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Results from the CMA's 2001 Physician Resource Questionnaire

Types of medical web sites to which physicians refer patients

Proportion of physicians who refer patients to particular types of Web sites

(includes only those who said they refer patients to medical Web sites at least occasionally)

	Overall	Female	Male	< 35	35 - 44	45 - 54	55 - 64	65+	GP/FP	Med Spec	Surg Spec	Rural	Urban
Number of respondents	1571	485	1086	148	475	543	301	104	786	558	227	134	1437
Disease-specific sites	77.3%	77.7%	77.1%	73.6%	80.2%	79.6%	71.8%	73.1%	76.5%	79.9%	73.9%	80.6%	77.0%
Government sites	30.6%	31.5%	30.1%	33.1%	30.5%	32.4%	26.9%	27.9%	36.9%	28.1%	14.5%	39.6%	29.7%
Commercial health sites	8.0%	4.7%	9.4%	4.7%	6.3%	9.2%	9.6%	8.7%	8.7%	7.5%	6.6%	8.2%	7.9%
Medical association sites	19.9%	18.1%	20.6%	21.6%	19.2%	19.9%	17.6%	26.9%	18.6%	20.4%	22.9%	15.7%	20.3%
Consumer group sites	20.5%	22.5%	19.6%	12.2%	16.2%	25.6%	24.3%	14.4%	20.7%	20.3%	20.3%	23.1%	20.3%
Other sites	9.4%	9.7%	9.2%	9.5%	8.8%	8.1%	11.6%	11.5%	8.7%	8.6%	13.7%	8.2%	9.5%