

Ethnicity: White PAs comprise 88 percent of the respondents.

PA Education: Just under half (44%) of respondents hold a bachelor's level PA degree; 35 percent of respondents hold a master's level PA degree.

Age: The mean age of census respondents is 41 years (median = 40), the mean age at time of graduation from PA school was 31 years (median = 29), and the mean number of years since graduation from PA school for census respondents is 11 (median = 7).

Section II. Professional Status of Respondents

Practice Status: The vast majority of respondents (91%) are in clinical practice.

Current Profession: Four percent of respondents reported working as a PA educator. This was the most common professional activity other than providing clinical services as a PA.

Section III: Information about Respondents in Clinical Practice

Number of Clinical PA Jobs: Eighty-five percent of respondents reported working exactly one clinical PA job; 15 percent work more than one clinical PA job concurrently.

Employer Type: More than four in ten respondents (44%) are employed by a single or multi-specialty physician group practice while 22 percent are employed by hospitals and 13 percent are employed by solo physician offices.

Government Employment: About 9 percent of respondents work for some type of government agency. The Department of Veterans' Affairs is the single largest government employer of PAs accounting for about two percent of respondents; state governments collectively employ just under two percent of this year's respondents.

Primary Work Setting: The most prevalent "primary" work setting, reported by 36 percent of respondents, is a hospital; the hospital departments cited most frequently as primary settings are hospital inpatient units (10%), hospital emergency rooms (9%), hospital outpatient units (7%), and hospital operating rooms (7%). Physician group practices are the primary work setting for 31 percent of respondents; 22 percent report working in a single-specialty group practice and 9 percent report working in a multi-specialty group practice. Other settings reported as the primary work setting by large numbers of PAs include solo-practice physician offices (13%), and Federally Qualified Health Centers or community health facilities (8%).

Work Settings where Clinical Services are Provided over the Course of a Typical Month:

Respondents were asked to indicate all of the settings where they provide clinical services for their primary clinical employer over the course of a typical month. The specific work settings reported by at least 20 percent of respondents are hospital inpatient units (34%), hospital emergency rooms (30%), single-specialty physician group practices (29%), hospital operating rooms (22%), hospital outpatient units (21%), and hospital intensive care/critical care units (22%).

Primary Specialty of Practice: While PAs practice in over 60 different specialty fields, 38 percent of this year's respondents reported that their primary specialty was one of the primary care fields: family/general medicine (27%), general internal medicine (7%), general pediatrics (3%), and obstetrics/gynecology (2%). Other prevalent

specialties for PAs include general surgery/surgical subspecialties (25%), emergency medicine (10%), the subspecialties of internal medicine (11%) and dermatology (3%).

Years in Clinical Practice, Years in Position, and Years in Specialty: The mean number of years respondents have been in clinical practice is 9 (median = 6), the mean number of years respondents have worked in their current position is 5 (median = 3), and the mean number of years respondents have worked in their current specialty is 7 (median = 4).

Geographic Distribution: The states with the largest numbers of clinically practicing respondents are: New York (8%), California (8%), Texas (6%), Pennsylvania (6%), Florida (5%), North Carolina (5%), and Michigan (5%).

Metropolitan Status of Work Site: Sixteen percent of respondents work in counties that are non-metropolitan.

Functions and Responsibilities: PAs can perform a variety of functions for their primary employers. More than half (60%) reported performing minor surgical procedures, thirty-eight percent of respondents reported that they manage the care of patients in an inpatient setting and about one-quarter (24%) reported first-assisting at surgery. Nine percent of respondents reported supervising other PAs, and one in five (19%) reported supervising other clinical staff. More than one-third of respondents (36%) indicated that they precept PA students; one-fourth (24%) reported precepting students of other health professions.

Work Status: The majority of clinically practicing respondents (85%) work full-time, defined as more than 32 hours per week, for their primary clinical employer.

Section IV. Information about Respondents in Clinical Practice Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Their Primary Clinical Job

Hours Worked: The mean number of hours worked by the respondents who work more than 32 hours in a typical week is 44 the median is 41 hours.

Patient Visits/Encounters: Due to the variety of work settings and specialty fields in which PAs practice, the types of patients PAs treat are quite varied. The vast majority (85%) of census respondents who work full-time see some outpatients in their primary job; the mean number of patient visits provided per week by PAs who see outpatients exclusively is 95. Over one-third of respondents who work full-time (44%) see some inpatients in their primary job; the mean number of patient encounters provided per week by respondents who see inpatients exclusively is 64. Eleven percent of respondents report seeing patients who can not be classified as inpatients, outpatients, or nursing home patients, and six percent of full-time PAs reported seeing some nursing home patients in their primary job.

Taking Call: Four in ten respondents (40%) reported taking call for their primary employer. The mean number of hours on call per month for those PAs who reported taking some call but who were not always on call is 94.

Base Pay: The majority of respondents (80%) reported receiving their base pay in the form of a salary; 18 percent indicated that they receive an hourly wage.

