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### Results from the CMA's 2003 Physician Resource Questionnaire

#### **Personal Digital Assistant Use**

Do you use a personal digital assistant or wireless device (e.g. Palm Pilot) in clinical practice?

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>	<b>No Response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	2251	32.9%	65.3%	0.1%	0.8%	0.8%	100%
<b>Female</b>	765	29.0%	69.3%	0.0%	0.8%	0.9%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1486	34.9%	63.3%	0.2%	0.9%	0.7%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	213	52.6%	46.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	617	38.7%	60.5%	0.0%	0.6%	0.2%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	739	31.1%	67.5%	0.1%	0.4%	0.8%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	457	27.8%	69.4%	0.2%	1.3%	1.3%	100%
<b>65+</b>	225	14.7%	80.9%	0.4%	2.7%	1.3%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1236	32.5%	65.3%	0.1%	1.1%	1.1%	100%
<b>MedSpec</b>	739	33.8%	64.8%	0.3%	0.8%	0.3%	100%
<b>SurgSpec</b>	276	32.2%	67.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.7%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	203	36.9%	61.6%	0.0%	0.5%	1.0%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	2048	32.5%	65.7%	0.1%	0.9%	0.7%	100%

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#### **Referring patients to medical web sites**

How often do you refer patients to Web sites containing medical information?

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Daily</b>	<b>Weekly</b>	<b>Monthly</b>	<b>Occasionally</b>	<b>Never</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>No Response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	2251	5.0%	12.7%	5.1%	40.9%	31.6%	3.7%	1.0%	100%
<b>Female</b>	765	4.3%	12.3%	5.2%	44.7%	29.0%	3.1%	1.3%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1486	5.3%	12.9%	5.0%	39.0%	33.0%	4.0%	0.9%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	213	5.6%	15.5%	4.7%	42.7%	30.0%	1.4%	0.0%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	617	4.5%	13.9%	7.0%	42.1%	29.3%	2.1%	1.0%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	739	5.3%	12.6%	4.9%	42.9%	30.0%	3.4%	0.9%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	457	5.0%	11.2%	4.2%	40.7%	32.8%	4.8%	1.3%	100%
<b>65+</b>	225	4.4%	10.2%	2.7%	29.8%	42.2%	8.9%	1.8%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1236	5.7%	13.6%	4.4%	42.5%	30.3%	2.8%	0.8%	100%
<b>MedSpec</b>	739	3.9%	10.7%	6.6%	39.0%	32.5%	6.1%	1.2%	100%
<b>SurgSpec</b>	276	4.7%	14.1%	4.0%	39.1%	35.5%	1.1%	1.4%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	203	3.9%	13.3%	4.4%	39.4%	36.0%	2.0%	1.0%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	2048	5.1%	12.6%	5.1%	41.1%	31.2%	3.9%	1.0%	100%

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#### **Patients presenting medical information obtained on the Internet**

How often do your patients present to you medical information obtained on the Internet?

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Daily</b>	<b>Weekly</b>	<b>Monthly</b>	<b>Occasionally</b>	<b>Never</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>No Response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	2251	4.8%	21.9%	14.7%	48.9%	5.5%	3.3%	0.8%	100%
<b>Female</b>	765	3.9%	20.1%	17.9%	50.6%	3.4%	3.0%	1.0%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1486	5.2%	22.8%	13.1%	48.0%	6.6%	3.5%	0.7%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	213	3.3%	22.1%	19.7%	49.8%	4.7%	0.5%	0.0%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	617	4.1%	22.0%	19.1%	48.8%	3.7%	1.9%	0.3%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	739	5.1%	24.4%	13.3%	48.0%	5.4%	2.8%	0.9%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	457	5.9%	21.7%	11.8%	47.9%	5.9%	5.3%	1.5%	100%
<b>65+</b>	225	4.9%	13.8%	8.9%	52.9%	10.7%	7.6%	1.3%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1236	4.9%	25.0%	15.4%	47.4%	4.0%	2.5%	0.8%	100%
<b>MedSpec</b>	739	4.9%	15.7%	14.2%	50.3%	8.7%	5.4%	0.8%	100%
<b>SurgSpec</b>	276	4.3%	24.6%	13.4%	51.4%	3.6%	1.4%	1.1%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	203	3.9%	23.2%	19.2%	45.8%	6.4%	1.0%	0.5%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	2048	4.9%	21.8%	14.3%	49.2%	5.4%	3.6%	0.9%	100%

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#### **Practices with Web sites**

Does your practice currently have a Web site?

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>No response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	2251	17.1%	78.1%	1.1%	2.8%	1.0%	100%
<b>Female</b>	765	14.5%	78.3%	2.0%	3.8%	1.4%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1486	18.4%	77.9%	0.6%	2.3%	0.8%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	213	18.3%	75.1%	1.9%	4.2%	0.5%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	617	18.6%	77.5%	1.1%	2.1%	0.6%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	739	18.3%	77.7%	0.8%	2.2%	1.1%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	457	14.7%	80.3%	1.1%	2.4%	1.5%	100%
<b>65+</b>	225	12.4%	79.1%	0.9%	6.2%	1.3%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1236	12.7%	82.2%	1.1%	2.9%	1.1%	100%
<b>MedSpec</b>	739	25.2%	69.7%	1.1%	3.1%	0.9%	100%
<b>SurgSpec</b>	276	14.9%	81.9%	0.7%	1.4%	1.1%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	203	8.9%	85.7%	3.0%	1.5%	1.0%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	2048	17.9%	77.3%	0.9%	2.9%	1.0%	100%

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#### **Personal Internet Use**

Do you personally use the Internet?

