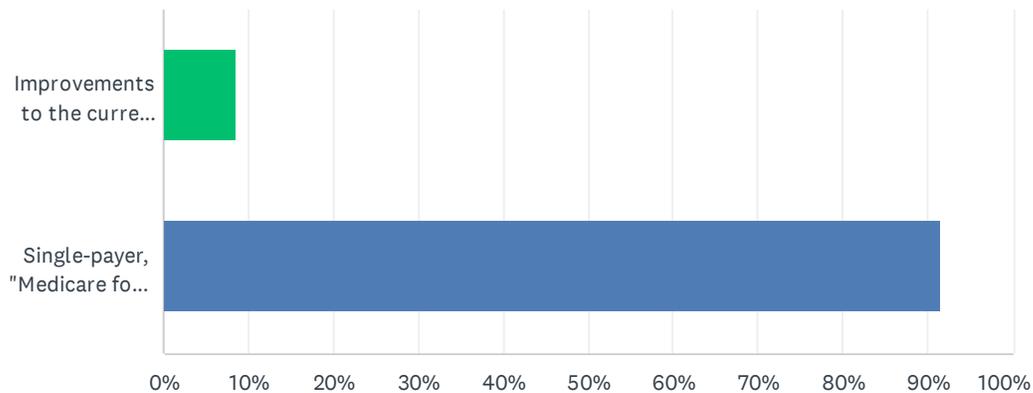


Q1 When considering the topic of health care reform, would you prefer to make improvements to the current public/private system or a single-payer system, such as a “Medicare for all” approach? (Note: the MMA has asked this precise question several times since 2008, so we are asking the same question for comparison purposes).

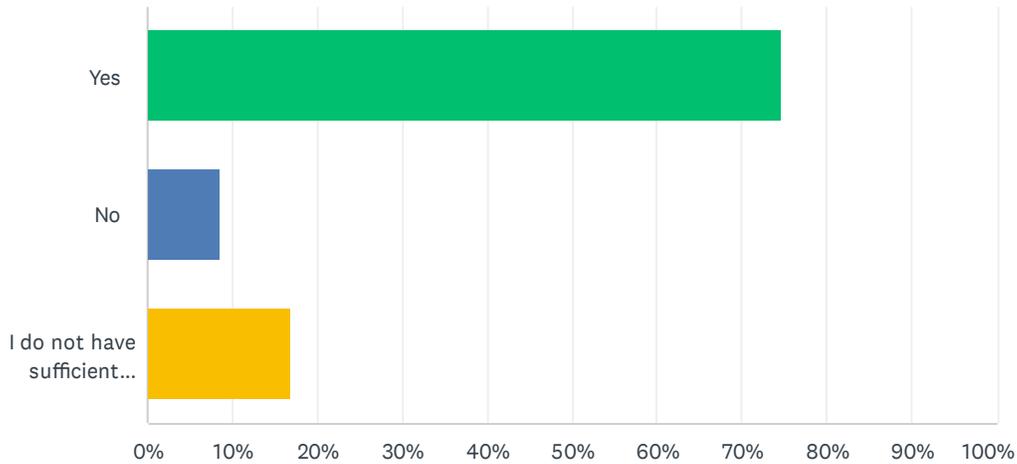
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Improvements to the current public/private system	8.62% 5
Single-payer, "Medicare for all" approach	91.38% 53
TOTAL	58

Q2 Do you believe that if there is no action on comprehensive health care reform at the federal level, it would be reasonable for Maine to develop a single-payer plan for comprehensive health care reform as an independent state?

