

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 Rhode Island

	Count	Percent
Total	23436	100.0%
Rhode Island	83	.4%
All Others	23353	99.6%

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

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total	83	100.0%	23135	100.0%	23218	100.0%
Male	26	31.3%	8718	37.7%	8744	37.7%
Female	57	68.7%	14417	62.3%	14474	62.3%

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

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total	70	100.0%	21143	100.0%	21213	100.0%
Asian/Pacific Islander	3	4.3%	745	3.5%	748	3.5%
Black (Not Hispanic)			757	3.6%	757	3.6%
Hispanic/Latino Origin	1	1.4%	810	3.8%	811	3.8%
Amer Indian/Alaskan			168	.8%	168	.8%
White (Not Hispanic)	66	94.3%	18663	88.3%	18729	88.3%

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

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	76	100.0%	21602	100.0%	21678	100.0%
Certificate from PA school	31	40.8%	6538	30.3%	6569	30.3%
Associate's degree from PA school	6	7.9%	1431	6.6%	1437	6.6%
Bachelor's degree from PA school	21	27.6%	9516	44.1%	9537	44.0%
Master's degree from PA school	39	51.3%	7461	34.5%	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

	Rhode Island	All Others	Total
Count	83	23307	23390
Mean	41.2	41.3	41.3
Standard deviation	10.9	10.9	10.9
10th p-tile	28.4	28.0	28.0
25th p-tile	32.0	32.0	32.0
Median	39.0	40.0	40.0
75th p-tile	50.0	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

	Rhode Island	All Others	Total
Count	83	23307	23390
Mean	29.5	30.6	30.6
Standard deviation	6.1	6.9	6.8
10th p-tile	24.0	24.0	24.0
25th p-tile	25.0	26.0	26.0
Median	28.0	29.0	29.0
75th p-tile	33.0	34.0	34.0
90th p-tile	36.6	41.0	41.0

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

	Rhode Island	All Others	Total
Count	83	23353	23436
Mean	11.6	10.7	10.7
Standard deviation	9.3	9.2	9.2
10th p-tile	1.0	2.0	2.0
25th p-tile	4.0	3.0	3.0
Median	9.0	7.0	7.0
75th p-tile	19.0	17.0	17.0
90th p-tile	27.0	26.0	26.0

Section II: Professional Status of Respondents

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

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Total	83	100.0%	23353	100.0%	23436	100.0%
In clinical practice	77	92.8%	21194	90.8%	21271	90.8%
Not in clinical practice	6	7.2%	2159	9.2%	2165	9.2%

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

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	83	100.0%	23353	100.0%	23436	100.0%
Clinically practicing PA	77	92.8%	21194	90.8%	21271	90.8%
Clinically practicing physician or resident			26	.1%	26	.1%
Clinically practicing NP			185	.8%	185	.8%
Other clinically practicing provider			181	.8%	181	.8%
PA educator			987	4.2%	987	4.2%
Other health professions educator	1	1.2%	297	1.3%	298	1.3%
Health care professional-administrator	1	1.2%	406	1.7%	407	1.7%
Health care professional-researcher			166	.7%	166	.7%
Health care professional-lawyer			11	.0%	11	.0%
Health care professional-public health			60	.3%	60	.3%
Health care professional-other	2	2.4%	423	1.8%	425	1.8%
Other non-health professional			245	1.0%	245	1.0%
Student in post-graduate PA program			123	.5%	123	.5%
Medical student			51	.2%	51	.2%
Other student			90	.4%	90	.4%
Not employed by choice			580	2.5%	580	2.5%
Employed, seeking PA job			81	.3%	81	.3%
Unemployed, seeking PA job	1	1.2%	182	.8%	183	.8%
Unemployed, seeking non-PA job			35	.1%	35	.1%
Retired	3	3.6%	184	.8%	187	.8%
Other			250	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

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	77	100.0%	21194	100.0%	21271	100.0%
One	63	81.8%	18065	85.2%	18128	85.2%
Two	12	15.6%	2560	12.1%	2572	12.1%
Three	1	1.3%	374	1.8%	375	1.8%
More than three			80	.4%	80	.4%
Self-employed w/mult contracts	1	1.3%	115	.5%	116	.5%