Compensation: Respondents reported receiving several additional forms of compensation from their primary employer. The most common form of additional compensation was a bonus or incentive pay based on the PA's productivity or performance, reported by 24 percent of respondents. Nineteen percent of respondents reported receiving a bonus based on something other than productivity or performance while 18 percent reported receiving

overtime pay. Almost half of those who reported receiving an incentive based on productivity or performance (44%) indicated that the incentive was based on revenue.

Annual Income: The median total annual income from primary employer for respondents who work at least 32 hours per week for their primary employer and who are not self-employed is \$80,356; the mean is \$84,396. The comparable figures for respondents who graduated in 2005 are \$69,517 and \$71,004, respectively.

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Section I: Characteristics of 2006 AAPA Census Respondents

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

	Count	Percent
Total	23436	100.0%
Nebraska	321	1.4%
All Others	23115	98.6%

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

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total	321	100.0%	22897	100.0%	23218	100.0%
Male	110	34.3%	8634	37.7%	8744	37.7%
Female	211	65.7%	14263	62.3%	14474	62.3%

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

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total	314	100.0%	20899	100.0%	21213	100.0%
Asian/Pacific Islander			748	3.6%	748	3.5%
Black (Not Hispanic)	1	.3%	756	3.6%	757	3.6%
Hispanic/Latino Origin	3	1.0%	808	3.9%	811	3.8%
Amer Indian/Alaskan			168	.8%	168	.8%
White (Not Hispanic)	310	98.7%	18419	88.1%	18729	88.3%

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

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	286	100.0%	21392	100.0%	21678	100.0%
Certificate from PA school	29	10.1%	6540	30.6%	6569	30.3%
Associate's degree from PA school	4	1.4%	1433	6.7%	1437	6.6%
Bachelor's degree from PA school	128	44.8%	9409	44.0%	9537	44.0%
Master's degree from PA school	152	53.1%	7348	34.3%	7500	34.6%

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

Table 1.5: Summary Measures of Age for Census Respondents

	Nebraska	All Others	Total
Count	321	23069	23390
Mean	39.6	41.3	41.3
Standard deviation	10.1	10.9	10.9
10th p-tile	28.0	28.0	28.0
25th p-tile	30.5	32.0	32.0
Median	38.0	40.0	40.0
75th p-tile	47.0	50.0	50.0
90th p-tile	54.8	57.0	57.0

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

	Nebraska	All Others	Total
Count	321	23069	23390
Mean	28.7	30.6	30.6
Standard deviation	5.7	6.9	6.8
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	31.0	34.0	34.0
90th p-tile	36.8	41.0	41.0

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

	Nebraska	All Others	Total
Count	321	23115	23436
Mean	10.9	10.7	10.7
Standard deviation	8.8	9.2	9.2
10th p-tile	2.0	2.0	2.0
25th p-tile	4.0	3.0	3.0
Median	8.0	7.0	7.0
75th p-tile	16.0	17.0	17.0
90th p-tile	26.8	26.0	26.0

Section II: Professional Status of Respondents

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

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total	321	100.0%	23115	100.0%	23436	100.0%
In clinical practice	291	90.7%	20980	90.8%	21271	90.8%
Not in clinical practice	30	9.3%	2135	9.2%	2165	9.2%

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

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	321	100.0%	23115	100.0%	23436	100.0%
Clinically practicing PA	291	90.7%	20980	90.8%	21271	90.8%
Clinically practicing physician or resident			26	.1%	26	.1%
Clinically practicing NP	4	1.2%	181	.8%	185	.8%
Other clinically practicing provider	3	.9%	178	.8%	181	.8%
PA educator	15	4.7%	972	4.2%	987	4.2%
Other health professions educator	2	.6%	296	1.3%	298	1.3%
Health care professional-administrator	6	1.9%	401	1.7%	407	1.7%
Health care professional-researcher	2	.6%	164	.7%	166	.7%
Health care professional-lawyer			11	.0%	11	.0%
Health care professional-public health	1	.3%	59	.3%	60	.3%
Health care professional-other	3	.9%	422	1.8%	425	1.8%
Other non-health professional	1	.3%	244	1.1%	245	1.0%
Student in post-graduate PA program	1	.3%	122	.5%	123	.5%
Medical student	1	.3%	50	.2%	51	.2%
Other student	2	.6%	88	.4%	90	.4%
Not employed by choice	8	2.5%	572	2.5%	580	2.5%
Employed, seeking PA job	1	.3%	80	.3%	81	.3%
Unemployed, seeking PA job	3	.9%	180	.8%	183	.8%
Unemployed, seeking non-PA job	1	.3%	34	.1%	35	.1%
Retired			187	.8%	187	.8%
Other	3	.9%	247	1.1%	250	1.1%

*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

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	291	100.0%	20980	100.0%	21271	100.0%
One	263	90.4%	17865	85.2%	18128	85.2%
Two	22	7.6%	2550	12.2%	2572	12.1%
Three	5	1.7%	370	1.8%	375	1.8%
More than three	1	.3%	79	.4%	80	.4%
Self-employed w/mult contracts			116	.6%	116	.5%

