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Knowledge and Insights

2015 Salary Survey

Highlights for Freelance Medical Writers and Editors*



Hourly Rates
Writers - \$112
Editors - \$73

Gross Income
Writers & Editors
\$131,400



44 hours worked
per week



**Years of
experience before
freelancing**

**Business
Structure**

53%

Sole Proprietor

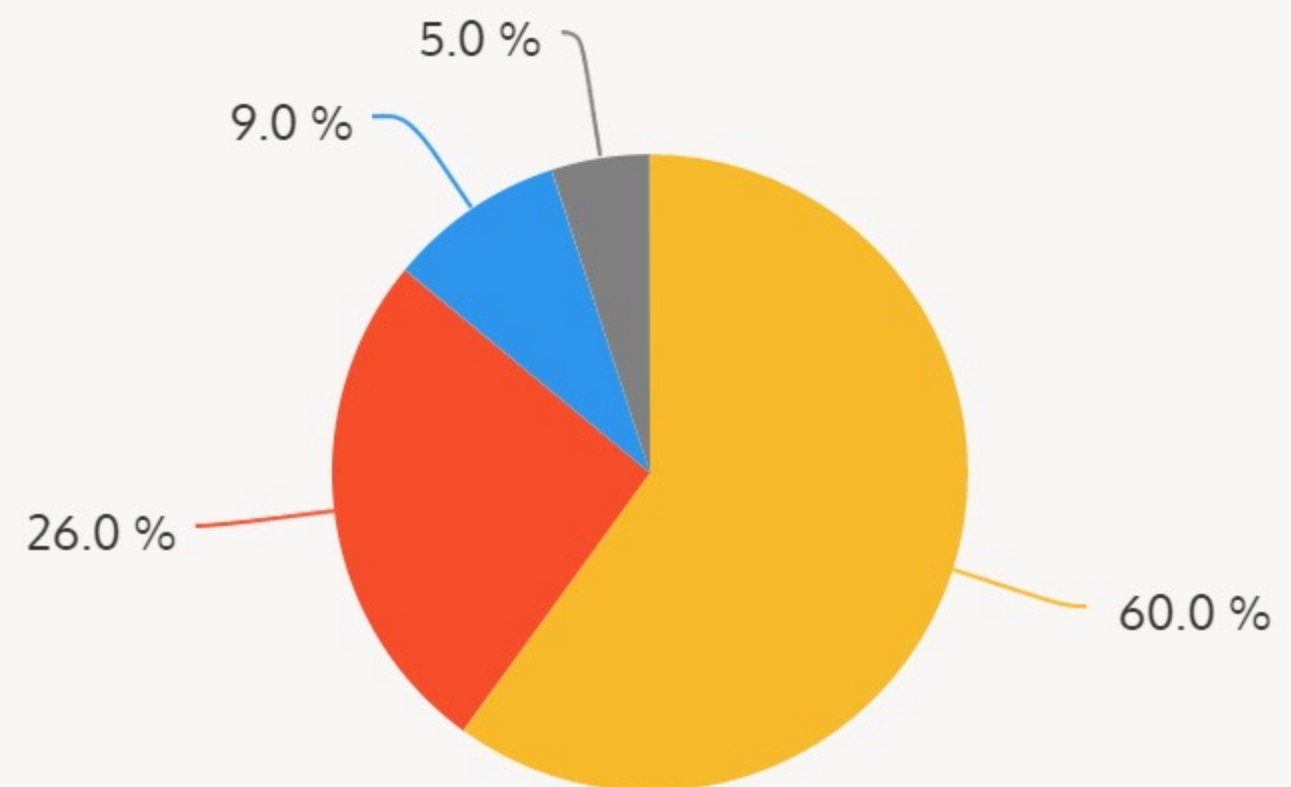
29%

LLC

15%

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**Primary Billing
Method**



By hour or day By project By word or page
Other (primary mix of hourly and per project)

**Top 3 Recurring
Expenses**

87% Professional
membership dues
and subscriptions

79% Office utilities,
equipment,
supplies

63% Tax accountant

Top Gross Incomes

Regulatory documents - \$168,600

Continuing education materials - \$120,000

Scientific publications - \$116,300

* Based on 2014 income reported by 451 respondents. (Not all respondents answered all questions.) All data presented as means. Income varies according to many factors, including, education, years of experience, and geographic location.