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	2251	88.2%	11.2%	0.6%	100%
<b>Female</b>	765	86.3%	12.9%	0.8%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1486	89.2%	10.2%	0.5%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	213	96.2%	3.8%	0.0%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	617	93.8%	5.8%	0.3%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	739	89.6%	9.7%	0.7%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	457	83.4%	15.8%	0.9%	100%
<b>65+</b>	225	70.7%	28.0%	1.3%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1236	86.0%	13.2%	0.8%	100%
<b>MedSpec</b>	739	92.0%	7.7%	0.3%	100%
<b>SurgSpec</b>	276	88.0%	11.2%	0.7%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	203	84.7%	14.8%	0.5%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	2048	88.6%	10.8%	0.6%	100%

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#### **Internet use by main location**

Considering all activities on the Internet, where do you spend the most time online?

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Office/clinical practice</b>	<b>Hospital</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>No Response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	1986	73.1%	14.0%	6.2%	0.7%	6.0%	100%
<b>Female</b>	660	75.0%	12.4%	5.6%	1.1%	5.9%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1326	72.1%	14.9%	6.5%	0.5%	6.0%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	205	73.2%	11.7%	8.8%	0.5%	5.9%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	579	73.4%	14.5%	6.9%	0.3%	4.8%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	662	72.2%	14.8%	5.7%	0.5%	6.8%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	381	72.7%	13.6%	6.0%	1.8%	5.8%	100%
<b>65+</b>	159	76.1%	13.2%	2.5%	0.6%	7.5%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1063	79.0%	11.3%	3.0%	0.8%	5.9%	100%
<b>MedSpec</b>	680	62.9%	19.7%	10.7%	0.4%	6.2%	100%
<b>SurgSpec</b>	243	75.3%	10.3%	7.4%	1.2%	5.8%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	172	76.7%	9.9%	4.7%	0.0%	8.7%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	1814	72.7%	14.4%	6.3%	0.8%	5.7%	100%

Note: Includes only those who say they personally use the Internet

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#### **Internet access at the office or clinical practice**

Do you currently have Internet access at your office or clinical practice?

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>No Response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	2251	61.9%	36.0%	0.8%	1.3%	100%
<b>Female</b>	765	58.3%	39.0%	1.3%	1.4%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1486	63.8%	34.5%	0.5%	1.2%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	213	73.2%	25.8%	0.5%	0.5%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	617	63.9%	34.7%	0.8%	0.6%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	739	64.1%	34.2%	0.8%	0.8%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	457	57.3%	39.8%	0.4%	2.4%	100%
<b>65+</b>	225	48.0%	47.6%	1.3%	3.1%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1236	55.0%	42.6%	1.1%	1.3%	100%
<b>MedSpec</b>	739	75.4%	23.4%	0.3%	0.9%	100%
<b>SurgSpec</b>	276	56.9%	40.2%	0.7%	2.2%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	203	57.6%	40.9%	0.5%	1.0%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	2048	62.4%	35.5%	0.8%	1.3%	100%

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#### **Internet use in clinical practice**

Do you use the Internet as a tool or source of information in clinical practice?

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Not in clinical practice</b>	<b>No Response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	2251	64.7%	31.9%	2.3%	1.2%	100%
<b>Female</b>	765	61.4%	34.6%	2.6%	1.3%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1486	66.4%	30.4%	2.2%	1.1%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	213	81.2%	18.8%	0.0%	0.0%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	617	72.1%	26.3%	1.0%	0.6%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	739	64.8%	31.4%	2.7%	1.1%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	457	56.2%	38.9%	3.1%	1.8%	100%
<b>65+</b>	225	45.3%	46.7%	5.3%	2.7%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1236	57.3%	38.7%	2.7%	1.4%	100%
<b>MedSpec</b>	739	76.9%	20.4%	1.8%	0.9%	100%
<b>SurgSpec</b>	276	65.2%	31.9%	2.2%	0.7%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	203	63.1%	35.0%	1.0%	1.0%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	2048	64.8%	31.5%	2.4%	1.2%	100%



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**Internet tools and sources of information used in clinical practice**

Physicians who use various Internet tools and sources of information in clinical practice, as a proportion of all respondents