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

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	287	100.0%	20638	100.0%	20925	100.0%
Self-employed	5	1.7%	540	2.6%	545	2.6%
Solo physician practice	40	13.9%	2657	12.9%	2697	12.9%
Single-specialty physician group	125	43.6%	6466	31.3%	6591	31.5%
Multi-specialty physician group	37	12.9%	2607	12.6%	2644	12.6%
University hospital	16	5.6%	1636	7.9%	1652	7.9%
Other hospital	21	7.3%	3009	14.6%	3030	14.5%
Freestanding urgent care center	5	1.7%	442	2.1%	447	2.1%
Freestanding surgical center			27	.1%	27	.1%
Nursing home or LTC facility			55	.3%	55	.3%
Home health agency			4	.0%	4	.0%
Hospice			2	.0%	2	.0%
HMO			437	2.1%	437	2.1%
Community health center	12	4.2%	1226	5.9%	1238	5.9%
Medical staffing agency	2	.7%	56	.3%	58	.3%
Physician practice mngmt org	3	1.0%	281	1.4%	284	1.4%
Integrated health system	4	1.4%	242	1.2%	246	1.2%
Corrections system	5	1.7%	212	1.0%	217	1.0%
Other	12	4.2%	739	3.6%	751	3.6%

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

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	279	100.0%	20421	100.0%	20700	100.0%
Not government employed	256	91.8%	18595	91.1%	18851	91.1%
Air Force			99	.5%	99	.5%
Army			276	1.4%	276	1.3%
Navy			99	.5%	99	.5%
Coast Guard			12	.1%	12	.1%
Dept. of Veterans Affairs	8	2.9%	472	2.3%	480	2.3%
Federal Bureau of Prisons/DOJ			36	.2%	36	.2%
Indian Health Service	3	1.1%	71	.3%	74	.4%
Federal Public Health Service			79	.4%	79	.4%
Other Federal Government			96	.5%	96	.5%
State Government	11	3.9%	320	1.6%	331	1.6%
Local Government	1	.4%	266	1.3%	267	1.3%

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

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	289	100.0%	20734	100.0%	21023	100.0%
Intensive/critical care unit of hospital	3	1.0%	443	2.1%	446	2.1%
Inpatient unit of hospital (not ICU/CCU)	15	5.2%	2044	9.9%	2059	9.8%
Outpatient unit of hospital	22	7.6%	1429	6.9%	1451	6.9%
Hospital emergency room	20	6.9%	1962	9.5%	1982	9.4%
Hospital operating room	17	5.9%	1391	6.7%	1408	6.7%
Other unit of hospital	2	.7%	289	1.4%	291	1.4%
Federally Qualified Rural Health Center	27	9.3%	747	3.6%	774	3.7%
Other FQHC	6	2.1%	403	1.9%	409	1.9%
Other community health center/facility	2	.7%	510	2.5%	512	2.4%
Freestanding urgent care facility	9	3.1%	604	2.9%	613	2.9%
Freestanding surgical facility	1	.3%	82	.4%	83	.4%
Solo practice physician office	34	11.8%	2612	12.6%	2646	12.6%
Single-specialty physician group practice	91	31.5%	4526	21.8%	4617	22.0%
Multi-specialty physician group practice	28	9.7%	1894	9.1%	1922	9.1%
HMO facility			339	1.6%	339	1.6%
Nursing home or LTC facility			163	.8%	163	.8%
University/college student health facility	1	.3%	122	.6%	123	.6%
School-based health facility			77	.4%	77	.4%
Other freestanding outpatient facility	4	1.4%	384	1.9%	388	1.8%
Correctional facility	4	1.4%	227	1.1%	231	1.1%
Industrial facility/work site			100	.5%	100	.5%
Mobile health unit			23	.1%	23	.1%
Patients' homes			27	.1%	27	.1%
Other	3	1.0%	336	1.6%	339	1.6%

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

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	289	100.0%	20754	100.0%	21043	100.0%
Intensive/critical care unit of hospital	71	24.6%	4650	22.4%	4721	22.4%
Inpatient unit of hospital (not ICU/CCU)	113	39.1%	6952	33.5%	7065	33.6%
Outpatient unit of hospital	94	32.5%	4255	20.5%	4349	20.7%
Hospital emergency room	109	37.7%	6186	29.8%	6295	29.9%
Hospital operating room	77	26.6%	4551	21.9%	4628	22.0%
Other unit of hospital	20	6.9%	1886	9.1%	1906	9.1%
Federally Qualified Rural Health Center	44	15.2%	992	4.8%	1036	4.9%
Other FQHC	9	3.1%	582	2.8%	591	2.8%
Other community health center/facility	6	2.1%	790	3.8%	796	3.8%
Freestanding urgent care facility	18	6.2%	993	4.8%	1011	4.8%
Freestanding surgical facility	14	4.8%	1054	5.1%	1068	5.1%
Solo practice physician office	42	14.5%	3005	14.5%	3047	14.5%
Single-specialty physician group practice	117	40.5%	5953	28.7%	6070	28.8%
Multi-specialty physician group practice	41	14.2%	2584	12.5%	2625	12.5%
HMO facility			499	2.4%	499	2.4%
Nursing home or LTC facility	48	16.6%	1133	5.5%	1181	5.6%
University/college student health facility	6	2.1%	263	1.3%	269	1.3%
School-based health facility	1	.3%	168	.8%	169	.8%
Other freestanding outpatient facility	8	2.8%	650	3.1%	658	3.1%
Correctional facility	7	2.4%	349	1.7%	356	1.7%
Industrial facility/work site			183	.9%	183	.9%
Mobile health unit	1	.3%	86	.4%	87	.4%
Patients' homes	11	3.8%	343	1.7%	354	1.7%
Other	4	1.4%	558	2.7%	562	2.7%