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

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	76	100.0%	20849	100.0%	20925	100.0%
Self-employed	3	3.9%	542	2.6%	545	2.6%
Solo physician practice	3	3.9%	2694	12.9%	2697	12.9%
Single-specialty physician group	31	40.8%	6560	31.5%	6591	31.5%
Multi-specialty physician group	6	7.9%	2638	12.7%	2644	12.6%
University hospital	9	11.8%	1643	7.9%	1652	7.9%
Other hospital	21	27.6%	3009	14.4%	3030	14.5%
Freestanding urgent care center			447	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	1	1.3%	1237	5.9%	1238	5.9%
Medical staffing agency			58	.3%	58	.3%
Physician practice mngmt org	1	1.3%	283	1.4%	284	1.4%
Integrated health system			246	1.2%	246	1.2%
Corrections system			217	1.0%	217	1.0%
Other	1	1.3%	750	3.6%	751	3.6%

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

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	74	100.0%	20626	100.0%	20700	100.0%
Not government employed	73	98.6%	18778	91.0%	18851	91.1%
Air Force			99	.5%	99	.5%
Army			276	1.3%	276	1.3%
Navy	1	1.4%	98	.5%	99	.5%
Coast Guard			12	.1%	12	.1%
Dept. of Veterans Affairs			480	2.3%	480	2.3%
Federal Bureau of Prisons/DOJ			36	.2%	36	.2%
Indian Health Service			74	.4%	74	.4%
Federal Public Health Service			79	.4%	79	.4%
Other Federal Government			96	.5%	96	.5%
State Government			331	1.6%	331	1.6%
Local Government			267	1.3%	267	1.3%

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

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	74	100.0%	20949	100.0%	21023	100.0%
Intensive/critical care unit of hospital	12	16.2%	434	2.1%	446	2.1%
Inpatient unit of hospital (not ICU/CCU)	15	20.3%	2044	9.8%	2059	9.8%
Outpatient unit of hospital	1	1.4%	1450	6.9%	1451	6.9%
Hospital emergency room	9	12.2%	1973	9.4%	1982	9.4%
Hospital operating room	2	2.7%	1406	6.7%	1408	6.7%
Other unit of hospital	2	2.7%	289	1.4%	291	1.4%
Federally Qualified Rural Health Center			774	3.7%	774	3.7%
Other FQHC	1	1.4%	408	1.9%	409	1.9%
Other community health center/facility	1	1.4%	511	2.4%	512	2.4%
Freestanding urgent care facility			613	2.9%	613	2.9%
Freestanding surgical facility			83	.4%	83	.4%
Solo practice physician office	2	2.7%	2644	12.6%	2646	12.6%
Single-specialty physician group practice	25	33.8%	4592	21.9%	4617	22.0%
Multi-specialty physician group practice	2	2.7%	1920	9.2%	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	1.4%	122	.6%	123	.6%
School-based health facility			77	.4%	77	.4%
Other freestanding outpatient facility	1	1.4%	387	1.8%	388	1.8%
Correctional facility			231	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			339	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*

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	75	100.0%	20968	100.0%	21043	100.0%
Intensive/critical care unit of hospital	28	37.3%	4693	22.4%	4721	22.4%
Inpatient unit of hospital (not ICU/CCU)	34	45.3%	7031	33.5%	7065	33.6%
Outpatient unit of hospital	10	13.3%	4339	20.7%	4349	20.7%
Hospital emergency room	28	37.3%	6267	29.9%	6295	29.9%
Hospital operating room	15	20.0%	4613	22.0%	4628	22.0%
Other unit of hospital	7	9.3%	1899	9.1%	1906	9.1%
Federally Qualified Rural Health Center			1036	4.9%	1036	4.9%
Other FQHC	1	1.3%	590	2.8%	591	2.8%
Other community health center/facility	1	1.3%	795	3.8%	796	3.8%
Freestanding urgent care facility	1	1.3%	1010	4.8%	1011	4.8%
Freestanding surgical facility	1	1.3%	1067	5.1%	1068	5.1%
Solo practice physician office	4	5.3%	3043	14.5%	3047	14.5%
Single-specialty physician group practice	27	36.0%	6043	28.8%	6070	28.8%
Multi-specialty physician group practice	4	5.3%	2621	12.5%	2625	12.5%
HMO facility			499	2.4%	499	2.4%
Nursing home or LTC facility	1	1.3%	1180	5.6%	1181	5.6%
University/college student health facility	2	2.7%	267	1.3%	269	1.3%
School-based health facility			169	.8%	169	.8%
Other freestanding outpatient facility	1	1.3%	657	3.1%	658	3.1%
Correctional facility			356	1.7%	356	1.7%
Industrial facility/work site			183	.9%	183	.9%
Mobile health unit			87	.4%	87	.4%
Patients' homes			354	1.7%	354	1.7%
Other			562	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

