

2005 AAPA Physician Assistant Census Report for Plastic Surgery PAs

Section I: Characteristics of 2005 AAPA Census Respondents

Table 1.1: Number and Percent Distribution of Census Respondents by whether in Plastic Surgery

	Count	Percent
Total	22502	100.0%
Plastic Surgery	142	.6%
All Others	22360	99.4%

Table 1.2: Number and Percent Distribution of Census Respondents by Sex

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total	138	100.0%	22180	100.0%	22318	100.0%
Male	25	18.1%	8548	38.5%	8573	38.4%
Female	113	81.9%	13632	61.5%	13745	61.6%

Table 1.3: Number and Percent Distribution of Census Respondents by Race

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total	124	100.0%	20264	100.0%	20388	100.0%
Asian/Pacific Islander			725	3.6%	725	3.6%
Black (Not Hispanic)	3	2.4%	701	3.5%	704	3.5%
Hispanic/Latino Origin	9	7.3%	753	3.7%	762	3.7%
Amer Indian/Alaskan			169	.8%	169	.8%
White (Not Hispanic)	112	90.3%	17916	88.4%	18028	88.4%

Table 1.4: Number and Percent Distribution of Census Respondents by PA Degrees Held

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	134	100.0%	20685	100.0%	20819	100.0%
Certificate from PA school	46	34.3%	6604	31.9%	6650	31.9%
Associate's degree from PA school	11	8.2%	1492	7.2%	1503	7.2%
Bachelor's degree from PA school	54	40.3%	9648	46.6%	9702	46.6%
Master's degree from PA school	50	37.3%	6163	29.8%	6213	29.8%

\*Percentages sum to more than 100 because some PAs received multiple degree types.

**Table 1.5: Summary Measures of Age for Census Respondents**

	Plastic Surgery	All Others	Total
Count	142	22300	22442
Mean	38.0	41.5	41.5
Standard deviation	10.0	10.9	10.9
10th p-tile	27.0	28.0	28.0
25th p-tile	29.0	32.0	32.0
Median	35.0	40.0	40.0
75th p-tile	48.0	50.0	50.0
90th p-tile	52.0	57.0	57.0

**Table 1.6: Summary Measures of Age During Year of Graduation from PA School for Census Respondents**

	Plastic Surgery	All Others	Total
Count	142	22301	22443
Mean	29.5	30.8	30.8
Standard deviation	6.4	6.9	6.9
10th p-tile	24.0	24.0	24.0
25th p-tile	25.0	26.0	26.0
Median	27.0	29.0	29.0
75th p-tile	32.0	34.0	34.0
90th p-tile	39.4	41.0	41.0

**Table 1.7: Summary Measures of Years since Graduation from PA School for Census Respondents**

	Plastic Surgery	All Others	Total
Count	142	22360	22502
Mean	8.5	10.8	10.8
Standard deviation	7.8	9.2	9.2
10th p-tile	1.0	1.0	1.0
25th p-tile	2.8	3.0	3.0
Median	5.0	7.0	7.0
75th p-tile	13.0	17.0	17.0
90th p-tile	22.7	26.0	26.0

**Section II: Professional Status of Respondents**

**Table 2.1: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents by Clinical Practice Status**

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total	142	100.0%	22360	100.0%	22502	100.0%
In clinical practice	142	100.0%	19877	88.9%	20019	89.0%
Not in clinical practice			2483	11.1%	2483	11.0%

**Table 2.2: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents by Current Professional Status\***

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	142	100.0%	22360	100.0%	22502	100.0%
Clinically practicing PA	142	100.0%	19877	88.9%	20019	89.0%
Clinically practicing physician or resident			98	.4%	98	.4%
Clinically practicing NP			174	.8%	174	.8%
Other clinically practicing provider	2	1.4%	179	.8%	181	.8%
PA educator	4	2.8%	950	4.2%	954	4.2%
Other health professions educator	1	.7%	292	1.3%	293	1.3%
Health care professional-administrator	3	2.1%	394	1.8%	397	1.8%
Health care professional-researcher			180	.8%	180	.8%
Health care professional-lawyer			5	.0%	5	.0%
Health care professional-public health			79	.4%	79	.4%
Health care professional-other	2	1.4%	456	2.0%	458	2.0%
Other non-health professional	1	.7%	269	1.2%	270	1.2%
Student in post-graduate PA program			131	.6%	131	.6%
Medical student			36	.2%	36	.2%
Other student			70	.3%	70	.3%
Not employed by choice			519	2.3%	519	2.3%
Employed, seeking PA job			103	.5%	103	.5%
Unemployed, seeking PA job			210	.9%	210	.9%
Unemployed, seeking non-PA job			51	.2%	51	.2%
Retired			412	1.8%	412	1.8%
Other	2	1.4%	268	1.2%	270	1.2%

