

2005 AAPA Physician Assistant Census Report for North Carolina

Section I: Characteristics of 2005 AAPA Census Respondents

Table 1.1: Number and Percent Distribution of Census Respondents by Whether Work State or State of Preferred Mailing Address was North Carolina

	Count	Percent
Total	22502	100.0%
North Carolina	1146	5.1%
All Others	21356	94.9%

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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total	1137	100.0%	21181	100.0%	22318	100.0%
Male	505	44.4%	8068	38.1%	8573	38.4%
Female	632	55.6%	13113	61.9%	13745	61.6%

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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total	1064	100.0%	19324	100.0%	20388	100.0%
Asian/Pacific Islander	22	2.1%	703	3.6%	725	3.6%
Black (Not Hispanic)	51	4.8%	653	3.4%	704	3.5%
Hispanic/Latino Origin	16	1.5%	746	3.9%	762	3.7%
Amer Indian/Alaskan	6	.6%	163	.8%	169	.8%
White (Not Hispanic)	969	91.1%	17059	88.3%	18028	88.4%

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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	1067	100.0%	19752	100.0%	20819	100.0%
Certificate from PA school	460	43.1%	6190	31.3%	6650	31.9%
Associate's degree from PA school	50	4.7%	1453	7.4%	1503	7.2%
Bachelor's degree from PA school	442	41.4%	9260	46.9%	9702	46.6%
Master's degree from PA school	274	25.7%	5939	30.1%	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

	North Carolina	All Others	Total
Count	1144	21298	22442
Mean	42.8	41.4	41.5
Standard deviation	11.1	10.9	10.9
10th p-tile	29.0	28.0	28.0
25th p-tile	34.0	32.0	32.0
Median	42.0	40.0	40.0
75th p-tile	52.0	50.0	50.0
90th p-tile	58.0	57.0	57.0

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

	North Carolina	All Others	Total
Count	1144	21299	22443
Mean	30.4	30.8	30.8
Standard deviation	6.4	6.9	6.9
10th p-tile	24.0	24.0	24.0
25th p-tile	26.0	26.0	26.0
Median	29.0	29.0	29.0
75th p-tile	33.0	34.0	34.0
90th p-tile	39.0	41.0	41.0

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

	North Carolina	All Others	Total
Count	1146	21356	22502
Mean	12.4	10.7	10.8
Standard deviation	9.8	9.1	9.2
10th p-tile	2.0	1.0	1.0
25th p-tile	4.0	3.0	3.0
Median	9.0	7.0	7.0
75th p-tile	20.0	17.0	17.0
90th p-tile	28.0	26.0	26.0

Section II: Professional Status of Respondents

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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total	1146	100.0%	21356	100.0%	22502	100.0%
In clinical practice	1034	90.2%	18985	88.9%	20019	89.0%
Not in clinical practice	112	9.8%	2371	11.1%	2483	11.0%

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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	1146	100.0%	21356	100.0%	22502	100.0%
Clinically practicing PA	1034	90.2%	18985	88.9%	20019	89.0%
Clinically practicing physician or resident	7	.6%	91	.4%	98	.4%
Clinically practicing NP			174	.8%	174	.8%
Other clinically practicing provider	7	.6%	174	.8%	181	.8%
PA educator	34	3.0%	920	4.3%	954	4.2%
Other health professions educator	15	1.3%	278	1.3%	293	1.3%
Health care professional-administrator	15	1.3%	382	1.8%	397	1.8%
Health care professional-researcher	8	.7%	172	.8%	180	.8%
Health care professional-lawyer			5	.0%	5	.0%
Health care professional-public health	5	.4%	74	.3%	79	.4%
Health care professional-other	16	1.4%	442	2.1%	458	2.0%
Other non-health professional	14	1.2%	256	1.2%	270	1.2%
Student in post-graduate PA program	8	.7%	123	.6%	131	.6%
Medical student	1	.1%	35	.2%	36	.2%
Other student	3	.3%	67	.3%	70	.3%
Not employed by choice	25	2.2%	494	2.3%	519	2.3%
Employed, seeking PA job	3	.3%	100	.5%	103	.5%
Unemployed, seeking PA job	12	1.0%	198	.9%	210	.9%
Unemployed, seeking non-PA job	2	.2%	49	.2%	51	.2%
Retired	28	2.4%	384	1.8%	412	1.8%
Other	12	1.0%	258	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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	1034	100.0%	18985	100.0%	20019	100.0%
One	904	87.4%	16112	84.9%	17016	85.0%
Two	99	9.6%	2363	12.4%	2462	12.3%
Three	20	1.9%	327	1.7%	347	1.7%
More than three	7	.7%	70	.4%	77	.4%
Self-employed w/mult contracts	4	.4%	113	.6%	117	.6%

