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Results from the CMA's 2001 Physician Resource Questionnaire

No preference for Canadian medical web sites

Reasons for not recommending Canadian Web sites rather than American or other international Web sites
(includes only those who said they do not tend to recommend Canadian sites)

	Overall	Female	Male	< 35	35 - 44	45 - 54	55 - 64	65+	GP/FP	Med Spec	Surg Spec	Rural	Urban
Number of respondents	567	135	432	48	170	210	106	33	227	239	101	33	534
American/international sites are more credible	6.3%	3.0%	7.4%	2.1%	3.5%	7.6%	8.5%	12.1%	3.5%	5.9%	13.9%	0.0%	6.7%
American/international sites have higher quality and/or more comprehensive content than Canadian sites	27.3%	20.7%	29.4%	25.0%	25.9%	25.2%	34.0%	30.3%	17.2%	31.8%	39.6%	18.2%	27.9%
Equivalent Canadian sites do not exist	31.0%	30.4%	31.3%	31.3%	32.9%	26.7%	38.7%	24.2%	19.4%	36.4%	44.6%	24.2%	31.5%
I have not had the opportunity to search for equivalent Canadian sites	16.9%	17.0%	16.9%	14.6%	17.1%	16.2%	15.1%	30.3%	17.6%	18.4%	11.9%	18.2%	16.9%
The content of American/international sites is appropriate for Canadian patients	51.5%	46.7%	53.0%	52.1%	50.0%	49.5%	55.7%	57.6%	51.5%	54.4%	44.6%	66.7%	50.6%
Other	13.8%	20.0%	11.8%	16.7%	14.1%	16.2%	8.5%	9.1%	18.1%	13.0%	5.9%	9.1%	14.0%

Note: Percents sum to more than 100% since respondents could select more than one answer