*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

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	290	100.0%	20708	100.0%	20998	100.0%
Family/general medicine	122	42.1%	5450	26.3%	5572	26.5%
General internal medicine	20	6.9%	1477	7.1%	1497	7.1%
Emergency medicine	19	6.6%	2026	9.8%	2045	9.7%
General pediatrics	13	4.5%	503	2.4%	516	2.5%
General surgery	4	1.4%	571	2.8%	575	2.7%
Internal medicine subspecialties	21	7.2%	2315	11.2%	2336	11.1%
Pediatric subspecialties	1	.3%	323	1.6%	324	1.5%
Surgical subspecialties	53	18.3%	4615	22.3%	4668	22.2%
Obstetrics and gynecology	6	2.1%	479	2.3%	485	2.3%
Industrial/occupational medicine	4	1.4%	491	2.4%	495	2.4%
Other	27	9.3%	2458	11.9%	2485	11.8%

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

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	290	100.0%	20708	100.0%	20998	100.0%
Addiction medicine			77	.4%	77	.4%
Allergy	2	.7%	119	.6%	121	.6%
Anesthesiology	1	.3%	55	.3%	56	.3%
Dermatology	10	3.4%	683	3.3%	693	3.3%
Emergency medicine	19	6.6%	2026	9.8%	2045	9.7%
Family practice w/o urgent care	78	26.9%	3183	15.4%	3261	15.5%
Family practice wt urgent care	44	15.2%	2267	10.9%	2311	11.0%
Genetics			4	.0%	4	.0%
Geriatrics			128	.6%	128	.6%
Obstetrics/gynecology	6	2.1%	479	2.3%	485	2.3%
Occupational medicine	4	1.4%	491	2.4%	495	2.4%
Ophthalmology			24	.1%	24	.1%
Pain management	1	.3%	222	1.1%	223	1.1%
Pathology			4	.0%	4	.0%
Physical med rehab			165	.8%	165	.8%
Psychiatry	3	1.0%	198	1.0%	201	1.0%
Public health	1	.3%	37	.2%	38	.2%
Radiation oncology	1	.3%	56	.3%	57	.3%
Radiology	2	.7%	69	.3%	71	.3%
Interventional radiology	2	.7%	110	.5%	112	.5%
Hospital medicine	1	.3%	238	1.1%	239	1.1%
General surgery	4	1.4%	571	2.8%	575	2.7%
Surg: cardiovascular/cardiothoracic	4	1.4%	677	3.3%	681	3.2%
Surg: colon & rectal			25	.1%	25	.1%
Surg: hand			51	.2%	51	.2%
Surg: neurology	6	2.1%	512	2.5%	518	2.5%
Surg: oncology	1	.3%	60	.3%	61	.3%
Surg: orthopedics	30	10.3%	2194	10.6%	2224	10.6%
Surg: otorhinolaryngology	5	1.7%	185	.9%	190	.9%
Surg: pediatric			23	.1%	23	.1%
Surg: plastic	1	.3%	154	.7%	155	.7%
Surg: thoracic			35	.2%	35	.2%
Surg: transplant	1	.3%	42	.2%	43	.2%
Surg: trauma	1	.3%	101	.5%	102	.5%
Surg: urology	3	1.0%	253	1.2%	256	1.2%
Surg: vascular			140	.7%	140	.7%
Surg: bariatric	1	.3%	51	.2%	52	.2%
Surg: other			112	.5%	112	.5%
General pediatrics	13	4.5%	503	2.4%	516	2.5%
Ped: adolescent medicine			48	.2%	48	.2%
Ped: allergy			5	.0%	5	.0%
Ped: cardiology	1	.3%	17	.1%	18	.1%
Ped: critical care			21	.1%	21	.1%
Ped: endocrinology			11	.1%	11	.1%
Ped: gastroenterology			17	.1%	17	.1%
Ped: hematology/oncology			8	.0%	8	.0%
Ped: infectious disease			2	.0%	2	.0%
Ped: neonatal-perinatal			69	.3%	69	.3%
Ped: nephrology			2	.0%	2	.0%
Ped: neurology			18	.1%	18	.1%
Ped: pulmonology			8	.0%	8	.0%
Ped: rheumatology			4	.0%	4	.0%
Ped: oncology			18	.1%	18	.1%
Ped: other			75	.4%	75	.4%
General internal medicine	20	6.9%	1477	7.1%	1497	7.1%
IM: cardiology	5	1.7%	793	3.8%	798	3.8%
IM: critical care			82	.4%	82	.4%
IM: endocrinology			107	.5%	107	.5%
IM: gastroenterology	3	1.0%	382	1.8%	385	1.8%
IM: hematology/oncology			43	.2%	43	.2%
IM: immunology			2	.0%	2	.0%
IM: infectious disease	1	.3%	109	.5%	110	.5%
IM: nephrology			127	.6%	127	.6%
IM: neurology	1	.3%	130	.6%	131	.6%
IM: pulmonology	4	1.4%	83	.4%	87	.4%
IM: rheumatology			74	.4%	74	.4%
IM: oncology	7	2.4%	287	1.4%	294	1.4%
IM: other			96	.5%	96	.5%
Other	3	1.0%	269	1.3%	272	1.3%

