National Resident Survey

2023 Report

American Board of Family Medicine

The American Board of Family Medicine (ABFM) has a long history of collecting data from ABFM Diplomates to evaluate whether its certification program is meeting their needs in different practice environments. As residency training is the standard entry into certification, and in response to the growth in residency training and new flexibility in curricula design with new Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) program requirements, ABFM decided to begin surveying residents in training in 2023.

The National Resident Survey (NRS) provides an opportunity for residents to include their voice and input on residency training, changes in scope of practice, desired career options, and satisfaction/wellness. Data from the NRS will support ABFM's educational innovation, research, and policy work to promote a well-trained workforce that can meet the health needs of their communities.

The NRS was administered to all family medicine residents who completed the ABFM In-Training Examination (ITE) in October 2023. Of the 14,692 residents offered the NRS, 9,369 (63.8%) responded to at least one item on the survey and 5,759 (39.3%) completed the entire survey.

Each class of residents were given different questions. Each item in this report is labeled with which class of residents answered the question. The number of residents answering each question is also included.

For the two items on burnout, responses of "once a week" or more frequently indicate symptoms of either emotional exhaustion or callousness.

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What year in Training are you? (select one)

Response Count: 9371

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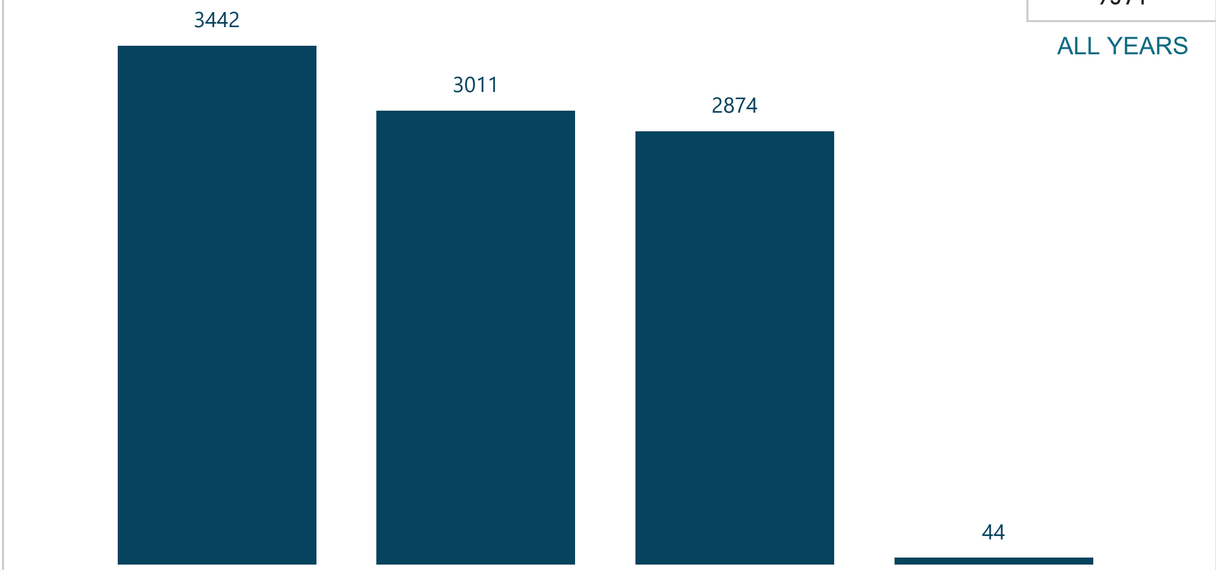

When did you choose family medicine as your specialty? (Select one)

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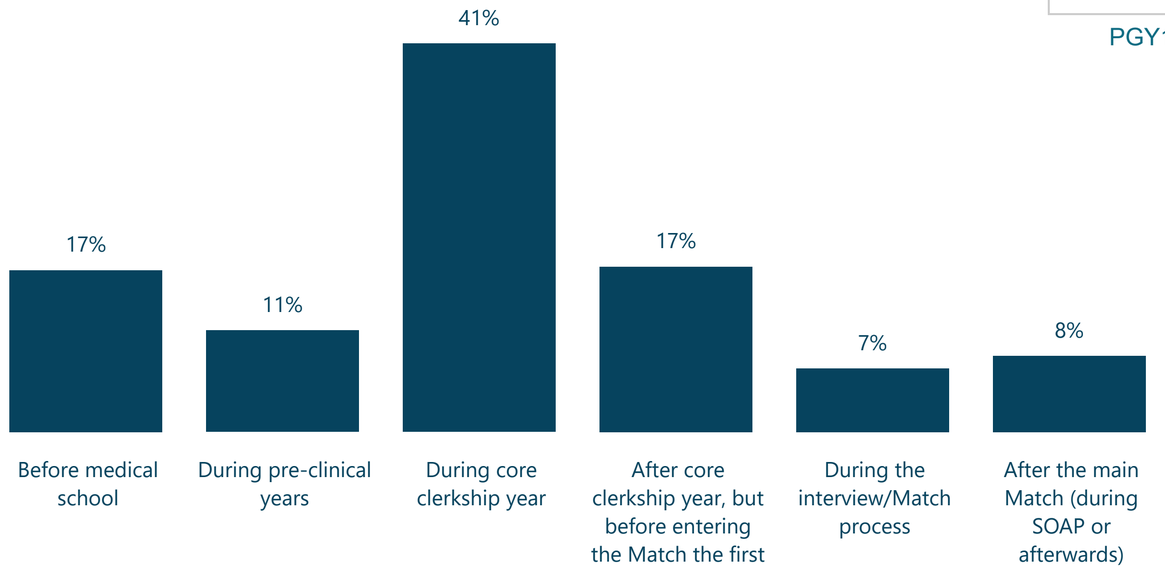

When did you match into family medicine?

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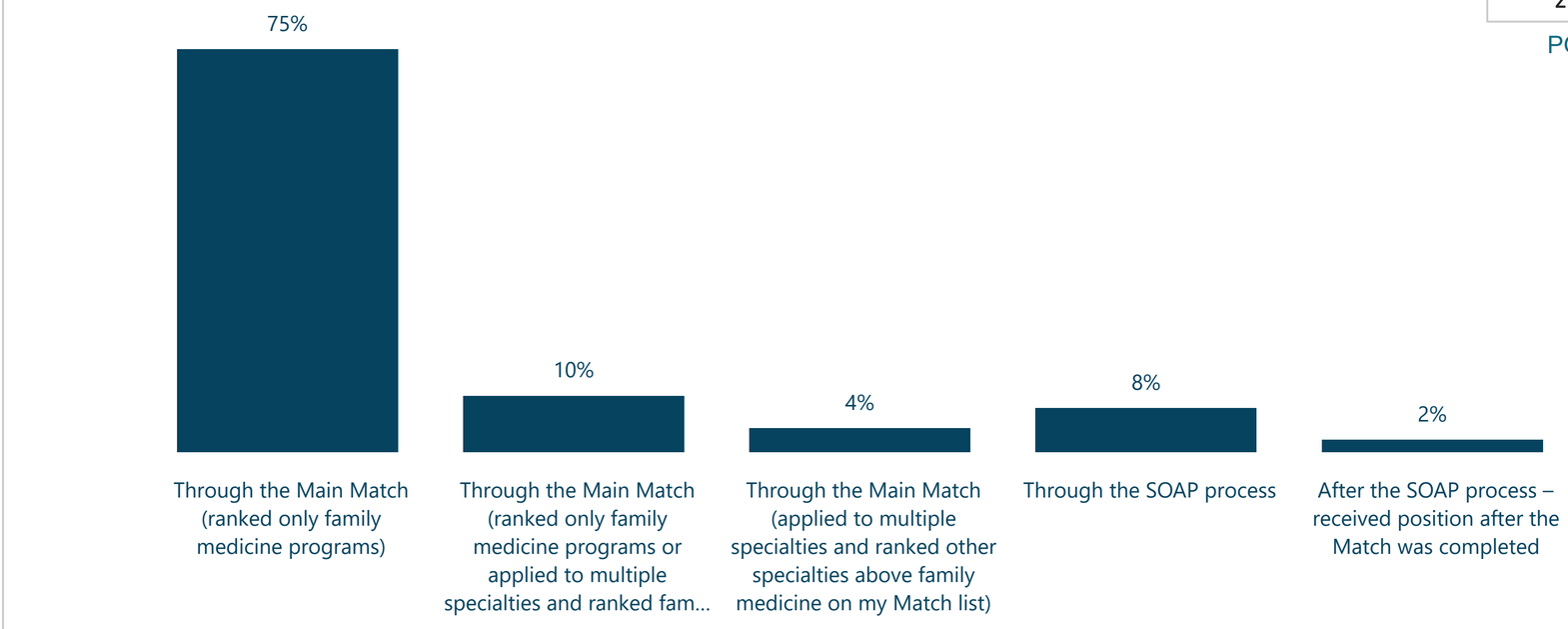

Did you participate in the couples match?