	<b>Overall</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>&lt; 35</b>	<b>35 - 44</b>	<b>45 - 54</b>	<b>55 - 64</b>	<b>65+</b>	<b>GP/FP</b>	<b>Med Spec</b>	<b>Surg Spec</b>	<b>Rural</b>	<b>Urban</b>
<b>Number of respondents</b>	2251	765	1486	213	617	739	457	225	1236	739	276	203	2048
<b>Refer to online clinical practice guidelines</b>	40.0%	39.5%	40.2%	60.6%	47.6%	39.2%	30.4%	21.3%	40.2%	42.8%	31.5%	45.8%	39.4%
<b>Search medical literature databases</b>	56.0%	51.5%	58.3%	72.8%	62.4%	55.9%	48.8%	37.3%	45.1%	71.9%	62.3%	46.3%	56.9%
<b>Refer to online drug databases</b>	15.9%	13.3%	17.3%	18.8%	19.3%	14.6%	12.7%	15.1%	14.1%	21.2%	10.1%	15.3%	16.0%
<b>Download patient handouts</b>	18.0%	19.1%	17.5%	23.0%	21.9%	18.7%	14.2%	8.4%	20.6%	16.4%	10.9%	20.7%	17.8%
<b>Visit other physicians' Web sites</b>	5.8%	5.1%	6.2%	4.7%	7.0%	6.8%	5.3%	1.8%	5.7%	6.8%	3.6%	3.0%	6.1%
<b>Read online medical journals</b>	36.7%	29.4%	40.5%	46.0%	41.8%	36.5%	32.8%	22.7%	28.2%	51.8%	34.4%	29.6%	37.5%
<b>Read online medical textbooks</b>	23.0%	19.5%	24.8%	42.3%	25.8%	22.5%	17.9%	8.9%	21.0%	28.4%	17.4%	25.1%	22.8%
<b>Receive secure patient-specific info</b>	7.6%	6.5%	8.1%	7.5%	8.1%	9.6%	6.1%	2.7%	5.7%	10.4%	8.3%	3.9%	8.0%

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#### **Barriers to the use of the Internet in clinical practice**

Reasons for not currently using the Internet as a tool or source of information in clinical practice

	<b>Overall</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>&lt; 35</b>	<b>35 - 44</b>	<b>45 - 54</b>	<b>55 - 64</b>	<b>65+</b>	<b>GP/FP</b>	<b>Med Spec</b>	<b>Surg Spec</b>	<b>Rural</b>	<b>Urban</b>
<b>Number of respondents</b>	717	265	452	40	162	232	178	105	478	151	88	71	646
<b>Novice or inexperienced user</b>	45.3%	55.1%	39.6%	42.5%	40.1%	48.3%	47.8%	43.8%	46.7%	42.4%	43.2%	49.3%	44.9%
<b>Not aware of any good sites</b>	16.0%	20.8%	13.3%	40.0%	18.5%	18.1%	11.8%	5.7%	15.7%	14.6%	20.5%	8.5%	16.9%
<b>No valuable content available on the Web</b>	3.2%	2.3%	3.8%	5.0%	2.5%	3.9%	3.9%	1.0%	1.9%	5.3%	6.8%	1.4%	3.4%
<b>Too slow/disruptive to practice</b>	34.4%	30.9%	36.5%	47.5%	36.4%	39.7%	32.0%	19.0%	40.2%	22.5%	23.9%	42.3%	33.6%
<b>No computers in examining rooms</b>	35.6%	39.6%	33.2%	40.0%	36.4%	40.5%	32.0%	27.6%	41.4%	21.9%	27.3%	38.0%	35.3%
<b>Costs outweigh benefits</b>	15.8%	16.6%	15.3%	10.0%	13.6%	22.0%	12.4%	13.3%	19.5%	7.3%	10.2%	18.3%	15.5%
<b>No access to Internet at clinical practice</b>	34.3%	38.1%	32.1%	40.0%	39.5%	32.3%	30.3%	35.2%	38.5%	25.8%	26.1%	35.2%	34.2%

Note: includes only those who say they do not currently use the Internet as a tool or source of information in clinical practice

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#### **Incentives to the use of the Internet in clinical practice**

Factors that would encourage non-users to start using the Internet as a tool or source of information in clinical practice

	<b>Overall</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>&lt; 35</b>	<b>35 - 44</b>	<b>45 - 54</b>	<b>55 - 64</b>	<b>65+</b>	<b>GP/FP</b>	<b>Med Spec</b>	<b>Surg Spec</b>	<b>Rural</b>	<b>Urban</b>
<b>Number of respondents</b>	717	265	452	40	162	232	178	105	478	151	88	71	646
<b>Financial incentives</b>	28.7%	24.5%	31.2%	22.5%	29.6%	34.5%	24.7%	23.8%	33.5%	13.9%	28.4%	32.4%	28.3%
<b>Remuneration for Web-based clinical activities</b>	19.8%	18.1%	20.8%	22.5%	21.0%	25.0%	16.9%	10.5%	21.3%	15.9%	18.2%	15.5%	20.3%
<b>Information relevant to my practice</b>	44.5%	44.5%	44.5%	52.5%	52.5%	49.1%	36.5%	32.4%	44.8%	37.7%	54.5%	40.8%	44.9%
<b>Access to tools that help me in my practice</b>	40.4%	44.5%	38.1%	55.0%	52.5%	46.6%	29.2%	21.9%	46.0%	23.8%	38.6%	45.1%	39.9%
<b>Ability to evaluate the effectiveness of using the tool</b>	15.9%	15.5%	16.2%	12.5%	16.0%	18.5%	12.9%	16.2%	17.4%	9.3%	19.3%	15.5%	15.9%
<b>Recommendations from credible source(s)</b>	33.8%	39.2%	30.5%	55.0%	48.1%	36.6%	21.3%	18.1%	36.8%	23.2%	35.2%	38.0%	33.3%
<b>Links to CME</b>	30.8%	33.2%	29.4%	30.0%	37.0%	35.8%	26.4%	18.1%	30.3%	29.1%	36.4%	33.8%	30.5%
<b>Training</b>	37.7%	44.9%	33.4%	42.5%	36.4%	40.1%	36.5%	34.3%	38.3%	37.7%	34.1%	42.3%	37.2%
<b>Technical support</b>	28.2%	30.6%	26.8%	27.5%	29.6%	30.2%	26.4%	24.8%	29.3%	19.2%	37.5%	35.2%	27.4%
<b>Help Desk services to facilitate online searches</b>	22.2%	29.4%	17.9%	35.0%	24.7%	28.4%	15.2%	11.4%	22.0%	19.2%	28.4%	28.2%	21.5%
<b>Nothing will encourage me to use the Internet in clinical practice</b>	12.7%	8.3%	15.3%	5.0%	5.6%	9.5%	16.9%	26.7%	11.5%	15.9%	13.6%	15.5%	12.4%