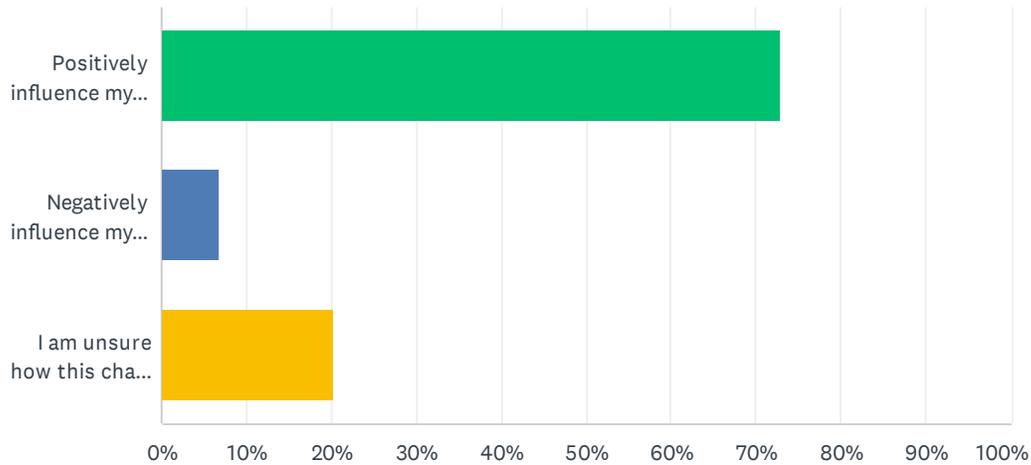
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	74.58%	44
No	8.47%	5
I do not have sufficient knowledge to answer the question	16.95%	10
TOTAL		59

Q3 If Maine implemented a state-run, single payer health care system, how would your desire to practice medicine in the State of Maine be affected?

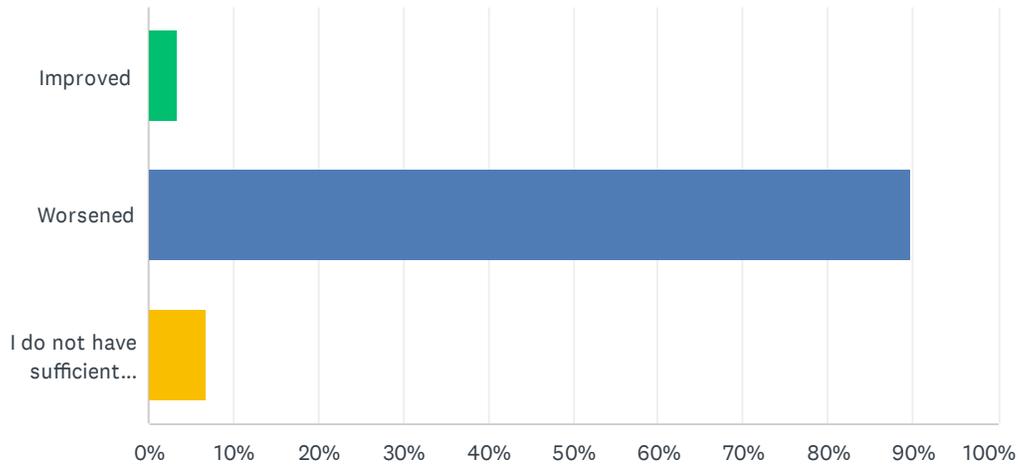
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Positively influence my desire to continue practicing medicine in Maine.	72.88%	43
Negatively influence my desire to continue practicing medicine in Maine.	6.78%	4
I am unsure how this change would affect me, so I would need more information in order to answer the question.	20.34%	12
TOTAL		59

Q4 Do you believe that the profit motive as it has operated in the U.S. health care system has, overall, improved or worsened the health of Americans?

