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Results from the CMA's 2002 Physician Resource Questionnaire

Internet use at the office or clinical practice, by activity

Physicians who use the Internet at the office or clinical practice for various activities as a proportion of all respondents

	Overall	Female	Male	< 35	35 - 44	45 - 54	55 - 64	65+	GP/FP	Med Spec	Surg Spec	Rural	Urban
Number of respondents	2882	912	1970	247	835	956	608	236	1484	1018	380	206	2676
Email	45.6%	40.7%	81.9%	47.8%	47.6%	48.7%	43.3%	30.1%	33.5%	62.2%	48.7%	39.4%	46.0%
Worldwide web	48.6%	41.9%	51.7%	53.8%	54.4%	50.8%	43.3%	27.5%	37.5%	63.9%	50.8%	44.7%	48.9%
Discussion Groups	15.0%	11.2%	16.7%	9.7%	15.7%	18.3%	14.5%	5.5%	10.6%	20.4%	17.1%	13.6%	15.1%
Ordering documents, books	29.4%	23.2%	32.2%	32.4%	32.6%	32.1%	24.7%	16.1%	21.1%	40.4%	32.4%	29.1%	29.4%
MEDLINE searching	44.2%	38.8%	46.8%	49.0%	48.9%	46.7%	40.3%	23.3%	31.5%	61.8%	46.8%	35.4%	44.9%
Drug databases	27.2%	21.0%	30.1%	30.0%	30.5%	28.0%	24.5%	16.5%	21.2%	37.5%	23.2%	24.8%	27.4%
Browsing or reading online medical journals	38.2%	31.1%	41.3%	39.6%	41.6%	40.9%	34.2%	22.4%	27.5%	52.4%	41.3%	32.0%	38.6%
CME courses online	18.9%	13.8%	21.3%	15.8%	20.0%	20.2%	19.6%	11.9%	13.7%	26.2%	19.7%	15.0%	19.2%
CMA Online	25.2%	19.2%	28.0%	30.4%	25.5%	26.9%	24.3%	14.0%	20.6%	32.2%	24.2%	27.7%	25.0%
CMA Infobase	17.1%	12.8%	19.0%	21.9%	17.6%	19.2%	14.3%	8.5%	15.8%	19.8%	14.7%	19.9%	16.9%
Classified ads, placements	9.9%	7.0%	11.2%	15.4%	11.1%	10.6%	7.4%	3.0%	8.7%	12.4%	7.6%	10.7%	9.8%
Other physician-oriented web sites	34.4%	29.2%	36.8%	39.7%	39.5%	37.2%	28.9%	12.7%	27.0%	46.0%	31.8%	31.6%	34.6%
News in medicine, health care	31.7%	26.6%	34.0%	32.8%	35.1%	34.3%	27.1%	19.5%	24.5%	41.7%	33.2%	29.6%	31.8%
Patient-oriented web sites	26.5%	24.0%	27.7%	29.6%	29.6%	29.7%	21.5%	12.3%	22.2%	33.3%	25.0%	25.7%	26.6%
Financial activities	24.8%	17.5%	28.1%	33.6%	27.4%	27.1%	19.4%	10.6%	19.9%	30.7%	27.9%	24.3%	24.8%