\*Percentages sum to more than 100 because respondents were instructed to mark all that apply.

**Section III: Information about Respondents in Clinical Practice**

**Table 3.1: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Number of Concurrent PA Jobs**

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	142	100.0%	19877	100.0%	20019	100.0%
One	124	87.3%	16892	85.0%	17016	85.0%
Two	15	10.6%	2447	12.3%	2462	12.3%
Three	3	2.1%	344	1.7%	347	1.7%
More than three			77	.4%	77	.4%
Self-employed w/mult contracts			117	.6%	117	.6%

**Table 3.2: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Type of Primary Employer**

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	142	100.0%	19845	100.0%	19987	100.0%
Self-employed	5	3.5%	615	3.1%	620	3.1%
Solo physician practice	53	37.3%	2638	13.3%	2691	13.5%
Single-specialty physician group	21	14.8%	6100	30.7%	6121	30.6%
Multi-specialty physician group	7	4.9%	2446	12.3%	2453	12.3%
University hospital	29	20.4%	1474	7.4%	1503	7.5%
Other hospital	16	11.3%	2972	15.0%	2988	14.9%
Freestanding urgent care center			366	1.8%	366	1.8%
Freestanding surgical center	5	3.5%	17	.1%	22	.1%
Nursing home or LTC facility			47	.2%	47	.2%
Home health agency			3	.0%	3	.0%
Hospice			1	.0%	1	.0%
HMO	5	3.5%	452	2.3%	457	2.3%
Community health center			1215	6.1%	1215	6.1%
Medical staffing agency			66	.3%	66	.3%
Physician practice mngmt org	1	.7%	276	1.4%	277	1.4%
Integrated health system			258	1.3%	258	1.3%
Corrections system			218	1.1%	218	1.1%
Other			681	3.4%	681	3.4%

**Table 3.3: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Primary Employer's Government Affiliation**

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	142	100.0%	19800	100.0%	19942	100.0%
Not government employed	132	93.0%	17869	90.2%	18001	90.3%
Air Force			107	.5%	107	.5%
Army			285	1.4%	285	1.4%
Navy			108	.5%	108	.5%
Coast Guard			14	.1%	14	.1%
Dept. of Veterans Affairs	1	.7%	507	2.6%	508	2.5%
Federal Bureau of Prisons/DOJ			38	.2%	38	.2%
Indian Health Service			81	.4%	81	.4%
Federal Public Health Service			75	.4%	75	.4%
Other Federal Government	1	.7%	73	.4%	74	.4%
State Government	8	5.6%	443	2.2%	451	2.3%
Local Government			200	1.0%	200	1.0%

**Table 3.4: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Primary Work Setting**

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	142	100.0%	19809	100.0%	19951	100.0%
Intensive/critical care unit of hospital			403	2.0%	403	2.0%
Inpatient unit of hospital (not ICU/CCU)	2	1.4%	1846	9.3%	1848	9.3%
Outpatient unit of hospital	15	10.6%	1420	7.2%	1435	7.2%
Hospital emergency room			1863	9.4%	1863	9.3%
Hospital operating room	40	28.2%	1310	6.6%	1350	6.8%
Other unit of hospital			237	1.2%	237	1.2%
Federally Qualified Rural Health Center			778	3.9%	778	3.9%
Other FQHC	1	.7%	305	1.5%	306	1.5%
Other community health center/facility			526	2.7%	526	2.6%
Freestanding urgent care facility			575	2.9%	575	2.9%
Freestanding surgical facility	16	11.3%	66	.3%	82	.4%
Solo practice physician office	41	28.9%	2701	13.6%	2742	13.7%
Single-specialty physician group practice	15	10.6%	4272	21.6%	4287	21.5%
Multi-specialty physician group practice	7	4.9%	1746	8.8%	1753	8.8%
HMO facility	4	2.8%	328	1.7%	332	1.7%
Nursing home or LTC facility			167	.8%	167	.8%
University/college student health facility			120	.6%	120	.6%
School-based health facility			66	.3%	66	.3%
Other freestanding outpatient facility	1	.7%	405	2.0%	406	2.0%
Correctional facility			243	1.2%	243	1.2%
Industrial facility/work site			102	.5%	102	.5%
Mobile health unit			10	.1%	10	.1%
Patients' homes			29	.1%	29	.1%
Other			291	1.5%	291	1.5%

