



Advanced Practice Provider Compensation and Workforce Insights

By the Numbers: APP Compensation Growth & Trends

Survey Participant Snapshot

The advanced practice provider (APP) workforce is expanding. With more leaders, expanded work RVU data, and strong plans for continued growth, the landscape for APP practice is evolving quickly –and market interest is surging right alongside it.





155,400+ Individual APPs



6,700+ APP Leaders



42,800+ APPs

Work relative value unit (wRVU) data

Clinical Workforce Trends



Plan to increase APP compensation within the next 12 months



Plan to increase the size of their APP workforce in the next 12 months



Average Organization Profile

\$1.7 billion

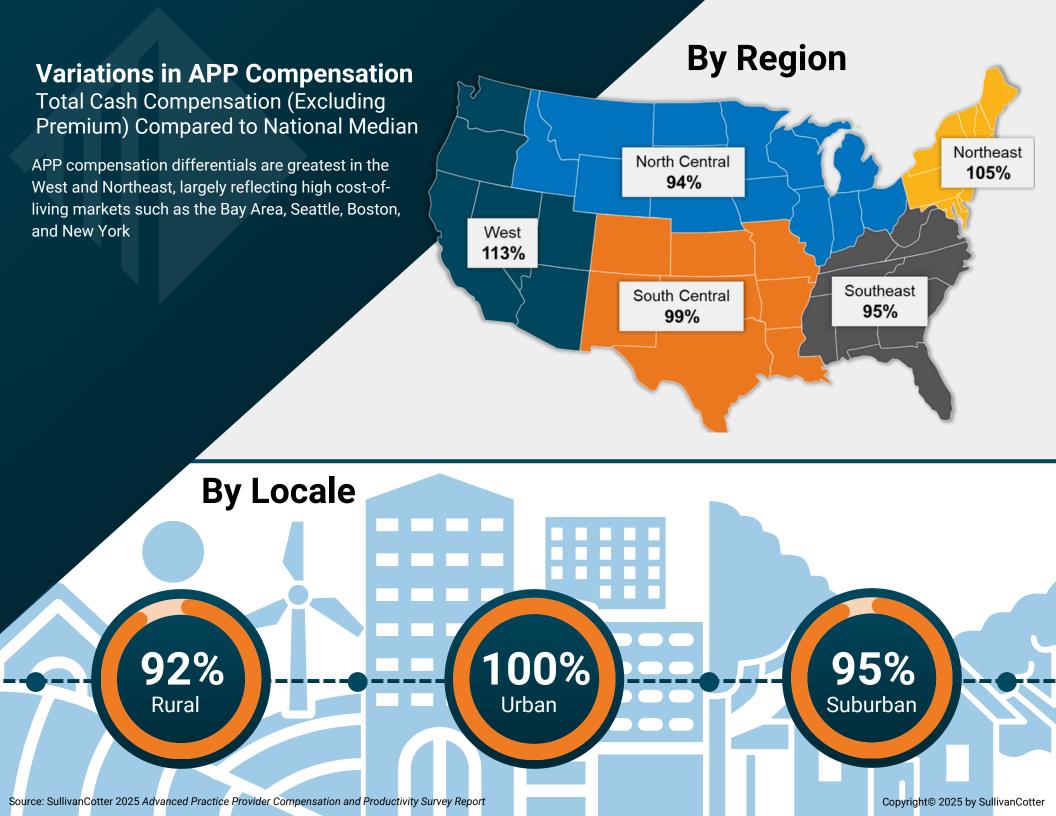
Annual Net Revenue

6,233FTE
Employees

636

Employed Physicians

283Employed
APPs



Base and Total Cash Compensation (TCC) Hourly Pay

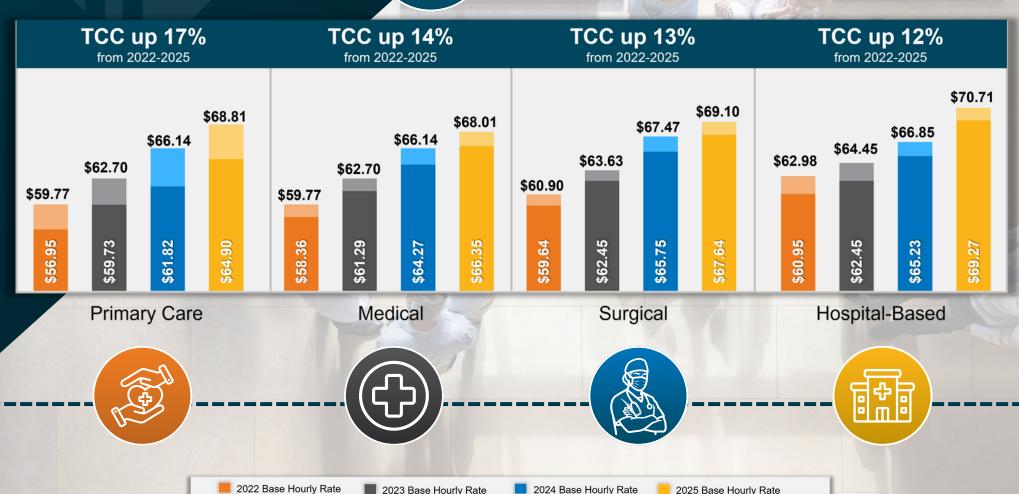
APP compensation growth shows signs of stabilizing after years of steep increases.