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

	Nebraska	All Others	Total
Respondents	289	20946	21235
Mean	9.6	9.4	9.4
Standard deviation	8.6	8.9	8.9
10th percentile	.0	1.0	1.0
25th percentile	3.0	3.0	3.0
Median	7.0	6.0	6.0
75th percentile	14.0	14.0	14.0
90th percentile	24.0	25.0	25.0

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

	Nebraska	All Others	Total
Respondents	281	20423	20704
Mean	5.8	4.8	4.9
Standard deviation	6.7	5.8	5.8
10th percentile	.0	.0	.0
25th percentile	1.0	1.0	1.0
Median	4.0	3.0	3.0
75th percentile	8.0	6.0	6.0
90th percentile	15.0	13.0	13.0

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

	Nebraska	All Others	Total
Respondents	277	19930	20207
Mean	7.4	6.5	6.5
Standard deviation	7.8	7.2	7.2
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	20.2	17.9	18.0

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

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	283	100.0%	20356	100.0%	20639	100.0%
Northeast			4692	23.0%	4692	22.7%
Southeast			4899	24.1%	4899	23.7%
North Central	283	100.0%	4061	19.9%	4344	21.0%
South Central			2768	13.6%	2768	13.4%
West			3936	19.3%	3936	19.1%

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

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	283	100.0%	20356	100.0%	20639	100.0%
Alaska			123	.6%	123	.6%
Alabama			105	.5%	105	.5%
Arkansas			41	.2%	41	.2%
Arizona			505	2.5%	505	2.4%
California			1613	7.9%	1613	7.8%
Colorado			572	2.8%	572	2.8%
Connecticut			452	2.2%	452	2.2%
District Of Columbia			57	.3%	57	.3%
Delaware			61	.3%	61	.3%
Florida			1112	5.5%	1112	5.4%
Georgia			623	3.1%	623	3.0%
Guam			5	.0%	5	.0%
Hawaii			48	.2%	48	.2%
Iowa			309	1.5%	309	1.5%
Idaho			177	.9%	177	.9%
Illinois			594	2.9%	594	2.9%
Indiana			210	1.0%	210	1.0%
Kansas			282	1.4%	282	1.4%
Kentucky			258	1.3%	258	1.3%
Louisiana			140	.7%	140	.7%
Massachusetts			478	2.3%	478	2.3%
Maryland			480	2.4%	480	2.3%
Maine			188	.9%	188	.9%
Michigan			988	4.9%	988	4.8%
Minnesota			412	2.0%	412	2.0%
Missouri			208	1.0%	208	1.0%
Mississippi			29	.1%	29	.1%
Montana			129	.6%	129	.6%
North Carolina			1082	5.3%	1082	5.2%
North Dakota			84	.4%	84	.4%
Nebraska	283	100.0%			283	1.4%
New Hampshire			141	.7%	141	.7%
New Jersey			307	1.5%	307	1.5%
New Mexico			141	.7%	141	.7%
Nevada			140	.7%	140	.7%
New York			1710	8.4%	1710	8.3%
Ohio			515	2.5%	515	2.5%
Oklahoma			299	1.5%	299	1.4%
Oregon			288	1.4%	288	1.4%
Pennsylvania			1212	6.0%	1212	5.9%
Rhode Island			76	.4%	76	.4%
South Carolina			213	1.0%	213	1.0%
South Dakota			153	.8%	153	.7%
Tennessee			321	1.6%	321	1.6%
Texas			1264	6.2%	1264	6.1%
Utah			218	1.1%	218	1.1%
Virginia			467	2.3%	467	2.3%
Vermont			67	.3%	67	.3%
Washington			617	3.0%	617	3.0%
Wisconsin			588	2.9%	588	2.8%
West Virginia			181	.9%	181	.9%
Wyoming			73	.4%	73	.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*

