specialty:

To ensure the release of valid and stable results that protect respondent confidentiality, results will only be released where the group/cohort of

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Physician Demographics by Province/Territory, Age Group, Sex:

2004 National Physician Survey Response Rates

CCFP					
	Response Rate	NPS Respondents		Population	
	%	n	Col%	N	Col%
Total	42.8%	6056	100.0%	14157	100.0%
Province					
NL	51.9%	96	1.59%	185	1.31%
PE	56.4%	31	0.51%	55	0.39%
NS	46.5%	199	3.29%	428	3.02%
NB	49.5%	164	2.71%	331	2.34%
PQ	33.5%	1120	18.49%	3341	23.60%
ON	46.9%	2611	43.11%	5572	39.36%
MB	47.4%	183	3.02%	386	2.73%
SK	49.2%	130	2.15%	264	1.86%
AB	44.0%	708	11.69%	1608	11.36%
BC	41.0%	794	13.11%	1936	13.68%
NT/YT/NU	39.2%	20	0.33%	51	0.36%
Age Group					
34 and under	36.1%	1141	18.84%	3161	22.33%
35 - 44	37.1%	2083	34.40%	5615	39.66%
45 - 54	46.0%	1738	28.70%	3776	26.67%
55 - 64	54.2%	729	12.04%	1344	9.49%
65 and over	55.9%	142	2.34%	254	1.79%
Not known	na	na	na	7	0.05%
No response	na	223	3.68%	na	na
Sex					
Male	39.5%	3031	50.05%	7670	54.18%
Female	43.5%	2823	46.6%	6487	45.82%
No response	na	202	3.3%	na	na

2004 NPS study results for CCFP certified family physicians are considered accurate within +/- 1.3%, 19 times out of 20.

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP.

non-CCFP					
	Response Rate	NPS Respondents		Population	
	%	n	Col%	N	Col%
Total	29.8%	4985	100.0%	16746	100.0%
Province					
NL	29.1%	133	2.67%	457	2.73%
PE	33.8%	27	0.54%	80	0.48%
NS	32.6%	217	4.35%	665	3.97%
NB	33.0%	149	2.99%	452	2.70%
PQ	24.9%	1153	23.13%	4627	27.63%
ON	32.3%	1543	30.95%	4772	28.50%
MB	28.7%	215	4.31%	749	4.47%
SK	28.2%	220	4.41%	781	4.66%
AB	33.0%	466	9.35%	1413	8.44%
BC	31.0%	837	16.79%	2697	16.11%
NT	47.2%	25	0.50%	53	0.32%
Age Group					
34 and under	29.3%	149	2.99%	509	3.04%
35 - 44	24.9%	891	17.87%	3583	21.40%
45 - 54	30.3%	1807	36.25%	5965	35.62%
55 - 64	32.5%	1342	26.92%	4126	24.64%
65 and over	31.9%	594	11.92%	1863	11.13%
Not known	na	na	na	700	4.18%
No response	na	202	4.05%	na	na
Sex					
Male	27.7%	3385	67.90%	12205	72.88%
Female	31.4%	1424	28.6%	4541	27.12%
No response	na	176	3.5%	na	na

2004 NPS study results for non-CCFP certified family physicians are considered accurate within +/- 1.4%, 19 times out of 20.

Note: Includes all physicians who do not hold a CCFP and are not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

National Physician Survey 2004: Results for Family Physicians.

Q1: The following is a list of work settings. Check the category(ies) which best describe(s) the setting(s) where you work.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Category(ies) which best describe work setting(s)	Private office/ clinic (excluding free standing walk-in clinics)	69.7%	71.3%	70.4%
	Community clinic/ Community health centre	15.4%	11.5%	13.7%
	Free-standing walk-in clinic	15.5%	13.0%	14.4%
	Academic health sciences centre	13.0%	8.9%	11.2%
	Community hospital	42.1%	36.0%	39.3%
	Emergency department	28.9%	17.0%	23.5%
	Nursing home/Home for the aged	24.5%	24.8%	24.6%
	Administrative office	6.9%	6.4%	6.7%
	Research unit	1.8%	1.7%	1.7%
	Free-standing laboratory/ Diagnostic clinic	.4%	.7%	.5%
	Other	11.9%	10.5%	11.3%
	No response	.6%	1.0%	.8%

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Note: This question allowed for multiple responses.

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Q2a: Please indicate which of the above work settings is your MAIN work setting (i.e. the setting where you spend most of your work time).

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Main work setting (i.e. setting where most of work time is spent)	a. Private office/clinic	60.3%	64.3%	62.1%
	b. Community clinic/ Community health centre	7.8%	6.4%	7.2%
	c. Free-standing walk-in clinic	2.9%	3.2%	3.0%
	d. Academic health science centre	4.1%	4.5%	4.3%
	e. Community hospital	5.6%	7.3%	6.3%
	f. Emergency department	11.0%	3.5%	7.6%
	g. Nursing home/Home for the aged	.7%	1.1%	.9%
	h. Administrative office	1.7%	2.2%	1.9%
	i. Research unit	.3%	.5%	.4%
	j. Free-standing laboratory/ Diagnostic clinic	.0%	.2%	.1%
	k. Other	4.4%	5.4%	4.8%
	NR	1.2%	1.5%	1.3%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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NR = No response.

Q2b: Please indicate which of the above work settings is your MAIN patient care setting (i.e. the setting where you spend the most time providing patient care).

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Main patient care setting (i.e. setting where most of time providing patient care is spent)	a. Private office/clinic	60.8%	63.8%	62.2%
	b. Community clinic/ Community health centre	8.0%	6.2%	7.2%
	c. Free-standing walk-in clinic	3.0%	3.6%	3.3%
	d. Academic health science centre	3.8%	4.4%	4.1%
	e. Community hospital	5.7%	7.1%	6.3%
	f. Emergency department	11.3%	3.5%	7.8%
	g. Nursing home/Home for the aged	.8%	1.3%	1.0%
	h. Administrative office	.1%	.1%	.1%
	i. Research unit	.0%	.1%	.1%
	j. Free-standing laboratory/ Diagnostic clinic	.0%	.1%	.1%
	k. Other	3.2%	3.4%	3.3%
	n/a. Not applicable	1.3%	3.7%	2.4%
	NR	1.8%	2.7%	2.2%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	

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Q3a1: With respect to your MAIN patient care setting specified in 2b), indicate how that setting is organized.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Category(ies) which best describe work setting(s)	Solo practice	20.0%	32.1%	25.5%
	Group practice	67.2%	52.5%	60.5%
	Practice network	4.6%	4.4%	4.5%
	Other	6.5%	6.0%	6.3%
	Not applicable	4.1%	3.9%	4.0%
	No response	1.9%	4.5%	3.1%

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Note: this question allowed for multiple responses

Q3a2: Indicate which of the following, if any, you share with other physicians

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Shared with other physicians	Share office space	74.7%	62.6%	69.3%
	Share equipment	74.1%	60.6%	68.0%
	Share expenses	60.0%	48.3%	54.7%
	Share patient records	68.9%	58.1%	64.1%
	Share staff	75.1%	62.4%	69.4%
	Share on-call duties	66.2%	56.4%	61.8%
	Share Other	5.1%	3.9%	4.5%
	No response	8.7%	17.7%	12.7%

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Q3b: Indicate the type of health care providers with whom you share patient care within your MAIN patient care setting.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Health care providers with whom patient care is shared in main setting	family physicians	84.1%	71.6%	78.5%
	specialist physicians	37.1%	38.0%	37.5%
	nurse practitioners	14.6%	11.7%	13.3%
	nurses (e.g. RN, LPN, RPN)	51.1%	35.5%	44.1%
	dietitians/nutritionists	26.3%	24.6%	25.5%
	psychologists	17.9%	20.3%	19.0%
	occupational therapists	15.4%	14.9%	15.2%
	physiotherapists	22.4%	22.9%	22.6%
	social workers	26.0%	20.2%	23.4%
	pharmacists	24.8%	24.1%	24.5%
	technicians/technologists	16.1%	14.2%	15.2%
	midwives	1.5%	1.3%	1.4%
	Other #1	7.8%	7.3%	7.6%
	Other #2	1.9%	1.9%	1.9%
No response	6.5%	12.3%	9.1%	

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Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.