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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	1032	100.0%	18955	100.0%	19987	100.0%
Self-employed	34	3.3%	586	3.1%	620	3.1%
Solo physician practice	126	12.2%	2565	13.5%	2691	13.5%
Single-specialty physician group	408	39.5%	5713	30.1%	6121	30.6%
Multi-specialty physician group	107	10.4%	2346	12.4%	2453	12.3%
University hospital	70	6.8%	1433	7.6%	1503	7.5%
Other hospital	120	11.6%	2868	15.1%	2988	14.9%
Freestanding urgent care center	34	3.3%	332	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%	456	2.4%	457	2.3%
Community health center	54	5.2%	1161	6.1%	1215	6.1%
Medical staffing agency	1	.1%	65	.3%	66	.3%
Physician practice mngmt org	13	1.3%	264	1.4%	277	1.4%
Integrated health system	13	1.3%	245	1.3%	258	1.3%
Corrections system	9	.9%	209	1.1%	218	1.1%
Other	42	4.1%	639	3.4%	681	3.4%

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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	1031	100.0%	18911	100.0%	19942	100.0%
Not government employed	903	87.6%	17098	90.4%	18001	90.3%
Air Force	2	.2%	105	.6%	107	.5%
Army	26	2.5%	259	1.4%	285	1.4%
Navy	13	1.3%	95	.5%	108	.5%
Coast Guard			14	.1%	14	.1%
Dept. of Veterans Affairs	28	2.7%	480	2.5%	508	2.5%
Federal Bureau of Prisons/DOJ	2	.2%	36	.2%	38	.2%
Indian Health Service	1	.1%	80	.4%	81	.4%
Federal Public Health Service	4	.4%	71	.4%	75	.4%
Other Federal Government	5	.5%	69	.4%	74	.4%
State Government	29	2.8%	422	2.2%	451	2.3%
Local Government	18	1.7%	182	1.0%	200	1.0%

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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	1030	100.0%	18921	100.0%	19951	100.0%
Intensive/critical care unit of hospital	10	1.0%	393	2.1%	403	2.0%
Inpatient unit of hospital (not ICU/CCU)	80	7.8%	1768	9.3%	1848	9.3%
Outpatient unit of hospital	81	7.9%	1354	7.2%	1435	7.2%
Hospital emergency room	64	6.2%	1799	9.5%	1863	9.3%
Hospital operating room	51	5.0%	1299	6.9%	1350	6.8%
Other unit of hospital	12	1.2%	225	1.2%	237	1.2%
Federally Qualified Rural Health Center	27	2.6%	751	4.0%	778	3.9%
Other FQHC	18	1.7%	288	1.5%	306	1.5%
Other community health center/facility	30	2.9%	496	2.6%	526	2.6%
Freestanding urgent care facility	55	5.3%	520	2.7%	575	2.9%
Freestanding surgical facility	1	.1%	81	.4%	82	.4%
Solo practice physician office	129	12.5%	2613	13.8%	2742	13.7%
Single-specialty physician group practice	300	29.1%	3987	21.1%	4287	21.5%
Multi-specialty physician group practice	77	7.5%	1676	8.9%	1753	8.8%
HMO facility	1	.1%	331	1.7%	332	1.7%
Nursing home or LTC facility	9	.9%	158	.8%	167	.8%
University/college student health facility	8	.8%	112	.6%	120	.6%
School-based health facility	6	.6%	60	.3%	66	.3%
Other freestanding outpatient facility	33	3.2%	373	2.0%	406	2.0%
Correctional facility	8	.8%	235	1.2%	243	1.2%
Industrial facility/work site	1	.1%	101	.5%	102	.5%
Mobile health unit	1	.1%	9	.0%	10	.1%
Patients' homes	2	.2%	27	.1%	29	.1%
Other	26	2.5%	265	1.4%	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*