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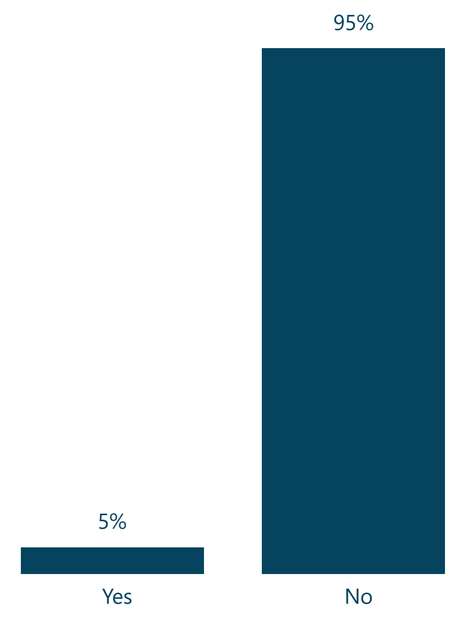

How many family medicine residency programs did you apply to?

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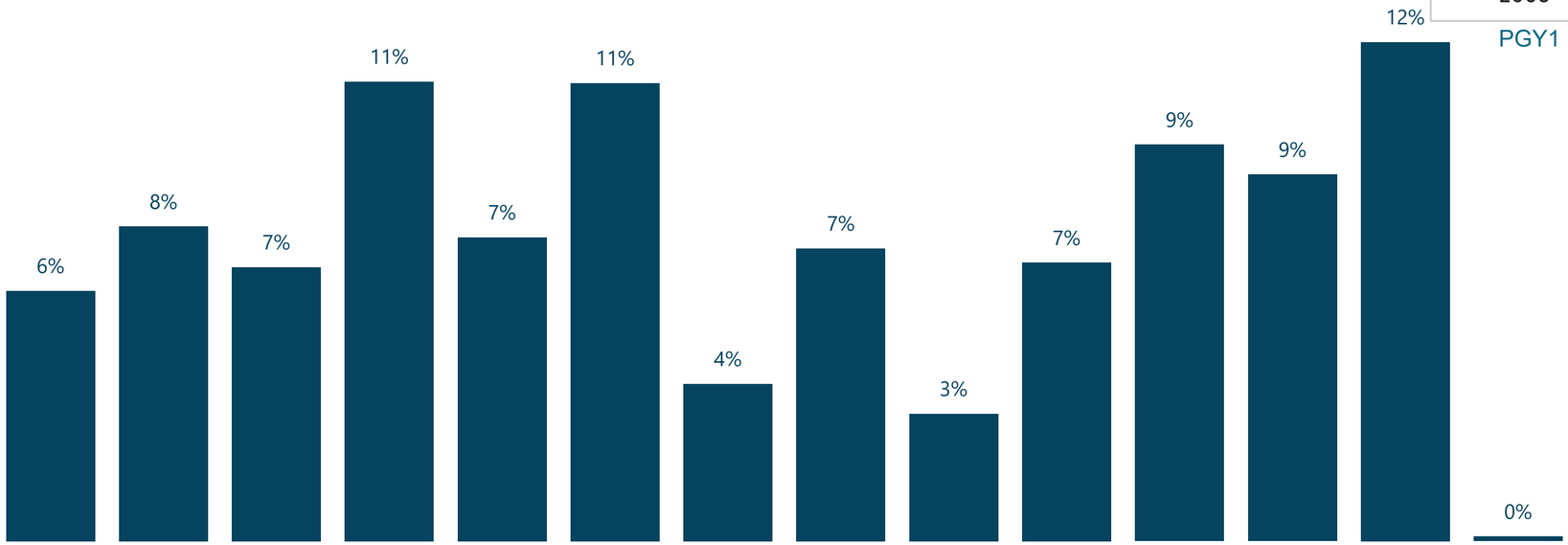

Did you apply to a four-year family medicine residency program?

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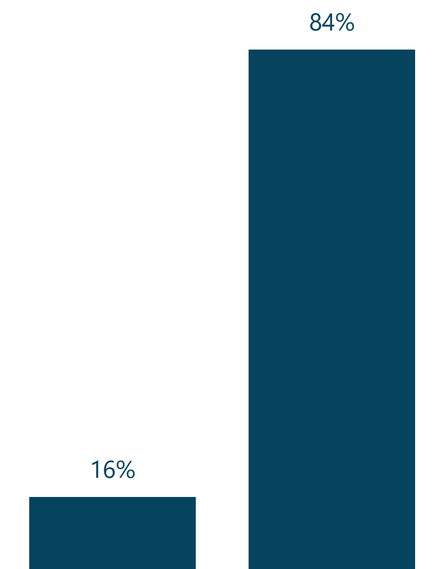

What type of interviews did you have in the main Match? (select best)

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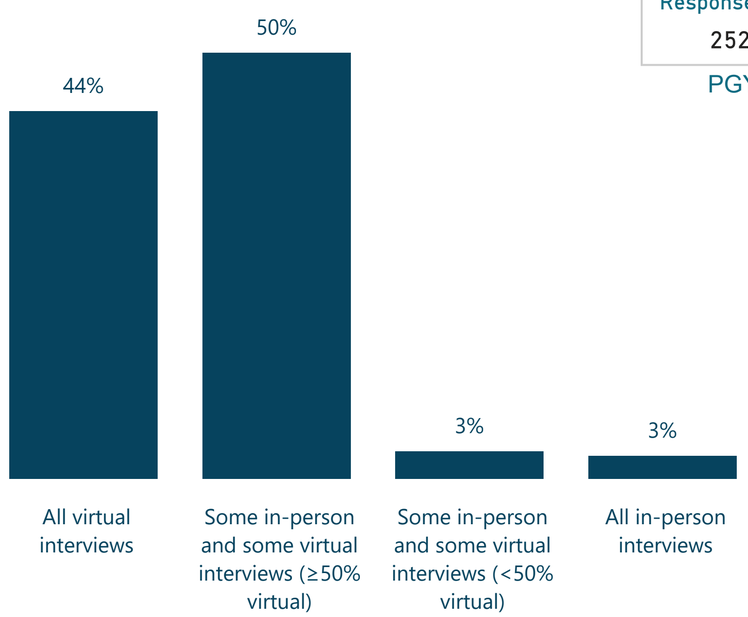

How many family medicine residency programs did you interview at as part of the Match?

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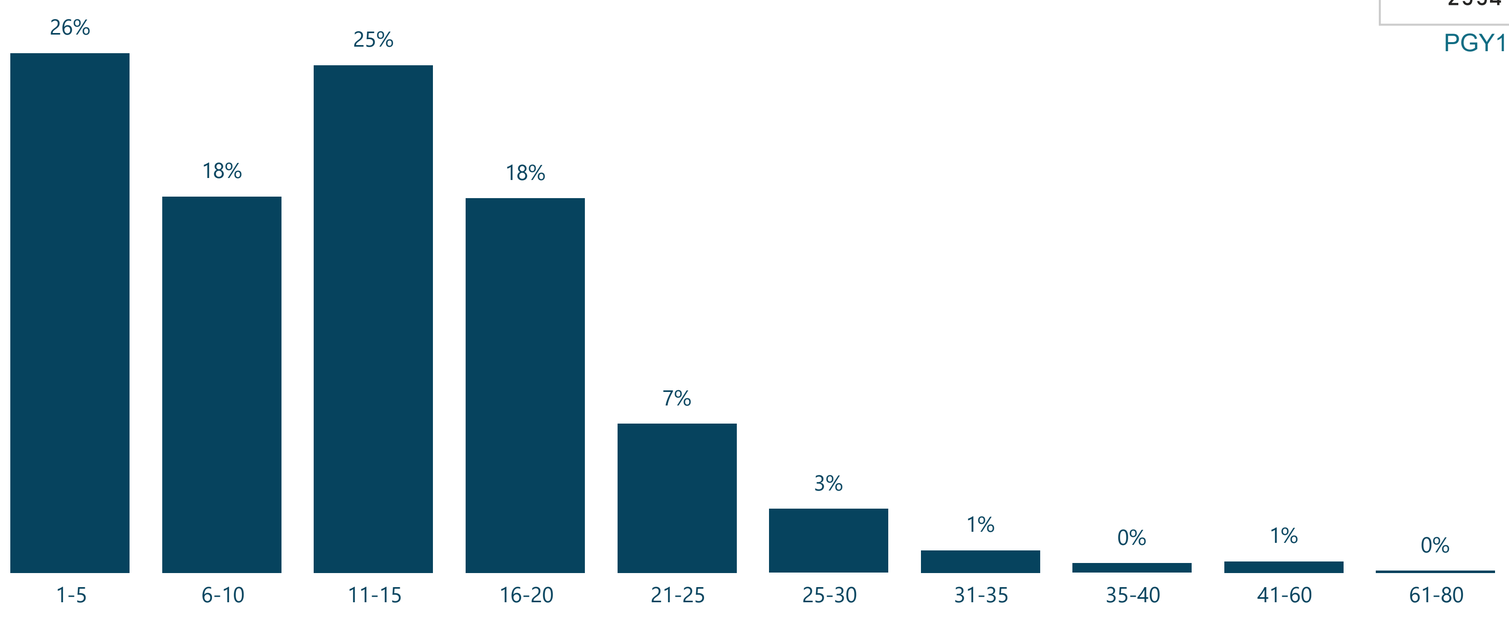

Which of the following best describes the type of interview and program interaction you had with your current program? (select best)

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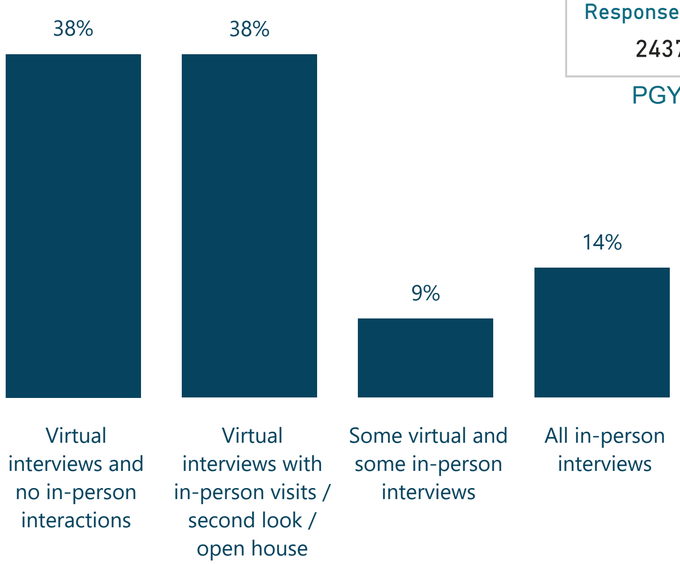

Rank in order of preference the type of interview format you would like to have programs offer?

