

2005 AAPA Physician Assistant Census Report for Rheumatology PAs

Section I: Characteristics of 2005 AAPA Census Respondents

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

	Count	Percent
Total	22502	100.0%
Pediatric Rheumatology	3	.0%
Medical Rheumatology	74	.3%
All Others	22425	99.7%

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

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total	3	100.0%	74	100.0%	22241	100.0%	22318	100.0%
Male	1	33.3%	24	32.4%	8548	38.4%	8573	38.4%
Female	2	66.7%	50	67.6%	13693	61.6%	13745	61.6%

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

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total	2	100.0%	69	100.0%	20317	100.0%	20388	100.0%
Asian/Pacific Islander			3	4.3%	722	3.6%	725	3.6%
Black (Not Hispanic)			2	2.9%	702	3.5%	704	3.5%
Hispanic/Latino Origin			4	5.8%	758	3.7%	762	3.7%
Amer Indian/Alaskan					169	.8%	169	.8%
White (Not Hispanic)	2	100.0%	60	87.0%	17966	88.4%	18028	88.4%

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

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	3	100.0%	67	100.0%	20749	100.0%	20819	100.0%
Certificate from PA school	1	33.3%	19	28.4%	6630	32.0%	6650	31.9%
Associate's degree from PA school	1	33.3%	2	3.0%	1500	7.2%	1503	7.2%
Bachelor's degree from PA school			29	43.3%	9673	46.6%	9702	46.6%
Master's degree from PA school	1	33.3%	26	38.8%	6186	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

	Pediatric Rheumatology	Medical Rheumatology	All Others	Total
Count	3	73	22366	22442
Mean	50.7	39.6	41.5	41.5
Standard deviation	8.1	9.5	10.9	10.9
10th p-tile	46.0	27.0	28.0	28.0
25th p-tile	46.0	31.0	32.0	32.0
Median	46.0	39.0	40.0	40.0
75th p-tile	.	47.0	50.0	50.0
90th p-tile	.	53.0	57.0	57.0

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

	Pediatric Rheumatology	Medical Rheumatology	All Others	Total
Count	3	73	22367	22443
Mean	36.0	29.8	30.8	30.8
Standard deviation	10.1	6.2	6.9	6.9
10th p-tile	25.0	23.0	24.0	24.0
25th p-tile	25.0	25.0	26.0	26.0
Median	38.0	29.0	29.0	29.0
75th p-tile	.	33.0	34.0	34.0
90th p-tile	.	38.6	41.0	41.0

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

	Pediatric Rheumatology	Medical Rheumatology	All Others	Total
Count	3	74	22425	22502
Mean	14.7	10.1	10.8	10.8
Standard deviation	11.8	8.6	9.2	9.2
10th p-tile	1.0	2.0	1.0	1.0
25th p-tile	1.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Median	21.0	6.5	7.0	7.0
75th p-tile	.	16.0	17.0	17.0
90th p-tile	.	25.5	26.0	26.0

Section II: Professional Status of Respondents

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

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total	3	100.0%	74	100.0%	22425	100.0%	22502	100.0%
In clinical practice	3	100.0%	74	100.0%	19942	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*

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	3	100.0%	74	100.0%	22425	100.0%	22502	100.0%
Clinically practicing PA	3	100.0%	74	100.0%	19942	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					181	.8%	181	.8%
PA educator			6	8.1%	948	4.2%	954	4.2%
Other health professions educator					293	1.3%	293	1.3%
Health care professional-administrator					397	1.8%	397	1.8%
Health care professional-researcher			3	4.1%	177	.8%	180	.8%
Health care professional-lawyer					5	.0%	5	.0%
Health care professional-public health					79	.4%	79	.4%
Health care professional-other	1	33.3%	1	1.4%	456	2.0%	458	2.0%
Other non-health professional					270	1.2%	270	1.2%
Student in post-graduate PA program			1	1.4%	130	.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					270	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

