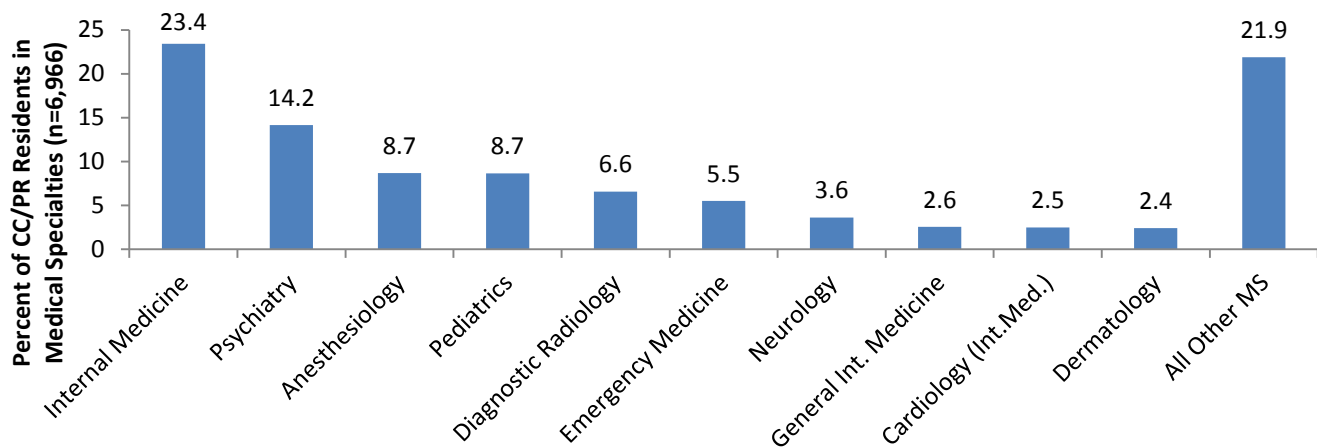


During the 2017/2018 training year there were 16,458 residents and fellows pursuing post-M.D. studies in Canada. When we consider only Canadian Citizens and Permanent Residents (CC/PR), who unlike visa trainees are expected to remain in Canada following training, this number drops to 14,128. Of this group the majority ($n = 13,168$) are completing a residency as opposed to a fellowship. These are the students that will be the focus of this fact sheet. CAPER condenses the post-M.D. training fields down to four broad categories:

- Family Medicine
- Lab Medicine (e.g., Radiation Oncology)
- Medical Specialties (e.g., Anesthesiology, Dermatology)
- Surgical Specialties (e.g., Neurosurgery, Plastic Surgery)

Beside Family Medicine, the next largest group of post-M.D. trainees are those in the Medical Specialties (MS; $n = 6,966$). For CC/PR residents the top ten fields of training in the Medical Specialties are shown below.



The most popular field of training in 2017/18 within the MS was Internal Medicine. CAPER has substantial historical data on the number of post-M.D. students. As can be seen below there has been a general increase in the number of trainees in the 2017/18 top five training fields over time with a surge in growth for Internal Medicine in the early 2000's. In general, the other training fields have grown at a relatively steady rate and held their rank since 1998.