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	277	100.0%	19251	100.0%	19528	100.0%
Not metro						
NonMetro, with urban pop >20K and adjacent to metro area	7	2.5%	913	4.7%	920	4.7%
NonMetro, with urban pop >20K, not adjacent to metro area	40	14.4%	457	2.4%	497	2.5%
NonMetro, with urban pop 2.5K-20K, adjacent to metro area	9	3.2%	796	4.1%	805	4.1%
NonMetro, with urban pop 2.5K-20K, not adjacent to metro area	24	8.7%	577	3.0%	601	3.1%
NonMetro, with urban pop < 2,500, adjacent to metro area	8	2.9%	109	.6%	117	.6%
NonMetro, with urban pop <2,500, not adjacent to metro area	19	6.9%	201	1.0%	220	1.1%
Metro						
Metro, >1M Population			9324	48.4%	9324	47.7%
Metro, 250K-1M Population	169	61.0%	4540	23.6%	4709	24.1%
Metro, <250K Population	1	.4%	2334	12.1%	2335	12.0%

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*

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	281	100.0%	20489	100.0%	20770	100.0%
Minor surgical procedures	198	70.5%	12208	59.6%	12406	59.7%
First assisting at surgery	80	28.5%	4959	24.2%	5039	24.3%
Manage the care of patients in an inpatient setting	117	41.6%	7695	37.6%	7812	37.6%
Serve on the quality assurance committee	27	9.6%	1656	8.1%	1683	8.1%
Serve on the utilization review committee	7	2.5%	640	3.1%	647	3.1%
Participate in the conduct of clinical trials	30	10.7%	2383	11.6%	2413	11.6%
Serve on formulary/pharmaceutical selection committee	15	5.3%	550	2.7%	565	2.7%
Decision making about procurement of medical/surgical equipment/supplies	55	19.6%	4015	19.6%	4070	19.6%
Supervisory/managerial responsibilities for other PAs	18	6.4%	1926	9.4%	1944	9.4%
Supervisory/managerial responsibilities for clinical staff other than PAs	38	13.5%	3861	18.8%	3899	18.8%
Supervisory/managerial responsibilities for non-clinical staff	17	6.0%	1766	8.6%	1783	8.6%
Precept PA students	136	48.4%	7285	35.6%	7421	35.7%
Precept students of other health professions	77	27.4%	4968	24.2%	5045	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 Hours Worked per Week at Primary Clinical Job

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	291	100.0%	20980	100.0%	21271	100.0%
32 or more hours	244	83.8%	17906	85.3%	18150	85.3%
Less than 32 hours	42	14.4%	2673	12.7%	2715	12.8%
Hours not reported	5	1.7%	401	1.9%	406	1.9%

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*

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	141	100.0%	12325	100.0%	12466	100.0%
See some inpatients	69	48.9%	5465	44.3%	5534	44.4%
See some outpatients	131	92.9%	10436	84.7%	10567	84.8%
See some nursing home patients	21	14.9%	680	5.5%	701	5.6%
See some other patients**	23	16.3%	1341	10.9%	1364	10.9%

*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

	Nebraska	All Others	Total
Respondents	244	17906	18150
Mean	44.0	44.3	44.3
Standard deviation	8.8	8.0	8.0
10th percentile	36.0	36.0	36.0
25th percentile	40.0	40.0	40.0
Median	40.0	41.0	41.0
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*

	Nebraska	All Others	Total
Respondents	6	1148	1154
Mean	41.2	43.2	43.2
Standard deviation	7.1	7.4	7.3
10th percentile	35.0	35.0	35.0
25th percentile	35.8	40.0	40.0
Median	38.0	40.0	40.0
75th percentile	50.0	48.0	48.0
90th percentile	.	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

	Nebraska	All Others	Total
Respondents	4	1077	1081
Mean	48.3	63.8	63.7
Standard deviation	40.7	42.6	42.6
10th percentile	8.0	20.0	20.0
25th percentile	12.3	35.0	35.0
Median	42.5	50.0	50.0
75th percentile	90.0	90.0	90.0
90th percentile	.	110.0	110.0

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*

	Nebraska	All Others	Total
Respondents	46	4735	4781
Mean	36.8	39.0	39.0
Standard deviation	3.8	5.4	5.4
10th percentile	32.0	33.0	33.0
25th percentile	34.0	35.0	35.0
Median	36.0	40.0	40.0
75th percentile	40.0	40.0	40.0
90th percentile	40.0	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

	Nebraska	All Others	Total
Respondents	45	4673	4718
Mean	73.3	94.8	94.6
Standard deviation	24.3	40.0	39.9
10th percentile	40.0	50.0	50.0
25th percentile	55.0	70.0	70.0
Median	70.0	90.0	90.0
75th percentile	92.5	115.0	115.0
90th percentile	100.0	144.0	140.0

Table 4.7 Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Whether Call is Taken

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	238	100.0%	17731	100.0%	17969	100.0%
Do not take call	116	48.7%	10653	60.1%	10769	59.9%
Take some call	112	47.1%	6052	34.1%	6164	34.3%
Take call, hours unknown	2	.8%	137	.8%	139	.8%
Always on call	8	3.4%	889	5.0%	897	5.0%