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	3	100.0%	74	100.0%	19942	100.0%	20019	100.0%
One	3	100.0%	67	90.5%	16946	85.0%	17016	85.0%
Two			7	9.5%	2455	12.3%	2462	12.3%
Three					347	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

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	3	100.0%	74	100.0%	19910	100.0%	19987	100.0%
Self-employed			2	2.7%	618	3.1%	620	3.1%
Solo physician practice	1	33.3%	21	28.4%	2669	13.4%	2691	13.5%
Single-specialty physician group	1	33.3%	27	36.5%	6093	30.6%	6121	30.6%
Multi-specialty physician group			15	20.3%	2438	12.2%	2453	12.3%
University hospital	1	33.3%	6	8.1%	1496	7.5%	1503	7.5%
Other hospital			2	2.7%	2986	15.0%	2988	14.9%
Freestanding urgent care center					366	1.8%	366	1.8%
Freestanding surgical center					22	.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			1	1.4%	456	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					277	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

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	3	100.0%	74	100.0%	19865	100.0%	19942	100.0%
Not government employed	3	100.0%	70	94.6%	17928	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			3	4.1%	505	2.5%	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					74	.4%	74	.4%
State Government			1	1.4%	450	2.3%	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

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	3	100.0%	74	100.0%	19874	100.0%	19951	100.0%
Intensive/critical care unit of hospital					403	2.0%	403	2.0%
Inpatient unit of hospital (not ICU/CCU)					1848	9.3%	1848	9.3%
Outpatient unit of hospital	1	33.3%	6	8.1%	1428	7.2%	1435	7.2%
Hospital emergency room					1863	9.4%	1863	9.3%
Hospital operating room					1350	6.8%	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					306	1.5%	306	1.5%
Other community health center/facility					526	2.6%	526	2.6%
Freestanding urgent care facility					575	2.9%	575	2.9%
Freestanding surgical facility					82	.4%	82	.4%
Solo practice physician office	1	33.3%	25	33.8%	2716	13.7%	2742	13.7%
Single-specialty physician group practice	1	33.3%	25	33.8%	4261	21.4%	4287	21.5%
Multi-specialty physician group practice			17	23.0%	1736	8.7%	1753	8.8%
HMO facility			1	1.4%	331	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					406	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*

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	3	100.0%	74	100.0%	19895	100.0%	19972	100.0%
Intensive/critical care unit of hospital	1	33.3%	9	12.2%	4449	22.4%	4459	22.3%
Inpatient unit of hospital (not ICU/CCU)	1	33.3%	20	27.0%	6695	33.7%	6716	33.6%
Outpatient unit of hospital	1	33.3%	10	13.5%	4326	21.7%	4337	21.7%
Hospital emergency room			3	4.1%	6064	30.5%	6067	30.4%
Hospital operating room					4463	22.4%	4463	22.3%
Other unit of hospital			4	5.4%	1709	8.6%	1713	8.6%
Federally Qualified Rural Health Center					1052	5.3%	1052	5.3%
Other FQHC					472	2.4%	472	2.4%
Other community health center/facility					801	4.0%	801	4.0%
Freestanding urgent care facility					962	4.8%	962	4.8%
Freestanding surgical facility					1081	5.4%	1081	5.4%
Solo practice physician office	1	33.3%	25	33.8%	3149	15.8%	3175	15.9%
Single-specialty physician group practice	1	33.3%	27	36.5%	5668	28.5%	5696	28.5%
Multi-specialty physician group practice			17	23.0%	2398	12.1%	2415	12.1%
HMO facility			1	1.4%	491	2.5%	492	2.5%
Nursing home or LTC facility					1229	6.2%	1229	6.2%
University/college student health facility			1	1.4%	251	1.3%	252	1.3%
School-based health facility					192	1.0%	192	1.0%
Other freestanding outpatient facility			1	1.4%	666	3.3%	667	3.3%
Correctional facility			1	1.4%	373	1.9%	374	1.9%
Industrial facility/work site					181	.9%	181	.9%
Mobile health unit					71	.4%	71	.4%
Patients' homes			1	1.4%	401	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