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#### **Call**

Do you take call and/or shared call?

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	2251	73.7%	25.2%	1.0%	100%
<b>Female</b>	765	71.5%	26.9%	1.6%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1486	74.9%	24.4%	0.7%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	213	77.0%	22.5%	0.5%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	617	82.8%	16.2%	1.0%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	739	78.2%	21.0%	0.8%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	457	69.8%	28.7%	1.5%	100%
<b>65+</b>	225	39.1%	59.6%	1.3%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1236	70.1%	28.5%	1.4%	100%
<b>Medical Specialist</b>	739	75.1%	24.2%	0.7%	100%
<b>Surgical Specialist</b>	276	86.2%	13.4%	0.4%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	203	77.3%	21.7%	1.0%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	2048	73.4%	25.6%	1.0%	100%

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#### **Shared Call Hours**

Estimate total hours of shared call only (I.e. call that includes patients other than your own) in an average month

	<b>Overall</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>&lt; 35</b>	<b>35 - 44</b>	<b>45 - 54</b>	<b>55 - 64</b>	<b>65+</b>	<b>GP/FP</b>	<b>Med Spec</b>	<b>Surg Spec</b>	<b>Rural</b>	<b>Urban</b>
<b>Number of respondents</b>	1660	547	1113	164	511	578	319	88	867	555	238	157	1503
<b>Up to 120 hours/month</b>	51.8%	58.1%	48.7%	53.0%	54.8%	53.1%	48.0%	37.5%	56.6%	52.8%	31.9%	42.0%	52.8%
<b>121 to 180 hours/month</b>	19.3%	18.3%	19.9%	20.1%	19.8%	18.0%	21.0%	18.2%	15.5%	21.1%	29.4%	22.3%	19.0%
<b>181 to 240 hours/month</b>	8.6%	6.9%	9.4%	8.5%	7.8%	9.0%	10.3%	4.5%	7.0%	7.7%	16.4%	16.6%	7.8%
<b>More than 240 hours/month</b>	10.0%	7.9%	11.1%	7.9%	10.8%	9.3%	9.1%	17.0%	9.6%	8.8%	14.3%	12.1%	9.8%
<b>Missing/Zero Value</b>	10.2%	8.8%	11.0%	10.4%	6.8%	10.6%	11.6%	22.7%	11.3%	9.5%	8.0%	7.0%	10.6%
<b>Total</b>	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Note: Includes only those who take call

## **CMAJ - Canadian Medical Association Journal**

Results from the CMA's 2001 Physician Resource Questionnaire

### **Shared Call Responsibilities**

Nature of shared call responsibilities

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Defined group of physicians only</b>	<b>Hospital or other health care facility only</b>	<b>Simultaneous for group &amp; facility</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Combination</b>	<b>No Response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	1529	17.1%	31.3%	32.2%	1.2%	12.6%	5.7%	100%
<b>Female</b>	513	21.6%	25.9%	32.0%	1.0%	13.5%	6.0%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1016	14.8%	34.1%	32.3%	1.3%	12.1%	5.5%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	152	15.8%	34.9%	32.2%	0.0%	15.1%	2.0%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	483	14.9%	31.9%	37.3%	0.6%	11.8%	3.5%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	530	17.5%	28.9%	30.8%	1.9%	14.2%	6.8%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	294	21.1%	29.9%	29.9%	1.4%	10.5%	7.1%	100%
<b>65+</b>	70	14.3%	44.3%	17.1%	1.4%	8.6%	14.3%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	790	25.6%	22.3%	25.9%	1.1%	18.9%	6.2%	100%
<b>Medical Specialist</b>	517	9.3%	44.7%	34.0%	1.7%	5.4%	4.8%	100%
<b>Surgical Specialist</b>	222	5.0%	32.4%	50.0%	0.0%	6.8%	5.9%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	148	12.2%	33.1%	35.8%	0.7%	14.9%	3.4%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	1381	17.6%	31.1%	31.8%	1.2%	12.3%	5.9%	100%