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

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	238	100.0%	17757	100.0%	17995	100.0%
Emergency department call	68	28.6%	1851	10.4%	1919	10.7%
Surgical assisting call	32	13.4%	2200	12.4%	2232	12.4%
In-house call	35	14.7%	2181	12.3%	2216	12.3%
Other call	47	19.7%	3743	21.1%	3790	21.1%
Do not take call	116	48.7%	10653	60.0%	10769	59.8%
Call taken, type not indicated	1	.4%	50	.3%	51	.3%

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

Table 4.9: Summary Measures of Call Hours per Month for Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job*

	Nebraska	All Others	Total
Respondents	112	6050	6162
Mean	116.8	93.7	94.1
Standard deviation	103.3	86.7	87.1
10th percentile	20.0	12.0	12.0
25th percentile	48.5	30.0	30.0
Median	96.0	72.0	72.0
75th percentile	148.5	128.0	130.0
90th percentile	251.4	200.0	200.0

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

Table 4.10: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Types of Professional Liability Insurance Policies*

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	238	100.0%	17757	100.0%	17995	100.0%
Personal policy funded by employer	77	32.4%	6024	33.9%	6101	33.9%
Personal policy, self-funded	4	1.7%	515	2.9%	519	2.9%
Rider on employer's policy, funded by employer	115	48.3%	8750	49.3%	8865	49.3%
Rider on employer's policy, self-funded			176	1.0%	176	1.0%
Other type of liability insurance	12	5.0%	547	3.1%	559	3.1%
No professional liability insurance coverage	4	1.7%	428	2.4%	432	2.4%
Don't know	38	16.0%	1970	11.1%	2008	11.2%

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

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*

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	233	100.0%	16858	100.0%	17091	100.0%
No base pay	1	.4%	236	1.4%	237	1.4%
Salary	214	91.8%	13455	79.8%	13669	80.0%
Hourly wage	17	7.3%	3054	18.1%	3071	18.0%
Other base pay	1	.4%	113	.7%	114	.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*

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	225	100.0%	16284	100.0%	16509	100.0%
No additional pay	63	28.0%	5241	32.2%	5304	32.1%
Surgical assisting fees	10	4.4%	322	2.0%	332	2.0%
Overtime pay	17	7.6%	2878	17.7%	2895	17.5%
Administrative pay	2	.9%	431	2.6%	433	2.6%
Pay for on-call availability	20	8.9%	1428	8.8%	1448	8.8%
Pay for on-call services/events	15	6.7%	1448	8.9%	1463	8.9%
Bonus not based on performance	54	24.0%	3018	18.5%	3072	18.6%
Bonus based on performance of practice	47	20.9%	2159	13.3%	2206	13.4%
Bonus based on performance of PA	72	32.0%	3962	24.3%	4034	24.4%
Bonus based on something else	6	2.7%	872	5.4%	878	5.3%

*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*

	Nebraska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	99	100.0%	5110	100.0%	5209	100.0%
Bonus based on charges	24	24.2%	945	18.5%	969	18.6%
Bonus based on revenues	46	46.5%	2243	43.9%	2289	43.9%
Bonus based on relative value units	12	12.1%	747	14.6%	759	14.6%
Bonus based on profit	33	33.3%	1279	25.0%	1312	25.2%
Bonus based on number of visits or panel size	17	17.2%	965	18.9%	982	18.9%
Bonus based on quality of care	15	15.2%	777	15.2%	792	15.2%
Bonus based on patient satisfaction	15	15.2%	800	15.7%	815	15.6%
Bonus based on other factors	5	5.1%	456	8.9%	461	8.9%

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

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*

	Nebraska	All Others	Total
Respondents	239	17107	17346
Mean	\$81,196	\$84,440	\$84,396
Standard deviation	\$23,098	\$21,957	\$21,975
10th percentile	\$60,970	\$62,502	\$62,472
25th percentile	\$66,393	\$70,073	\$70,016
Median	\$76,188	\$80,416	\$80,356
75th percentile	\$90,166	\$94,295	\$94,260
90th percentile	\$107,498	\$110,801	\$110,721

*Excludes self-employed PAs.

Table 4.15: Summary Measures of Total Annual Income from Primary Employer for Respondents Who Graduated in 2005 and Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job*

	Nebraska	All Others	Total
Respondents	27	1842	1869
Mean	\$67,780	\$71,051	\$71,004
Standard deviation	\$10,802	\$12,766	\$12,743
10th percentile	\$56,411	\$58,068	\$58,040
25th percentile	\$61,738	\$63,688	\$63,653
Median	\$67,121	\$69,527	\$69,517
75th percentile	\$74,399	\$76,603	\$76,416
90th percentile	\$80,117	\$85,475	\$85,375

*Excludes self-employed PAs.