Q3c: Is your MAIN patient care setting wheelchair accessible?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Wheelchair accessibility of main patient care setting	Yes	92.7%	85.4%	89.4%
	No	4.4%	8.3%	6.2%
	N/A	.6%	1.5%	1.0%
	NR	2.3%	4.7%	3.4%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Q4a: Describe the population PRIMARILY served by you in your practice.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Primary population served by practice	a. Inner City	8.9%	11.4%	10.0%
	b. Urban/suburban	55.1%	44.4%	50.3%
	c. Small town	16.6%	20.6%	18.4%
	d. Rural	10.1%	10.8%	10.4%
	e. Geographically isolated/remote	2.6%	1.9%	2.3%
	f. Other	3.0%	3.4%	3.2%
	g. Cannot identify a primary population	.9%	2.3%	1.5%
	NR	2.8%	5.2%	3.9%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Q4b: IF there is a secondary population that you also serve, please indicate which it is.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Secondary population served by practice	a. Inner City	5.3%	3.5%	4.5%
	b. Urban/suburban	6.2%	6.4%	6.3%
	c. Small town	6.8%	6.3%	6.6%
	d. Rural	14.0%	16.6%	15.2%
	e. Geographically isolated/remote	2.9%	3.0%	2.9%
	f. Other	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
	n/a. Not Applicable	18.7%	17.4%	18.1%
	NR	44.1%	44.8%	44.4%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Q5: Do any of the following groups represent more than 10% of your practice population?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Groups representing >10% of practice population	HIV/AIDS patients	1.4%	1.3%	1.3%
	Patients with chronic mental illness	19.6%	15.9%	17.9%
	Patients with permanent physical disabilities	10.8%	12.1%	11.3%
	Patients with addictions	8.3%	7.5%	8.0%
	Homeless/ "street" people	3.4%	2.4%	2.9%
	Transient/ seasonal populations	5.0%	4.0%	4.6%
	People living in poverty	18.9%	15.3%	17.3%
	Aboriginal peoples	10.1%	9.7%	9.9%
	Recent immigrants	11.9%	9.8%	11.0%
	Cultural minorities	18.8%	15.2%	17.2%
	Other	6.8%	7.5%	7.1%
	No response	46.0%	48.4%	47.1%

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Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.

Q6: Please estimate the number of patient visits you have in a TYPICAL WEEK excluding on-call.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP	Non-CCFP	Total
Number of patient visits during a typical week	Count	5747	4583	10330
	Mean	114.22	120.93	117.19
	Median	105.00	120.00	110.00
	Mode	100.00	150.00	100.00
	Minimum	1.00	.10	.10
	Maximum	450.00	500.00	500.00

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Note: Results apply only to respondents who indicated greater than zero patient visits per week.

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Q7a: Please indicate all areas that are part of your practice.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Professional activities that are part of practice	anaesthesia	4.0%	4.4%	4.2%
	cardiology	34.0%	28.1%	31.3%
	community medicine/ public health	16.9%	13.4%	15.3%
	dermatology/ cosmetic medicine	29.1%	23.5%	26.5%
	emergency medicine	32.9%	21.4%	27.7%
	geriatric medicine/ care of the elderly	52.4%	45.3%	49.2%
	infectious diseases	25.2%	20.5%	23.1%
	cancer care/ oncology	28.0%	25.1%	26.7%
	occupational/ industrial medicine	11.5%	11.9%	11.7%
	pediatrics	47.0%	34.3%	41.3%
	psychiatry	43.2%	36.5%	40.2%
	surgery	8.6%	10.0%	9.2%
	surgical assisting	15.3%	14.2%	14.8%
	obstetrics	26.9%	17.6%	22.7%
	gynecology	43.5%	32.6%	38.6%
	palliative care	41.0%	30.9%	36.4%
	research	8.2%	6.9%	7.6%
	pain management	35.8%	29.8%	33.1%
	administration	31.2%	27.0%	29.3%
	nutrition	16.1%	13.6%	14.9%
	homecare	24.5%	21.4%	23.1%
	hospitalist care	20.9%	17.5%	19.4%
	legal/medico-legal consultations	8.0%	9.3%	8.6%
	women's health care	40.6%	26.9%	34.4%
	family practice/ general practice/ primary care	81.8%	74.0%	78.2%
	international medicine	8.2%	6.3%	7.4%
	travel/ tropical medicine	10.8%	8.1%	9.6%
addiction medicine	24.9%	18.0%	21.8%	
psychotherapy/ counseling	44.0%	36.4%	40.6%	
alternative/ complementary medicine	6.7%	5.6%	6.2%	
sports medicine	21.9%	14.5%	18.5%	
adolescent medicine	42.0%	28.1%	35.8%	
teaching	35.1%	15.1%	26.1%	
preventive medicine	37.3%	25.2%	31.9%	
chronic disease management	53.7%	44.8%	49.7%	
No response	2.2%	4.3%	3.2%	

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Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.

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Q8: Which of the following procedures do you perform as part of your practice?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Procedures performed as part of practice	Audiometry	4.7%	5.3%	4.9%
	Refraction	1.5%	2.2%	1.8%
	ECG interpretation	48.1%	33.6%	41.6%
	Pulmonary function testing	19.7%	15.6%	17.9%
	Pap smears	81.1%	71.8%	76.9%
	IUD insertion	38.6%	30.3%	34.8%
	Endometrial aspiration	19.0%	9.7%	14.8%
	Lumbar puncture	22.7%	13.7%	18.7%
	Casting/ splinting	45.3%	33.4%	40.0%
	Aspiration/injection of joints	62.4%	51.3%	57.4%
	Incising & draining abscesses	77.8%	63.8%	71.5%
	Anoscopy	35.5%	23.6%	30.1%
	Other endoscopy	5.3%	5.1%	5.2%
	Needle aspiration (for diagnosis/biopsy)	31.5%	23.3%	27.8%
	Removal of superficial skin lesions	66.2%	55.9%	61.6%
	Cryotherapy of superficial skin lesions	69.8%	54.1%	62.7%
	Skin biopsy	49.6%	38.2%	44.4%
	Other biopsy	3.6%	5.6%	4.5%
	Suturing	77.4%	62.5%	70.7%
	Toenail surgery	46.3%	37.8%	42.5%
Other minor surgery	19.0%	20.6%	19.7%	
Other procedures	12.9%	12.2%	12.6%	
No response	5.1%	11.8%	8.1%	

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Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.

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Q9_1: Are maternity and newborn care part of your practice?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
maternity and newborn care part of practice?	not part of my practice	32.0%	41.5%	36.3%
	part of my practice	63.7%	48.8%	57.0%
	NR	4.3%	9.8%	6.7%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Q9FP: Please describe your involvement in maternity and newborn care.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
prenatal/ antenatal care provided	Yes	54.7%	38.0%	47.2%
	No	41.0%	52.2%	46.1%
	NR	4.3%	9.8%	6.7%
intrapartum care provided	Yes	15.3%	9.9%	12.9%
	No	80.4%	80.4%	80.4%
	NR	4.3%	9.8%	6.7%
intrapartum care not provided but low-risk patients referred to other providers	Yes	39.4%	30.3%	35.3%
	No	56.3%	60.0%	58.0%
	NR	4.3%	9.8%	6.7%
postpartum care provided	Yes	49.6%	34.7%	42.9%
	No	46.1%	55.6%	50.4%
	NR	4.3%	9.8%	6.7%
newborn care provided	Yes	57.3%	41.9%	50.3%
	No	38.5%	48.4%	42.9%
	NR	4.3%	9.8%	6.7%

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NR = No response.

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Q10a: EXCLUDING ON-CALL ACTIVITIES, how many HOURS PER WEEK do you usually spend on the following activities?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=5862	Non-CCFP n=4767	Total n=10629
direct patient care without a teaching component	Mean	30.68	32.40	31.45
direct patient care with a teaching component	Mean	3.61	2.38	3.06
teaching/ education	Mean	.78	.49	.65
indirect patient care	Mean	5.91	5.46	5.71
health facility committees	Mean	.60	.52	.56
managing practice	Mean	1.39	1.55	1.46
research	Mean	.46	.76	.60
administration	Mean	1.67	1.76	1.71
CME/CPD	Mean	2.78	2.98	2.87
Other	Mean	.85	1.04	.94
Total Hours worked/week	Mean	48.74	49.34	49.01

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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

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Q10B1: Of your direct patient care hours, please indicate how that time is broken down in the following activities

Hrs/week - patient care in office/clinic		Family Physicians		
		CCFP	Non-CCFP	Total
patient care in office/clinic	Count	4289	3365	7654
	Mean	27.36	30.10	28.57
	Median	28.00	30.00	30.00
	Mode	30.00	30.00	30.00
	Minimum	.25	1.00	.25
	Maximum	118.03	105.00	118.03

Results apply only to respondents who indicated greater than zero hours per week providing patient care in office/clinic.

