

National Physician Survey, 2007. Results for Family Physicians/General Practitioners.

Q32d. In the last year, have you personally provided locum tenens services for another physician?

		Family Physicians			All FPs
		CCFP n=5413 N=16211	non-CCFP n=4857 N=14182	CCFP(EM)* n=473 N=1515	Total n=10270 N=30393
		%	%	%	%
Provided locum tenens services for another physician	Yes	19.9%	16.9%	16.5%	18.5%
	No	76.1%	79.2%	77.7%	77.6%
	NR	4.0%	3.8%	5.8%	3.9%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Q32d. Number of weeks in the last year spent providing locum tenens services.

		Family Physicians			All FPs
		CCFP n=1069 N=3218	non-CCFP n=826 N=2400	CCFP(EM)* n=79 N=250	Total n=1895 N=5618
		%	%	%	%
No. weeks providing locum in the past year	Up to 2 weeks	22.9%	18.8%	31.7%	21.1%
	More than 2, up to 4	14.0%	12.1%	22.0%	13.2%
	More than 4, up to 8	11.3%	8.9%	6.8%	10.3%
	More than 8, up to 12	6.2%	4.7%	6.2%	5.5%
	More than 12	24.5%	10.3%	13.5%	18.4%
	No Response. Respondent indicated that they have provided locum tenens services, but not how many weeks in the last yr	21.2%	45.2%	19.8%	31.5%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Notes:

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Q32d. Mean number of weeks in the last year spent providing locum tenens services.

		Family Physicians			All FPs
		CCFP n=836 N=2535	non-CCFP n=447 N=1316	CCFP(EM)* n=63 N=200	Total n=1283 N=3851
No. weeks providing locum in the past year	Mean	12.67	9.27	8.34	11.51
	Median	5.00	4.00	3.70	4.00
	Mode	2.00	2.00	1.00	2.00
	Standard Deviation	14.76	12.42	12.16	14.10
	Minimum	.14	.50	.50	.14
	Maximum	52.00	52.00	52.00	52.00

Notes:

Includes only respondents who indicated greater than zero weeks spent as a locum tenens.

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Q32dii. What patient population(s) did you serve as a locum tenens?

		Family Physicians			All FPs
		CCFP n=501 N=4036	non- CCFP n=513 N=3705	CCFP(EM)* n=37 N=292	Total n=1014 N=7741
		%	%	%	%
Patient population(s) served as locum (LLOCUM2B)	Inner city	11.4%	17.1%	8.9%	14.1%
	Urban/suburban	48.4%	49.0%	53.8%	48.7%
	Small town	27.3%	28.0%	25.0%	27.6%
	Rural	31.6%	23.7%	27.8%	27.8%
	Geographically isolated/remote	14.8%	6.5%	15.5%	10.8%
	Cannot identify a primary population	.8%	2.6%	.0%	1.6%
	Other population served	1.8%	1.6%	.0%	1.7%
	NR	4.7%	3.5%	3.9%	4.1%

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Q32diii. Do you have a permanent practice in addition to doing locum work?

		Family Physicians			All FPs
		CCFP n=501 N=4036 %	non-CCFP n=513 N=3705 %	CCFP(EM)* n=37 N=292 %	Total n=1014 N=7741 %
Have a permanent practice in addition to doing locum work	Yes	37.9%	24.5%	42.3%	31.5%
	No	.6%	.1%	2.9%	.3%
	NR	61.5%	75.4%	54.8%	68.2%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Q32div. Why do you choose to locum? Check all that apply.

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		%	%	%	%
Reasons for choosing to locum (LLOCUM4)	Financial reasons	23.4%	12.1%	30.9%	18.0%
	To assess potential future practice location	16.7%	3.1%	12.5%	10.2%
	Clinical variety	27.6%	9.2%	29.3%	18.8%
	Filling a service need	39.4%	25.5%	34.8%	32.7%
	Flexibility/ability to set own schedule	23.7%	12.0%	16.4%	18.1%
	Other reason for doing a locum	9.5%	9.1%	4.5%	9.3%
	NR	39.8%	62.2%	41.5%	50.5%

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Q32dv. What is the one most important reason why you choose to locum?

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		%	%	%	%
One most important reason why you choose to locum	Financial reasons	9.0%	6.1%	16.3%	7.6%
	To assess potential future practice location	.0%	.6%	.0%	.3%
	Clinical variety	8.6%	2.5%	7.3%	5.7%
	Filling a service need	15.2%	10.6%	19.1%	13.0%
	Flexibility/ability to set own schedule	11.7%	5.7%	2.6%	8.9%
	Other	7.0%	6.6%	3.5%	6.8%
	NR	48.5%	68.0%	51.2%	57.8%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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