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	1030	100.0%	18942	100.0%	19972	100.0%
Intensive/critical care unit of hospital	234	22.7%	4225	22.3%	4459	22.3%
Inpatient unit of hospital (not ICU/CCU)	338	32.8%	6378	33.7%	6716	33.6%
Outpatient unit of hospital	213	20.7%	4124	21.8%	4337	21.7%
Hospital emergency room	291	28.3%	5776	30.5%	6067	30.4%
Hospital operating room	171	16.6%	4292	22.7%	4463	22.3%
Other unit of hospital	96	9.3%	1617	8.5%	1713	8.6%
Federally Qualified Rural Health Center	32	3.1%	1020	5.4%	1052	5.3%
Other FQHC	23	2.2%	449	2.4%	472	2.4%
Other community health center/facility	40	3.9%	761	4.0%	801	4.0%
Freestanding urgent care facility	77	7.5%	885	4.7%	962	4.8%
Freestanding surgical facility	38	3.7%	1043	5.5%	1081	5.4%
Solo practice physician office	149	14.5%	3026	16.0%	3175	15.9%
Single-specialty physician group practice	383	37.2%	5313	28.0%	5696	28.5%
Multi-specialty physician group practice	105	10.2%	2310	12.2%	2415	12.1%
HMO facility	1	.1%	491	2.6%	492	2.5%
Nursing home or LTC facility	54	5.2%	1175	6.2%	1229	6.2%
University/college student health facility	18	1.7%	234	1.2%	252	1.3%
School-based health facility	14	1.4%	178	.9%	192	1.0%
Other freestanding outpatient facility	55	5.3%	612	3.2%	667	3.3%
Correctional facility	14	1.4%	360	1.9%	374	1.9%
Industrial facility/work site	8	.8%	173	.9%	181	.9%
Mobile health unit	7	.7%	64	.3%	71	.4%
Patients' homes	19	1.8%	383	2.0%	402	2.0%
Other	35	3.4%	493	2.6%	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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	1030	100.0%	18854	100.0%	19884	100.0%
Family/general medicine	323	31.4%	5316	28.2%	5639	28.4%
General internal medicine	86	8.3%	1432	7.6%	1518	7.6%
Emergency medicine	76	7.4%	1851	9.8%	1927	9.7%
General pediatrics	28	2.7%	477	2.5%	505	2.5%
General surgery	11	1.1%	552	2.9%	563	2.8%
Internal medicine subspecialties	140	13.6%	1915	10.2%	2055	10.3%
Pediatric subspecialties	15	1.5%	281	1.5%	296	1.5%
Surgical subspecialties	179	17.4%	4166	22.1%	4345	21.9%
Obstetrics and gynecology	24	2.3%	461	2.4%	485	2.4%
Industrial/occupational medicine	19	1.8%	438	2.3%	457	2.3%
Other	129	12.5%	1965	10.4%	2094	10.5%

