

December 2009

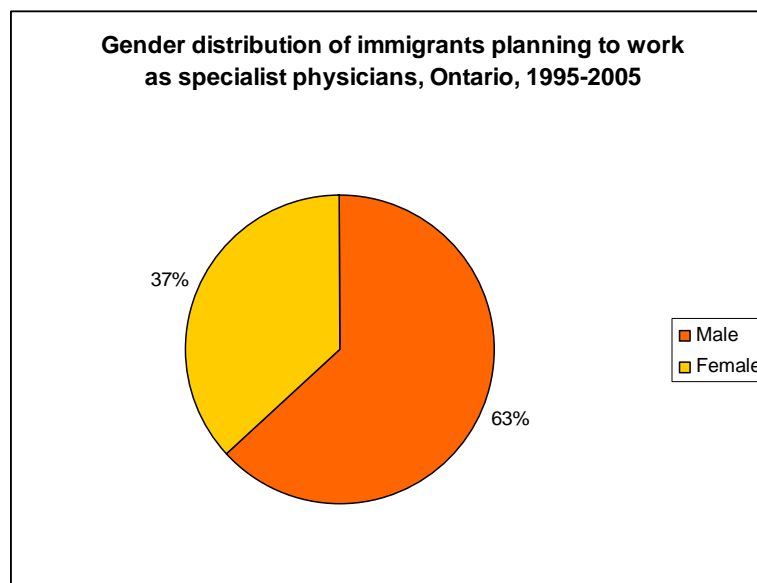
***QUESTION:***

What is the profile of immigrants planning to work as specialists physicians in terms of countries of origin, immigration programs used, places of initial settlement, and occupational groupings?

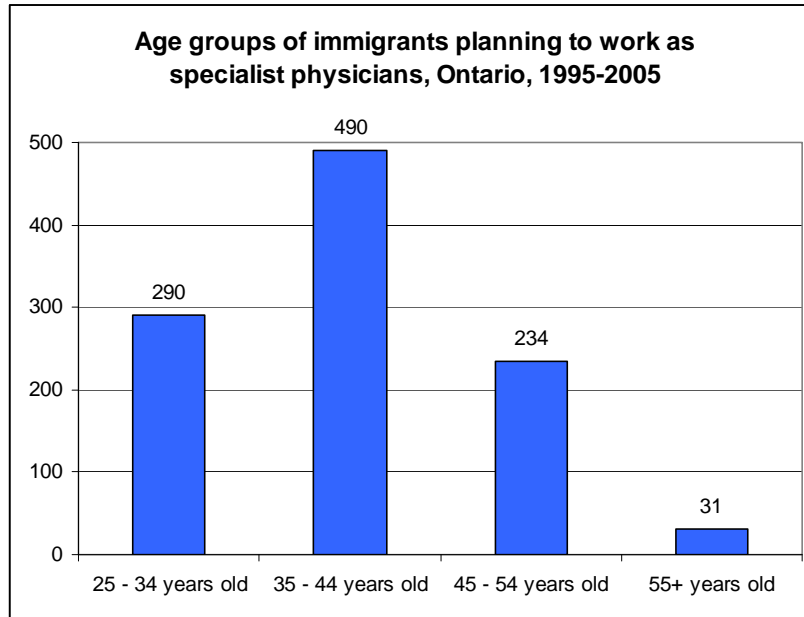
***ANSWER:***

Between 1995 and 2005, 2,259 immigrants landing in Canada were planning to work as specialist physicians. Among them 1,048 were planning to settle in Ontario.

