

2007

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compensation and employment survey

ANESTHESIOLOGY

The Survey

LocumTenens.com conducted its *Annual Physician Compensation and Employment Survey* in the early summer of 2007. Survey respondents represent physicians who practice on a locum tenens basis as well as those with permanent salaries. This report includes compensation and employment statistics for the field of anesthesiology including:

- ♦ Annual compensation ranges
 - Rural vs. Metro
 - Years in Practice
 - Gender
- ♦ Sources for finding jobs
- ♦ Time frame for making next job change
- ♦ Influencing factors for seeking a job change
- ♦ Discussion topics for interviews
- ♦ Insights and remarks about the practice of medicine today



Demographics of survey respondents

AT A GLANCE:

Survey respondents were:

78% Board Certified, 16% Board Eligible

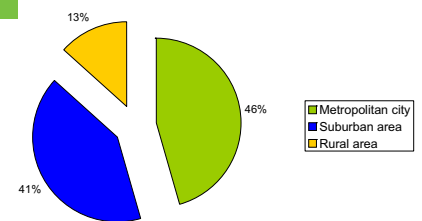
78% Male, 22% Female

Avg. number of years practicing: 16.3

86% work in major metropolitan city or a suburban area

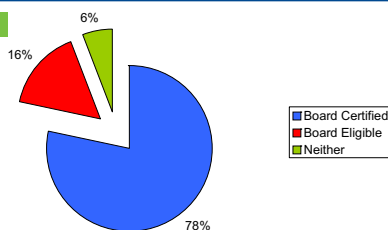
Permanent and Locum Tenens

Rural vs. Metro

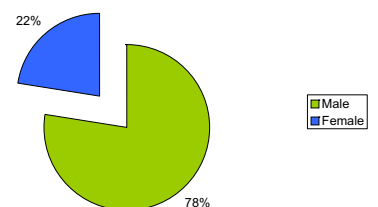


Major metropolitan city = population over 250,000
Suburban area = population between 50,000 and 250,000
Rural area = population under 50,000