**Table 3.5: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Types of Practice Settings where Time is Spent For Primary Employer\***

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	142	100.0%	19830	100.0%	19972	100.0%
Intensive/critical care unit of hospital	46	32.4%	4413	22.3%	4459	22.3%
Inpatient unit of hospital (not ICU/CCU)	68	47.9%	6648	33.5%	6716	33.6%
Outpatient unit of hospital	63	44.4%	4274	21.6%	4337	21.7%
Hospital emergency room	40	28.2%	6027	30.4%	6067	30.4%
Hospital operating room	90	63.4%	4373	22.1%	4463	22.3%
Other unit of hospital	14	9.9%	1699	8.6%	1713	8.6%
Federally Qualified Rural Health Center	1	.7%	1051	5.3%	1052	5.3%
Other FQHC	2	1.4%	470	2.4%	472	2.4%
Other community health center/facility	2	1.4%	799	4.0%	801	4.0%
Freestanding urgent care facility	3	2.1%	959	4.8%	962	4.8%
Freestanding surgical facility	57	40.1%	1024	5.2%	1081	5.4%
Solo practice physician office	59	41.5%	3116	15.7%	3175	15.9%
Single-specialty physician group practice	31	21.8%	5665	28.6%	5696	28.5%
Multi-specialty physician group practice	12	8.5%	2403	12.1%	2415	12.1%
HMO facility	6	4.2%	486	2.5%	492	2.5%
Nursing home or LTC facility	4	2.8%	1225	6.2%	1229	6.2%
University/college student health facility	2	1.4%	250	1.3%	252	1.3%
School-based health facility			192	1.0%	192	1.0%
Other freestanding outpatient facility	6	4.2%	661	3.3%	667	3.3%
Correctional facility			374	1.9%	374	1.9%
Industrial facility/work site			181	.9%	181	.9%
Mobile health unit			71	.4%	71	.4%
Patients' homes	4	2.8%	398	2.0%	402	2.0%
Other			528	2.7%	528	2.6%

\*Percentages sum to more than 100 because respondents were instructed to mark all that apply.

**Table 3.6: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by General Specialty Practiced for Primary Employer**

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	142	100.0%	19742	100.0%	19884	100.0%
Family/general medicine			5639	28.6%	5639	28.4%
General internal medicine			1518	7.7%	1518	7.6%
Emergency medicine			1927	9.8%	1927	9.7%
General pediatrics			505	2.6%	505	2.5%
General surgery			563	2.9%	563	2.8%
Internal medicine subspecialties			2055	10.4%	2055	10.3%
Pediatric subspecialties			296	1.5%	296	1.5%
Surgical subspecialties	142	100.0%	4203	21.3%	4345	21.9%
Obstetrics and gynecology			485	2.5%	485	2.4%
Industrial/occupational medicine			457	2.3%	457	2.3%
Other			2094	10.6%	2094	10.5%

Table 3.7: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Specialty Practiced for Primary Employer