Includes only those who take shared call

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Results from the CMA's 2003 Physician Resource Questionnaire

**Call Type**

Proportion of physicians who provide specific call responsibilities on behalf of their own patients, a group of physicians, or a facility or community

	Number of respondents	Remaining within area & carrying phone or pager			Scheduled on-site, on-call duty			Checking with answering service or voice mail		
		For own patients	For group of physicians	For facility or community	For own patients	For group of physicians	For facility or community	For own patients	For group of physicians	For facility or community
<b>Overall</b>	1660	47.3%	51.4%	68.3%	14.2%	20.2%	41.0%	13.7%	9.0%	9.3%
<b>Female</b>	547	46.4%	55.9%	62.2%	14.8%	24.3%	41.3%	11.7%	6.9%	5.7%
<b>Male</b>	1113	47.8%	49.1%	71.2%	13.8%	18.1%	40.8%	14.6%	10.1%	11.1%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	164	45.1%	56.7%	64.6%	18.9%	23.8%	56.1%	10.4%	5.5%	4.3%
<b>35 - 44</b>	511	44.0%	54.0%	71.8%	16.0%	25.6%	48.3%	10.6%	8.0%	7.4%
<b>45 - 54</b>	578	50.0%	49.3%	67.6%	13.0%	18.9%	37.0%	14.2%	8.0%	9.7%
<b>55 - 64</b>	319	47.0%	52.7%	67.1%	9.7%	14.4%	32.6%	16.0%	13.5%	11.3%
<b>65+</b>	88	54.5%	35.2%	62.5%	18.2%	11.4%	26.1%	26.1%	12.5%	19.3%
<b>GP/FP</b>	867	52.5%	57.6%	56.4%	14.5%	20.5%	35.8%	14.9%	10.3%	8.1%
<b>MedSpec</b>	555	30.5%	38.7%	79.5%	10.5%	19.1%	51.5%	11.4%	7.4%	9.7%
<b>SurgSpec</b>	238	68.1%	58.4%	85.3%	21.4%	21.4%	35.3%	14.7%	8.4%	12.6%
<b>Rural</b>	157	40.8%	41.4%	73.9%	15.9%	22.3%	51.0%	10.8%	2.5%	6.4%
<b>Urban</b>	1503	48.0%	52.4%	67.7%	14.0%	20.0%	39.9%	14.0%	9.7%	9.6%

Includes only those who take call

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### Results from the CMA's 2003 Physician Resource Questionnaire

#### **Payment for Call**

Are you ever compensated for the service of being on call?

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	1660	57.5%	39.6%	3.0%	100%
<b>Female</b>	547	56.1%	41.0%	2.9%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1113	58.1%	38.9%	3.0%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	164	65.2%	34.1%	0.6%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	511	61.1%	37.0%	2.0%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	578	59.2%	37.5%	3.3%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	319	48.0%	46.1%	6.0%	100%
<b>65+</b>	88	45.5%	54.5%	0.0%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	867	53.6%	43.6%	2.8%	100%
<b>Medical Specialist</b>	555	60.0%	36.6%	3.4%	100%
<b>Surgical Specialist</b>	238	65.5%	31.9%	2.5%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	157	73.2%	24.2%	2.5%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	1503	55.8%	41.2%	3.0%	100%

includes only those who take call



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Results from the CMA's 2003 Physician Resource Questionnaire

**Payment for the Service of Being On Call**

For various types of call service, the proportion of physicians who are paid for the service of being on-call

	Remaining within area & carrying phone or pager			Scheduled on-site, on-call duty			Checking with answering service or voice mail		
	For own patients	For group of physicians	For facility or community	For own patients	For group of physicians	For facility or community	For own patients	For group of physicians	For facility or community
<b>Overall</b>	9.4%	19.6%	55.7%	23.8%	33.7%	63.7%	4.0%	12.0%	24.7%
<b>Female</b>	9.8%	20.3%	53.5%	30.9%	40.6%	63.3%	4.7%	15.8%	19.4%
<b>Male</b>	9.2%	19.2%	56.6%	20.1%	29.2%	63.9%	3.7%	10.7%	26.0%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	10.8%	24.7%	59.4%	32.3%	48.7%	65.2%	11.8%	11.1%	14.3%
<b>35 - 44</b>	9.3%	23.6%	53.7%	26.8%	35.9%	64.0%	9.3%	19.5%	31.6%
<b>45 - 54</b>	9.3%	16.1%	58.6%	20.0%	32.1%	64.0%	2.4%	8.7%	17.9%
<b>55 - 64</b>	10.0%	14.9%	52.3%	19.4%	13.0%	64.4%	0.0%	7.0%	22.2%
<b>65+</b>	6.3%	25.8%	54.5%	18.8%	60.0%	47.8%	0.0%	18.2%	41.2%
<b>GP/FP</b>	8.4%	17.6%	58.5%	27.8%	34.8%	67.4%	3.9%	9.0%	22.9%
<b>MedSpec</b>	11.2%	24.7%	51.0%	22.4%	35.8%	59.4%	3.2%	19.5%	24.1%
<b>SurgSpec</b>	10.5%	18.7%	59.1%	15.7%	25.5%	64.3%	5.7%	10.0%	30.0%
<b>Rural</b>	15.6%	21.5%	64.7%	36.0%	45.7%	76.3%	5.9%	0.0%	20.0%
<b>Urban</b>	8.9%	19.4%	54.7%	22.4%	32.3%	62.0%	3.8%	12.3%	25.0%