Q10B2: Of your direct patient care hours, please indicate how that time is broken down in the following activities.

Hrs/week - homecare		Family Physicians		
		CCFP	Non-CCFP	Total
homecare	Count	1306	1070	2376
	Mean	2.65	2.93	2.77
	Median	1.00	1.91	1.00
	Mode	1.00	1.00	1.00
	Minimum	.05	.10	.05
	Maximum	35.00	60.00	60.00

Results apply only to respondents who indicated greater than zero hours per week providing homecare.

Q10B3: Of your direct patient care hours, please indicate how that time is broken down in the following activities.

Hrs/week - patient care in emergency room		Family Physicians		
		CCFP	Non-CCFP	Total
patient care in emergency room	Count	1365	693	2058
	Mean	17.40	11.11	15.28
	Median	14.23	5.00	10.00
	Mode	1.00	1.00	1.00
	Minimum	.25	.48	.25
	Maximum	80.00	108.00	108.00

Results apply only to respondents who indicated greater than zero hours per week providing patient care in emergency room.

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Q10B4: Of your direct patient care hours, please indicate how that time is broken down in the following activities.

Hrs/week - hospital-based activities		Family Physicians		
		CCFP	Non-CCFP	Total
hospital based activities	Count	2157	1659	3816
	Mean	8.35	11.08	9.54
	Median	5.00	6.00	5.00
	Mode	5.00	5.00	5.00
	Minimum	.10	.48	.10
	Maximum	80.00	75.00	80.00

Results apply only to respondents who indicated greater than zero hours per week providing patient care in hospital-based activities.

Q10B5: Of your direct patient care hours, please indicate how that time is broken down in the following activities.

Hrs/week - patient care in other types of institutions		Family Physicians		
		CCFP	Non-CCFP	Total
in patient care in other types of institutions	Count	1213	995	2208
	Mean	4.18	4.33	4.25
	Median	2.00	2.00	2.00
	Mode	1.00	1.00	1.00
	Minimum	.10	.24	.10
	Maximum	45.00	37.00	45.00

Results apply only to respondents who indicated greater than zero hours per week providing patient care in other types of institutions.

Q10B6: Of your direct patient care hours, please indicate how that time is broken down in the following activities.

Hrs/week - other		Family Physicians		
		CCFP	Non-CCFP	Total
Other	Count	103	81	184
	Mean	5.98	7.33	6.58
	Median	4.00	3.88	3.89
	Mode	2.00	2.00	2.00
	Minimum	.50	.91	.50
	Maximum	40.00	45.00	45.00

Results apply only to respondents who indicated greater than zero hours per week providing patient care - other.

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Q10B Sum: Of your direct patient care hours, please indicate how that time is broken down in the following activities.

Hrs/week - total direct patient care hours/week		Family Physicians		
		CCFP	Non-CCFP	Total
Total Direct Patient Care Hours worked/week	Count	4946	3806	8752
	Mean	34.02	35.57	34.70
	Median	35.00	36.00	35.00
	Mode	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Minimum	.25	1.00	.25
	Maximum	120.00	110.00	120.00

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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Results apply only to respondents who indicated greater than zero hours per week. For additional time allocation results beyond direct patient care, refer to table Q10A.

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Q11a: Describe your on-call activity

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Describe on-call activity	Do NOT do on-call	23.8%	27.8%	25.6%
	Do obstetrical on-call	14.2%	8.8%	11.7%
	Do on-call for hospital in-patients	39.2%	35.3%	37.5%
	Do on-call for non-hospitalized patients - telephone availability only	14.1%	12.2%	13.2%
	Do on-call for non-hospitalized patients - telephone availability and see patients as required	30.2%	28.1%	29.3%
	Do emergency room on-call	18.9%	16.2%	17.7%
	Do nursing home/LTC facility on-call	25.6%	24.5%	25.1%
	Other	9.6%	10.3%	9.9%
	No response	4.4%	7.1%	5.6%

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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.

Q11b: Average total number of on-call work hours per month.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=4354	Non-CCFP n=3274	Total n=7628
		%	%	%
Total call hours per month (grouped)	Up to 120 hours per month	62.9%	58.3%	60.9%
	121 to 180 hours per month	12.1%	12.1%	12.1%
	181 to 240 hours per month	5.0%	6.6%	5.7%
	> 240 hours per month	15.2%	15.4%	15.3%
	Not stated / Zero value	4.9%	7.6%	6.0%
	Total	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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Note: Includes only those physicians who take call.

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Q11C: Please estimate how many of your on-call hours each month are actually spent in direct patient care.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP	Non-CCFP	Total
On-call work hours per month spent in direct patient care	Count	3889	2812	6701
	Mean	25.62	29.77	27.36
	Median	10.00	12.00	10.00
	Mode	10.00	10.00	10.00
	Minimum	.10	.25	.10
	Maximum	720.00	720.00	720.00

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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Note: Results apply only to respondents who indicated spending greater than zero hours per month of their on-call time in direct patient care.

Q11C: Please estimate how many of your on-call hours each month are actually spent in direct patient care.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=3889	Non-CCFP n=2812	Total n=6701
		%	%	%
On-call hours each month spent in direct patient care	up to 10 hrs/mnth	53.1%	47.9%	50.9%
	more than 10, up to 40 hrs/mnth	28.5%	31.0%	29.5%
	more than 40 hrs/mnth	18.4%	21.1%	19.5%
	Total	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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Note: Results apply only to respondents who indicated spending greater than zero hours per month of their on-call time in direct patient care.

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Q11D: Please estimate the number of patients you see on call per month.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP	Non-CCFP	Total
Number of patients per month seen during on-call hours	Count	3704	2738	6442
	Mean	46.34	50.34	48.04
	Median	20.00	20.00	20.00
	Mode	10.00	10.00	10.00
	Minimum	.10	.01	.01
	Maximum	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00

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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Note: Results apply only to respondents who indicated greater than zero patients per month while on call.

Q11D: Please estimate the number of patients you see on call per month.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=3704	Non-CCFP n=2738	Total n=6442
		%	%	%
Number of patients seen when on-call per month	up to 15 pts/mnth	46.9%	44.7%	45.9%
	16 to 30 pts/mnth	19.9%	18.9%	19.5%
	31 to 45 pts/mnth	7.2%	7.5%	7.3%
	46 to 60 pts/mnth	7.2%	8.0%	7.5%
	61+ pts/mnth	18.9%	20.9%	19.7%
	Total	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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Note: Results apply only to respondents who indicated greater than zero patients per month while on call.

National Physician Survey 2004: Results for Family Physicians.

Q12A: In a typical year, how many weeks do you spend on each of the following activities?

Weeks engaged in clinical/ medical care, administration, teaching, research, ongoing CME/CPD		Family Physicians		
		CCFP	Non-CCFP	Total
Weeks engaged in clinical/ medical care, administration, teaching, research, ongoing CME/CPD	Count	5663	4579	10242
	Mean	44.60	44.68	44.64
	Median	46.00	46.00	46.00
	Mode	46.00	48.00	46.00
	Minimum	.98	.05	.05
	Maximum	52.00	52.00	52.00

Results apply only to respondents who indicated greater than zero weeks per year.

Weeks away from practice for CME/CPD purposes		Family Physicians		
		CCFP	Non-CCFP	Total
Weeks away from practice for CME/CPD	Count	4812	3554	8366
	Mean	1.60	1.63	1.61
	Median	1.00	1.00	1.00
	Mode	1.00	1.00	1.00
	Minimum	.25	.43	.25
	Maximum	48.00	15.00	48.00

Results apply only to respondents who indicated greater than zero weeks per year.

Weeks of vacation		Family Physicians		
		CCFP	Non-CCFP	Total
Weeks of vacation	Count	5610	4507	10117
	Mean	4.50	4.36	4.44
	Median	4.00	4.00	4.00
	Mode	4.00	4.00	4.00
	Minimum	.50	.25	.25
	Maximum	31.00	52.00	52.00

Results apply only to respondents who indicated greater than zero weeks per year.