Median NP/PA Combined **Compensation - Hourly Rates**

2025 Base Hourly Rate

2025 TCC* Hourly Rate



^{*} Total Cash Compensation (TCC) Hourly Rate calculated using 2,080 annual hours excluding premium.

2023 Base Hourly Rate

2023 TCC* Hourly Rate

2024 Base Hourly Rate

2024 TCC* Hourly Rate

2022 TCC* Hourly Rate



Median Number of Salary Grades, Ranges, or Tiers Used for Non-Leadership NPs and PAs:

4

Median Years to Midpoint:

Median Years to Maximum:

15



utilize **RN experience credit** to determine APRN compensation



of those who use RN experience have a similar policy for PAs with previous non-APP health care experience



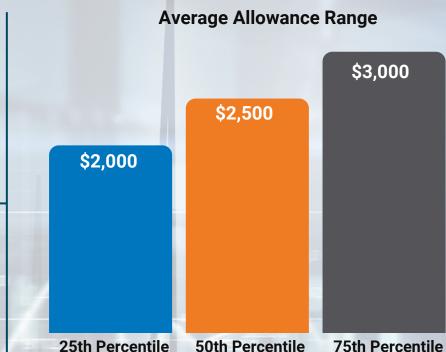
Use same pay practices design for **both first assist and non-first assist** NPs and
PAs within surgical specialties

CME Expense Allowance Aditional APP Benefits

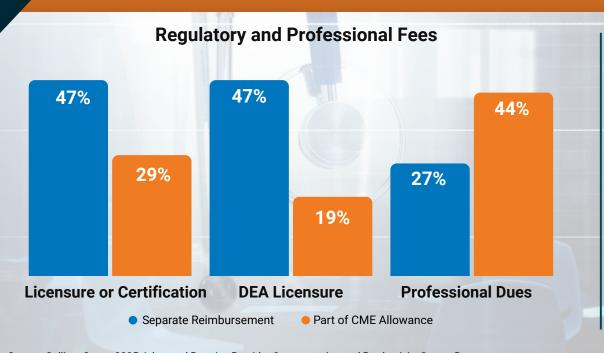
Organizations are boosting support for APPs with generous CME allowances, student loan forgiveness programs, and reimbursement for licensure and professional fees. This makes benefits a powerful tool for recruitment and retention.

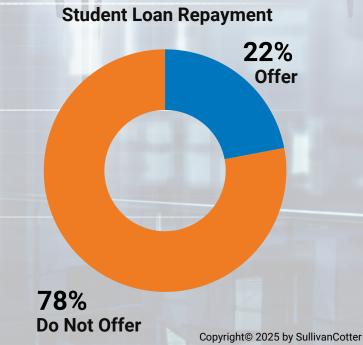






Additional Reimbursement





Source: SullivanCotter 2025 Advanced Practice Provider Compensation and Productivity Survey Report

Key Takeaways

APPs continue to play an important role in achieving greater patient access, lowering the cost of care and addressing the growing physician shortage.



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Pay compression across all specialties is increasing, prompting organizations to be deliberate in how they differentiate pay including both pay levels and structures.



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CRNAs continue to be in strong demand, and organizations are leveraging multiple compensation levers to attract and retain them.



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Incentives for APPs have now surpassed 55% of organizations and continue to expand as APPs take on more provider-like responsibilities.



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Over the past five years, compensation for APP leaders has become more structured. Executive and director-level APPs are placed in separate pay ranges, while clinical- and manager-level leaders are paid premiums tied to their clinical responsibilities.

The Advanced Practice Provider Compensation and Productivity Survey provides the data to systematically track and benchmark market changes, which in turn helps organizations in managing strategic and financial planning for continued growth and success.



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