Percentage in each cell is calculated based on those physicians who provide that particular type of call service

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### Results from the CMA's 2003 Physician Resource Questionnaire

#### **Compensation for medical services provided while on call**

Proportion of physicians compensated for the provision of medical services while on call, by various compensation arrangements

	Number of respondents	Regular FFS rate	Separate on-call FFS rate	Regular sessional/hourly rate	Separate on-call sessional/hourly rate	Included in salary	Other	Combination of payment modes	Not paid / not stated	Total
<b>Overall</b>	1660	40.0%	5.1%	4.2%	9.9%	5.5%	4.5%	21.6%	9.3%	100%
<b>Female</b>	547	38.9%	5.1%	3.3%	8.8%	5.7%	6.2%	21.4%	10.6%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1113	40.5%	5.0%	4.6%	10.4%	5.5%	3.6%	21.7%	8.6%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	164	36.6%	4.3%	1.8%	11.0%	7.9%	4.9%	27.4%	6.1%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	511	41.1%	4.1%	4.5%	8.2%	7.4%	5.1%	23.3%	6.3%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	578	39.8%	5.5%	4.7%	11.8%	4.5%	4.7%	19.7%	9.3%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	319	40.4%	6.0%	4.1%	9.1%	3.4%	3.8%	20.4%	12.9%	100%
<b>65+</b>	88	39.8%	5.7%	3.4%	8.0%	4.5%	1.1%	18.2%	19.3%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	867	40.9%	4.4%	6.2%	9.0%	4.3%	4.2%	20.3%	10.7%	100%
<b>MedSpec</b>	555	36.2%	6.1%	2.3%	11.2%	8.8%	4.3%	23.1%	7.9%	100%
<b>SurgSpec</b>	238	45.4%	5.0%	0.8%	10.1%	2.5%	5.9%	23.1%	7.1%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	157	28.0%	4.5%	14.0%	11.5%	6.4%	5.1%	24.8%	5.7%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	1503	41.3%	5.1%	3.1%	9.7%	5.5%	4.4%	21.3%	9.6%	100%

Includes only those who take call

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### Results from the CMA's 2003 Physician Resource Questionnaire

#### **On-call patients**

How many patients do you attend on an on-call basis in an average month?

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Up to 10</b>	<b>11 to 40</b>	<b>More than 40</b>	<b>No Response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	1660	25.4%	35.7%	27.3%	11.6%	100%
<b>Female</b>	547	28.0%	33.6%	25.0%	13.3%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1113	24.1%	36.7%	28.5%	10.8%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	164	18.9%	37.2%	33.5%	10.4%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	511	24.7%	34.2%	30.5%	10.6%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	578	26.1%	34.9%	26.3%	12.6%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	319	25.1%	37.6%	24.1%	13.2%	100%
<b>65+</b>	88	37.5%	38.6%	15.9%	8.0%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	867	27.7%	31.0%	30.3%	11.0%	100%
<b>Medical Specialist</b>	555	25.2%	37.7%	21.6%	15.5%	100%
<b>Surgical Specialist</b>	238	17.2%	47.9%	29.8%	5.0%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	157	15.9%	29.9%	43.3%	10.8%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	1503	26.3%	36.3%	25.7%	11.7%	100%

Includes only those who take call

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#### **Time spent providing medical services while on call**

How many hours in an average month do you spend attending to the needs of on-call patients?

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Up to 10</b>	<b>11 to 40</b>	<b>More than 40</b>	<b>No Response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	1660	31.1%	30.7%	25.8%	12.3%	100%
<b>Female</b>	547	34.2%	27.8%	23.2%	14.8%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1113	29.6%	32.2%	27.1%	11.1%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	164	23.8%	33.5%	34.1%	8.5%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	511	29.4%	29.7%	31.1%	9.8%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	578	32.7%	30.1%	23.4%	13.8%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	319	30.7%	32.0%	20.7%	16.6%	100%
<b>65+</b>	88	45.5%	30.7%	14.8%	9.1%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	867	38.6%	26.4%	23.1%	11.9%	100%
<b>Medical Specialist</b>	555	24.9%	33.3%	26.5%	15.3%	100%
<b>Surgical Specialist</b>	238	18.1%	40.3%	34.5%	7.1%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	157	17.2%	35.0%	32.5%	15.3%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	1503	32.5%	30.3%	25.1%	12.0%	100%

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#### **Hours worked per week**

Average hours worked per week (excluding on-call)