Board Status

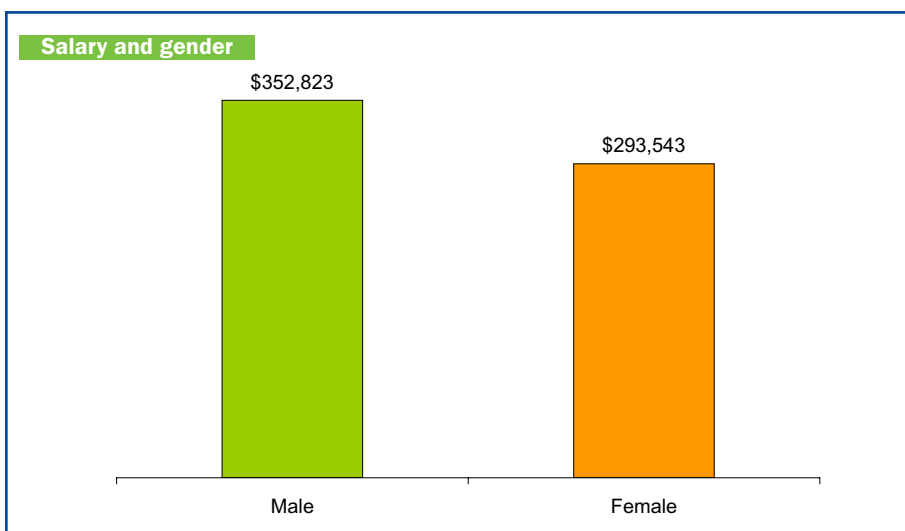
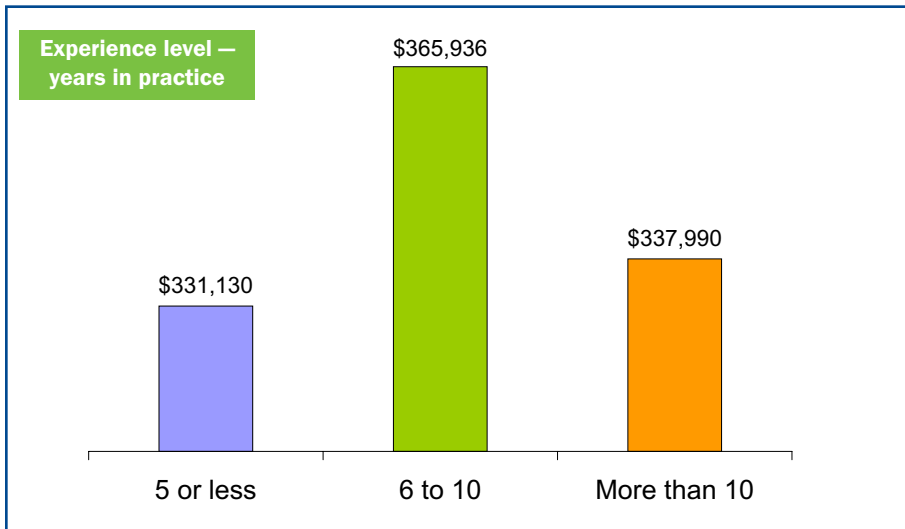
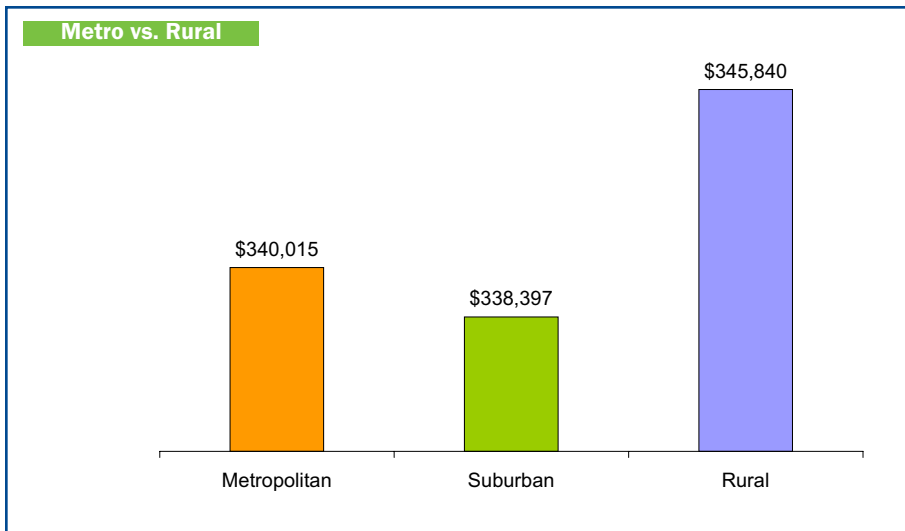


Gender



AVERAGE ANNUAL COMPENSATION

2007 AVERAGE ANNUAL ANESTHESIOLOGIST SALARY: \$340,444



If you could change one thing about medicine, what would it be?

“The way business administrators and insurance carriers dictate how I practice medicine.”

“The economic situation. The entire insurance / medicaid / medicare / no-pay reimbursement issue coupled with the overriding fear of litigation is a catastrophe.”

“I would return the patient-doctor relationship to one of greater trust and cut out the intervention of the “suits” who deem what is and is not necessary in a patient's care.”

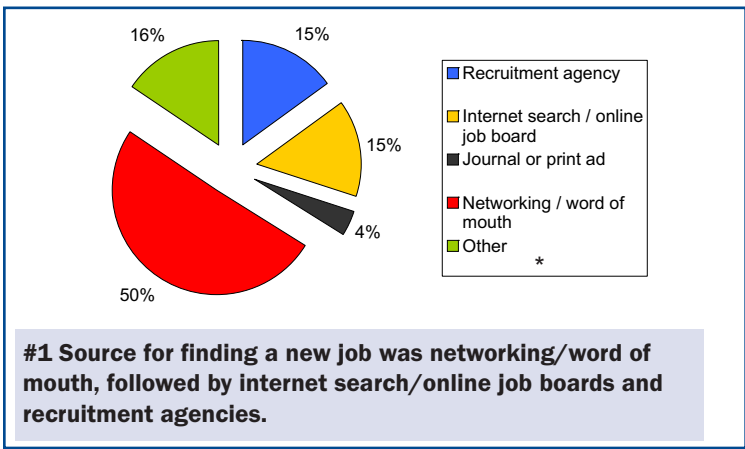
“The perception that physicians must work long hours. Compensation will go down, but that is worth quality of life.”