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	142	100.0%	19742	100.0%	19884	100.0%
Addiction medicine			88	.4%	88	.4%
Allergy			116	.6%	116	.6%
Anesthesiology			40	.2%	40	.2%
Dermatology			659	3.3%	659	3.3%
Emergency medicine			1927	9.8%	1927	9.7%
Family practice w/o urgent care			2152	10.9%	2152	10.8%
Family practice wt urgent care			3487	17.7%	3487	17.5%
Genetics			8	.0%	8	.0%
Geriatrics			124	.6%	124	.6%
Obstetrics/gynecology			485	2.5%	485	2.4%
Occupational medicine			457	2.3%	457	2.3%
Ophthalmology			19	.1%	19	.1%
Pain management			215	1.1%	215	1.1%
Pathology			3	.0%	3	.0%
Physical med rehab			149	.8%	149	.7%
Psychiatry			195	1.0%	195	1.0%
Public health			42	.2%	42	.2%
Radiation oncology			47	.2%	47	.2%
Radiology			141	.7%	141	.7%
General surgery			563	2.9%	563	2.8%
Surg: cardiovascular/cardiothoracic			666	3.4%	666	3.3%
Surg: colon & rectal			16	.1%	16	.1%
Surg: hand			43	.2%	43	.2%
Surg: neurology			430	2.2%	430	2.2%
Surg: oncology			58	.3%	58	.3%
Surg: orthopedics			2066	10.5%	2066	10.4%
Surg: otorhinolaryngology			161	.8%	161	.8%
Surg: pediatric			24	.1%	24	.1%
Surg: plastic	142	100.0%			142	.7%
Surg: thoracic			32	.2%	32	.2%
Surg: transplant			46	.2%	46	.2%
Surg: trauma			85	.4%	85	.4%
Surg: urology			257	1.3%	257	1.3%
Surg: vascular			133	.7%	133	.7%
Surg: bariatric			46	.2%	46	.2%
Surg: other			140	.7%	140	.7%
General pediatrics			505	2.6%	505	2.5%
Ped: adolescent medicine			43	.2%	43	.2%
Ped: allergy			4	.0%	4	.0%
Ped: cardiology			15	.1%	15	.1%
Ped: critical care			15	.1%	15	.1%
Ped: endocrinology			8	.0%	8	.0%
Ped: gastroenterology			10	.1%	10	.1%
Ped: hematology/oncology			7	.0%	7	.0%
Ped: infectious disease			4	.0%	4	.0%
Ped: neonatal-perinatal			72	.4%	72	.4%
Ped: nephrology			3	.0%	3	.0%
Ped: neurology			12	.1%	12	.1%
Ped: pulmonology			7	.0%	7	.0%
Ped: rheumatology			3	.0%	3	.0%
Ped: oncology			19	.1%	19	.1%
Ped: other			74	.4%	74	.4%
General internal medicine			1518	7.7%	1518	7.6%
IM: cardiology			691	3.5%	691	3.5%
IM: critical care			62	.3%	62	.3%
IM: endocrinology			84	.4%	84	.4%
IM: gastroenterology			326	1.7%	326	1.6%
IM: hematology/oncology			27	.1%	27	.1%
IM: infectious disease			115	.6%	115	.6%
IM: nephrology			126	.6%	126	.6%
IM: neurology			114	.6%	114	.6%
IM: pulmonology			70	.4%	70	.4%
IM: rheumatology			74	.4%	74	.4%
IM: oncology			272	1.4%	272	1.4%
IM: other			94	.5%	94	.5%
Other			248	1.3%	248	1.2%

**Table 3.8: Summary Measures of Years in Clinical Practice as PA for Clinically Practicing Respondents**

	Plastic Surgery	All Others	Total
Respondents	142	19839	19981
Mean	7.7	9.2	9.2
Standard deviation	7.9	8.7	8.7
10th percentile	.0	.0	.0
25th percentile	2.0	3.0	3.0
Median	5.0	6.0	6.0
75th percentile	12.0	14.0	14.0
90th percentile	22.0	24.0	24.0

**Table 3.9: Summary Measures of Years in Current Position for Clinically Practicing Respondents**

	Plastic Surgery	All Others	Total
Respondents	142	19809	19951
Mean	4.3	4.8	4.8
Standard deviation	5.8	5.7	5.7
10th percentile	.0	.0	.0
25th percentile	.0	1.0	1.0
Median	2.0	3.0	3.0
75th percentile	5.0	6.0	6.0
90th percentile	13.7	12.0	12.0

**Table 3.10: Summary Measures of Years in Current Specialty for Clinically Practicing Respondents**

	Plastic Surgery	All Others	Total
Respondents	140	19775	19915
Mean	4.7	6.5	6.5
Standard deviation	6.0	7.1	7.1
10th percentile	.0	.0	.0
25th percentile	.0	1.0	1.0
Median	2.0	4.0	4.0
75th percentile	6.0	9.0	9.0
90th percentile	15.0	17.0	17.0