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	76	100.0%	20922	100.0%	20998	100.0%
Family/general medicine	7	9.2%	5565	26.6%	5572	26.5%
General internal medicine	9	11.8%	1488	7.1%	1497	7.1%
Emergency medicine	9	11.8%	2036	9.7%	2045	9.7%
General pediatrics	2	2.6%	514	2.5%	516	2.5%
General surgery	4	5.3%	571	2.7%	575	2.7%
Internal medicine subspecialties	9	11.8%	2327	11.1%	2336	11.1%
Pediatric subspecialties	1	1.3%	323	1.5%	324	1.5%
Surgical subspecialties	27	35.5%	4641	22.2%	4668	22.2%
Obstetrics and gynecology	1	1.3%	484	2.3%	485	2.3%
Industrial/occupational medicine	1	1.3%	494	2.4%	495	2.4%
Other	6	7.9%	2479	11.8%	2485	11.8%

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

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	76	100.0%	20922	100.0%	20998	100.0%
Addiction medicine			77	.4%	77	.4%
Allergy	1	1.3%	120	.6%	121	.6%
Anesthesiology			56	.3%	56	.3%
Dermatology	2	2.6%	691	3.3%	693	3.3%
Emergency medicine	9	11.8%	2036	9.7%	2045	9.7%
Family practice w/o urgent care	6	7.9%	3255	15.6%	3261	15.5%
Family practice wt urgent care	1	1.3%	2310	11.0%	2311	11.0%
Genetics			4	.0%	4	.0%
Geriatrics			128	.6%	128	.6%
Obstetrics/gynecology	1	1.3%	484	2.3%	485	2.3%
Occupational medicine	1	1.3%	494	2.4%	495	2.4%
Ophthalmology			24	.1%	24	.1%
Pain management			223	1.1%	223	1.1%
Pathology			4	.0%	4	.0%
Physical med rehab			165	.8%	165	.8%
Psychiatry			201	1.0%	201	1.0%
Public health			38	.2%	38	.2%
Radiation oncology			57	.3%	57	.3%
Radiology			71	.3%	71	.3%
Interventional radiology	2	2.6%	110	.5%	112	.5%
Hospital medicine	1	1.3%	238	1.1%	239	1.1%
General surgery	4	5.3%	571	2.7%	575	2.7%
Surg: cardiovascular/cardiothoracic	7	9.2%	674	3.2%	681	3.2%
Surg: colon & rectal			25	.1%	25	.1%
Surg: hand	2	2.6%	49	.2%	51	.2%
Surg: neurology	4	5.3%	514	2.5%	518	2.5%
Surg: oncology	2	2.6%	59	.3%	61	.3%
Surg: orthopedics	5	6.6%	2219	10.6%	2224	10.6%
Surg: otorhinolaryngology	1	1.3%	189	.9%	190	.9%
Surg: pediatric			23	.1%	23	.1%
Surg: plastic	1	1.3%	154	.7%	155	.7%
Surg: thoracic	1	1.3%	34	.2%	35	.2%
Surg: transplant			43	.2%	43	.2%
Surg: trauma	1	1.3%	101	.5%	102	.5%
Surg: urology	1	1.3%	255	1.2%	256	1.2%
Surg: vascular			140	.7%	140	.7%
Surg: bariatric			52	.2%	52	.2%
Surg: other	2	2.6%	110	.5%	112	.5%
General pediatrics	2	2.6%	514	2.5%	516	2.5%
Ped: adolescent medicine			48	.2%	48	.2%
Ped: allergy			5	.0%	5	.0%
Ped: cardiology	1	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	9	11.8%	1488	7.1%	1497	7.1%
IM: cardiology	5	6.6%	793	3.8%	798	3.8%
IM: critical care	1	1.3%	81	.4%	82	.4%
IM: endocrinology	1	1.3%	106	.5%	107	.5%
IM: gastroenterology	2	2.6%	383	1.8%	385	1.8%
IM: hematology/oncology			43	.2%	43	.2%
IM: immunology			2	.0%	2	.0%
IM: infectious disease			110	.5%	110	.5%
IM: nephrology			127	.6%	127	.6%
IM: neurology			131	.6%	131	.6%
IM: pulmonology			87	.4%	87	.4%
IM: rheumatology			74	.4%	74	.4%
IM: oncology			294	1.4%	294	1.4%
IM: other			96	.5%	96	.5%
Other			272	1.3%	272	1.3%