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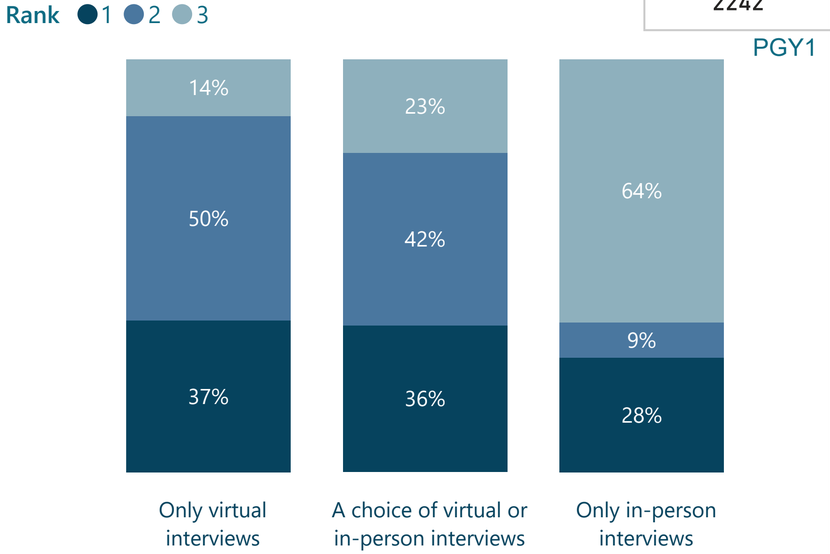

Did the type of interviews offered – in-person, virtual, or hybrid – affect how you ranked programs?

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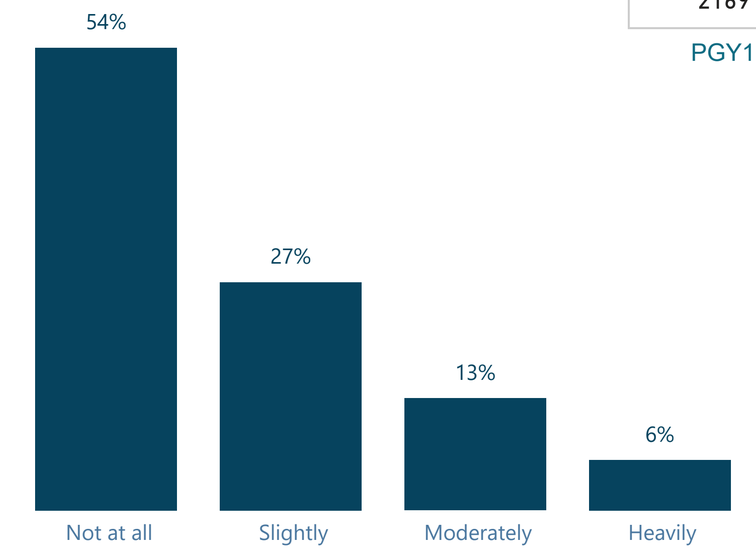

During your first 3 months of residency, did you receive instruction or assessment in: (yes / no to each)

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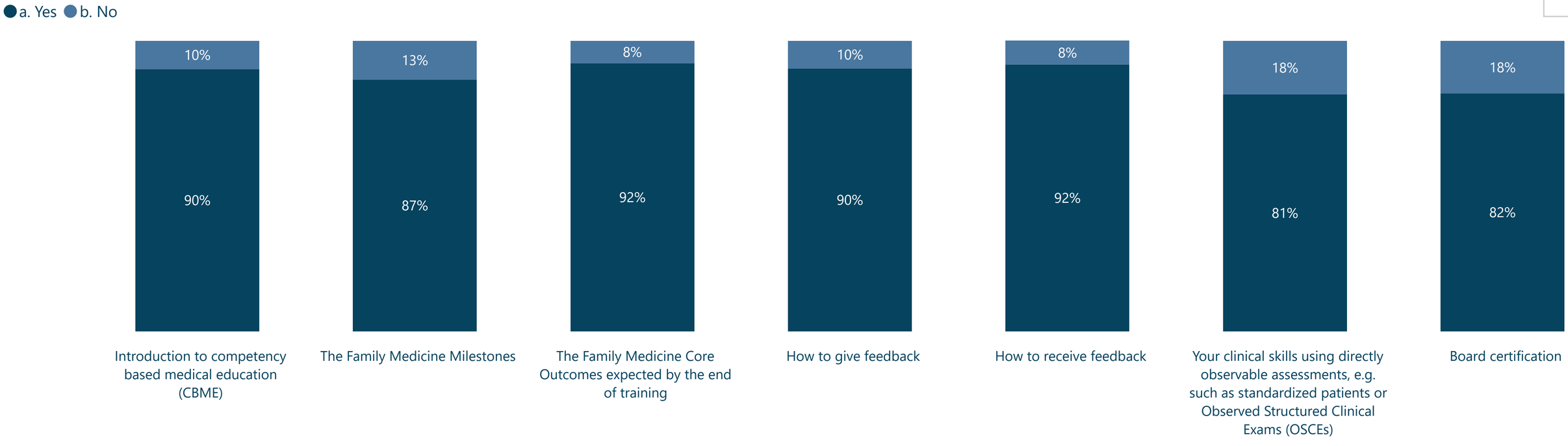

Are you planning on completing a fellowship after residency?

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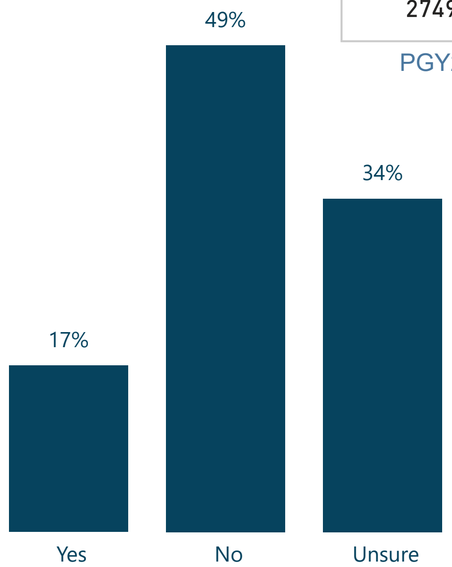

After graduation, do you intend to practice outpatient continuity care?

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Which of the following principal professional activities do you plan to do instead?

Response Count: 232

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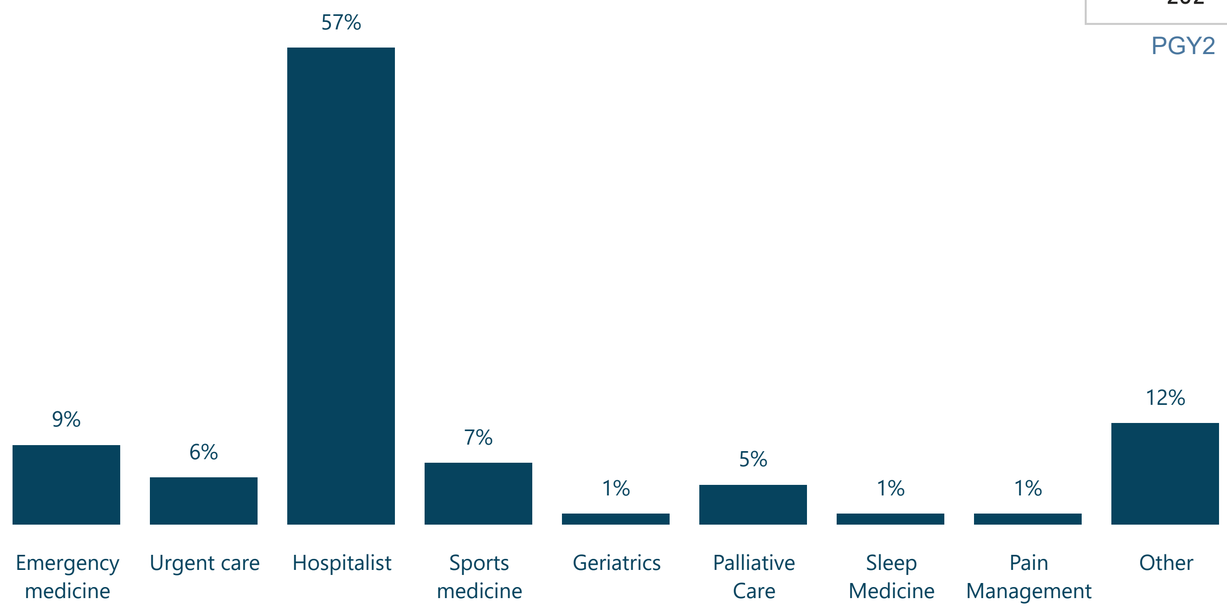