**Table 3.11: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by AAPA Region in Which Employed**

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	139	100.0%	19408	100.0%	19547	100.0%
Northeast	38	27.3%	4462	23.0%	4500	23.0%
Southeast	29	20.9%	4595	23.7%	4624	23.7%
North Central	30	21.6%	3989	20.6%	4019	20.6%
South Central	12	8.6%	2697	13.9%	2709	13.9%
West	30	21.6%	3665	18.9%	3695	18.9%

**Table 3.12: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by State/Geographic Location in Which Employed**

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	139	100.0%	19408	100.0%	19547	100.0%
Alaska			136	.7%	136	.7%
Alabama	2	1.4%	92	.5%	94	.5%
Arkansas			20	.1%	20	.1%
Arizona	4	2.9%	453	2.3%	457	2.3%
California	20	14.4%	1553	8.0%	1573	8.0%
Colorado	1	.7%	530	2.7%	531	2.7%
Connecticut	7	5.0%	399	2.1%	406	2.1%
District Of Columbia	2	1.4%	65	.3%	67	.3%
Delaware	2	1.4%	65	.3%	67	.3%
Florida	9	6.5%	1079	5.6%	1088	5.6%
Georgia	7	5.0%	571	2.9%	578	3.0%
Guam			4	.0%	4	.0%
Hawaii			52	.3%	52	.3%
Iowa			305	1.6%	305	1.6%
Idaho	1	.7%	134	.7%	135	.7%
Illinois	6	4.3%	533	2.7%	539	2.8%
Indiana	2	1.4%	203	1.0%	205	1.0%
Kansas			274	1.4%	274	1.4%
Kentucky	1	.7%	251	1.3%	252	1.3%
Louisiana			146	.8%	146	.7%
Massachusetts	2	1.4%	461	2.4%	463	2.4%
Maryland	5	3.6%	453	2.3%	458	2.3%
Maine	1	.7%	179	.9%	180	.9%
Michigan	6	4.3%	904	4.7%	910	4.7%
Minnesota	1	.7%	373	1.9%	374	1.9%
Missouri	3	2.2%	183	.9%	186	1.0%
Mississippi			37	.2%	37	.2%
Montana			125	.6%	125	.6%
North Carolina			1021	5.3%	1021	5.2%
North Dakota			86	.4%	86	.4%
Nebraska	1	.7%	262	1.3%	263	1.3%
New Hampshire	1	.7%	122	.6%	123	.6%
New Jersey	5	3.6%	266	1.4%	271	1.4%
New Mexico	1	.7%	148	.8%	149	.8%
Nevada			134	.7%	134	.7%
New York	9	6.5%	1713	8.8%	1722	8.8%
Ohio	7	5.0%	460	2.4%	467	2.4%
Oklahoma			313	1.6%	313	1.6%
Oregon	4	2.9%	253	1.3%	257	1.3%
Pennsylvania	9	6.5%	1128	5.8%	1137	5.8%
Rhode Island	2	1.4%	66	.3%	68	.3%
South Carolina			184	.9%	184	.9%
South Dakota	1	.7%	161	.8%	162	.8%
Tennessee			306	1.6%	306	1.6%
Texas	10	7.2%	1229	6.3%	1239	6.3%
Utah	1	.7%	190	1.0%	191	1.0%
Virginia	2	1.4%	393	2.0%	395	2.0%
Vermont			63	.3%	63	.3%
Washington			557	2.9%	557	2.8%
Wisconsin	3	2.2%	519	2.7%	522	2.7%
West Virginia	1	.7%	180	.9%	181	.9%
Wyoming			74	.4%	74	.4%

**Table 3.13: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Metropolitan Status and Degree of Rurality of County of Primary Work Site\***

		Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
		Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents		139	100.0%	19211	100.0%	19350	100.0%
Not metro	NonMetro, with urban pop >20K and adjacent to metro area			903	4.7%	903	4.7%
	NonMetro, with urban pop >20K, not adjacent to metro area			484	2.5%	484	2.5%
	NonMetro, with urban pop 2.5K-20K, adjacent to metro area	2	1.4%	828	4.3%	830	4.3%
	NonMetro, with urban pop 2.5K-20K, not adjacent to metro area			611	3.2%	611	3.2%
	NonMetro, with urban pop < 2,500, adjacent to metro area			110	.6%	110	.6%
	NonMetro, with urban pop <2,500, not adjacent to metro area			258	1.3%	258	1.3%
	Metro	Metro, >1M Population	94	67.6%	9029	47.0%	9123
	Metro, 250K-1M Population	34	24.5%	4716	24.5%	4750	24.5%
	Metro, <250K Population	9	6.5%	2272	11.8%	2281	11.8%

Zip Code of primary work site was linked to County Rural-Urban Continuum Code from the Area Resource File obtained through the Bureau of Health Professions, US-DHHS.

**Table 3.14: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents Who Perform Select Functions at Primary Clinical Job\***

		Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
		Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents		142	100.0%	19849	100.0%	19991	100.0%
Minor surgical procedures		117	82.4%	11982	60.4%	12099	60.5%
First assisting at surgery		119	83.8%	4720	23.8%	4839	24.2%
Manage the care of patients in an inpatient setting		75	52.8%	7331	36.9%	7406	37.0%
Serve on the quality assurance committee		13	9.2%	1614	8.1%	1627	8.1%
Serve on the utilization review committee		4	2.8%	605	3.0%	609	3.0%
Participate in the conduct of clinical trials		26	18.3%	2233	11.2%	2259	11.3%
Serve on formulary/pharmaceutical selection committee		2	1.4%	533	2.7%	535	2.7%
Decision making about procurement of medical/surgical equipment/supplies		47	33.1%	3942	19.9%	3989	20.0%
Supervisory/managerial responsibilities for other PAs		6	4.2%	1797	9.1%	1803	9.0%
Supervisory/managerial responsibilities for clinical staff other than PAs		33	23.2%	3828	19.3%	3861	19.3%
Supervisory/managerial responsibilities for non-clinical staff		18	12.7%	1740	8.8%	1758	8.8%
Precept PA students		40	28.2%	7036	35.4%	7076	35.4%
Precept students of other health professions		31	21.8%	4822	24.3%	4853	24.3%

\*Percentages sum to more than 100 because respondents were instructed to mark all that apply.

**Table 3.15: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents By Whether Primary Employer Receives Grants To Provide Medical Care To Populations In Underserved Communities**

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	142	100.0%	19877	100.0%	20019	100.0%
Employer does not receive grants	74	52.1%	10206	51.3%	10280	51.4%
PHS Migrant Health Service grant			165	.8%	165	.8%
PHS Health Care for the Homeless grant	2	1.4%	187	.9%	189	.9%
PHS Public Housing Primary Care Program grant	1	.7%	33	.2%	34	.2%
PHS School Based Health Center grant			139	.7%	139	.7%
Other PHS Community Health Center grant	2	1.4%	598	3.0%	600	3.0%
Indian Health Service grant			132	.7%	132	.7%
Other PHS grant	1	.7%	220	1.1%	221	1.1%
Other federal grant	2	1.4%	893	4.5%	895	4.5%
State-funded grant	6	4.2%	836	4.2%	842	4.2%
Local-level grant	3	2.1%	336	1.7%	339	1.7%
Private grant	2	1.4%	303	1.5%	305	1.5%
Don't know whether employer receives grant	60	42.3%	7877	39.6%	7937	39.6%

\*Percentages sum to more than 100 because respondents were instructed to mark all that apply.

**Table 3.16: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Hours Worked per Week at Primary Clinical Job**

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	142	100.0%	19877	100.0%	20019	100.0%
32 or more hours	119	83.8%	17219	86.6%	17338	86.6%
Less than 32 hours	23	16.2%	2574	12.9%	2597	13.0%
Hours not reported			84	.4%	84	.4%

**Section IV: Information about Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Their Primary Clinical Job**

**Table 4.1: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Types of Patients Treated\***

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	58	100.0%	11044	100.0%	11102	100.0%
See some inpatients	38	65.5%	4445	40.2%	4483	40.4%
See some outpatients	55	94.8%	9433	85.4%	9488	85.5%
See some nursing home patients	2	3.4%	636	5.8%	638	5.7%
See some other patients**	10	17.2%	864	7.8%	874	7.9%

\*Data represent only respondents who reported complete information about both hours and visits for all patient types. Percentages sum to more than 100 because respondents may see multiple types of patients.