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

	Rhode Island	All Others	Total
Respondents	76	21159	21235
Mean	10.6	9.4	9.4
Standard deviation	9.2	8.9	8.9
10th percentile	.0	1.0	1.0
25th percentile	3.3	3.0	3.0
Median	7.0	6.0	6.0
75th percentile	17.5	14.0	14.0
90th percentile	25.0	25.0	25.0

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

	Rhode Island	All Others	Total
Respondents	74	20630	20704
Mean	5.6	4.9	4.9
Standard deviation	6.2	5.8	5.8
10th percentile	.0	.0	.0
25th percentile	1.0	1.0	1.0
Median	3.0	3.0	3.0
75th percentile	8.3	6.0	6.0
90th percentile	17.0	13.0	13.0

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

	Rhode Island	All Others	Total
Respondents	70	20137	20207
Mean	7.1	6.5	6.5
Standard deviation	7.0	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	11.0	9.0	9.0
90th percentile	18.0	18.0	18.0

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

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	76	100.0%	20563	100.0%	20639	100.0%
Northeast	76	100.0%	4616	22.4%	4692	22.7%
Southeast			4899	23.8%	4899	23.7%
North Central			4344	21.1%	4344	21.0%
South Central			2768	13.5%	2768	13.4%
West			3936	19.1%	3936	19.1%

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

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	76	100.0%	20563	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	7.8%	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	5.4%	1112	5.4%
Georgia			623	3.0%	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	2.3%	480	2.3%
Maine			188	.9%	188	.9%
Michigan			988	4.8%	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	1.4%	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	8.3%	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	5.9%	1212	5.9%
Rhode Island	76	100.0%			76	.4%
South Carolina			213	1.0%	213	1.0%
South Dakota			153	.7%	153	.7%
Tennessee			321	1.6%	321	1.6%
Texas			1264	6.1%	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*

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	72	100.0%	19456	100.0%	19528	100.0%
Not metro						
NonMetro, with urban pop >20K and adjacent to metro area			920	4.7%	920	4.7%
NonMetro, with urban pop >20K, not adjacent to metro area			497	2.6%	497	2.5%
NonMetro, with urban pop 2.5K-20K, adjacent to metro area			805	4.1%	805	4.1%
NonMetro, with urban pop 2.5K-20K, not adjacent to metro area			601	3.1%	601	3.1%
NonMetro, with urban pop < 2,500, adjacent to metro area			117	.6%	117	.6%
NonMetro, with urban pop <2,500, not adjacent to metro area			220	1.1%	220	1.1%
Metro						
Metro, >1M Population	72	100.0%	9252	47.6%	9324	47.7%
Metro, 250K-1M Population			4709	24.2%	4709	24.1%
Metro, <250K Population			2335	12.0%	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*