“Teach the residents in anesthesia about business part of the medical career, include this in the curriculum.”

“The time it takes away from family.”

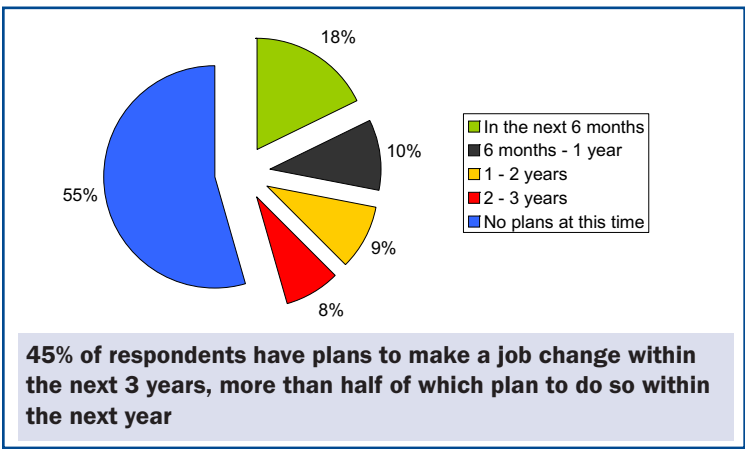
“I would decrease the amount of time spent doing paperwork. Also would change the way that insurance companies and lawyers dictate much of my care for patients.”

Source for finding current job

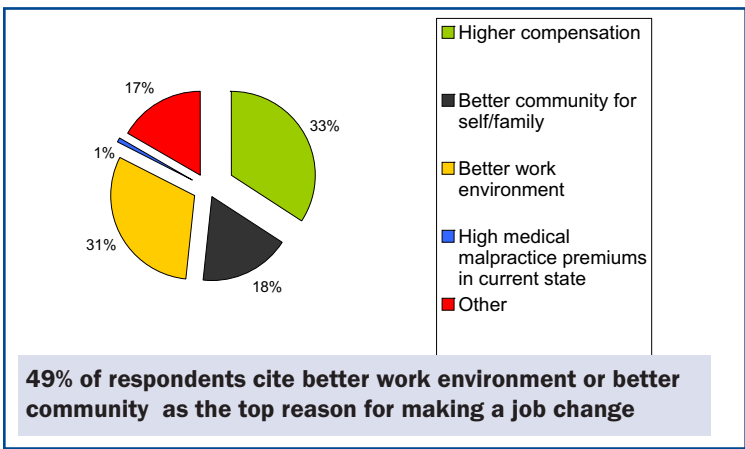


*Other sources for finding a job include: military commitment, professional society or association, locum tenens to permanent

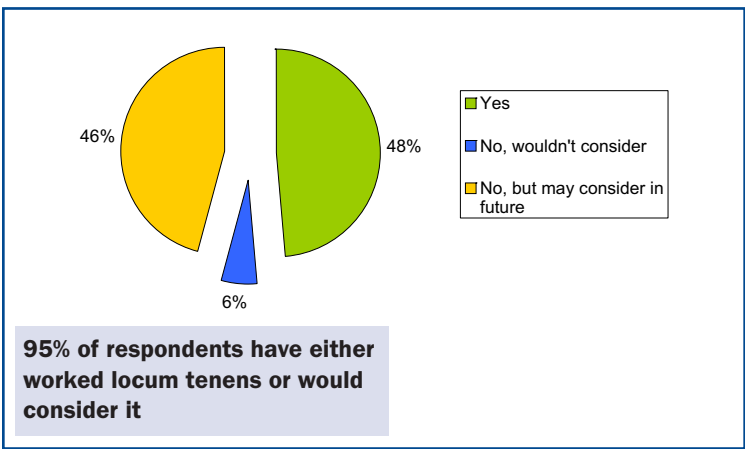
Time frame for making next job change



Top reason for making a job change



Worked as a locum tenens provider?