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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	1030	100.0%	18854	100.0%	19884	100.0%
Addiction medicine	2	.2%	86	.5%	88	.4%
Allergy	5	.5%	111	.6%	116	.6%
Anesthesiology	1	.1%	39	.2%	40	.2%
Dermatology	25	2.4%	634	3.4%	659	3.3%
Emergency medicine	76	7.4%	1851	9.8%	1927	9.7%
Family practice w/o urgent care	139	13.5%	2013	10.7%	2152	10.8%
Family practice wt urgent care	184	17.9%	3303	17.5%	3487	17.5%
Genetics	1	.1%	7	.0%	8	.0%
Geriatrics	9	.9%	115	.6%	124	.6%
Obstetrics/gynecology	24	2.3%	461	2.4%	485	2.4%
Occupational medicine	19	1.8%	438	2.3%	457	2.3%
Ophthalmology	4	.4%	15	.1%	19	.1%
Pain management	15	1.5%	200	1.1%	215	1.1%
Pathology			3	.0%	3	.0%
Physical med rehab	9	.9%	140	.7%	149	.7%
Psychiatry	16	1.6%	179	.9%	195	1.0%
Public health	8	.8%	34	.2%	42	.2%
Radiation oncology	1	.1%	46	.2%	47	.2%
Radiology	12	1.2%	129	.7%	141	.7%
General surgery	11	1.1%	552	2.9%	563	2.8%
Surg: cardiovascular/cardiothoracic	17	1.7%	649	3.4%	666	3.3%
Surg: colon & rectal	1	.1%	15	.1%	16	.1%
Surg: hand	3	.3%	40	.2%	43	.2%
Surg: neurology	12	1.2%	418	2.2%	430	2.2%
Surg: oncology	1	.1%	57	.3%	58	.3%
Surg: orthopedics	104	10.1%	1962	10.4%	2066	10.4%
Surg: otorhinolaryngology	13	1.3%	148	.8%	161	.8%
Surg: pediatric	1	.1%	23	.1%	24	.1%
Surg: plastic	1	.1%	141	.7%	142	.7%
Surg: thoracic	1	.1%	31	.2%	32	.2%
Surg: transplant	2	.2%	44	.2%	46	.2%
Surg: trauma	2	.2%	83	.4%	85	.4%
Surg: urology	7	.7%	250	1.3%	257	1.3%
Surg: vascular	11	1.1%	122	.6%	133	.7%
Surg: bariatric			46	.2%	46	.2%
Surg: other	3	.3%	137	.7%	140	.7%
General pediatrics	28	2.7%	477	2.5%	505	2.5%
Ped: adolescent medicine	6	.6%	37	.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	1	.1%	9	.0%	10	.1%
Ped: hematology/oncology			7	.0%	7	.0%
Ped: infectious disease	1	.1%	3	.0%	4	.0%
Ped: neonatal-perinatal	2	.2%	70	.4%	72	.4%
Ped: nephrology			3	.0%	3	.0%
Ped: neurology			12	.1%	12	.1%
Ped: pulmonology			7	.0%	7	.0%
Ped: rheumatology	1	.1%	2	.0%	3	.0%
Ped: oncology	1	.1%	18	.1%	19	.1%
Ped: other	3	.3%	71	.4%	74	.4%
General internal medicine	86	8.3%	1432	7.6%	1518	7.6%
IM: cardiology	47	4.6%	644	3.4%	691	3.5%
IM: critical care			62	.3%	62	.3%
IM: endocrinology	5	.5%	79	.4%	84	.4%
IM: gastroenterology	29	2.8%	297	1.6%	326	1.6%
IM: hematology/oncology			27	.1%	27	.1%
IM: infectious disease	6	.6%	109	.6%	115	.6%
IM: nephrology	9	.9%	117	.6%	126	.6%
IM: neurology	12	1.2%	102	.5%	114	.6%
IM: pulmonology	2	.2%	68	.4%	70	.4%
IM: rheumatology	2	.2%	72	.4%	74	.4%
IM: oncology	26	2.5%	246	1.3%	272	1.4%
IM: other	2	.2%	92	.5%	94	.5%
Other	21	2.0%	227	1.2%	248	1.2%

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

	North Carolina	All Others	Total
Respondents	1033	18948	19981
Mean	10.9	9.1	9.2
Standard deviation	9.4	8.7	8.7
10th percentile	1.0	.0	.0
25th percentile	3.0	3.0	3.0
Median	8.0	6.0	6.0
75th percentile	18.0	14.0	14.0
90th percentile	26.0	24.0	24.0

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

	North Carolina	All Others	Total
Respondents	1029	18922	19951
Mean	5.2	4.8	4.8
Standard deviation	6.1	5.7	5.7
10th percentile	.0	.0	.0
25th percentile	1.0	1.0	1.0
Median	3.0	3.0	3.0
75th percentile	7.0	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

	North Carolina	All Others	Total
Respondents	1029	18886	19915
Mean	7.3	6.4	6.5
Standard deviation	7.9	7.1	7.1
10th percentile	.0	.0	.0
25th percentile	2.0	1.0	1.0
Median	5.0	4.0	4.0
75th percentile	10.0	9.0	9.0
90th percentile	20.0	17.0	17.0

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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	1021	100.0%	18526	100.0%	19547	100.0%
Northeast			4500	24.3%	4500	23.0%
Southeast	1021	100.0%	3603	19.4%	4624	23.7%
North Central			4019	21.7%	4019	20.6%
South Central			2709	14.6%	2709	13.9%
West			3695	19.9%	3695	18.9%