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	74	100.0%	20696	100.0%	20770	100.0%
Minor surgical procedures	44	59.5%	12362	59.7%	12406	59.7%
First assisting at surgery	18	24.3%	5021	24.3%	5039	24.3%
Manage the care of patients in an inpatient setting	37	50.0%	7775	37.6%	7812	37.6%
Serve on the quality assurance committee			1683	8.1%	1683	8.1%
Serve on the utilization review committee			647	3.1%	647	3.1%
Participate in the conduct of clinical trials	9	12.2%	2404	11.6%	2413	11.6%
Serve on formulary/pharmaceutical selection committee			565	2.7%	565	2.7%
Decision making about procurement of medical/surgical equipment/supplies	6	8.1%	4064	19.6%	4070	19.6%
Supervisory/managerial responsibilities for other PAs	6	8.1%	1938	9.4%	1944	9.4%
Supervisory/managerial responsibilities for clinical staff other than PAs	6	8.1%	3893	18.8%	3899	18.8%
Supervisory/managerial responsibilities for non-clinical staff	2	2.7%	1781	8.6%	1783	8.6%
Precept PA students	19	25.7%	7402	35.8%	7421	35.7%
Precept students of other health professions	13	17.6%	5032	24.3%	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

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	77	100.0%	21194	100.0%	21271	100.0%
32 or more hours	62	80.5%	18088	85.3%	18150	85.3%
Less than 32 hours	13	16.9%	2702	12.7%	2715	12.8%
Hours not reported	2	2.6%	404	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*

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	45	100.0%	12421	100.0%	12466	100.0%
See some inpatients	30	66.7%	5504	44.3%	5534	44.4%
See some outpatients	30	66.7%	10537	84.8%	10567	84.8%
See some nursing home patients	2	4.4%	699	5.6%	701	5.6%
See some other patients**	3	6.7%	1361	11.0%	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

	Rhode Island	All Others	Total
Respondents	62	18088	18150
Mean	43.3	44.3	44.3
Standard deviation	7.9	8.0	8.0
10th percentile	35.3	36.0	36.0
25th percentile	40.0	40.0	40.0
Median	40.0	41.0	41.0
75th percentile	45.0	50.0	50.0
90th percentile	54.1	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*

	Rhode Island	All Others	Total
Respondents	12	1142	1154
Mean	42.6	43.2	43.2
Standard deviation	4.0	7.4	7.3
10th percentile	36.5	35.0	35.0
25th percentile	40.0	40.0	40.0
Median	41.5	40.0	40.0
75th percentile	46.8	48.0	48.0
90th percentile	48.0	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

	Rhode Island	All Others	Total
Respondents	12	1069	1081
Mean	28.9	64.1	63.7
Standard deviation	25.9	42.6	42.6
10th percentile	10.0	20.0	20.0
25th percentile	10.0	35.0	35.0
Median	15.0	53.0	50.0
75th percentile	45.0	90.0	90.0
90th percentile	80.5	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*

	Rhode Island	All Others	Total
Respondents	10	4771	4781
Mean	36.7	39.0	39.0
Standard deviation	3.4	5.4	5.4
10th percentile	32.0	33.0	33.0
25th percentile	32.8	35.0	35.0
Median	37.5	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

	Rhode Island	All Others	Total
Respondents	10	4708	4718
Mean	94.0	94.6	94.6
Standard deviation	16.5	40.0	39.9
10th percentile	75.5	50.0	50.0
25th percentile	80.0	70.0	70.0
Median	92.5	90.0	90.0
75th percentile	106.3	115.0	115.0
90th percentile	123.5	140.0	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

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	61	100.0%	17908	100.0%	17969	100.0%
Do not take call	39	63.9%	10730	59.9%	10769	59.9%
Take some call	16	26.2%	6148	34.3%	6164	34.3%
Take call, hours unknown	1	1.6%	138	.8%	139	.8%
Always on call	5	8.2%	892	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*

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	61	100.0%	17934	100.0%	17995	100.0%
Emergency department call	5	8.2%	1914	10.7%	1919	10.7%
Surgical assisting call	6	9.8%	2226	12.4%	2232	12.4%
In-house call	10	16.4%	2206	12.3%	2216	12.3%
Other call	13	21.3%	3777	21.1%	3790	21.1%
Do not take call	39	63.9%	10730	59.8%	10769	59.8%
Call taken, type not indicated			51	.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*

	Rhode Island	All Others	Total
Respondents	16	6146	6162
Mean	84.6	94.2	94.1
Standard deviation	84.7	87.1	87.1
10th percentile	4.7	12.0	12.0
25th percentile	33.0	30.0	30.0
Median	74.0	72.0	72.0
75th percentile	99.0	130.0	130.0
90th percentile	220.0	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*