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	3	100.0%	74	100.0%	19807	100.0%	19884	100.0%
Family/general medicine					5639	28.5%	5639	28.4%
General internal medicine					1518	7.7%	1518	7.6%
Emergency medicine					1927	9.7%	1927	9.7%
General pediatrics					505	2.5%	505	2.5%
General surgery					563	2.8%	563	2.8%
Internal medicine subspecialties			74	100.0%	1981	10.0%	2055	10.3%
Pediatric subspecialties	3	100.0%			293	1.5%	296	1.5%
Surgical subspecialties					4345	21.9%	4345	21.9%
Obstetrics and gynecology					485	2.4%	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

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	3	100.0%	74	100.0%	19807	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	9.7%	1927	9.7%
Family practice w/o urgent care					2152	10.9%	2152	10.8%
Family practice wt urgent care					3487	17.6%	3487	17.5%
Genetics					8	.0%	8	.0%
Geriatrics					124	.6%	124	.6%
Obstetrics/gynecology					485	2.4%	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	2.8%	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	10.4%	2066	10.4%
Surg: otorhinolaryngology					161	.8%	161	.8%
Surg: pediatric					24	.1%	24	.1%
Surg: plastic					142	.7%	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	2.5%	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	100.0%					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	1.6%	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	100.0%			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

	Pediatric Rheumatology	Medical Rheumatology	All Others	Total
Respondents	3	72	19906	19981
Mean	13.7	9.1	9.2	9.2
Standard deviation	11.8	8.4	8.7	8.7
10th percentile	.0	1.0	.0	.0
25th percentile	.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Median	20.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
75th percentile	.	14.0	14.0	14.0
90th percentile	.	24.7	24.0	24.0

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

	Pediatric Rheumatology	Medical Rheumatology	All Others	Total
Respondents	3	74	19874	19951
Mean	3.7	4.4	4.8	4.8
Standard deviation	4.7	5.5	5.7	5.7
10th percentile	.0	.0	.0	.0
25th percentile	.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Median	2.0	2.0	3.0	3.0
75th percentile	.	6.0	6.0	6.0
90th percentile	.	13.0	12.0	12.0

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

	Pediatric Rheumatology	Medical Rheumatology	All Others	Total
Respondents	3	74	19838	19915
Mean	3.7	4.2	6.5	6.5
Standard deviation	4.7	5.6	7.1	7.1
10th percentile	.0	.0	.0	.0
25th percentile	.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Median	2.0	2.5	4.0	4.0
75th percentile	.	6.0	9.0	9.0
90th percentile	.	10.5	17.0	17.0

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

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	3	100.0%	72	100.0%	19472	100.0%	19547	100.0%
Northeast	1	33.3%	13	18.1%	4486	23.0%	4500	23.0%
Southeast	1	33.3%	15	20.8%	4608	23.7%	4624	23.7%
North Central			16	22.2%	4003	20.6%	4019	20.6%
South Central			14	19.4%	2695	13.8%	2709	13.9%
West	1	33.3%	14	19.4%	3680	18.9%	3695	18.9%

