

**New Zealand GP workloads:
Implications for Teaching
Clinical Governance,
Learning and Quality**

Two diary studies

Summer	Winter
🕒 2 weeks	🕒 1 week
👤 417	👤 303

Log hours on 5 key tasks

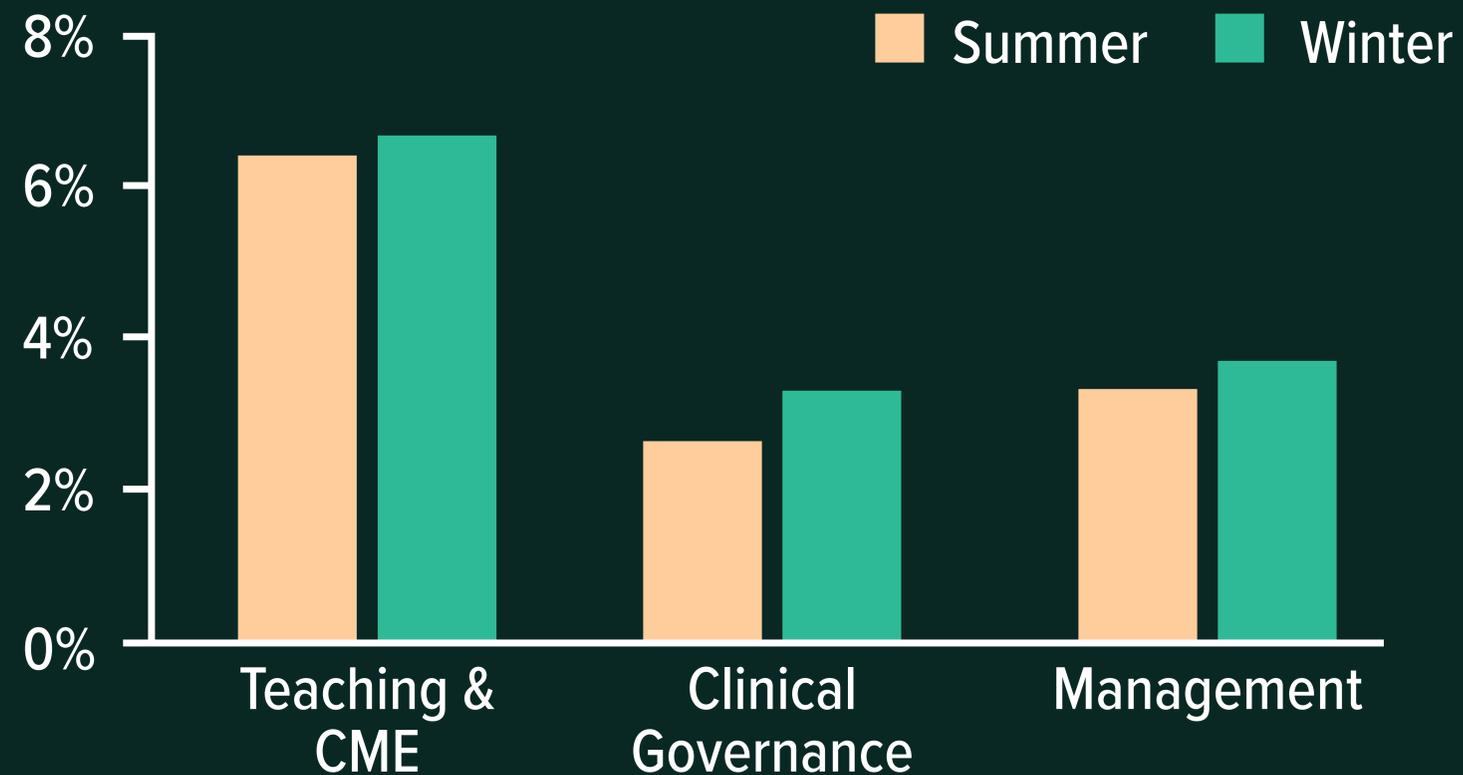
Clinical time (including non-contact)	
87%	86%

0.3 FTE

should be spent on non-clinical work.

Powell I. Empowerment and the employment relationship. NZMJ [Internet]. 2004 Oct 22 [cited 2026 Mar 6];117(1204):1-4. Available from: <http://www.nzma.org.nz/journal/117-1204/1115/>

GPs are only spending **14%** of their time on non-clinical work.
This needs to double!



Authors: Bradford, L., Wright, S., Schulde, J., Murton, S.

Hours per week

Owners work approximately **8–9 hours** more per week than long-term contractors/employees.

Sustainable and safe general practice requires

- ✓ Protected training & governance
- ✓ Parity with hospitals

Read more about a GP's actual work week in the full study.