\*\*Other patients are those who were not classified as either outpatients, inpatients, or nursing home patients.

**Table 4.2: Summary Measures of Total Hours Worked per Week for Primary Clinical Employer by Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job**

	Plastic Surgery	All Others	Total
Respondents	119	17219	17338
Mean	47.6	44.3	44.3
Standard deviation	7.1	7.8	7.8
10th percentile	40.0	36.0	36.0
25th percentile	40.0	40.0	40.0
Median	50.0	42.0	42.0
75th percentile	50.0	50.0	50.0
90th percentile	60.0	55.0	55.0

**Table 4.3: Summary Measures of Hours Providing Direct Inpatient Care per Week for Respondents Who See Inpatients Exclusively for a Minimum of 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job\***

	Plastic Surgery	All Others	Total
Respondents	2	987	989
Mean	40.0	43.3	43.3
Standard deviation	.0	7.3	7.3
10th percentile	40.0	36.0	36.0
25th percentile	40.0	40.0	40.0
Median	40.0	40.0	40.0
75th percentile	40.0	48.0	48.0
90th percentile	40.0	50.0	50.0

\*Excludes time spent performing tasks other than providing direct patient care to inpatients.

**Table 4.4: Summary Measures of Inpatient Encounters per Week for Respondents Who See Inpatients Exclusively for a Minimum of 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job**

	Plastic Surgery	All Others	Total
Respondents	2	987	989
Mean	13.0	67.4	67.3
Standard deviation	1.4	44.8	44.8
10th percentile	12.0	20.0	20.0
25th percentile	12.0	40.0	40.0
Median	13.0	60.0	60.0
75th percentile	.	90.0	90.0
90th percentile	.	120.0	120.0

**Table 4.5: Summary Measures of Hours Providing Direct Outpatient Care per Week for Respondents Who See Outpatients Exclusively for a Minimum of 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job\***

	Plastic Surgery	All Others	Total
Respondents	14	4666	4680
Mean	41.6	39.2	39.2
Standard deviation	6.8	5.5	5.5
10th percentile	34.0	33.0	33.0
25th percentile	37.3	35.0	35.0
Median	40.0	40.0	40.0
75th percentile	46.3	40.0	40.0
90th percentile	54.0	45.0	45.0

\*Excludes time spent performing tasks other than providing direct patient care to outpatients.

**Table 4.6: Summary Measures of Outpatient Visits per Week for Respondents Who See Outpatients Exclusively for a Minimum of 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job**

	Plastic Surgery	All Others	Total
Respondents	14	4666	4680
Mean	47.4	96.6	96.5
Standard deviation	28.0	39.2	39.3
10th percentile	16.5	50.0	50.0
25th percentile	20.0	72.0	72.0
Median	40.0	100.0	100.0
75th percentile	62.5	120.0	120.0
90th percentile	100.0	150.0	150.0

**Table 4.7: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Source of Hospital Privileges**

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	34	100.0%	4684	100.0%	4718	100.0%
Hospital privileges granted by medical staff	31	91.2%	4448	95.0%	4479	94.9%
Hospital privileges granted by HR	3	8.8%	236	5.0%	239	5.1%

**Table 4.8 Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Whether Call is Taken**

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	119	100.0%	17219	100.0%	17338	100.0%
Do not take call	64	53.8%	10265	59.6%	10329	59.6%
Take some call	51	42.9%	5994	34.8%	6045	34.9%
Take call, hours unknown	1	.8%	149	.9%	150	.9%
Always on call	3	2.5%	811	4.7%	814	4.7%

**Table 4.9 Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Types of Call Taken\***

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	119	100.0%	17219	100.0%	17338	100.0%
Emergency department call	17	14.3%	1832	10.6%	1849	10.7%
Surgical assisting call	20	16.8%	2077	12.1%	2097	12.1%
In-house call	9	7.6%	2052	11.9%	2061	11.9%
Other call	33	27.7%	3646	21.2%	3679	21.2%
Do not take call	64	53.8%	10265	59.6%	10329	59.6%
Call taken, type not indicated			61	.4%	61	.4%

\*Percentages sum to more than 100 because respondents were instructed to mark all that apply.