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

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	3	100.0%	72	100.0%	19472	100.0%	19547	100.0%
Alaska					136	.7%	136	.7%
Alabama					94	.5%	94	.5%
Arkansas					20	.1%	20	.1%
Arizona			5	6.9%	452	2.3%	457	2.3%
California			5	6.9%	1568	8.1%	1573	8.0%
Colorado			1	1.4%	530	2.7%	531	2.7%
Connecticut			1	1.4%	405	2.1%	406	2.1%
District Of Columbia					67	.3%	67	.3%
Delaware					67	.3%	67	.3%
Florida			1	1.4%	1087	5.6%	1088	5.6%
Georgia			5	6.9%	573	2.9%	578	3.0%
Guam					4	.0%	4	.0%
Hawaii					52	.3%	52	.3%
Iowa			1	1.4%	304	1.6%	305	1.6%
Idaho					135	.7%	135	.7%
Illinois			3	4.2%	536	2.8%	539	2.8%
Indiana					205	1.1%	205	1.0%
Kansas			1	1.4%	273	1.4%	274	1.4%
Kentucky			1	1.4%	251	1.3%	252	1.3%
Louisiana					146	.7%	146	.7%
Massachusetts			1	1.4%	462	2.4%	463	2.4%
Maryland			2	2.8%	456	2.3%	458	2.3%
Maine			1	1.4%	179	.9%	180	.9%
Michigan			6	8.3%	904	4.6%	910	4.7%
Minnesota			1	1.4%	373	1.9%	374	1.9%
Missouri					186	1.0%	186	1.0%
Mississippi					37	.2%	37	.2%
Montana					125	.6%	125	.6%
North Carolina	1	33.3%	2	2.8%	1018	5.2%	1021	5.2%
North Dakota			1	1.4%	85	.4%	86	.4%
Nebraska					263	1.4%	263	1.3%
New Hampshire					123	.6%	123	.6%
New Jersey					271	1.4%	271	1.4%
New Mexico					149	.8%	149	.8%
Nevada					134	.7%	134	.7%
New York	1	33.3%	3	4.2%	1718	8.8%	1722	8.8%
Ohio			2	2.8%	465	2.4%	467	2.4%
Oklahoma			6	8.3%	307	1.6%	313	1.6%
Oregon			1	1.4%	256	1.3%	257	1.3%
Pennsylvania			7	9.7%	1130	5.8%	1137	5.8%
Rhode Island					68	.3%	68	.3%
South Carolina			1	1.4%	183	.9%	184	.9%
South Dakota			1	1.4%	161	.8%	162	.8%
Tennessee			2	2.8%	304	1.6%	306	1.6%
Texas			6	8.3%	1233	6.3%	1239	6.3%
Utah	1	33.3%	1	1.4%	189	1.0%	191	1.0%
Virginia			1	1.4%	394	2.0%	395	2.0%
Vermont					63	.3%	63	.3%
Washington			2	2.8%	555	2.9%	557	2.8%
Wisconsin			1	1.4%	521	2.7%	522	2.7%
West Virginia					181	.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*

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	3	100.0%	72	100.0%	19275	100.0%	19350	100.0%
Not metro								
NonMetro, with urban pop >20K and adjacent to metro area			1	1.4%	902	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					830	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			45	62.5%	9078	47.1%	9123	47.1%
Metro, 250K-1M Population	3	100.0%	15	20.8%	4732	24.5%	4750	24.5%
Metro, <250K Population			11	15.3%	2270	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*

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	3	100.0%	74	100.0%	19914	100.0%	19991	100.0%
Minor surgical procedures	1	33.3%	15	20.3%	12083	60.7%	12099	60.5%
First assisting at surgery					4839	24.3%	4839	24.2%
Manage the care of patients in an inpatient setting			14	18.9%	7392	37.1%	7406	37.0%
Serve on the quality assurance committee			3	4.1%	1624	8.2%	1627	8.1%
Serve on the utilization review committee			3	4.1%	606	3.0%	609	3.0%
Participate in the conduct of clinical trials	2	66.7%	39	52.7%	2218	11.1%	2259	11.3%
Serve on formulary/pharmaceutical selection committee			2	2.7%	533	2.7%	535	2.7%
Decision making about procurement of medical/surgical equipment/supplies	1	33.3%	16	21.6%	3972	19.9%	3989	20.0%
Supervisory/managerial responsibilities for other PAs			5	6.8%	1798	9.0%	1803	9.0%
Supervisory/managerial responsibilities for clinical staff other than PAs	1	33.3%	18	24.3%	3842	19.3%	3861	19.3%
Supervisory/managerial responsibilities for non-clinical staff			10	13.5%	1748	8.8%	1758	8.8%
Precept PA students			20	27.0%	7056	35.4%	7076	35.4%
Precept students of other health professions			19	25.7%	4834	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