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Improved	3.39%	2
Worsened	89.83%	53
I do not have sufficient knowledge to answer the question	6.78%	4
TOTAL		59

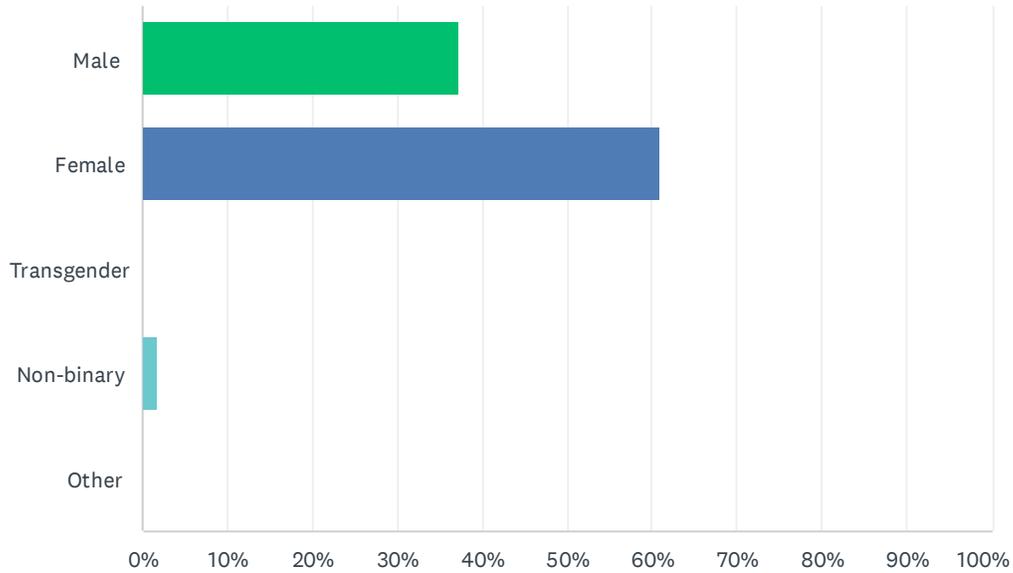
Q5 Please share any comments you wish about the topic of health care reform in Maine or at the national level

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	It would be an embarrassment if the MMA doesn't come out strongly in support of a single-payer approach. No more beating around the bush - take a firm, unequivocal stand or what's the point of even issuing a new position.	11/9/2021 8:54 PM
2	Needs to be comprehensive, minor adjustments won't solve the main issues and add fuel to critics who say it won't work.	11/5/2021 2:38 PM
3	If maine operated a single payer Heath care system it would be very attractive to practice medicine there. I come from the KP single payer system and love it. I think this is a great idea.	11/5/2021 9:31 AM
4	I wish there was more education to the general population about the benefits of a single payer health care system.	11/4/2021 6:20 PM
5	Last year as a second year medical student while attending a meeting advocating for a "single-payer" system given to students and hearing all the wonderful things that would happen if we could switch, I asked the question, "What about the downsides of switching, what are those and how would that look like in our careers?" to which I got the response, "We'll work through them when we get there." Followed by a bunch of non-answer fillers of "but just look at the benefits." Since then and from looking up other healthcare systems I've learned the answer I received then was utterly gross neglect in educating future physicians of such a monumental change that could affect the lives of patients and vastly alter our careers. I've felt throughout my time in medical school I've been pressured to blindly advocate for a single payer system without anyone having ever discussed the full ramifications of such a move. This is absolutely crazy to me. I'm not advocating for or against single payer health care but I would simply like to give my input that we need to have better and more whole discussion around the issue, Not just "look how great this would be if we could change." Such willful ignorance in these discussion has nearly turned me away from ever wanting to pursue such changes to our health care system which I know needs change and improvement. I want to learn fully the pros and cons of this from my educators and health care associations in bringing the full conversation forward..	11/4/2021 5:16 PM
6	Everyday I treat patients whose health has been severely impacted by our broken profit driven system. The US must join the rest of the industrial world by implementing universal single payer healthcare, and Maine should lead on this issue. That physicians would oppose a universal single payer system due to perceived impact on future earnings is unconscionable in a world in which so many patients struggle to afford even basic care.	11/4/2021 2:15 PM
7	I really believe in the single payer model, would love to see it both state and federal, but I know it's logistically complicated and nuanced	11/4/2021 11:45 AM
8	Literally every day I see patients' health worsened but insurance company profits	11/4/2021 11:03 AM
9	As a future physician and public health professional, a single payer system is the only cost effective and racially just solution I see for the future of Maine communities and the US as a whole. "Medicaid for all who want it" approaches enable large insurance carriers to continue to control who can afford what healthcare and when. Medical decisions should be in the hands of medical professionals and physicians should be compensated for providing care, regardless of the economic status of their patients.	11/4/2021 10:41 AM