Weeks in other activities		Family Physicians		
		CCFP	Non-CCFP	Total
Weeks in other activities	Count	711	646	1357
	Mean	7.46	8.24	7.83
	Median	2.00	2.00	2.00
	Mode	1.00	1.00	1.00
	Minimum	.20	.50	.20
	Maximum	51.02	52.00	52.00

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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Results apply only to respondents who indicated greater than zero weeks per year.

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Q13a1: In the last year, have you been absent from work due to illness or disability?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Absent from work in last year due to illness or disability	Yes	22.3%	20.6%	21.5%
	No	72.6%	72.2%	72.4%
	NR	5.1%	7.2%	6.0%
	Total	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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

NR = No response.

Q13A2: If you have been absent from work due to illness or disability, approximately how many days were you absent in the past year?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP	Non-CCFP	Total
Days absent from work	Count	1327	1000	2327
	Mean	14.60	18.65	16.34
	Median	3.00	4.00	3.00
	Mode	1.00	2.00	1.00
	Minimum	.50	.50	.50
	Maximum	365.00	365.00	365.00

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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

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Q13A3: Was the cause of the illness/disability for which you were absent from work, work related?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=1349	Non-CCFP n=1029	Total n=2378
		%	%	%
Work related illness/disability	Yes	15.7%	16.9%	16.2%
	No	80.4%	77.1%	79.0%
	NR	3.9%	6.0%	4.8%
	Total	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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

NR = No response.

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Q13b1: In the last year, have you taken time off work for personal reasons?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Time off work for personal reasons in the last year	Yes	21.0%	13.6%	17.6%
	No	73.4%	78.3%	75.6%
	NR	5.7%	8.1%	6.8%
	Total	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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

NR = No response.

Q13B2: If yes, approximately how many days were you absent in the past year?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP	Non-CCFP	Total
Days absent from work	Count	1235	663	1898
	Mean	45.70	19.18	36.44
	Median	7.00	5.00	7.00
	Mode	2.00	2.00	2.00
	Minimum	.50	.50	.50
	Maximum	365.00	365.00	365.00

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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

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Q14a: In the last year, approximately what proportion of your professional income did you receive from each of the following PAYMENT METHODS?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Method of Remuneration	90+% FFS	48.0%	57.7%	52.4%
	90+% Salary	6.0%	8.5%	7.1%
	90+% Capitation	.7%	.6%	.6%
	90+% Sessional/per diem/hourly	5.0%	3.9%	4.5%
	90+% Service contracts	1.7%	1.7%	1.7%
	90+% Incentives and premiums	.1%	.1%	.1%
	90+% Other	.6%	.5%	.6%
	Not 90+% of any one method	33.5%	21.5%	28.1%
	No valid response	4.5%	5.5%	4.9%
	Total	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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

NR = No response.

Q14b: If you had a choice, how would you prefer to be paid for your services as a physician?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Preferred method of income	Fee for service only	20.1%	31.1%	25.1%
	Salary only	10.6%	12.3%	11.3%
	Capitation only	.7%	.7%	.7%
	Sessional/per diem/hourly only	7.1%	5.1%	6.2%
	Service contract only	1.7%	1.7%	1.7%
	Blended payment	56.1%	44.2%	50.8%
	NR	3.7%	4.8%	4.2%
	Total	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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

NR = No response.

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Q14c: Please indicate which of the following FUNDING MECHANISMS contribute to your income, either directly or through financial support of your practice organization.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Funding mechanisms that contribute to income	alternative payment program	17.8%	9.2%	13.9%
	regional health authority/board	27.3%	29.4%	28.2%
	academic health sciences centre	12.5%	5.2%	9.2%
	blended funding program	5.3%	4.4%	4.9%
	block funding program	2.1%	1.6%	1.9%
	rural/northern/ underserviced incentives	11.9%	10.1%	11.1%
	CMPA reimbursement	61.0%	51.3%	56.6%
	third party pension contributions or other benefits	9.9%	10.1%	10.0%
	other	7.5%	8.1%	7.8%
	None of the above or no response	16.9%	23.7%	20.0%

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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.

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Q15a: What arrangements do you have for care of your patients outside of usual office hours?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Arrangements for patient care outside of office hours	physician available	48.3%	49.9%	49.1%
	individualized medical telephone advice	47.2%	38.5%	43.3%
	instructions to go to the emergency department	44.5%	50.4%	47.2%
	instructions to go to a walk-in clinic/after hours clinic	28.8%	29.2%	29.0%
	instructions to call a housecall service	4.9%	6.7%	5.7%
	Other	7.6%	6.2%	7.0%
	Patient care during non-office hours - no direction	4.7%	5.9%	5.3%
	None of the above or no response	6.1%	7.0%	6.5%

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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.

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Q15b: Who provides individualized medical telephone advice outside of usual office hours?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
a physician associated with your practice?	Yes, advice provided is from a physician	27.9%	20.8%	24.7%
	No, advice provided is not from a physician	17.8%	14.8%	16.4%
	No detail about source of telephone advice	1.6%	2.8%	2.1%
	N/A - no medical telephone advice provided	46.6%	54.5%	50.2%
	NR	6.1%	7.0%	6.5%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
a nurse/health care team member associated with your practice?	Yes, advice provided is from a nurse or other team member	7.4%	6.8%	7.2%
	No, advice provided is not from a nurse or team member	38.2%	28.8%	34.0%
	No detail about source of telephone advice	1.6%	2.8%	2.1%
	N/A - no medical telephone advice provided	46.6%	54.5%	50.2%
	NR	6.1%	7.0%	6.5%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
an external agency?	Yes, advice provided is from an external agency	20.8%	14.5%	18.0%
	No, advice provided is not from an external agency	24.8%	21.2%	23.2%
	No detail about source of telephone advice	1.6%	2.8%	2.1%
	N/A - no medical telephone advice provided	46.6%	54.5%	50.2%
	NR	6.1%	7.0%	6.5%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Other?	Yes, advice provided is from other source	3.0%	2.5%	2.8%
	No, advice provided is not from other source	42.6%	33.2%	38.3%
	No detail about source of telephone advice	1.6%	2.8%	2.1%
	N/A - no medical telephone advice provided	46.6%	54.5%	50.2%
	NR	6.1%	7.0%	6.5%
	Total	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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.
 NR = No response.

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Q16: Please rate accessibility to the following for your patients.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
referral to specialist physicians in general	Excellent	6.3%	6.3%	6.3%
	Very Good	20.0%	19.5%	19.8%
	Good	35.3%	31.3%	33.5%
	Fair	26.7%	24.3%	25.6%
	Poor	6.3%	8.1%	7.1%
	N/A	1.0%	2.5%	1.7%
	NR	4.5%	8.0%	6.1%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
referral to psychiatrists	Excellent	4.0%	3.5%	3.8%
	Very Good	7.6%	7.4%	7.5%
	Good	14.5%	14.5%	14.5%
	Fair	24.2%	22.6%	23.5%
	Poor	44.0%	39.8%	42.1%
	N/A	1.7%	4.4%	2.9%
	NR	4.1%	7.8%	5.7%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
referral to obstetricians/ gynecologists	Excellent	10.8%	8.3%	9.7%
	Very Good	25.3%	22.5%	24.0%
	Good	34.8%	30.4%	32.8%
	Fair	15.7%	16.3%	15.9%
	Poor	3.9%	4.3%	4.1%
	N/A	4.5%	8.9%	6.5%
	NR	4.9%	9.4%	6.9%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
referral to orthopedic surgeons	Excellent	5.4%	4.0%	4.7%
	Very Good	13.2%	12.8%	13.0%
	Good	25.4%	23.2%	24.4%
	Fair	27.4%	25.2%	26.4%
	Poor	21.8%	21.1%	21.5%
	N/A	2.4%	5.3%	3.7%
	NR	4.4%	8.4%	6.2%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
pediatricians/ pediatric specialists	Excellent	11.4%	9.0%	10.3%
	Very Good	28.0%	23.5%	26.0%
	Good	33.7%	30.3%	32.1%
	Fair	12.0%	12.6%	12.2%
	Poor	3.2%	4.0%	3.6%
	N/A	6.8%	11.2%	8.8%
	NR	5.0%	9.5%	7.0%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
anaesthesia services	Excellent	9.3%	8.5%	8.9%
	Very Good	21.3%	17.1%	19.4%
	Good	28.9%	24.2%	26.7%
	Fair	10.0%	9.3%	9.7%
	Poor	4.2%	4.4%	4.3%
	N/A	20.7%	25.0%	22.6%
	NR	5.8%	11.6%	8.4%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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National Physician Survey 2004: Results for Family Physicians.