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	3	100.0%	74	100.0%	19942	100.0%	20019	100.0%
Employer does not receive grants	2	66.7%	53	71.6%	10225	51.3%	10280	51.4%
PHS Migrant Health Service grant					165	.8%	165	.8%
PHS Health Care for the Homeless grant					189	.9%	189	.9%
PHS Public Housing Primary Care Program grant					34	.2%	34	.2%
PHS School Based Health Center grant					139	.7%	139	.7%
Other PHS Community Health Center grant					600	3.0%	600	3.0%
Indian Health Service grant					132	.7%	132	.7%
Other PHS grant					221	1.1%	221	1.1%
Other federal grant			2	2.7%	893	4.5%	895	4.5%
State-funded grant			1	1.4%	841	4.2%	842	4.2%
Local-level grant					339	1.7%	339	1.7%
Private grant					305	1.5%	305	1.5%
Don't know whether employer receives grant	1	33.3%	19	25.7%	7917	39.7%	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

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	3	100.0%	74	100.0%	19942	100.0%	20019	100.0%
32 or more hours	2	66.7%	63	85.1%	17273	86.6%	17338	86.6%
Less than 32 hours	1	33.3%	11	14.9%	2585	13.0%	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*

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	2	100.0%	40	100.0%	11060	100.0%	11102	100.0%
See some inpatients			9	22.5%	4474	40.5%	4483	40.4%
See some outpatients	2	100.0%	37	92.5%	9449	85.4%	9488	85.5%
See some nursing home patients					638	5.8%	638	5.7%
See some other patients**			3	7.5%	871	7.9%	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

	Pediatric Rheumatology	Medical Rheumatology	All Others	Total
Respondents	2	63	17273	17338
Mean	42.5	42.8	44.3	44.3
Standard deviation	3.5	5.4	7.9	7.8
10th percentile	40.0	36.0	36.0	36.0
25th percentile	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0
Median	42.5	40.0	42.0	42.0
75th percentile	.	45.0	50.0	50.0
90th percentile	.	50.0	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*

	Medical Rheumatology	All Others	Total
Respondents	1	988	989
Mean	46.0	43.3	43.3
Standard deviation	.	7.3	7.3
10th percentile	46.0	36.0	36.0
25th percentile	46.0	40.0	40.0
Median	46.0	40.0	40.0
75th percentile	46.0	48.0	48.0
90th percentile	46.0	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

	Medical Rheumatology	All Others	Total
Respondents	1	988	989
Mean	85.0	67.3	67.3
Standard deviation	.	44.8	44.8
10th percentile	85.0	20.0	20.0
25th percentile	85.0	40.0	40.0
Median	85.0	60.0	60.0
75th percentile	85.0	90.0	90.0
90th percentile	85.0	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*

	Pediatric Rheumatology	Medical Rheumatology	All Others	Total
Respondents	1	22	4657	4680
Mean	40.0	38.9	39.2	39.2
Standard deviation	.	4.5	5.5	5.5
10th percentile	40.0	32.3	33.0	33.0
25th percentile	40.0	35.0	35.0	35.0
Median	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0
75th percentile	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0
90th percentile	40.0	46.5	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

	Pediatric Rheumatology	Medical Rheumatology	All Others	Total
Respondents	1	22	4657	4680
Mean	80.0	66.4	96.6	96.5
Standard deviation	.	33.0	39.3	39.3
10th percentile	80.0	36.5	50.0	50.0
25th percentile	80.0	40.0	72.0	72.0
Median	80.0	60.0	100.0	100.0
75th percentile	80.0	85.0	120.0	120.0
90th percentile	80.0	127.1	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

	Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	12	100.0%	4706	100.0%	4718	100.0%
Hospital privileges granted by medical staff	12	100.0%	4467	94.9%	4479	94.9%
Hospital privileges granted by HR			239	5.1%	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