I plan on personally providing the following care after residency: (select all that apply)

Response Count	Physician Count
11754	2603

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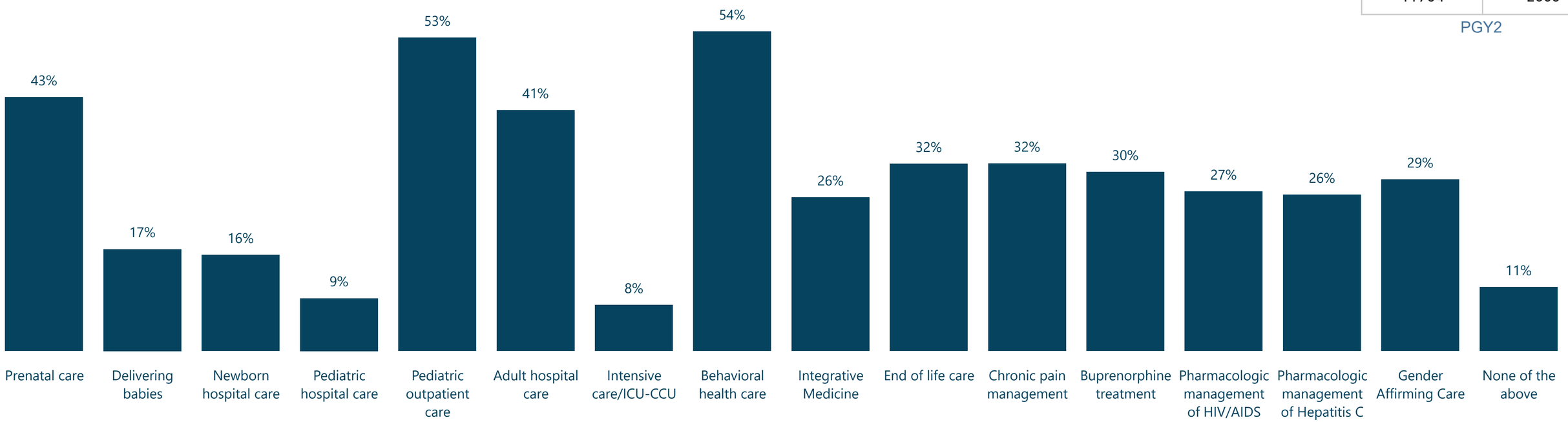

I plan on personally providing the following services or procedures after residency: (select all that apply)

Response Count	Physician Count
15022	2331

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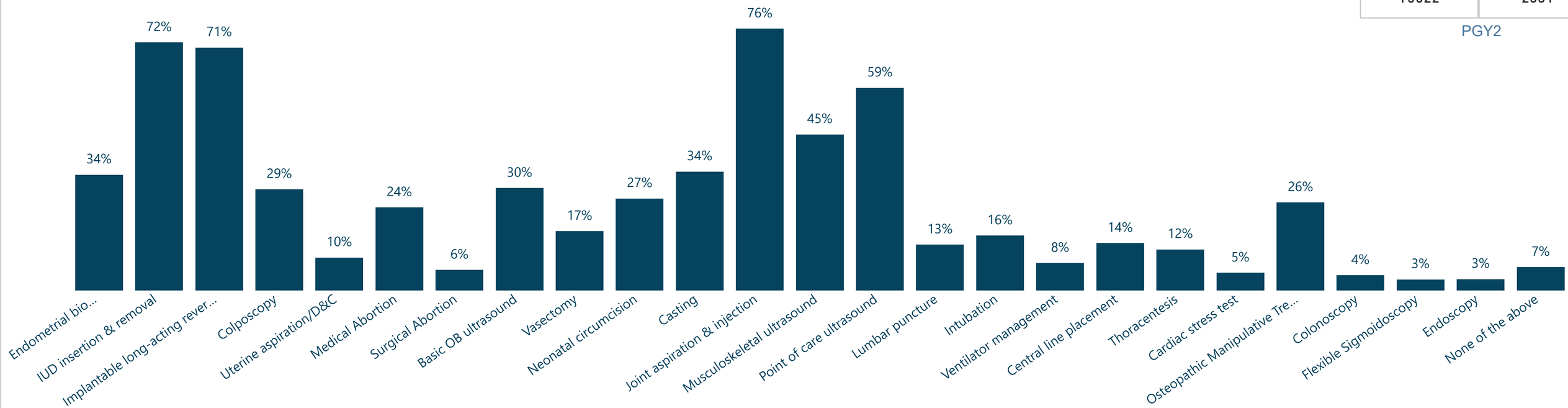

After graduation, are you interested in incorporating any of the following into your practice? (yes/no to each)

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2229

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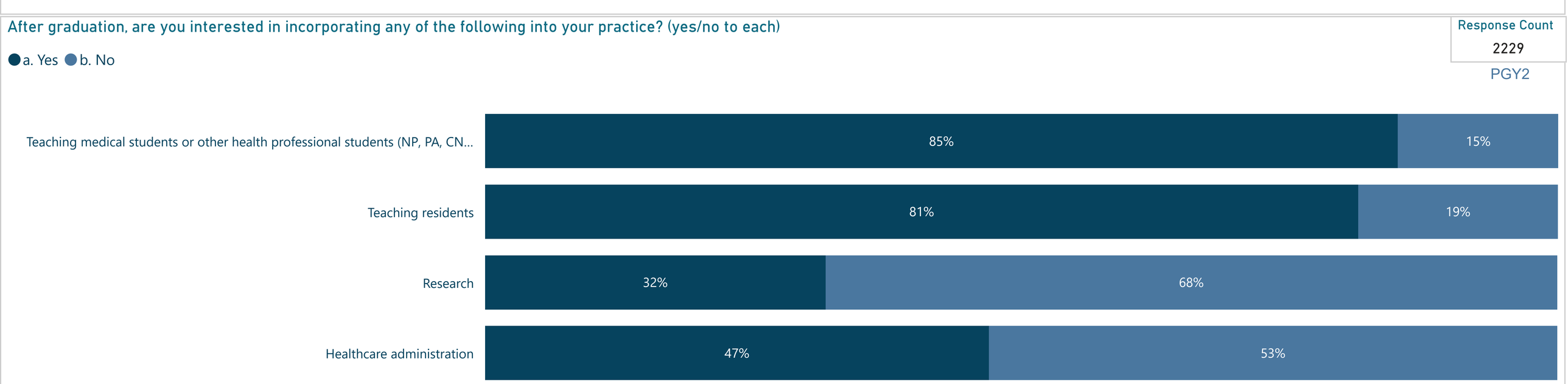

Do you have an assigned panel of patients?

Response Count: 6891

ALL YEARS

Approximately, what is your panel size?

Response Count: 3150

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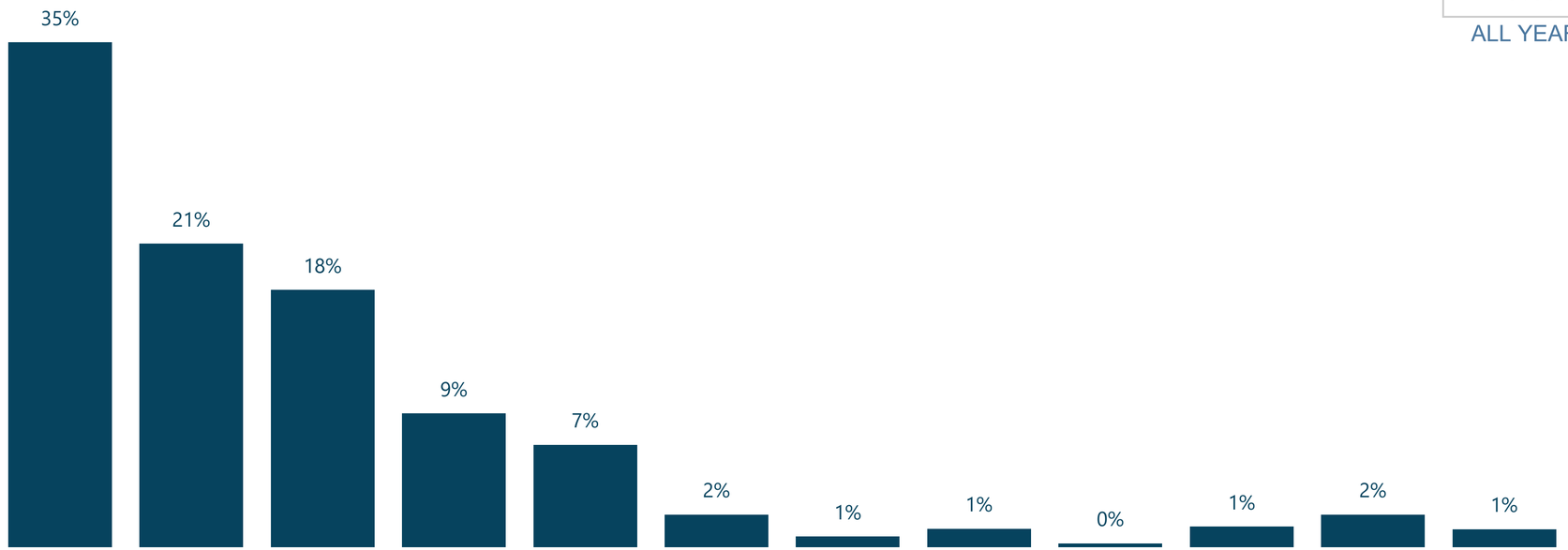

Have you been told the approximate number of patients on your panel?