**Table 4.10: Summary Measures of Call Hours per Month for Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job\***

	Plastic Surgery	All Others	Total
Respondents	51	5994	6045
Mean	103.6	96.2	96.2
Standard deviation	101.4	89.5	89.6
10th percentile	10.0	12.0	12.0
25th percentile	24.0	30.0	30.0
Median	72.0	72.0	72.0
75th percentile	150.0	130.0	130.0
90th percentile	203.2	200.0	200.0

\*Includes only PAs who report taking call, but are not always on call.

**Table 4.11: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Type of Base Pay Received\***

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	111	100.0%	16020	100.0%	16131	100.0%
No base pay			221	1.4%	221	1.4%
Salary	93	83.8%	12773	79.7%	12866	79.8%
Hourly wage	18	16.2%	2908	18.2%	2926	18.1%
Other base pay			118	.7%	118	.7%

\*Excludes self-employed PAs.

**Table 4.12: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Types of Additional Compensation Received\***

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	111	100.0%	15752	100.0%	15863	100.0%
No additional pay	33	29.7%	5161	32.8%	5194	32.7%
Surgical assisting fees	3	2.7%	307	1.9%	310	2.0%
Overtime pay	17	15.3%	2675	17.0%	2692	17.0%
Administrative pay	3	2.7%	404	2.6%	407	2.6%
Pay for on-call availability	14	12.6%	1307	8.3%	1321	8.3%
Pay for on-call services/events	12	10.8%	1295	8.2%	1307	8.2%
Bonus not based on performance	29	26.1%	2859	18.2%	2888	18.2%
Bonus based on performance of practice	14	12.6%	2030	12.9%	2044	12.9%
Bonus based on performance of PA	23	20.7%	3781	24.0%	3804	24.0%
Bonus based on something else	9	8.1%	1042	6.6%	1051	6.6%

\*Excludes self-employed PAs. Percentages sum to more than 100 because respondents were instructed to mark all that apply.

**Table 4.13: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job and Receive Incentive Pay Based on Productivity or Performance by Measures on Which Incentive is Based\***

	Plastic Surgery		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	32	100.0%	4953	100.0%	4985	100.0%
Bonus based on charges	6	18.8%	1025	20.7%	1031	20.7%
Bonus based on revenues	11	34.4%	2180	44.0%	2191	44.0%
Bonus based on relative value units			637	12.9%	637	12.8%
Bonus based on profit	13	40.6%	1277	25.8%	1290	25.9%
Bonus based on number of visits or panel size	1	3.1%	913	18.4%	914	18.3%
Bonus based on quality of care	9	28.1%	710	14.3%	719	14.4%
Bonus based on patient satisfaction	8	25.0%	711	14.4%	719	14.4%
Bonus based on other factors	6	18.8%	398	8.0%	404	8.1%

\*Excludes self-employed PAs. Percentages sum to more than 100 because respondents were instructed to mark all that apply.

**Table 4.14: Summary Measures of Total Annual Income from Primary Employer for Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job\***

	Plastic Surgery	All Others	Total
Respondents	112	16193	16305
Mean	\$82,825	\$81,117	\$81,129
Standard deviation	\$21,412	\$21,253	\$21,254
10th percentile	\$60,989	\$60,176	\$60,184
25th percentile	\$68,738	\$67,105	\$67,128
Median	\$79,440	\$77,386	\$77,402
75th percentile	\$91,982	\$90,392	\$90,402
90th percentile	\$105,283	\$106,727	\$106,705

\*Excludes self-employed PAs.

**Table 4.15: Summary Measures of Total Annual Income from Primary Employer for Respondents Who Graduated in 2004 and Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job\***

	Plastic Surgery	All Others	Total
Respondents	19	1847	1866
Mean	\$70,709	\$68,089	\$68,116
Standard deviation	\$11,264	\$13,094	\$13,077
10th percentile	\$55,780	\$54,710	\$54,716
25th percentile	\$63,597	\$60,560	\$60,571
Median	\$71,781	\$66,574	\$66,591
75th percentile	\$78,498	\$73,842	\$73,891
90th percentile	\$86,863	\$83,512	\$83,555

\*Excludes self-employed PAs.