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	2	100.0%	63	100.0%	17273	100.0%	17338	100.0%
Do not take call	2	100.0%	41	65.1%	10286	59.5%	10329	59.6%
Take some call			19	30.2%	6026	34.9%	6045	34.9%
Take call, hours unknown					150	.9%	150	.9%
Always on call			3	4.8%	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*

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	2	100.0%	63	100.0%	17273	100.0%	17338	100.0%
Emergency department call			3	4.8%	1846	10.7%	1849	10.7%
Surgical assisting call					2097	12.1%	2097	12.1%
In-house call			5	7.9%	2056	11.9%	2061	11.9%
Other call			14	22.2%	3665	21.2%	3679	21.2%
Do not take call	2	100.0%	41	65.1%	10286	59.5%	10329	59.6%
Call taken, type not indicated			1	1.6%	60	.3%	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*

	Medical Rheumatology	All Others	Total
Respondents	19	6026	6045
Mean	66.4	96.3	96.2
Standard deviation	38.5	89.7	89.6
10th percentile	10.0	12.0	12.0
25th percentile	40.0	30.0	30.0
Median	60.0	72.0	72.0
75th percentile	90.0	130.0	130.0
90th percentile	120.0	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*

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	2	100.0%	62	100.0%	16067	100.0%	16131	100.0%
No base pay					221	1.4%	221	1.4%
Salary	2	100.0%	58	93.5%	12806	79.7%	12866	79.8%
Hourly wage			4	6.5%	2922	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*

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	1	100.0%	60	100.0%	15802	100.0%	15863	100.0%
No additional pay	1	100.0%	20	33.3%	5173	32.7%	5194	32.7%
Surgical assisting fees					310	2.0%	310	2.0%
Overtime pay			4	6.7%	2688	17.0%	2692	17.0%
Administrative pay			1	1.7%	406	2.6%	407	2.6%
Pay for on-call availability			1	1.7%	1320	8.4%	1321	8.3%
Pay for on-call services/events					1307	8.3%	1307	8.2%
Bonus not based on performance			13	21.7%	2875	18.2%	2888	18.2%
Bonus based on performance of practice			9	15.0%	2035	12.9%	2044	12.9%
Bonus based on performance of PA			20	33.3%	3784	23.9%	3804	24.0%
Bonus based on something else			5	8.3%	1046	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*

	Pediatric Rheumatology		Medical Rheumatology		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents			22	100.0%	4963	100.0%	4985	100.0%
Bonus based on charges			5	22.7%	1026	20.7%	1031	20.7%
Bonus based on revenues			12	54.5%	2179	43.9%	2191	44.0%
Bonus based on relative value units			2	9.1%	635	12.8%	637	12.8%
Bonus based on profit			8	36.4%	1282	25.8%	1290	25.9%
Bonus based on number of visits or panel size			4	18.2%	910	18.3%	914	18.3%
Bonus based on quality of care			3	13.6%	716	14.4%	719	14.4%
Bonus based on patient satisfaction			2	9.1%	717	14.4%	719	14.4%
Bonus based on other factors			2	9.1%	402	8.1%	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*

	Pediatric Rheumatology	Medical Rheumatology	All Others	Total
Respondents	2	62	16241	16305
Mean	.	\$72,835	\$81,162	\$81,129
Standard deviation	.	\$16,006	\$21,267	\$21,254
10th percentile	.	\$51,271	\$60,205	\$60,184
25th percentile	.	\$62,448	\$67,133	\$67,128
Median	.	\$71,671	\$77,424	\$77,402
75th percentile	.	\$80,008	\$90,459	\$90,402
90th percentile	.	\$95,356	\$106,779	\$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*

	Pediatric Rheumatology	Medical Rheumatology	All Others	Total
Respondents	1	5	1860	1866
Mean			\$68,131	\$68,116
Standard deviation			\$13,078	\$13,077
10th percentile			\$54,720	\$54,716
25th percentile			\$60,563	\$60,571
Median			\$66,591	\$66,591
75th percentile			\$73,894	\$73,891
90th percentile			\$83,573	\$83,555

*Excludes self-employed PAs.