Response Count: 6245

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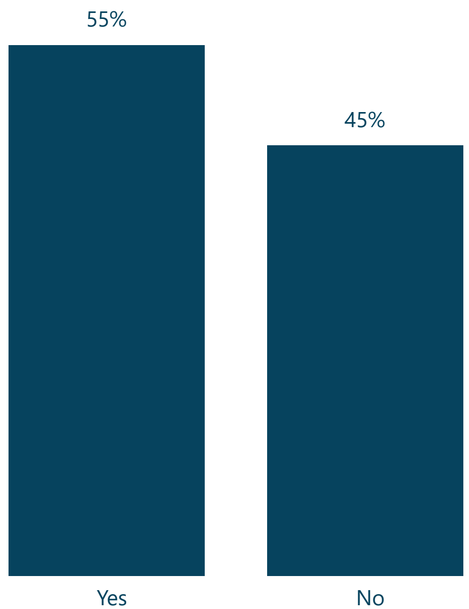

In a typical half day of clinic, what percentage of the patients that you see are patients assigned to your panel?

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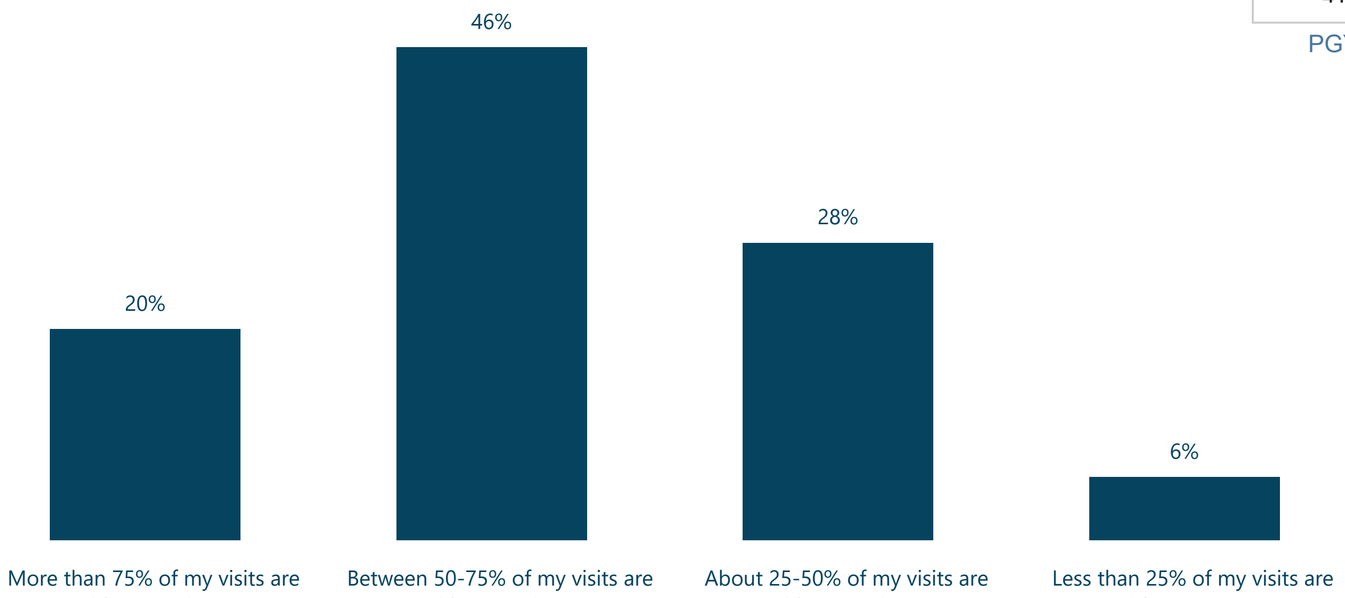

If patient panel is assigned, in the last 6 months, have you received either written or oral feedback or reporting on the following: (yes/no to each)

Response Count
3978

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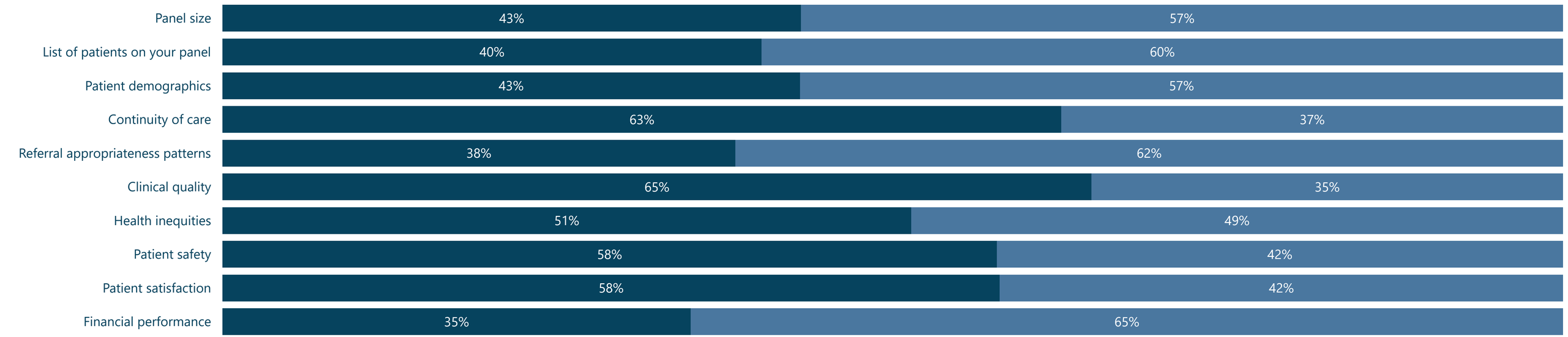

If patient panel is not assigned, in the last 6 months, have you received either written or oral feedback or reporting on the following: (yes/no to each)

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369

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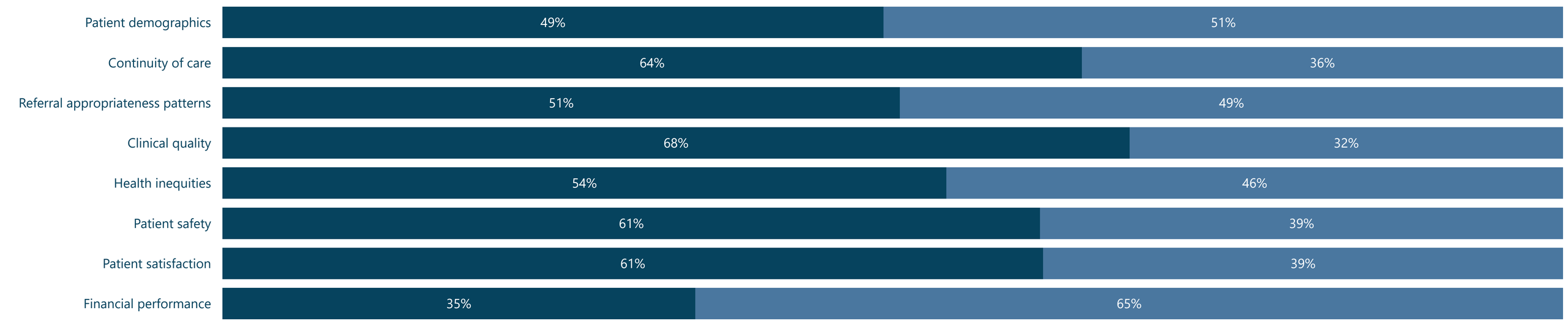

What is the name of your current PRIMARY, outpatient EHR system?

Response Count: 4118

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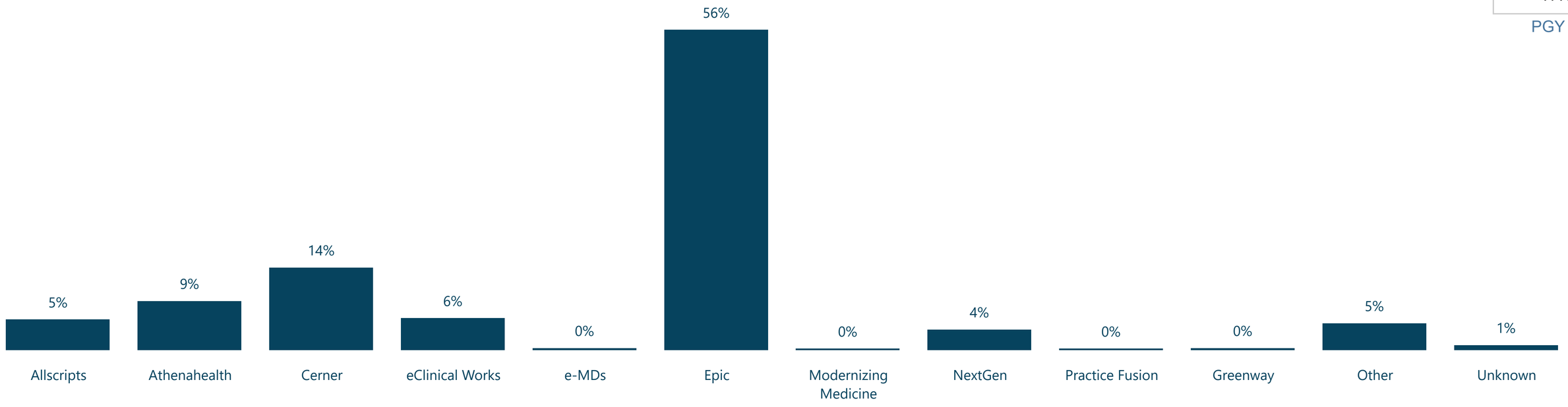

Overall, how satisfied are you with your current primary, outpatient EHR system?