Table 4.16: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Source of Funds for Types of Insurance*

	Nebraska		All Others		Total		
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	
Respondents	226	100.0%	16369	100.0%	16595	100.0%	
Professional Liability Insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	219	96.9%	15980	97.6%	16199	97.6%
	Employer pays 50-94%		99	.6%	99	.6%	
	Employer pays 1-49%	1	.4%	32	.2%	33	.2%
	Employer pays 0%	6	2.7%	258	1.6%	264	1.6%
Individual Health Insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	80	39.2%	7285	48.2%	7365	48.1%
	Employer pays 50-94%	68	33.3%	5427	35.9%	5495	35.9%
	Employer pays 1-49%	21	10.3%	1056	7.0%	1077	7.0%
	Employer pays 0%	35	17.2%	1353	8.9%	1388	9.1%
Family Health Insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	43	25.0%	2816	24.6%	2859	24.6%
	Employer pays 50-94%	59	34.3%	4106	35.8%	4165	35.8%
	Employer pays 1-49%	18	10.5%	1220	10.6%	1238	10.6%
	Employer pays 0%	52	30.2%	3324	29.0%	3376	29.0%
Dental Insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	44	23.0%	4457	30.9%	4501	30.8%
	Employer pays 50-94%	49	25.7%	4536	31.4%	4585	31.4%
	Employer pays 1-49%	32	16.8%	1426	9.9%	1458	10.0%
	Employer pays 0%	66	34.6%	4015	27.8%	4081	27.9%
Disability Insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	75	38.7%	6197	43.9%	6272	43.8%
	Employer pays 50-94%	34	17.5%	2542	18.0%	2576	18.0%
	Employer pays 1-49%	19	9.8%	1056	7.5%	1075	7.5%
	Employer pays 0%	66	34.0%	4328	30.6%	4394	30.7%
Term Life Insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	64	33.9%	5473	40.8%	5537	40.7%
	Employer pays 50-94%	28	14.8%	1969	14.7%	1997	14.7%
	Employer pays 1-49%	19	10.1%	1306	9.7%	1325	9.7%
	Employer pays 0%	78	41.3%	4660	34.8%	4738	34.8%

*Excludes self-employed PAs.

Table 4.17: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Source of Funds for Select Expenses*

	Nebraska		All Others		Total		
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	
Respondents	207	100.0%	14872	100.0%	15079	100.0%	
Pension/Retirement Fund	Employer pays 95-100%	48	23.2%	3480	23.4%	3528	23.4%
	Employer pays 50-94%	46	22.2%	3054	20.5%	3100	20.6%
	Employer pays 1-49%	88	42.5%	5737	38.6%	5825	38.6%
	Employer pays 0%	25	12.1%	2601	17.5%	2626	17.4%
DEA Registration Fees	Employer pays 95-100%	206	94.9%	10407	77.4%	10613	77.7%
	Employer pays 50-94%			189	1.4%	189	1.4%
	Employer pays 1-49%	1	.5%	91	.7%	92	.7%
	Employer pays 0%	10	4.6%	2763	20.5%	2773	20.3%
NCCPA Fees	Employer pays 95-100%	200	88.1%	10194	64.5%	10394	64.8%
	Employer pays 50-94%			287	1.8%	287	1.8%
	Employer pays 1-49%	1	.4%	139	.9%	140	.9%
	Employer pays 0%	26	11.5%	5196	32.9%	5222	32.6%
AAPA Dues	Employer pays 95-100%	189	85.9%	9924	63.7%	10113	64.0%
	Employer pays 50-94%			275	1.8%	275	1.7%
	Employer pays 1-49%	1	.5%	136	.9%	137	.9%
	Employer pays 0%	30	13.6%	5238	33.6%	5268	33.4%
State PA Chapter Dues	Employer pays 95-100%	172	81.9%	8029	56.4%	8201	56.8%
	Employer pays 50-94%			227	1.6%	227	1.6%
	Employer pays 1-49%	1	.5%	138	1.0%	139	1.0%
	Employer pays 0%	37	17.6%	5840	41.0%	5877	40.7%
Specialty Organization Dues	Employer pays 95-100%	106	71.6%	5267	46.1%	5373	46.4%
	Employer pays 50-94%	3	2.0%	226	2.0%	229	2.0%
	Employer pays 1-49%	2	1.4%	128	1.1%	130	1.1%
	Employer pays 0%	37	25.0%	5802	50.8%	5839	50.5%
AAPA Annual Conference Registration Fees	Employer pays 95-100%	126	71.6%	7869	57.0%	7995	57.2%
	Employer pays 50-94%	6	3.4%	1136	8.2%	1142	8.2%
	Employer pays 1-49%	7	4.0%	612	4.4%	619	4.4%
	Employer pays 0%	37	21.0%	4180	30.3%	4217	30.2%
Credentialing Fees	Employer pays 95-100%	203	92.3%	11348	75.2%	11551	75.4%
	Employer pays 50-94%	3	1.4%	349	2.3%	352	2.3%
	Employer pays 1-49%	1	.5%	206	1.4%	207	1.4%
	Employer pays 0%	13	5.9%	3189	21.1%	3202	20.9%

*Excludes self-employed PAs.