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	61	100.0%	17934	100.0%	17995	100.0%
Personal policy funded by employer	17	27.9%	6084	33.9%	6101	33.9%
Personal policy, self-funded	3	4.9%	516	2.9%	519	2.9%
Rider on employer's policy, funded by employer	39	63.9%	8826	49.2%	8865	49.3%
Rider on employer's policy, self-funded	1	1.6%	175	1.0%	176	1.0%
Other type of liability insurance			559	3.1%	559	3.1%
No professional liability insurance coverage			432	2.4%	432	2.4%
Don't know	6	9.8%	2002	11.2%	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*

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	57	100.0%	17034	100.0%	17091	100.0%
No base pay			237	1.4%	237	1.4%
Salary	50	87.7%	13619	80.0%	13669	80.0%
Hourly wage	7	12.3%	3064	18.0%	3071	18.0%
Other base pay			114	.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*

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	55	100.0%	16454	100.0%	16509	100.0%
No additional pay	21	38.2%	5283	32.1%	5304	32.1%
Surgical assisting fees	1	1.8%	331	2.0%	332	2.0%
Overtime pay	10	18.2%	2885	17.5%	2895	17.5%
Administrative pay			433	2.6%	433	2.6%
Pay for on-call availability	2	3.6%	1446	8.8%	1448	8.8%
Pay for on-call services/events	3	5.5%	1460	8.9%	1463	8.9%
Bonus not based on performance	14	25.5%	3058	18.6%	3072	18.6%
Bonus based on performance of practice	6	10.9%	2200	13.4%	2206	13.4%
Bonus based on performance of PA	7	12.7%	4027	24.5%	4034	24.4%
Bonus based on something else	3	5.5%	875	5.3%	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*

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	10	100.0%	5199	100.0%	5209	100.0%
Bonus based on charges	1	10.0%	968	18.6%	969	18.6%
Bonus based on revenues	7	70.0%	2282	43.9%	2289	43.9%
Bonus based on relative value units	1	10.0%	758	14.6%	759	14.6%
Bonus based on profit	5	50.0%	1307	25.1%	1312	25.2%
Bonus based on number of visits or panel size	2	20.0%	980	18.8%	982	18.9%
Bonus based on quality of care	2	20.0%	790	15.2%	792	15.2%
Bonus based on patient satisfaction			815	15.7%	815	15.6%
Bonus based on other factors			461	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*

	Rhode Island	All Others	Total
Respondents	58	17288	17346
Mean	\$85,876	\$84,391	\$84,396
Standard deviation	\$26,177	\$21,960	\$21,975
10th percentile	\$61,980	\$62,474	\$62,472
25th percentile	\$69,675	\$70,021	\$70,016
Median	\$77,822	\$80,363	\$80,356
75th percentile	\$90,470	\$94,265	\$94,260
90th percentile	\$119,618	\$110,658	\$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*

	Rhode Island	All Others	Total
Respondents	7	1862	1869
Mean	.	\$71,006	\$71,004
Standard deviation	.	\$12,760	\$12,743
10th percentile	.	\$58,004	\$58,040
25th percentile	.	\$63,645	\$63,653
Median	.	\$69,503	\$69,517
75th percentile	.	\$76,447	\$76,416
90th percentile	.	\$85,433	\$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*