Q16: Please rate accessibility to the following for your patients (continued).

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
emergency room services	Excellent	20.9%	17.5%	19.4%
	Very Good	29.4%	27.6%	28.6%
	Good	26.1%	24.9%	25.5%
	Fair	11.8%	12.0%	11.9%
	Poor	3.9%	3.9%	3.9%
	N/A	3.4%	5.4%	4.3%
	NR	4.5%	8.7%	6.4%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
palliative care	Excellent	11.6%	9.6%	10.7%
	Very Good	25.6%	21.8%	23.9%
	Good	30.5%	28.0%	29.4%
	Fair	14.5%	14.5%	14.5%
	Poor	5.5%	5.2%	5.4%
	N/A	7.5%	11.0%	9.1%
	NR	4.7%	9.9%	7.1%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
hospital in-patient care on urgent basis	Excellent	12.8%	11.8%	12.4%
	Very Good	24.0%	23.1%	23.6%
	Good	25.8%	23.2%	24.6%
	Fair	17.5%	14.9%	16.3%
	Poor	9.6%	9.1%	9.4%
	N/A	5.5%	8.6%	6.9%
	NR	4.9%	9.3%	6.9%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
hospital care for elective procedures	Excellent	2.7%	3.2%	3.0%
	Very Good	10.4%	11.7%	11.0%
	Good	26.2%	23.5%	24.9%
	Fair	29.9%	26.2%	28.2%
	Poor	17.6%	16.3%	17.0%
	N/A	8.0%	9.3%	8.6%
	NR	5.3%	9.8%	7.3%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
highly specialized services	Excellent	7.1%	6.0%	6.6%
	Very Good	19.5%	16.3%	18.0%
	Good	33.3%	29.8%	31.7%
	Fair	21.3%	19.4%	20.5%
	Poor	7.6%	8.0%	7.8%
	N/A	6.1%	10.6%	8.1%
	NR	5.2%	9.9%	7.3%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
long-term care beds	Excellent	1.2%	1.3%	1.2%
	Very Good	4.9%	5.8%	5.3%
	Good	18.5%	16.5%	17.6%
	Fair	31.9%	27.4%	29.9%
	Poor	31.3%	29.1%	30.3%
	N/A	7.4%	10.4%	8.7%
	NR	4.9%	9.5%	7.0%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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National Physician Survey 2004: Results for Family Physicians.

Q16: Please rate accessibility to the following for your patients (continued).

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
routine diagnostic services	Excellent	19.1%	17.1%	18.2%
	Very Good	32.6%	31.4%	32.1%
	Good	29.6%	27.1%	28.5%
	Fair	10.9%	10.4%	10.7%
	Poor	1.9%	3.0%	2.4%
	N/A	1.1%	2.8%	1.9%
	NR	4.7%	8.2%	6.3%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
advanced diagnostic services	Excellent	2.3%	2.1%	2.2%
	Very Good	7.0%	6.4%	6.7%
	Good	18.2%	15.2%	16.8%
	Fair	28.9%	25.3%	27.3%
	Poor	36.6%	37.0%	36.8%
	N/A	2.6%	5.8%	4.0%
	NR	4.4%	8.3%	6.2%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
drugs & appliances	Excellent	7.2%	7.6%	7.4%
	Very Good	22.8%	23.3%	23.1%
	Good	41.4%	36.1%	39.0%
	Fair	18.5%	16.8%	17.8%
	Poor	2.6%	2.7%	2.7%
	N/A	2.4%	4.2%	3.2%
	NR	4.9%	9.3%	6.9%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
community nursing services	Excellent	4.4%	4.6%	4.5%
	Very Good	17.7%	18.4%	18.0%
	Good	37.2%	33.0%	35.3%
	Fair	24.3%	22.1%	23.3%
	Poor	7.7%	5.7%	6.8%
	N/A	4.1%	7.1%	5.4%
	NR	4.6%	9.1%	6.6%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
homemaking services	Excellent	2.5%	2.7%	2.6%
	Very Good	11.5%	12.8%	12.1%
	Good	29.5%	27.4%	28.6%
	Fair	29.3%	26.2%	27.9%
	Poor	15.3%	11.8%	13.7%
	N/A	7.1%	9.6%	8.2%
	NR	4.9%	9.4%	6.9%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
occupational therapy services	Excellent	2.3%	2.8%	2.5%
	Very Good	10.2%	10.7%	10.4%
	Good	30.9%	28.2%	29.7%
	Fair	30.1%	26.7%	28.5%
	Poor	15.9%	14.6%	15.3%
	N/A	5.6%	7.8%	6.6%
	NR	5.0%	9.3%	6.9%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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National Physician Survey 2004: Results for Family Physicians.

Q16: Please rate accessibility to the following for your patients (continued).

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
physiotherapy services	Excellent	5.8%	5.7%	5.8%
	Very Good	17.8%	18.3%	18.0%
	Good	31.1%	27.4%	29.5%
	Fair	24.1%	20.2%	22.4%
	Poor	13.8%	14.6%	14.1%
	N/A	2.5%	5.2%	3.7%
	NR	4.8%	8.6%	6.5%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
psychosocial support services	Excellent	3.6%	3.2%	3.5%
	Very Good	11.0%	11.0%	11.0%
	Good	24.9%	23.6%	24.3%
	Fair	29.5%	27.0%	28.4%
	Poor	24.4%	21.8%	23.3%
	N/A	1.9%	4.9%	3.3%
	NR	4.6%	8.5%	6.4%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
health care services in patient's language/ culture	Excellent	2.9%	3.6%	3.2%
	Very Good	8.0%	9.2%	8.5%
	Good	22.4%	20.3%	21.4%
	Fair	27.5%	22.8%	25.4%
	Poor	21.3%	18.3%	19.9%
	N/A	12.5%	15.2%	13.7%
	NR	5.5%	10.6%	7.8%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
female or male physicians as preferred by patient	Excellent	3.3%	3.7%	3.5%
	Very Good	9.1%	10.2%	9.6%
	Good	22.6%	21.8%	22.2%
	Fair	25.9%	22.3%	24.3%
	Poor	26.1%	20.9%	23.7%
	N/A	8.2%	11.6%	9.8%
	NR	4.8%	9.4%	6.9%
	Total	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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

NR = No response.

National Physician Survey 2004: Results for Family Physicians.

Q17F: To what extent are you accepting new patients into your MAIN patient care setting?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
accepting/ not accepting new patients	No restrictions; practise is open to all new patients	16.1%	25.1%	20.2%
	Partially closed	44.4%	39.0%	42.0%
	Completely closed	19.1%	17.1%	18.2%
	N/A	16.9%	14.5%	15.8%
	NR	3.4%	4.3%	3.8%
	Total	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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

NR = No response.

National Physician Survey 2004: Results for Family Physicians.

Q18A: With reference to the last two years (2002 - 2004), please check all of the following changes you have made

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Changes MADE to practice in past two years	Relocated practice within the same prov/terr	12.6%	8.3%	10.7%
	Relocated practice to another prov/terr in Canada	4.5%	1.5%	3.2%
	Relocated to Canada from another country	.8%	4.6%	2.5%
	Left Canada to practise in another country	.4%	.3%	.3%
	Moved from an urban/ suburban to a rural/ remote practice setting	2.5%	1.4%	2.0%
	Moved from a rural/ remote to an urban/ suburban practice setting	3.3%	1.4%	2.4%
	Specialized in an area of medical practice	5.2%	3.0%	4.2%
	Reduced scope of practice	13.2%	13.0%	13.1%
	Expanded scope of practice	4.8%	4.0%	4.4%
	Reduced teaching, research &/or admin responsibilities	6.0%	4.0%	5.1%
	Increased teaching, research &/or admin responsibilities	11.0%	5.3%	8.5%
	Took temporary leave of absence	6.3%	3.1%	4.9%
	Reduced weekly work hours (excluding on-call)	17.7%	16.6%	17.2%
	Increased weekly work hours (excluding on-call)	8.0%	6.9%	7.5%
	Reduced on-call hours	10.7%	9.4%	10.1%
	Increased on-call hours	5.4%	3.5%	4.6%
	Changed from solo to group practice	2.9%	2.2%	2.6%
	Changed to a multidisciplinary practice model	2.8%	1.5%	2.2%
	Became part of a practice network	7.2%	4.0%	5.8%
	Changed mode of remuneration	9.2%	5.2%	7.4%
	Retrained within the medical field	.9%	1.3%	1.1%
Left active practice for reasons other than above	.3%	.3%	.3%	
Made other changes	2.3%	1.8%	2.1%	
No changes were made	11.3%	13.6%	12.3%	
No response	12.0%	15.9%	13.8%	

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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Note: this question allowed for multiple responses

National Physician Survey 2004: Results for Family Physicians.