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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	1021	100.0%	18526	100.0%	19547	100.0%
Alaska			136	.7%	136	.7%
Alabama			94	.5%	94	.5%
Arkansas			20	.1%	20	.1%
Arizona			457	2.5%	457	2.3%
California			1573	8.5%	1573	8.0%
Colorado			531	2.9%	531	2.7%
Connecticut			406	2.2%	406	2.1%
District Of Columbia			67	.4%	67	.3%
Delaware			67	.4%	67	.3%
Florida			1088	5.9%	1088	5.6%
Georgia			578	3.1%	578	3.0%
Guam			4	.0%	4	.0%
Hawaii			52	.3%	52	.3%
Iowa			305	1.6%	305	1.6%
Idaho			135	.7%	135	.7%
Illinois			539	2.9%	539	2.8%
Indiana			205	1.1%	205	1.0%
Kansas			274	1.5%	274	1.4%
Kentucky			252	1.4%	252	1.3%
Louisiana			146	.8%	146	.7%
Massachusetts			463	2.5%	463	2.4%
Maryland			458	2.5%	458	2.3%
Maine			180	1.0%	180	.9%
Michigan			910	4.9%	910	4.7%
Minnesota			374	2.0%	374	1.9%
Missouri			186	1.0%	186	1.0%
Mississippi			37	.2%	37	.2%
Montana			125	.7%	125	.6%
North Carolina	1021	100.0%			1021	5.2%
North Dakota			86	.5%	86	.4%
Nebraska			263	1.4%	263	1.3%
New Hampshire			123	.7%	123	.6%
New Jersey			271	1.5%	271	1.4%
New Mexico			149	.8%	149	.8%
Nevada			134	.7%	134	.7%
New York			1722	9.3%	1722	8.8%
Ohio			467	2.5%	467	2.4%
Oklahoma			313	1.7%	313	1.6%
Oregon			257	1.4%	257	1.3%
Pennsylvania			1137	6.1%	1137	5.8%
Rhode Island			68	.4%	68	.3%
South Carolina			184	1.0%	184	.9%
South Dakota			162	.9%	162	.8%
Tennessee			306	1.7%	306	1.6%
Texas			1239	6.7%	1239	6.3%
Utah			191	1.0%	191	1.0%
Virginia			395	2.1%	395	2.0%
Vermont			63	.3%	63	.3%
Washington			557	3.0%	557	2.8%
Wisconsin			522	2.8%	522	2.7%
West Virginia			181	1.0%	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*

		North Carolina		All Others		Total	
		Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents		1017	100.0%	18333	100.0%	19350	100.0%
Not metro	NonMetro, with urban pop >20K and adjacent to metro area	113	11.1%	790	4.3%	903	4.7%
	NonMetro, with urban pop >20K, not adjacent to metro area	10	1.0%	474	2.6%	484	2.5%
	NonMetro, with urban pop 2.5K-20K, adjacent to metro area	65	6.4%	765	4.2%	830	4.3%
	NonMetro, with urban pop 2.5K-20K, not adjacent to metro area	9	.9%	602	3.3%	611	3.2%
	NonMetro, with urban pop < 2,500, adjacent to metro area	9	.9%	101	.6%	110	.6%
	NonMetro, with urban pop <2,500, not adjacent to metro area	20	2.0%	238	1.3%	258	1.3%
	Metro	Metro, >1M Population	143	14.1%	8980	49.0%	9123
	Metro, 250K-1M Population	567	55.8%	4183	22.8%	4750	24.5%
	Metro, <250K Population	81	8.0%	2200	12.0%	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*