Response Count: 4082

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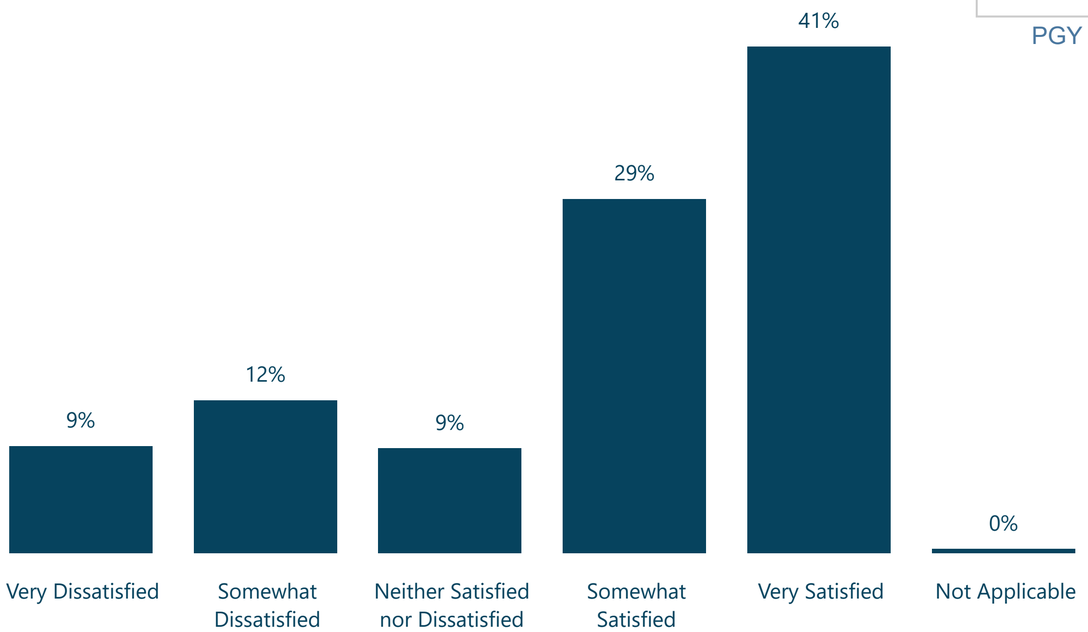

On average, how many hours per day do you spend outside of normal office hours documenting clinical care in your current, primary outpatient EHR system?

Response Count: 4044

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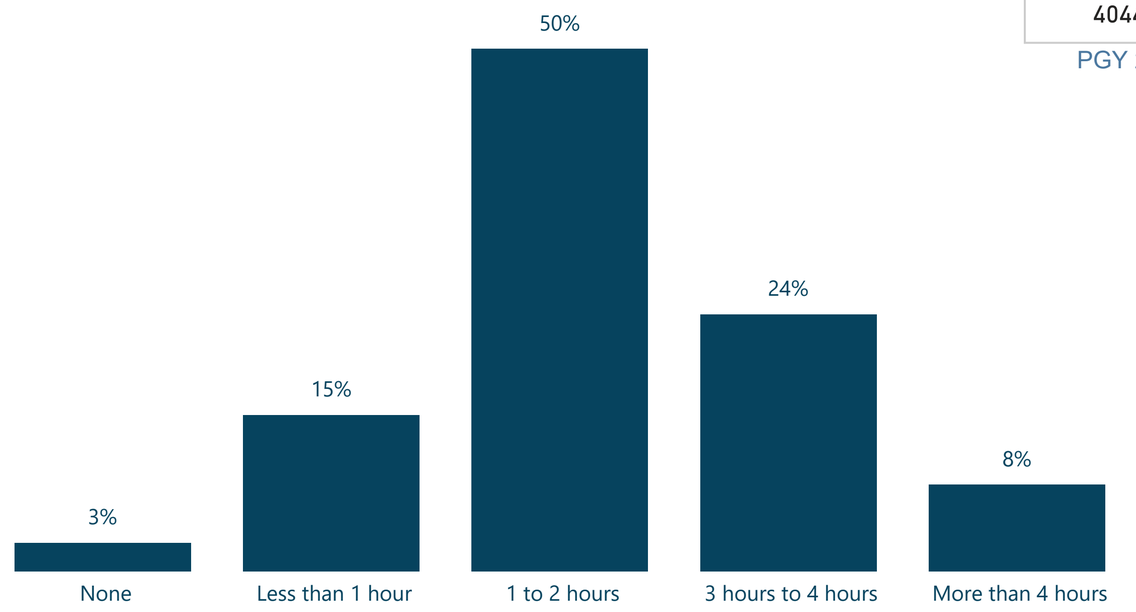

In the last 2 months, have you experienced the following:

a. Yes b. No c. Unsure

Response Count
3970

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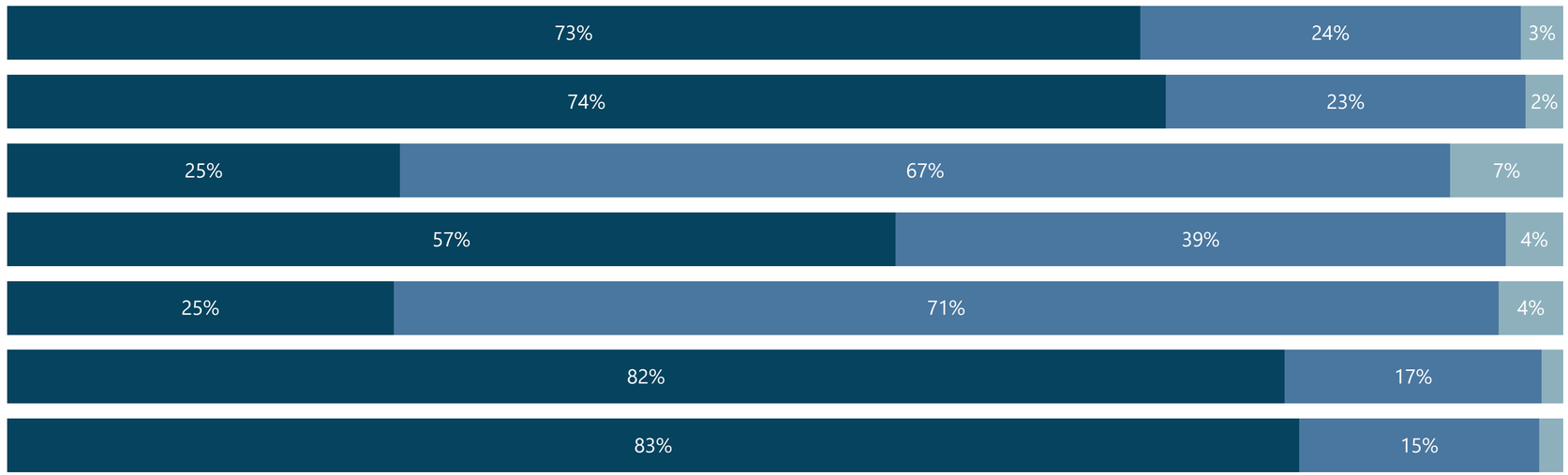

In the last 6 months, have you experienced the following:

a. Yes b. No c. Unsure

Response Count
3895

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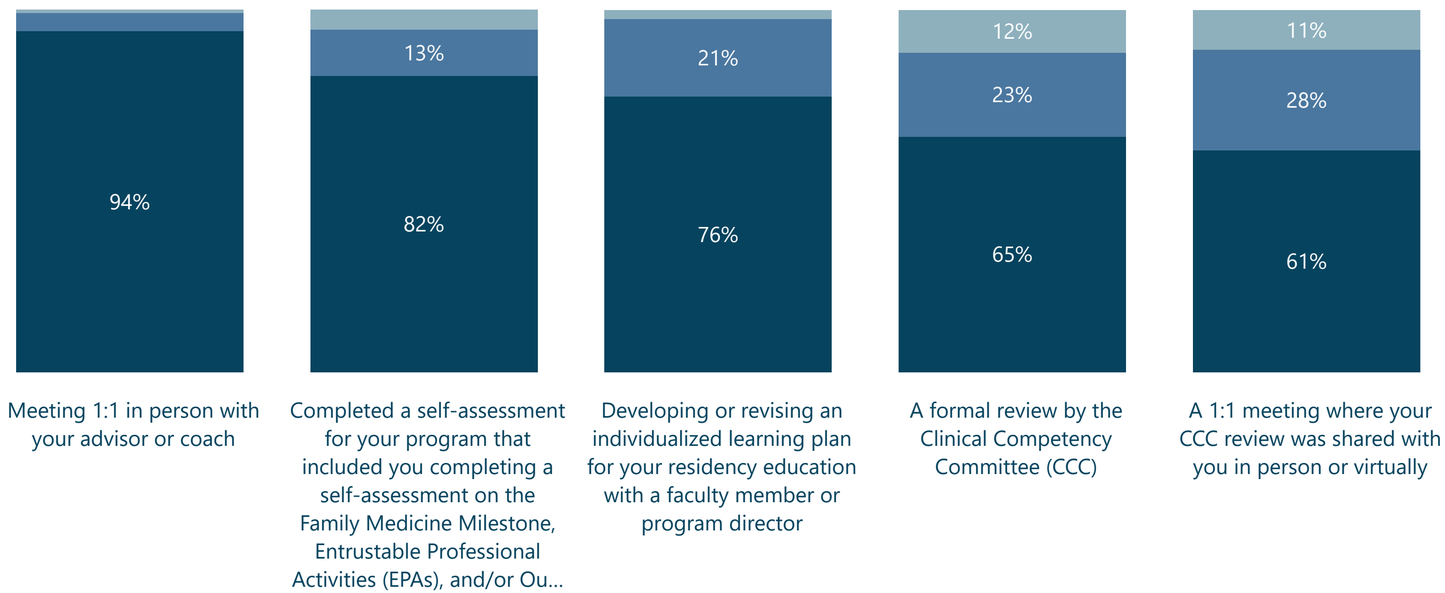

Considering your experience so far in residency, how satisfied are you with the feedback and assessments of your clinical performance?

Response Count
3870

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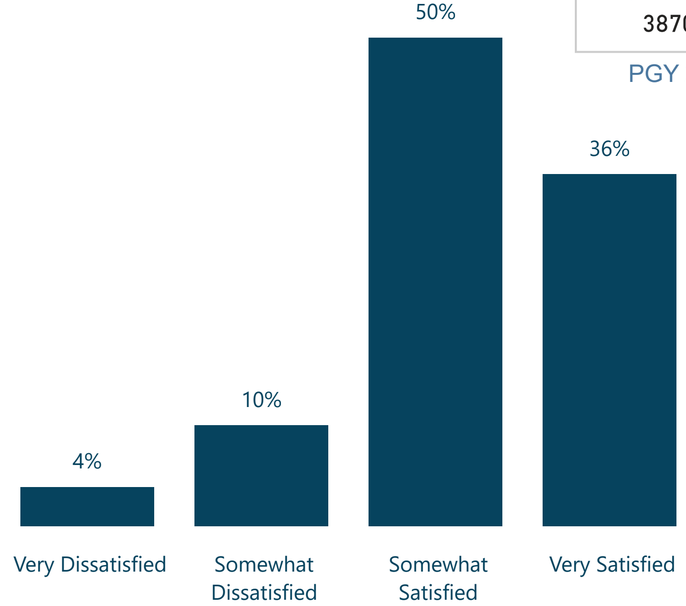

How comfortable are you giving feedback:

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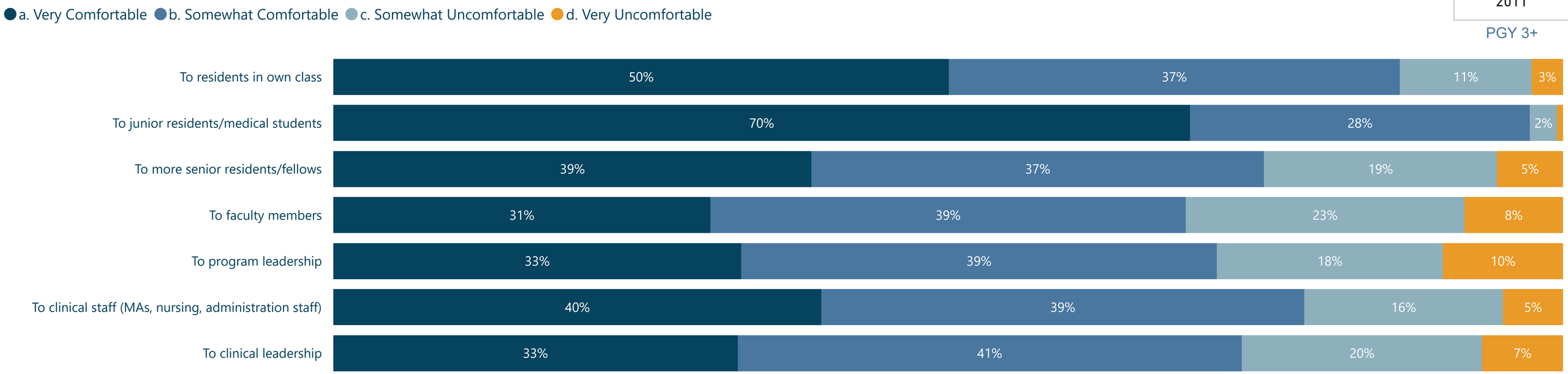

How comfortable are you receiving feedback:

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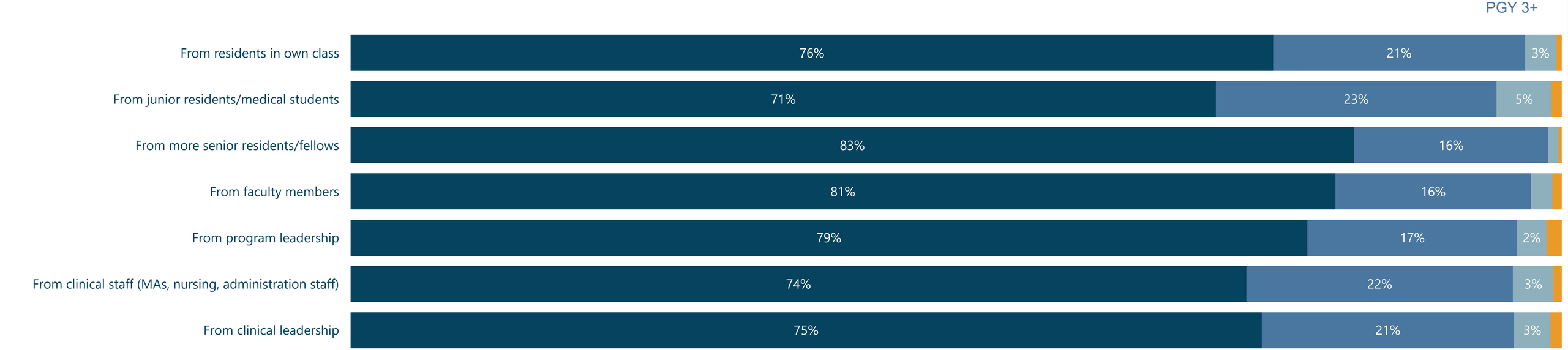

In the last 2 months, have you received feedback from any of the following:

Response Count
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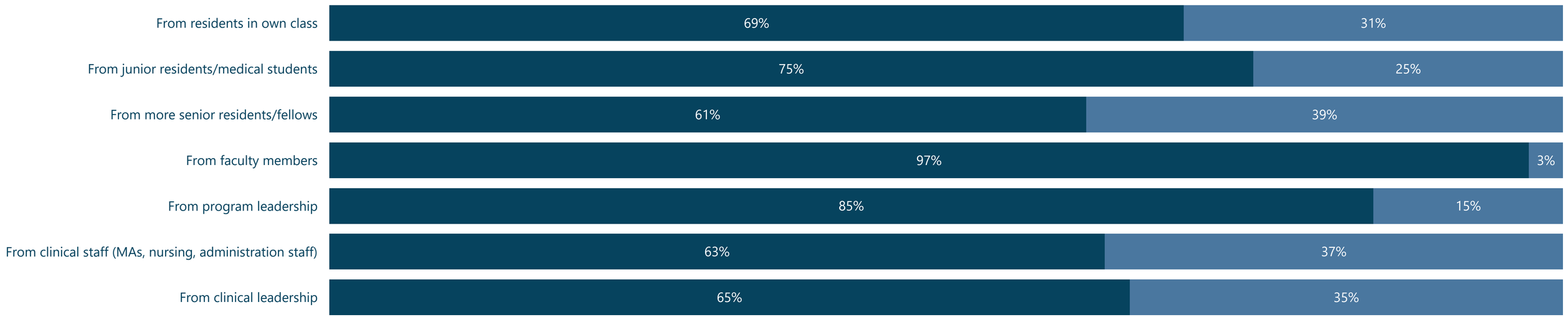
● a. Yes ● b. No



In the last 2 months, have you given feedback to any of the following:

Response Count
1978

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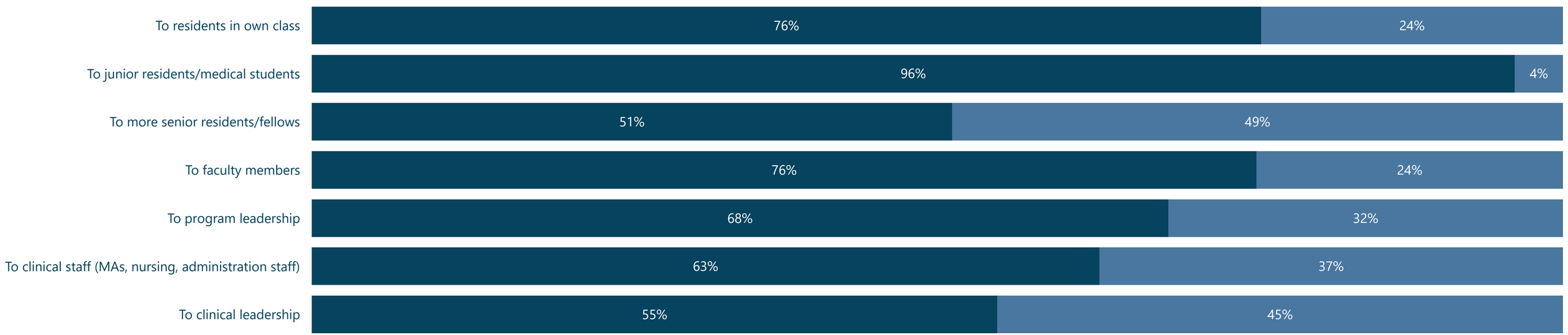
● a. Yes ● b. No



Satisfaction in training and profession

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Medicine as a Profession

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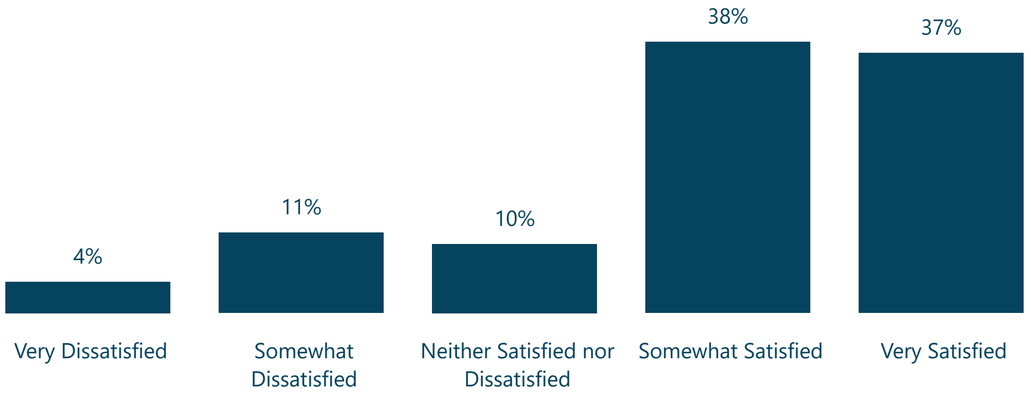

Choice of Family Medicine as a specialty

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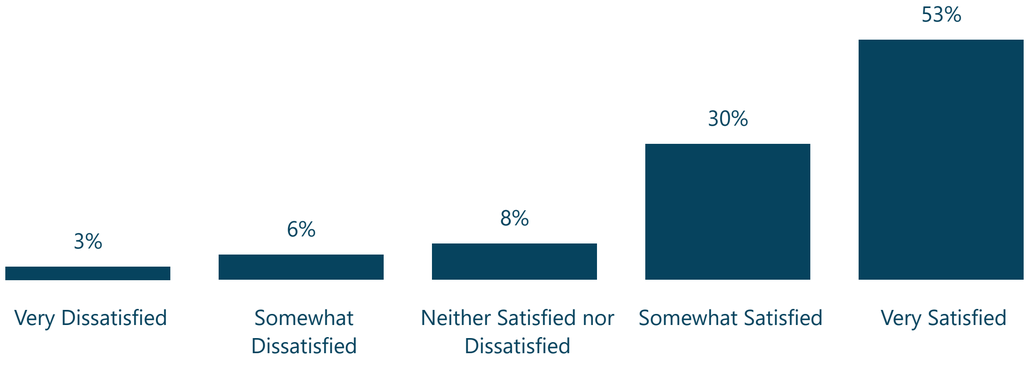

Residency Training

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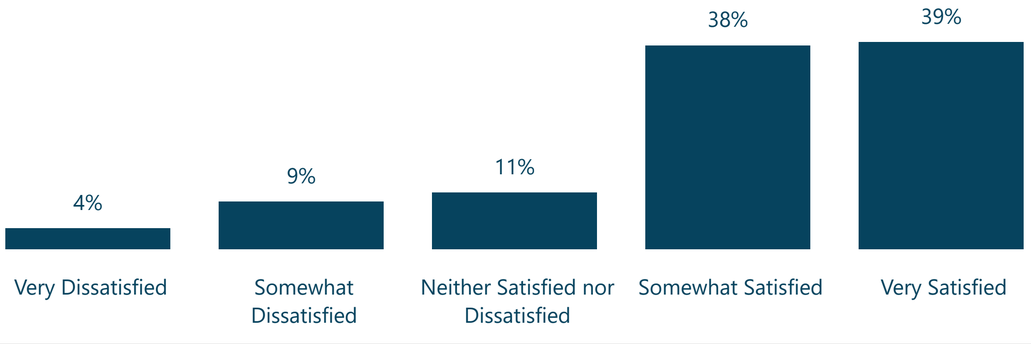

Burnout

I feel burned out from my work.

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5776

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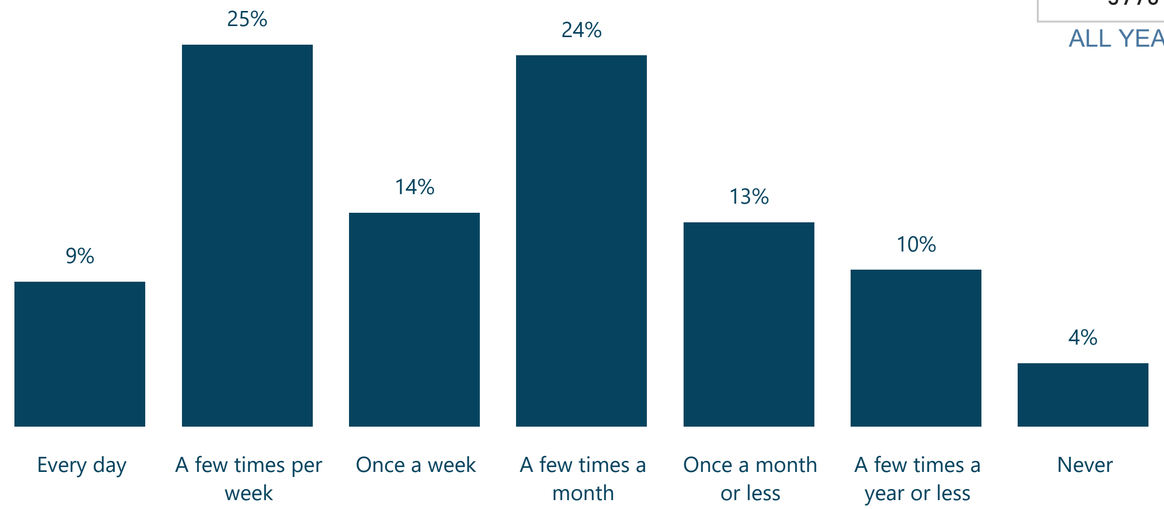

I have become more callous toward people since I took this job.

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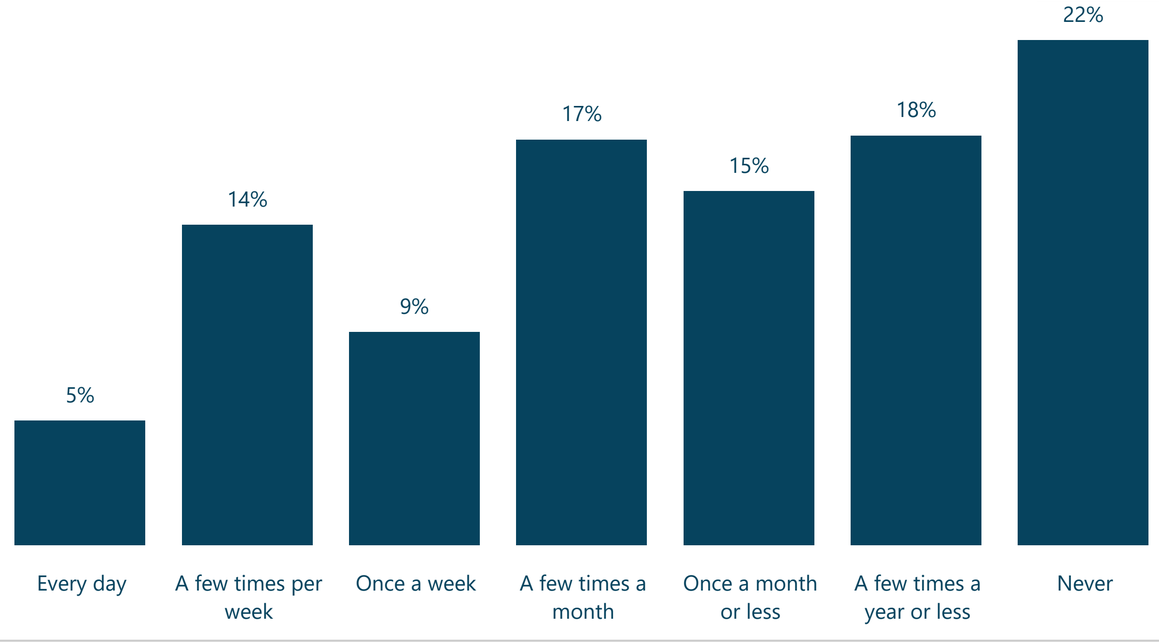
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