Q18B: With reference to the next two years (2004 - 2006), please check all of the following changes you plan to make

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Changes PLANNED for next two years	Plan to relocate practice within the same prov/terr	8.8%	5.5%	7.3%
	Plan to relocate practice to another prov/terr in Canada	3.7%	3.8%	3.7%
	Plan to relocate to Canada from another country	.3%	.2%	.3%
	Plan to leave Canada to practise in another country	2.9%	2.6%	2.8%
	Plan to move from an urban/ suburban to a rural/ remote practice setting	1.5%	.9%	1.2%
	Plan to move from a rural/ remote to an urban/ suburban practice setting	2.9%	2.9%	2.9%
	Plan to specialize in an area of medical practice	4.7%	3.6%	4.2%
	Plan to reduce scope of practice	11.6%	14.9%	13.1%
	Plan to expand scope of practice	5.9%	3.8%	5.0%
	Plan to reduce teaching, research &/or admin responsibilities	5.0%	4.1%	4.6%
	Plan to increase teaching, research &/or admin responsibilities	14.9%	7.2%	11.4%
	Plan to take temporary leave of absence	9.7%	5.9%	8.0%
	Plan to reduce weekly work hours (excluding on-call)	23.3%	26.2%	24.6%
	Plan to increase weekly work hours (excluding on-call)	5.0%	3.1%	4.2%
	Plan to reduce on-call hours	13.3%	14.4%	13.8%
	Plan to increase on-call hours	3.2%	1.6%	2.5%
	Plan to change from solo to group practice	2.6%	2.7%	2.7%
	Plan to change to a multidisciplinary practice model	3.6%	2.5%	3.1%
	Plan to become part of a practice network	7.7%	5.4%	6.7%
	Plan to change mode of remuneration	8.0%	5.7%	6.9%
	Plan to retrain within the medical field	2.9%	2.4%	2.7%
	Plan to retire	2.6%	7.8%	5.0%
	Plan to leave active practice for reasons other than above	1.1%	1.7%	1.4%
Plan to make other changes	2.9%	2.1%	2.5%	
No changes planned	10.5%	12.5%	11.4%	
No response	12.0%	15.9%	13.8%	

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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.

National Physician Survey 2004: Results for Family Physicians.

Q19a: Please indicate the most significant change you MADE in the last two years (2002 - 2004).

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=3446	Non-CCFP n=2461	Total n=5907
		%	%	%
Most significant change made in last 2 years	Relocated my practice within the same province/territory	10.7%	9.4%	10.1%
	Relocated my practice to another prov/terr in Canada	5.0%	2.0%	3.7%
	Relocated to Canada from another country	.9%	8.5%	4.1%
	Left Canada to practice in another country	.4%	.3%	.4%
	Moved from urban/suburban to a rural/remote practice setting	1.6%	.8%	1.3%
	Moved from rural/remote to urban/suburban practice setting	2.2%	1.3%	1.8%
	Specialized in an area of medical practice	5.4%	3.3%	4.5%
	Reduced scope of practice	10.2%	12.6%	11.2%
	Expanded scope of practice	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%
	Reduced teaching, research & administration responsibility	3.0%	2.7%	2.8%
	Increased teaching, research & administration responsibility	9.4%	5.0%	7.5%
	Took a temporary leave of absence	4.8%	2.4%	3.8%
	Reduced weekly hours (excluding on call)	14.6%	19.5%	16.7%
	Increased weekly hours (excluding on call)	5.3%	6.5%	5.8%
	Reduced on-call hours	4.2%	5.9%	4.9%
	Increased on-call hours	1.5%	2.0%	1.7%
	Changed from solo to group practice	1.3%	1.1%	1.2%
	Changed to a multidisciplinary practice model	.9%	.6%	.7%
	Became part of a practice network	5.7%	3.9%	4.9%
	Change in mode of remuneration	3.3%	1.9%	2.7%
	Retrained within medical field	.6%	1.0%	.7%
	Left active practice for reason(s) other than above	.4%	.4%	.4%
	Made other change(s)	3.5%	3.4%	3.5%
Not stated	1.5%	2.1%	1.8%	
Total	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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Results apply only to respondents who indicated that they had made changes to their practice in the last two years.

National Physician Survey 2004: Results for Family Physicians.

Q19b: Please indicate the most significant change you plan to make in the next two years (2004 - 2006).

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=3697	Non-CCFP n=2799	Total n=6496
		%	%	%
Most significant change planned for the next 2 years	Relocate my practice within the same province/territory	6.2%	4.5%	5.5%
	Relocate my practice to another province/territory in Canada	3.4%	3.7%	3.5%
	Leave Canada to practice in another country	2.6%	3.0%	2.8%
	Move from urban/suburban to a rural/remote practice setting	.7%	.4%	.6%
	Move from rural/remote to an urban/suburban practice setting	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%
	Specialize in an area of medical practice	3.8%	2.9%	3.4%
	Reduce scope of practice	5.8%	6.8%	6.2%
	Expand scope of practice	4.3%	2.9%	3.7%
	Reduce teaching, research & administration responsibility	2.3%	1.8%	2.1%
	Increase teaching, research & administration responsibility	10.4%	4.8%	8.0%
	Take a temporary leave of absence	6.6%	3.4%	5.2%
	Reduce weekly hours (excluding on call)	18.8%	25.0%	21.5%
	Increase weekly hours (excluding on call)	3.4%	2.6%	3.1%
	Reduce on-call hours	4.8%	6.3%	5.4%
	Increase on-call hours	1.3%	.6%	1.0%
	Change from solo to group practice	1.1%	1.9%	1.5%
	Change to a multidisciplinary practice model	1.6%	1.5%	1.6%
	Become part of a practice network	5.8%	4.0%	5.0%
	Change in mode of remuneration	3.5%	2.4%	3.0%
	Retrain within medical field	1.6%	1.5%	1.6%
Retire	3.4%	10.7%	6.6%	
Leave active practice for reason(s) other than above	1.0%	1.9%	1.4%	
Other change(s)	3.4%	2.6%	3.1%	
Not stated	2.6%	3.1%	2.8%	
Total	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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Results apply only to respondents who indicated that they plan to make changes to their practice in the next two years.

National Physician Survey 2004: Results for Family Physicians.

Q19C1: Please indicate the reason(s) for the most significant change you MADE in the past two years (2002 - 2004).

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=3446	Non-CCFP n=2461	Total n=5907
		%	%	%
Reason for most significant change MADE	wanted a career change	21.5%	18.4%	20.2%
	had health reasons	11.6%	14.7%	12.9%
	had family obligations	30.6%	19.9%	26.1%
	had financial priorities/ necessities	20.4%	20.1%	20.3%
	wanted to meet population/community needs	17.6%	16.7%	17.3%
	wanted other	19.6%	19.5%	19.6%
	No response	9.3%	14.9%	11.6%

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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.

Q19C2: Please indicate the reason for the most significant change you PLAN to make in the next two years (2004 - 2006).

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=3697	Non-CCFP n=2799	Total n=6496
		%	%	%
Reason for most significant change PLANNED	want a career change	20.6%	16.8%	18.9%
	health reasons	10.3%	15.6%	12.6%
	family obligations	30.1%	21.4%	26.3%
	financial priorities/necessities	18.2%	15.5%	17.0%
	to meet population/community needs	15.7%	12.0%	14.1%
	other reason	21.7%	25.3%	23.3%
	No response	11.1%	14.8%	12.7%

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).

Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.

National Physician Survey 2004: Results for Family Physicians.