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total		
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	
Respondents	57	100.0%	16538	100.0%	16595	100.0%	
Professional Liability Insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	54	94.7%	16145	97.6%	16199	97.6%
	Employer pays 50-94%	1	1.8%	98	.6%	99	.6%
	Employer pays 1-49%			33	.2%	33	.2%
	Employer pays 0%	2	3.5%	262	1.6%	264	1.6%
Individual Health Insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	21	42.9%	7344	48.1%	7365	48.1%
	Employer pays 50-94%	24	49.0%	5471	35.8%	5495	35.9%
	Employer pays 1-49%	2	4.1%	1075	7.0%	1077	7.0%
	Employer pays 0%	2	4.1%	1386	9.1%	1388	9.1%
Family Health Insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	9	23.7%	2850	24.6%	2859	24.6%
	Employer pays 50-94%	20	52.6%	4145	35.7%	4165	35.8%
	Employer pays 1-49%	2	5.3%	1236	10.7%	1238	10.6%
	Employer pays 0%	7	18.4%	3369	29.0%	3376	29.0%
Dental Insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	15	28.8%	4486	30.8%	4501	30.8%
	Employer pays 50-94%	26	50.0%	4559	31.3%	4585	31.4%
	Employer pays 1-49%	4	7.7%	1454	10.0%	1458	10.0%
	Employer pays 0%	7	13.5%	4074	28.0%	4081	27.9%
Disability Insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	20	40.8%	6252	43.8%	6272	43.8%
	Employer pays 50-94%	12	24.5%	2564	18.0%	2576	18.0%
	Employer pays 1-49%	6	12.2%	1069	7.5%	1075	7.5%
	Employer pays 0%	11	22.4%	4383	30.7%	4394	30.7%
Term Life Insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	19	41.3%	5518	40.7%	5537	40.7%
	Employer pays 50-94%	8	17.4%	1989	14.7%	1997	14.7%
	Employer pays 1-49%	7	15.2%	1318	9.7%	1325	9.7%
	Employer pays 0%	12	26.1%	4726	34.9%	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*

	Rhode Island		All Others		Total		
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	
Respondents	53	100.0%	15026	100.0%	15079	100.0%	
Pension/Retirement Fund	Employer pays 95-100%	12	22.6%	3516	23.4%	3528	23.4%
	Employer pays 50-94%	10	18.9%	3090	20.6%	3100	20.6%
	Employer pays 1-49%	22	41.5%	5803	38.6%	5825	38.6%
	Employer pays 0%	9	17.0%	2617	17.4%	2626	17.4%
DEA Registration Fees	Employer pays 95-100%	44	78.6%	10569	77.7%	10613	77.7%
	Employer pays 50-94%			189	1.4%	189	1.4%
	Employer pays 1-49%			92	.7%	92	.7%
	Employer pays 0%	12	21.4%	2761	20.3%	2773	20.3%
NCCPA Fees	Employer pays 95-100%	32	57.1%	10362	64.8%	10394	64.8%
	Employer pays 50-94%			287	1.8%	287	1.8%
	Employer pays 1-49%	1	1.8%	139	.9%	140	.9%
	Employer pays 0%	23	41.1%	5199	32.5%	5222	32.6%
AAPA Dues	Employer pays 95-100%	31	57.4%	10082	64.1%	10113	64.0%
	Employer pays 50-94%			275	1.7%	275	1.7%
	Employer pays 1-49%	1	1.9%	136	.9%	137	.9%
	Employer pays 0%	22	40.7%	5246	33.3%	5268	33.4%
State PA Chapter Dues	Employer pays 95-100%	19	42.2%	8182	56.8%	8201	56.8%
	Employer pays 50-94%			227	1.6%	227	1.6%
	Employer pays 1-49%	1	2.2%	138	1.0%	139	1.0%
	Employer pays 0%	25	55.6%	5852	40.6%	5877	40.7%
Specialty Organization Dues	Employer pays 95-100%	14	35.0%	5359	46.5%	5373	46.4%
	Employer pays 50-94%	1	2.5%	228	2.0%	229	2.0%
	Employer pays 1-49%			130	1.1%	130	1.1%
	Employer pays 0%	25	62.5%	5814	50.4%	5839	50.5%
AAPA Annual Conference Registration Fees	Employer pays 95-100%	22	45.8%	7973	57.3%	7995	57.2%
	Employer pays 50-94%	7	14.6%	1135	8.2%	1142	8.2%
	Employer pays 1-49%	4	8.3%	615	4.4%	619	4.4%
	Employer pays 0%	15	31.3%	4202	30.2%	4217	30.2%
Credentialing Fees	Employer pays 95-100%	36	69.2%	11515	75.5%	11551	75.4%
	Employer pays 50-94%	3	5.8%	349	2.3%	352	2.3%
	Employer pays 1-49%	2	3.8%	205	1.3%	207	1.4%
	Employer pays 0%	11	21.2%	3191	20.9%	3202	20.9%

*Excludes self-employed PAs.