What do you like most about practicing medicine?

“The challenge of anticipating and/or diagnosing a problem and solving it. The contact with patients and family, easing their distress about upcoming surgery.”

“Patient care; bringing patients through a frightening experience without any problems; changing their perceptions of my specialty of medicine favorably.”

“There is no question that this is valuable work and I can feel a sense of integrity about what I do.”

“Anesthesiology is very dynamic profession.

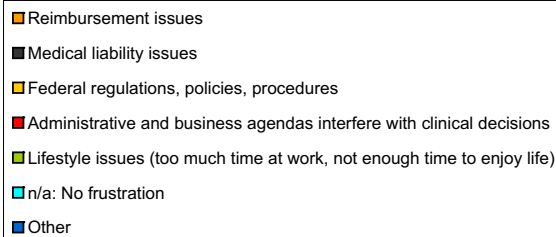
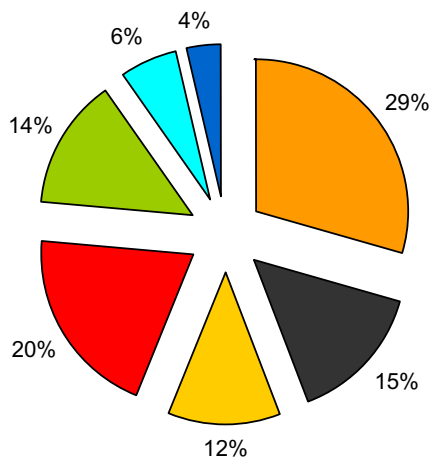
Every patient and every anesthetic presents its own unique challenges.”

“The chance to use my knowledge and interpersonal abilities for the benefit of patients... The common goal, teamwork, and camaraderie of the operating room make work a pleasure.”

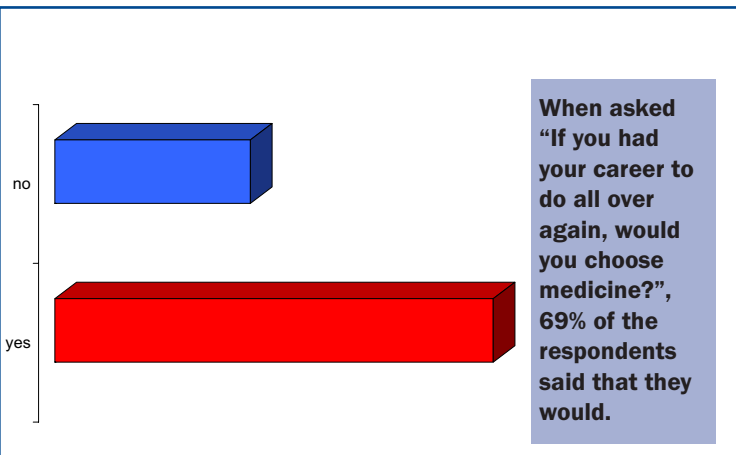
What frustrates you most about the practice of medicine today?

The top three frustrations are:

- #1: Reimbursement issues
- #2: Administrative and business agendas interfere with clinical decisions
- #3: Medical liability issues



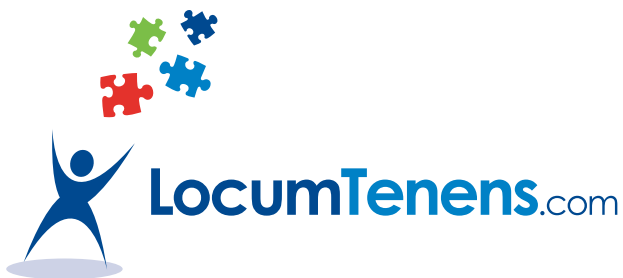
Choose medicine again?



Compared to other specialties:

When asked if they would choose medicine again, here's how the other specialists' opinions compared:

	yes	no
Anesthesiology	69%	31%
Cardiology	77%	23%
General Surgery:	65%	35%
Internal Medicine	76%	24%
Obstetrics/Gyn	59%	41%
Orthopedic Surgery	65%	35%
Pediatrics	75%	25%
Psychiatry	79%	21%
Radiology	65%	35%



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