	<b>Overall</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>&lt; 35</b>	<b>35 - 44</b>	<b>45 - 54</b>	<b>55 - 64</b>	<b>65+</b>	<b>GP/FP</b>	<b>Med Spec</b>	<b>Surg Spec</b>	<b>Rural</b>	<b>Urban</b>
<b>Number of respondents</b>	2173	731	1442	208	593	714	441	217	1196	709	568	198	1975
<b>Direct patient care</b>	35.4	31.5	37.3	35.5	34.6	36.5	36.8	30.7	35.4	33.5	40.0	36.9	35.2
<b>Health facility committees</b>	1.2	1.0	1.3	0.7	1.2	1.4	1.2	0.9	0.9	1.6	1.5	1.3	1.2
<b>Managing practice</b>	2.2	1.7	2.4	1.8	2.0	2.4	2.3	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.5	2.0	2.2
<b>Other indirect patient care</b>	5.2	5.7	5.0	5.9	5.3	5.6	4.7	4.3	5.7	4.8	4.3	5.5	5.2
<b>Research</b>	1.5	1.0	1.7	1.3	2.1	1.3	1.1	1.3	0.7	2.8	1.4	0.5	1.6
<b>Administration</b>	1.8	1.2	2.2	0.9	1.5	2.2	2.4	1.3	1.4	2.6	1.6	0.8	1.9
<b>Teaching</b>	1.4	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.6	1.5	1.4	0.8	0.8	2.3	2.0	0.6	1.5
<b>Continuing medical education</b>	3.0	2.9	3.1	2.9	2.8	3.1	3.2	3.5	2.9	3.4	3.0	2.8	3.1
<b>Other</b>	1.2	1.1	1.2	0.4	0.9	1.4	1.5	1.3	1.1	1.3	1.3	1.0	1.2
<b>Total</b>	52.9	47.5	55.6	50.7	52.0	55.4	54.6	45.9	50.9	54.5	57.6	51.5	53.1

Includes only those who reported average hours worked

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### Results from the CMA's 2001 Physician Resource Questionnaire

#### **Workload**

Over the last 12 months, has your workload:

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Increased</b>	<b>Stayed about the same</b>	<b>Decreased</b>	<b>No Response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	2251	48.4%	39.9%	9.3%	2.4%	100%
<b>Female</b>	765	49.5%	36.7%	10.5%	3.3%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1486	47.8%	41.6%	8.7%	1.9%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	213	50.2%	38.5%	9.4%	1.9%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	617	53.5%	36.0%	7.8%	2.8%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	739	53.9%	37.3%	6.9%	1.9%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	457	44.0%	43.3%	9.8%	2.8%	100%
<b>65+</b>	225	23.6%	53.8%	20.4%	2.2%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1236	49.4%	39.0%	9.5%	2.1%	100%
<b>Med Spec</b>	739	49.3%	39.2%	8.8%	2.7%	100%
<b>Surg Spec</b>	276	41.3%	46.0%	10.1%	2.5%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	203	51.2%	39.4%	7.9%	1.5%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	2048	48.1%	40.0%	9.5%	2.4%	100%



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**Nature of group practice**

	Number of respondents	Share expenses only	Share patients only	Share patients & expenses	No response	Total
<b>Overall</b>	1053	40.4%	8.3%	45.7%	5.7%	100%
<b>Female</b>	397	41.3%	11.8%	41.1%	5.8%	100%
<b>Male</b>	656	39.8%	6.1%	48.5%	5.6%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	93	36.6%	16.1%	39.8%	7.5%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	325	43.7%	7.7%	44.9%	3.7%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	355	44.2%	7.3%	42.8%	5.6%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	199	36.2%	5.0%	52.3%	6.5%	100%
<b>65+</b>	81	24.7%	13.6%	51.9%	9.9%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	706	38.7%	8.2%	47.9%	5.2%	100%
<b>MedSpec</b>	230	40.4%	10.0%	42.6%	7.0%	100%
<b>SurgSpec</b>	117	50.4%	5.1%	38.5%	6.0%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	108	22.2%	13.0%	61.1%	3.7%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	945	42.4%	7.7%	43.9%	5.9%	100%

Number of physicians in group					No response	Total
2	3 - 5	6 - 15	> 15			
16.5%	38.3%	31.7%	10.0%	3.5%	100%	
19.1%	38.5%	30.2%	6.8%	5.3%	100%	
14.9%	38.1%	32.6%	11.9%	2.4%	100%	
14.0%	38.7%	36.6%	4.3%	6.5%	100%	
16.3%	38.8%	35.4%	8.0%	1.5%	100%	
14.9%	38.9%	32.4%	9.9%	3.9%	100%	
18.6%	35.2%	26.1%	16.6%	3.5%	100%	
22.2%	40.7%	22.2%	8.6%	6.2%	100%	
15.3%	41.2%	32.7%	7.1%	3.7%	100%	
16.5%	28.3%	29.6%	20.9%	4.8%	100%	
23.9%	40.2%	29.9%	6.0%	0.0%	100%	
17.6%	53.7%	25.0%	1.9%	1.9%	100%	
16.4%	36.5%	32.5%	10.9%	3.7%	100%	

Includes only those physicians who said they are in group practice







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### **Change to overhead expenses**