Q20: Please rate your satisfaction with each of the following.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
relationship with patients	Very satisfied	50.9%	55.6%	53.0%
	Somewhat satisfied	38.2%	31.2%	35.1%
	Neutral	4.0%	4.2%	4.1%
	Somewhat dissatisfied	1.9%	1.1%	1.6%
	Very dissatisfied	.3%	.2%	.3%
	N/A	1.1%	3.2%	2.1%
	NR	3.5%	4.5%	3.9%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
relationship with hospitals	Very satisfied	12.7%	17.0%	14.7%
	Somewhat satisfied	38.4%	33.3%	36.1%
	Neutral	21.5%	21.4%	21.4%
	Somewhat dissatisfied	14.8%	12.4%	13.7%
	Very dissatisfied	5.2%	5.4%	5.3%
	N/A	3.6%	5.7%	4.5%
	NR	3.6%	4.9%	4.2%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
relationship with specialist physicians	Very satisfied	19.3%	27.8%	23.1%
	Somewhat satisfied	51.0%	44.3%	47.9%
	Neutral	15.4%	14.3%	14.9%
	Somewhat dissatisfied	8.9%	6.4%	7.7%
	Very dissatisfied	1.2%	1.1%	1.1%
	N/A	.7%	1.7%	1.2%
	NR	3.7%	4.4%	4.0%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
relationship with family physicians	Very satisfied	41.9%	40.4%	41.2%
	Somewhat satisfied	41.2%	37.3%	39.5%
	Neutral	10.1%	12.3%	11.1%
	Somewhat dissatisfied	2.0%	2.1%	2.0%
	Very dissatisfied	.2%	.5%	.4%
	N/A	1.1%	2.9%	1.9%
	NR	3.5%	4.4%	3.9%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
relationship with non-physician health care workers	Very satisfied	27.7%	28.6%	28.1%
	Somewhat satisfied	49.9%	43.9%	47.2%
	Neutral	14.9%	16.9%	15.8%
	Somewhat dissatisfied	2.8%	3.5%	3.1%
	Very dissatisfied	.4%	.8%	.6%
	N/A	.8%	1.8%	1.3%
	NR	3.6%	4.4%	3.9%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Q20: Please rate your satisfaction with each of the following (continued).

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
availability of CME/CPD opportunities to meet needs	Very satisfied	32.9%	30.2%	31.7%
	Somewhat satisfied	43.6%	41.1%	42.4%
	Neutral	12.5%	13.9%	13.1%
	Somewhat dissatisfied	6.1%	7.1%	6.5%
	Very dissatisfied	1.1%	1.9%	1.5%
	N/A	.3%	1.6%	.9%
	NR	3.5%	4.3%	3.9%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
ability to find locum tenens coverage	Very satisfied	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%
	Somewhat satisfied	11.4%	10.4%	11.0%
	Neutral	11.5%	11.9%	11.7%
	Somewhat dissatisfied	15.7%	13.6%	14.7%
	Very dissatisfied	25.8%	27.5%	26.6%
	N/A	26.1%	24.8%	25.5%
	NR	4.5%	6.9%	5.6%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
current professional life	Very satisfied	21.7%	25.3%	23.3%
	Somewhat satisfied	44.5%	40.0%	42.4%
	Neutral	11.9%	12.2%	12.0%
	Somewhat dissatisfied	14.3%	12.9%	13.7%
	Very dissatisfied	3.8%	5.3%	4.4%
	N/A	.2%	.3%	.2%
	NR	3.6%	4.1%	3.9%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
balance between personal and professional commitments	Very satisfied	17.3%	19.7%	18.4%
	Somewhat satisfied	35.4%	32.3%	34.0%
	Neutral	13.9%	15.5%	14.6%
	Somewhat dissatisfied	21.8%	19.5%	20.7%
	Very dissatisfied	8.0%	8.7%	8.3%
	N/A	.2%	.4%	.3%
	NR	3.5%	4.0%	3.7%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Q22: What type of access do you have to the Internet in your main patient care setting?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Type of internet access in main patient care setting	none	26.6%	31.2%	28.7%
	dial-up	10.5%	12.0%	11.2%
	high-speed (cable, DSL)	50.0%	43.7%	47.2%
	Don't know what type	6.5%	6.2%	6.4%
	NR	6.3%	7.0%	6.6%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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NR = No response.

Q23_1: Please indicate which of the following you have in your MAIN patient care setting.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Physician has technology in main patient care setting	Have electronic patient health records	21.8%	19.7%	20.9%
	Have electronic patient appointment/ scheduling system	48.8%	38.4%	44.1%
	Have electronic reminder systems for recommended patient care	14.7%	13.5%	14.2%
	Have electronic interface to external pharmacy/ pharmacist	5.0%	5.3%	5.1%
	Have electronic interface to external laboratory/ diagnostic imaging	28.5%	22.5%	25.8%
	Have electronic interface to other external systems for accessing or sharing patient info	15.1%	13.0%	14.2%
	Have electronic warning systems for adverse prescribing and/or drug interactions	17.8%	13.3%	15.8%
	Have electronic decision aids	17.8%	11.8%	15.1%
	Have telemedicine/webcasting/ videoconferencing	14.6%	16.7%	15.6%
	Have online access to journals, CPGs, medical databases	53.2%	44.9%	49.5%
	Have online CME/CPD courses/programs	30.9%	29.5%	30.3%
No response	21.3%	31.7%	26.0%	

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Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.

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Q23_2: Please indicate which of the following you use in your MAIN patient care setting.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Physician uses technology in main patient care setting	Use electronic patient health records	17.7%	14.8%	16.4%
	Use Electronic patient appointment/ scheduling system	39.0%	28.1%	34.1%
	Use electronic reminder systems for recommended patient care	9.9%	9.0%	9.5%
	Use electronic interface to external pharmacy/ pharmacist	3.1%	3.2%	3.1%
	Use electronic interface to external laboratory/ diagnostic imaging	23.1%	17.3%	20.5%
	Use electronic interface to other external systems for accessing or sharing patient info	11.9%	9.6%	10.9%
	Use electronic warning systems for adverse prescribing and/or drug interactions	16.4%	11.4%	14.2%
	Use electronic decision aids	16.2%	10.3%	13.5%
	Use telemedicine/webcasting/ videoconferencing	7.7%	9.8%	8.6%
	Use online access to journals, CPGs, medical databases	38.1%	30.6%	34.7%
	Use online CME/CPD courses/programs	14.5%	15.3%	14.9%
	No response	21.3%	31.7%	26.0%

Source: National Physician Survey, 2004

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Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.

Q23_3: Please indicate which of the following you have on a PDA.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Physician has technology on PDA	PDA has electronic patient health records	.6%	1.1%	.8%
	PDA has electronic patient appointment/ scheduling system	1.1%	1.4%	1.2%
	PDA has electronic reminder systems for recommended patient care	1.5%	1.7%	1.6%
	PDA has electronic interface to external pharmacy/ pharmacist	.7%	.9%	.8%
	PDA has electronic interface to external laboratory/ diagnostic imaging	.2%	.6%	.4%
	PDA has electronic interface to other external systems for accessing or sharing patient information	.2%	.4%	.3%
	PDA has electronic warning systems for adverse prescribing and/or drug interactions	13.1%	8.4%	11.0%
	PDA has telemedicine/ webcasting/ videoconferencing	13.6%	8.1%	11.1%
	PDA has electronic decision aids	.3%	.5%	.4%
	PDA has online access to journals, CPGs, medical databases	3.9%	2.9%	3.5%
	PDA has online CME/CPD courses/programs	.8%	.8%	.8%
	No response	21.3%	31.7%	26.0%

Source: National Physician Survey, 2004

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Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.