		North Carolina		All Others		Total	
		Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents		1033	100.0%	18958	100.0%	19991	100.0%
Minor surgical procedures		634	61.4%	11465	60.5%	12099	60.5%
First assisting at surgery		180	17.4%	4659	24.6%	4839	24.2%
Manage the care of patients in an inpatient setting		353	34.2%	7053	37.2%	7406	37.0%
Serve on the quality assurance committee		93	9.0%	1534	8.1%	1627	8.1%
Serve on the utilization review committee		26	2.5%	583	3.1%	609	3.0%
Participate in the conduct of clinical trials		118	11.4%	2141	11.3%	2259	11.3%
Serve on formulary/pharmaceutical selection committee		20	1.9%	515	2.7%	535	2.7%
Decision making about procurement of medical/surgical equipment/supplies		227	22.0%	3762	19.8%	3989	20.0%
Supervisory/managerial responsibilities for other PAs		86	8.3%	1717	9.1%	1803	9.0%
Supervisory/managerial responsibilities for clinical staff other than PAs		232	22.5%	3629	19.1%	3861	19.3%
Supervisory/managerial responsibilities for non-clinical staff		107	10.4%	1651	8.7%	1758	8.8%
Precept PA students		330	31.9%	6746	35.6%	7076	35.4%
Precept students of other health professions		289	28.0%	4564	24.1%	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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	1034	100.0%	18985	100.0%	20019	100.0%
Employer does not receive grants	592	57.3%	9688	51.0%	10280	51.4%
PHS Migrant Health Service grant	11	1.1%	154	.8%	165	.8%
PHS Health Care for the Homeless grant	5	.5%	184	1.0%	189	.9%
PHS Public Housing Primary Care Program grant	1	.1%	33	.2%	34	.2%
PHS School Based Health Center grant	8	.8%	131	.7%	139	.7%
Other PHS Community Health Center grant	26	2.5%	574	3.0%	600	3.0%
Indian Health Service grant	3	.3%	129	.7%	132	.7%
Other PHS grant	14	1.4%	207	1.1%	221	1.1%
Other federal grant	33	3.2%	862	4.5%	895	4.5%
State-funded grant	38	3.7%	804	4.2%	842	4.2%
Local-level grant	17	1.6%	322	1.7%	339	1.7%
Private grant	17	1.6%	288	1.5%	305	1.5%
Don't know whether employer receives grant	359	34.7%	7578	39.9%	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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	1034	100.0%	18985	100.0%	20019	100.0%
32 or more hours	912	88.2%	16426	86.5%	17338	86.6%
Less than 32 hours	114	11.0%	2483	13.1%	2597	13.0%
Hours not reported	8	.8%	76	.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*

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	603	100.0%	10499	100.0%	11102	100.0%
See some inpatients	202	33.5%	4281	40.8%	4483	40.4%
See some outpatients	544	90.2%	8944	85.2%	9488	85.5%
See some nursing home patients	31	5.1%	607	5.8%	638	5.7%
See some other patients**	43	7.1%	831	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

	North Carolina	All Others	Total
Respondents	912	16426	17338
Mean	44.3	44.3	44.3
Standard deviation	7.4	7.9	7.8
10th percentile	36.0	36.0	36.0
25th percentile	40.0	40.0	40.0
Median	42.0	42.0	42.0
75th percentile	50.0	50.0	50.0
90th percentile	55.0	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*

	North Carolina	All Others	Total
Respondents	26	963	989
Mean	45.0	43.2	43.3
Standard deviation	8.7	7.2	7.3
10th percentile	37.4	36.0	36.0
25th percentile	40.0	40.0	40.0
Median	41.0	40.0	40.0
75th percentile	50.0	48.0	48.0
90th percentile	58.9	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

	North Carolina	All Others	Total
Respondents	26	963	989
Mean	76.3	67.1	67.3
Standard deviation	39.8	44.9	44.8
10th percentile	28.5	20.0	20.0
25th percentile	49.5	40.0	40.0
Median	69.0	60.0	60.0
75th percentile	100.0	90.0	90.0
90th percentile	132.5	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*

	North Carolina	All Others	Total
Respondents	293	4387	4680
Mean	39.0	39.2	39.2
Standard deviation	5.0	5.5	5.5
10th percentile	34.0	33.0	33.0
25th percentile	35.0	35.0	35.0
Median	40.0	40.0	40.0
75th percentile	40.0	40.0	40.0
90th percentile	45.0	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

	North Carolina	All Others	Total
Respondents	293	4387	4680
Mean	96.7	96.4	96.5
Standard deviation	34.1	39.6	39.3
10th percentile	53.2	50.0	50.0
25th percentile	71.0	72.0	72.0
Median	100.0	100.0	100.0
75th percentile	120.0	120.0	120.0
90th percentile	140.0	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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	287	100.0%	4431	100.0%	4718	100.0%
Hospital privileges granted by medical staff	272	94.8%	4207	94.9%	4479	94.9%
Hospital privileges granted by HR	15	5.2%	224	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