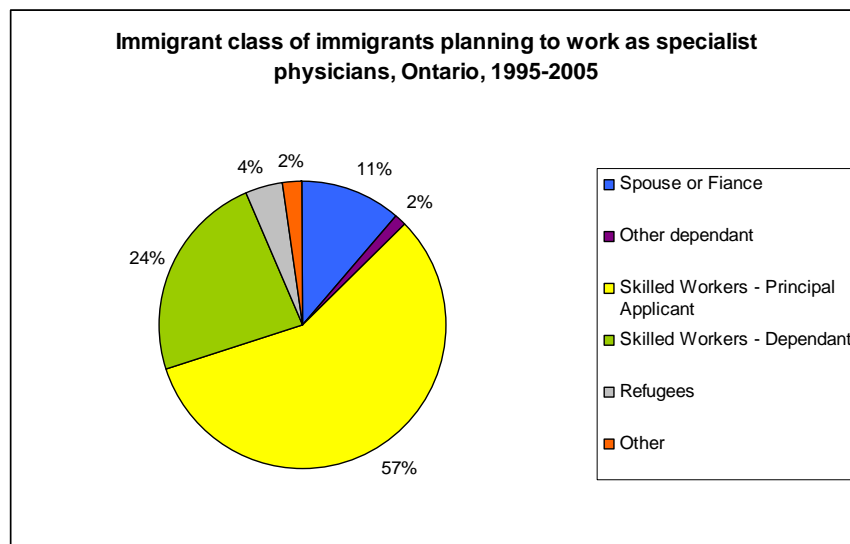
More immigrant men were planning to work as specialist physicians than immigrant women (63% vs. 37%, respectively).



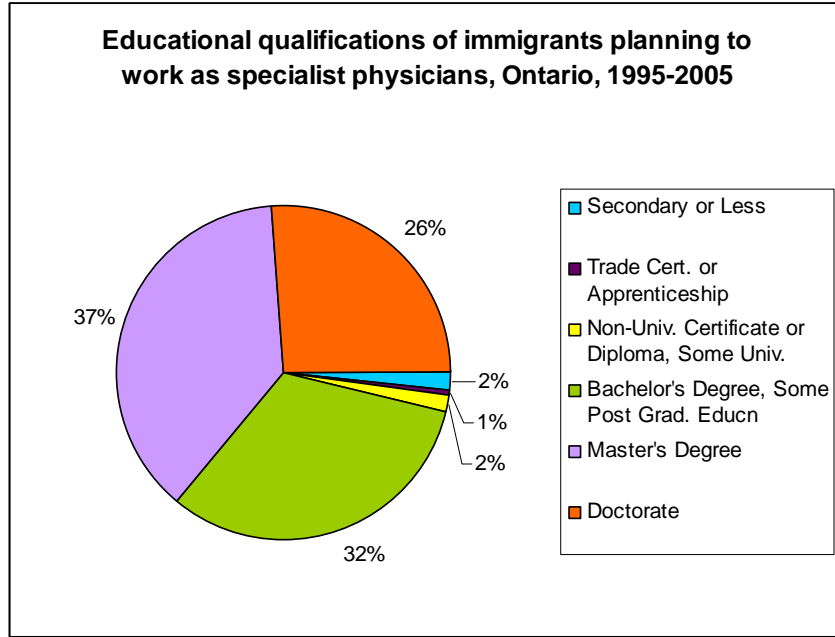
Almost half of immigrants (490 out of 1,048) planning to work as specialist physicians were between the ages of 35 and 44.



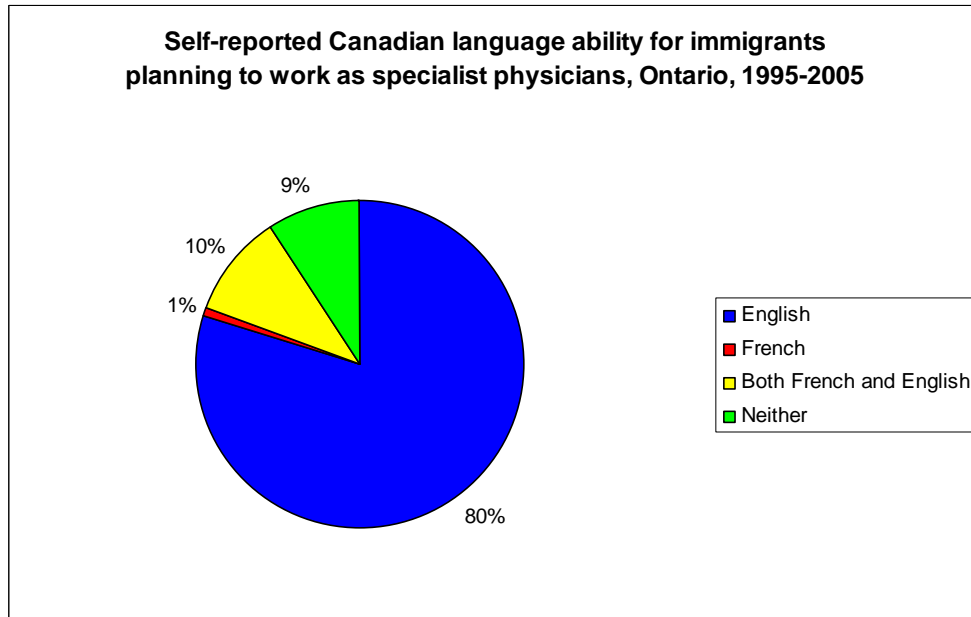
The majority of immigrants (57%) planning to work as specialist physicians were principal applicants under the skilled workers class. Another 24% were dependants of the skilled worker class. Thirteen percent of immigrants arrived under the family class as spouse or fiancé or other dependants.