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Q24a: Where did you complete your medical training?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
School of most recent undergrad	Memorial University of Newfoundland	2.5%	1.7%	2.1%
	Dalhousie University	4.5%	4.6%	4.6%
	Université de Laval	4.7%	8.0%	6.2%
	Université de Sherbrooke	4.3%	1.9%	3.2%
	Université de Montreal	6.4%	8.2%	7.2%
	McGill University	4.2%	2.0%	3.2%
	University of Ottawa	5.2%	2.7%	4.1%
	Queen's University	4.9%	2.1%	3.7%
	University of Toronto	13.5%	10.2%	12.0%
	McMaster University	6.0%	1.5%	4.0%
	University of Western Ontario	6.6%	3.9%	5.4%
	University of Manitoba	3.7%	2.4%	3.1%
	University of Saskatchewan	2.9%	2.1%	2.6%
	University of Alberta	6.3%	3.8%	5.2%
	University of Calgary	3.7%	1.1%	2.5%
	University of British Columbia	5.9%	5.4%	5.7%
	Canadian grad; school not given	.3%	.2%	.3%
	Sub-Total Canadian Schools	85.6%	61.9%	74.9%
	United States	.7%	1.1%	.9%
	UK	2.3%	9.5%	5.5%
	Central America & Caribbean	.1%	.7%	.4%
	Western Europe	.3%	1.4%	.8%
	Central Europe	.5%	2.4%	1.3%
	Eastern Europe	.1%	.3%	.2%
	Africa (excluding South Africa)	.6%	2.1%	1.3%
	South Africa	2.2%	6.8%	4.3%
	Middle East	.3%	.6%	.4%
	Asia	1.3%	4.6%	2.8%
	Australia & New Zealand	.2%	.7%	.4%
	South America	.1%	.6%	.4%
	Sub-Total non-Canadian schools	8.7%	31.0%	18.8%
	Not stated	5.7%	7.2%	6.3%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Q24a: When did you complete your medical training?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Year of undergraduate graduation (decades)	1940s	.0%	.1%	.1%
	1950s	1.0%	4.1%	2.4%
	1960s	4.2%	15.5%	9.3%
	1970s	17.6%	33.7%	24.9%
	1980s	28.6%	29.3%	28.9%
	1990s	36.5%	9.7%	24.4%
	2000s	6.1%	.6%	3.6%
	NR	6.0%	7.1%	6.5%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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NR = No response.

Q25a: Marital Status

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Marital status	Single, separated, divorced or widowed	13.4%	13.7%	13.5%
	Married, living with partner	83.3%	83.0%	83.1%
	NR	3.3%	3.4%	3.3%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Q25B: Occupation of spouse or partner.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=5042	Non-CCFP n=4137	Total n=9179
		%	%	%
Spouse/partner is a physician or other health care provider	physician	20.9%	15.7%	18.5%
	other health care provider	18.1%	21.7%	19.7%
	neither	57.5%	58.5%	58.0%
	NR	3.4%	4.2%	3.8%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Source: National Physician Survey, 2004
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NR = No response.

Q26A: Do you have children or other dependents for whom you personally provide care/supervision?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Children/dependents requiring personal care/supervision	No	32.4%	35.9%	34.0%
	Yes	63.7%	60.0%	62.1%
	NR	3.9%	4.0%	3.9%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Source: National Physician Survey, 2004
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NR = No response.

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Q26B: If yes, do you have major responsibility for the care of these individuals?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=3858	Non-CCFP n=2993	Total n=6851
		%	%	%
Major responsibility for care	Yes	79.3%	77.3%	78.4%
	No	18.0%	20.0%	18.9%
	NR	2.7%	2.6%	2.6%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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NR = No response.

Q26C: Age of youngest child

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=3628	Non-CCFP n=2759	Total n=6387
		%	%	%
Age of youngest child grouped (from M26C)	up to 5 years old	41.2%	17.1%	30.8%
	between 5 and 10	22.4%	21.3%	21.9%
	older than 10	36.4%	61.5%	47.3%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Q27a: Of all the areas in medicine, what led you to select your current career?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Reason for current career choice	intellectual stimulation/challenge	77.7%	70.6%	74.5%
	doctor-patient relationship	74.7%	65.8%	70.7%
	workload flexibility and/or predictability	51.1%	37.3%	44.9%
	influence of a mentor	21.3%	18.8%	20.1%
	influence of family	22.4%	24.5%	23.3%
	prestige	13.0%	14.4%	13.6%
	earning potential	28.9%	29.1%	29.0%
	research opportunities	5.0%	5.8%	5.3%
	teaching opportunities	18.6%	8.5%	14.0%
	ability to pursue non-work related interests	24.5%	16.8%	21.0%
	availability of training opportunities	9.8%	10.4%	10.1%
	other	10.1%	10.7%	10.4%
	No response	2.9%	3.3%	3.1%

Source: National Physician Survey, 2004

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Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.

Q27B: Indicate the one most important factor that led to career selection.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Most important factor that led to current career choice; from Q27a	a. Intellectual stimulation/challenge	30.3%	30.0%	30.1%
	b. Doctor-patient relationship	31.6%	30.6%	31.1%
	c. Workload flexibility and/or predictability	13.6%	8.8%	11.4%
	d. Influence of a mentor	2.7%	3.9%	3.2%
	e. Influence of family	4.6%	5.9%	5.2%
	f. Prestige	.5%	1.3%	.9%
	g. Earning potential	1.4%	2.2%	1.8%
	h. Research opportunities	.2%	.7%	.4%
	i. Teaching opportunities	.5%	.3%	.4%
	j. Ability to pursue non-work related interests	2.1%	1.4%	1.8%
	k. Availability of training opportunities	.7%	1.0%	.8%
	l. Other	6.4%	7.2%	6.8%
	Not Answered	5.3%	6.7%	5.9%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	

Source: National Physician Survey, 2004

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Q28: When did you decide on your current field of medical practice

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
When current field of medical practice was decided upon	Before medical school	14.6%	18.5%	16.4%
	During medical school but prior to clerkship	19.4%	15.8%	17.8%
	During clerkship	33.3%	19.5%	27.1%
	During residency	13.1%	12.4%	12.8%
	After a period of time in practice	15.0%	27.0%	20.4%
	Other	1.4%	2.8%	2.0%
	NR	3.2%	3.9%	3.6%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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NR = No response.

Q29B: Indicate the main reason(s) you selected your current practice location.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Main reason(s) for selecting current practice location	availability of medical support system/ resources	17.6%	16.1%	16.9%
	family reasons/ spousal influence	57.4%	40.8%	49.9%
	liked the area	42.5%	40.2%	41.5%
	opportunity for affiliation with a universtiy	9.9%	6.2%	8.3%
	community needs were a good match with my career interests	21.5%	20.0%	20.8%
	practice opportunity was available	33.3%	41.8%	37.1%
	religious/social/cultural reasons	4.8%	4.9%	4.8%
	financial recruitment/retention incentives	5.7%	4.3%	5.1%
	other (non-financial) recruitment/ retention incentives	1.3%	1.9%	1.6%
	other	6.3%	6.3%	6.3%
	No response	3.1%	3.6%	3.3%

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Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.

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Q29D: Select the ONE statement which best describes the environment in which you grew up prior to university.

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Childhood environment prior to university	Exclusively/predominantly rural	10.8%	10.7%	10.8%
	Exclusively/predominantly small town	20.8%	21.7%	21.2%
	Exclusively/predominantly urban	56.8%	52.4%	54.8%
	Mixture of environments	8.3%	11.5%	9.7%
	NR	3.3%	3.8%	3.5%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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NR = No response.

Q29E: In which province(s)/territory(ies) did you grow up prior to university?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Province(s) or territory(ies) in which physician grew up prior to university	grew up in British Columbia	8.4%	6.7%	7.7%
	grew up in Alberta	10.4%	5.0%	7.9%
	grew up in Saskatchewan	4.1%	2.9%	3.6%
	grew up in Manitoba	5.0%	3.2%	4.2%
	grew up in Ontario	36.1%	20.5%	29.1%
	grew up in Quebec	22.3%	22.3%	22.3%
	grew up in New Brunswick	3.7%	2.4%	3.1%
	grew up in Nova Scotia	3.6%	3.2%	3.4%
	grew up in Prince Edward Island	.7%	.5%	.6%
	grew up in Newfoundland & Labrador	2.0%	1.6%	1.8%
	grew up in North West Territories	.1%	.1%	.1%
	grew up in Yukon	.1%	.1%	.1%
	grew up in Nunavut	.0%	.1%	.0%
	grew up outside of Canada	14.7%	37.0%	24.8%
No response	3.4%	4.0%	3.7%	

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Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.

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Q30: What languages do you speak with your patients?

		Family Physicians		
		CCFP n=6056	Non-CCFP n=4985	Total n=11041
		%	%	%
Languages spoken with patients	English	90.3%	86.4%	88.5%
	French	30.3%	30.3%	30.3%
	Other	14.5%	20.1%	17.1%
	No response	3.1%	3.5%	3.3%

Source: National Physician Survey, 2004
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Note: Includes all physicians who hold a CCFP or not, and who are also not RCPSC or CMQ certified.

Note: this question allowed for multiple responses.