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	912	100.0%	16426	100.0%	17338	100.0%
Do not take call	516	56.6%	9813	59.7%	10329	59.6%
Take some call	350	38.4%	5695	34.7%	6045	34.9%
Take call, hours unknown	12	1.3%	138	.8%	150	.9%
Always on call	34	3.7%	780	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*

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	912	100.0%	16426	100.0%	17338	100.0%
Emergency department call	105	11.5%	1744	10.6%	1849	10.7%
Surgical assisting call	89	9.8%	2008	12.2%	2097	12.1%
In-house call	144	15.8%	1917	11.7%	2061	11.9%
Other call	240	26.3%	3439	20.9%	3679	21.2%
Do not take call	516	56.6%	9813	59.7%	10329	59.6%
Call taken, type not indicated	3	.3%	58	.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*

	North Carolina	All Others	Total
Respondents	350	5695	6045
Mean	93.8	96.4	96.2
Standard deviation	85.6	89.9	89.6
10th percentile	10.1	12.0	12.0
25th percentile	31.5	30.0	30.0
Median	72.0	72.0	72.0
75th percentile	120.0	130.0	130.0
90th percentile	200.0	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*

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	851	100.0%	15280	100.0%	16131	100.0%
No base pay	14	1.6%	207	1.4%	221	1.4%
Salary	744	87.4%	12122	79.3%	12866	79.8%
Hourly wage	90	10.6%	2836	18.6%	2926	18.1%
Other base pay	3	.4%	115	.8%	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*

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	826	100.0%	15037	100.0%	15863	100.0%
No additional pay	265	32.1%	4929	32.8%	5194	32.7%
Surgical assisting fees	11	1.3%	299	2.0%	310	2.0%
Overtime pay	68	8.2%	2624	17.5%	2692	17.0%
Administrative pay	17	2.1%	390	2.6%	407	2.6%
Pay for on-call availability	57	6.9%	1264	8.4%	1321	8.3%
Pay for on-call services/events	64	7.7%	1243	8.3%	1307	8.2%
Bonus not based on performance	168	20.3%	2720	18.1%	2888	18.2%
Bonus based on performance of practice	120	14.5%	1924	12.8%	2044	12.9%
Bonus based on performance of PA	264	32.0%	3540	23.5%	3804	24.0%
Bonus based on something else	39	4.7%	1012	6.7%	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*

	North Carolina		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	328	100.0%	4657	100.0%	4985	100.0%
Bonus based on charges	76	23.2%	955	20.5%	1031	20.7%
Bonus based on revenues	171	52.1%	2020	43.4%	2191	44.0%
Bonus based on relative value units	31	9.5%	606	13.0%	637	12.8%
Bonus based on profit	90	27.4%	1200	25.8%	1290	25.9%
Bonus based on number of visits or panel size	46	14.0%	868	18.6%	914	18.3%
Bonus based on quality of care	39	11.9%	680	14.6%	719	14.4%
Bonus based on patient satisfaction	30	9.1%	689	14.8%	719	14.4%
Bonus based on other factors	19	5.8%	385	8.3%	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*

	North Carolina	All Others	Total
Respondents	861	15444	16305
Mean	\$80,203	\$81,180	\$81,129
Standard deviation	\$19,901	\$21,326	\$21,254
10th percentile	\$59,668	\$60,192	\$60,184
25th percentile	\$67,295	\$67,108	\$67,128
Median	\$77,031	\$77,418	\$77,402
75th percentile	\$88,904	\$90,522	\$90,402
90th percentile	\$103,923	\$106,891	\$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*

	North Carolina	All Others	Total
Respondents	77	1789	1866
Mean	\$66,415	\$68,189	\$68,116
Standard deviation	\$15,537	\$12,960	\$13,077
10th percentile	\$52,929	\$54,719	\$54,716
25th percentile	\$58,889	\$60,642	\$60,571
Median	\$63,678	\$66,709	\$66,591
75th percentile	\$71,694	\$73,988	\$73,891
90th percentile	\$80,429	\$83,665	\$83,555

*Excludes self-employed PAs.