

Average hours worked per week by physicians, 1997-2017

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2007	2010	2014*	2017*
Activity	n=3350	n=3285	n=3050	n=2734	n=3123	n=2763	n=2173	n=20332	n=18061 N=54214**	n=11069 N=60814**	n=9423 N=66241**	n=6601 N=69433**
Direct patient care	35.6	36.2	35.9	35.0	35.0	35.6	35.4	34.0	33.3	32.7	31.0	33.0
Health facility committees	1.5	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.2	0.8	1.0	0.8	0.9	0.9
Managing practice	2.2	2.0	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.5	2.2	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.4
Other indirect patient care	4.5	4.5	4.9	5.1	4.8	5.0	5.2	5.3	5.9	6.1	6.2	6.9
Research	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.3	1.2
Administration	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.0	1.8	2.2	2.2	2.5	2.4	2.3
Teaching/educating without direct patient care	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.4
Continuing medical education	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.0	2.6
Other activities	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.3	0.8	0.9
Total	53.2	53.4	54.1	52.9	53.4	53.8	52.9	50.7	51.7	51.4	48.7	50.5

Notes:

Excludes time spent on-call; Includes full-time, part-time, and semi-retired physician respondents.

*Excludes those who abandoned the survey prior to this question.

**The responding sample (size: n) has been weighted to represent the population (size: N).

Sources:

1997 - 2003 [Physician Resource Questionnaire](#), Canadian Medical Association

2004, 2007, 2010, 2014 [National Physician Survey](#). The College of Family Physicians of Canada, Canadian Medical Association, The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.

2017 [CMA Physician Workforce Survey](#), Canadian Medical Association .