The overwhelming majority (95%) of immigrants planning to work as specialist physicians had a university degree, including 32% with a bachelor's, 37% with a master's and 26% with a PhD.



The majority of immigrants (80%) reported that they spoke English. Another 10% were bilingual.



Among immigrants planning to work as specialist physicians, 13.1% were born in India, 10.3% were born in Egypt and 9.6% were born in PR China.

| Country of birth            | N     | %    |
|-----------------------------|-------|------|
| India                       | 137   | 13.1 |
| Egypt                       | 108   | 10.3 |
| China, People's Republic of | 101   | 9.6  |
| Pakistan                    | 85    | 8.1  |
| Iran                        | 77    | 7.3  |
| Ukraine                     | 34    | 3.2  |
| Russia                      | 28    | 2.7  |
| United States of America    | 26    | 2.5  |
| Bangladesh                  | 24    | 2.3  |
| Iraq                        | 20    | 1.9  |
| Other                       | 333   | 31.8 |
| TOTAL                       | 1,048 |      |

The most common mother tongue among specialist physicians arriving between 1995 and 2005 and planning to settle in Ontario is Arabic with 18.6%, followed by English with 14.1%.

| Mother tongue | N     | %    |
|---------------|-------|------|
| Arabic        | 195   | 18.6 |
| English       | 148   | 14.1 |
| Urdu          | 76    | 7.3  |
| Russian       | 68    | 6.5  |
| Mandarin      | 67    | 6.4  |
| Spanish       | 61    | 5.8  |
| Farsi         | 47    | 4.5  |
| Hindi         | 39    | 3.7  |
| Chinese       | 36    | 3.4  |
| Persian       | 29    | 2.8  |
| Other         | 282   | 26.9 |
| TOTAL         | 1,048 |      |

In Ontario, almost half (44.6%) of immigrants planning to work as specialist physicians were planning to settle in Toronto. The second most popular city of destination was Mississauga (10.8%), followed by Ottawa (6.6%).

| City of Destination                                         | N     | %    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------|------|
| Toronto                                                     | 467   | 44.6 |
| Mississauga                                                 | 113   | 10.8 |
| Ottawa, including Dunrobin, Gloucester, Kanata, and Orleans | 69    | 6.6  |
| North York, including Don Mills, Downsview, and Willowdale  | 47    | 4.5  |
| Scarborough, including Agincourt                            | 37    | 3.5  |
| London                                                      | 32    | 3.1  |
| Richmond Hill                                               | 31    | 3.0  |
| Hamilton                                                    | 28    | 2.7  |
| Brampton                                                    | 25    | 2.4  |
| Windsor                                                     | 24    | 2.3  |
| Other                                                       | 175   | 16.7 |
| TOTAL                                                       | 1,048 |      |

***NOTES:***

The data is for 1995-2005. Immigrants were asked on arrival to Canada what was their intended occupation and their city of destination. Data do not take into account subsequent moves to or from Ontario as well as occupational changes.

***DEFINITIONS:***

Immigrants are permanent residents, formerly called landed immigrants.

***DATA SOURCE:***

Canada. Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Permanent Resident Data System, 1980-2005.