Q6 Please tell us how you identify your gender

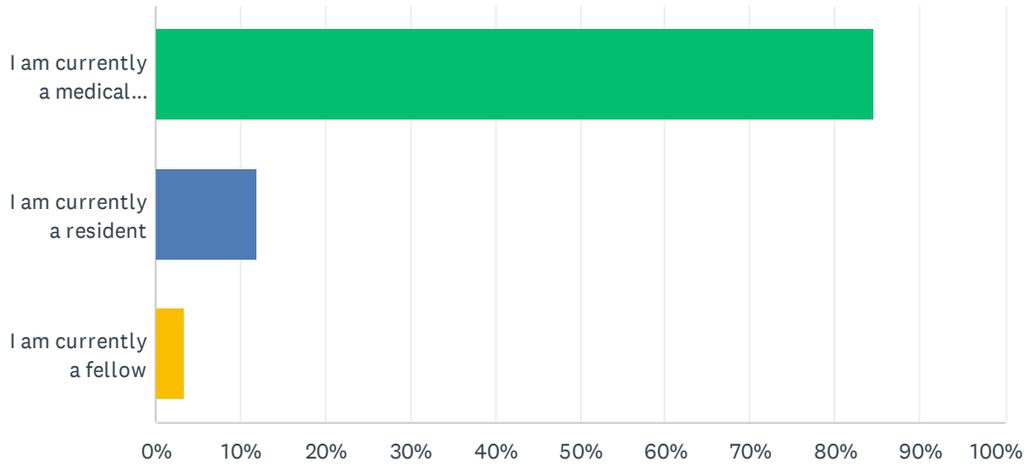
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Male	37.29%	22
Female	61.02%	36
Transgender	0.00%	0
Non-binary	1.69%	1
Other	0.00%	0
TOTAL		59

Q7 Please tell us where you are in your medical training.

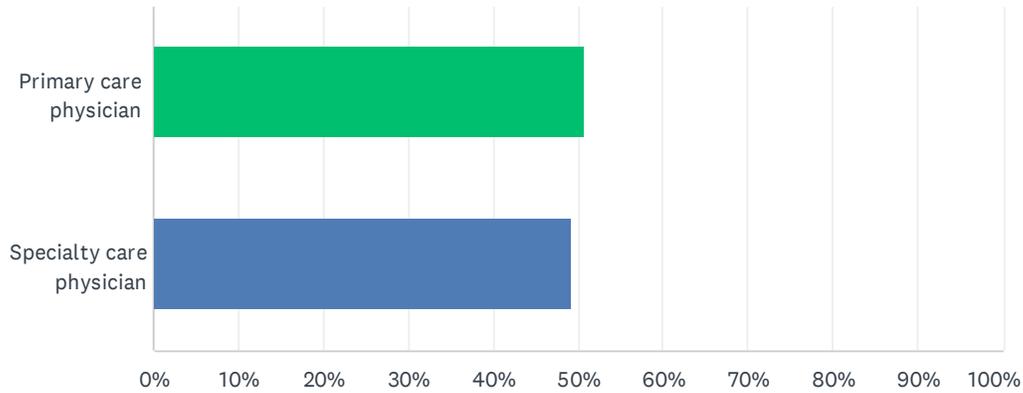
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am currently a medical student	84.75%	50
I am currently a resident	11.86%	7
I am currently a fellow	3.39%	2
TOTAL		59

Q8 Please identify your likely future professional role based upon your inclination at this stage of your training.

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Primary care physician	50.85%	30
Specialty care physician	49.15%	29
TOTAL		59