Change to over head expenses in the last 12 months

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Increased</b>	<b>Stayed about the same</b>	<b>Decreased</b>	<b>DK/NS</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	1919	53.3%	40.8%	3.0%	3.0%	100%
<b>Female</b>	597	53.4%	39.4%	3.0%	4.2%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1322	53.2%	41.4%	3.0%	2.4%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	152	35.5%	56.6%	3.9%	3.9%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	516	51.0%	43.0%	3.1%	2.9%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	644	58.7%	36.0%	3.0%	2.3%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	408	59.8%	34.3%	2.2%	3.7%	100%
<b>65+</b>	199	41.7%	51.3%	4.0%	3.0%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1054	55.3%	38.6%	3.3%	2.8%	100%
<b>Medical Specialist</b>	609	46.6%	46.5%	3.1%	3.8%	100%
<b>Surgical Specialist</b>	256	60.5%	35.9%	1.6%	2.0%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	171	56.1%	40.4%	2.3%	1.2%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	1748	53.0%	40.8%	3.1%	3.1%	100%

Excludes those who answered "Not applicable" to this question

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### **Change to net professional income**

Change to net professional income in the last 12 months

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Increased</b>	<b>Decreased</b>	<b>Stayed about the same</b>	<b>DK/NS</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	2251	30.7%	42.2%	22.2%	4.9%	100%
<b>Female</b>	765	30.6%	42.7%	21.7%	5.0%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1486	30.7%	42.0%	22.4%	4.9%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	213	48.4%	35.2%	11.7%	4.7%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	617	35.3%	42.5%	18.3%	3.9%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	739	31.5%	42.2%	22.2%	4.1%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	457	23.9%	43.1%	26.9%	6.1%	100%
<b>65+</b>	225	12.0%	46.7%	32.9%	8.4%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1236	27.9%	43.7%	23.9%	4.4%	100%
<b>Medical Specialist</b>	739	35.9%	39.2%	18.9%	6.0%	100%
<b>Surgical Specialist</b>	276	29.0%	43.8%	22.8%	4.3%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	203	33.5%	43.8%	19.2%	3.4%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	2048	30.4%	42.1%	22.5%	5.1%	100%

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#### **Patients requesting advertised drugs**

In the past 12 months, frequency at which patients have asked the physician to prescribe drugs they've seen advertised in the media

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Daily</b>	<b>Weekly</b>	<b>Monthly</b>	<b>Occasionally</b>	<b>Never</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>No response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	2251	4.1%	21.4%	11.8%	37.1%	16%	7.4%	2.4%	100%
<b>Female</b>	765	4.8%	21.7%	12.0%	41.0%	12%	6.4%	2.5%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1486	3.8%	21.3%	11.7%	35.0%	18%	7.9%	2.4%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	213	4.2%	25.4%	18.3%	33.3%	15%	2.8%	1.4%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	617	3.7%	22.7%	14.4%	37.8%	14%	6.3%	1.6%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	739	4.9%	21.4%	11.2%	36.8%	16%	7.0%	2.6%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	457	4.6%	20.8%	8.5%	36.8%	16%	9.6%	3.7%	100%
<b>65+</b>	225	1.8%	15.6%	7.1%	40.0%	21%	11.6%	2.7%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1236	6.3%	30.3%	14.5%	35.6%	7%	4.4%	2.0%	100%
<b>Medical Specialist</b>	739	1.6%	9.7%	8.3%	39.0%	24%	13.5%	3.5%	100%
<b>Surgical Specialist</b>	276	1.1%	13.0%	9.4%	38.4%	32%	4.7%	1.4%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	203	6.4%	29.6%	14.8%	36.5%	9%	2.5%	1.5%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	2048	3.9%	20.6%	11.5%	37.1%	16%	7.9%	2.5%	100%

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**Impact of drug requests on doctor-patient relationship**

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Very positive</b>	<b>Somewhat positive</b>	<b>Neither positive nor negative</b>	<b>Somewhat negative</b>	<b>Very negative</b>	<b>No response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	1675	2.1%	14.4%	62.4%	17.6%	1.9%	1.5%	100%
<b>Female</b>	609	1.8%	13.0%	62.4%	19.9%	1.6%	1.3%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1066	2.3%	15.3%	62.5%	16.3%	2.1%	1.6%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	173	1.2%	9.8%	62.4%	23.7%	2.3%	0.6%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	485	2.1%	14.2%	61.6%	18.8%	2.1%	1.2%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	549	1.5%	14.0%	62.7%	17.3%	2.7%	1.8%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	323	2.8%	17.6%	62.2%	15.8%	0.3%	1.2%	100%
<b>65+</b>	145	4.1%	15.2%	64.8%	11.7%	1.4%	2.8%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1071	2.0%	16.2%	58.0%	20.4%	2.1%	1.4%	100%
<b>Medical Specialist</b>	433	2.1%	12.5%	68.6%	12.9%	1.8%	2.1%	100%
<b>Surgical Specialist</b>	171	2.9%	8.8%	74.9%	12.3%	0.6%	0.6%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	177	2.8%	13.0%	60.5%	19.8%	2.3%	1.7%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	1498	2.0%	14.6%	62.7%	17.4%	1.9%	1.5%	100%

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### **Approaches to mass-media dissemination of pharmaceutical information**

Thinking about the mass-media dissemination of pharmaceutical information to consumers, which is your preferred approach?

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>DTCA*</b>	<b>DTCI**</b>	<b>No preference</b>	<b>Don't like either approach</b>	<b>No opinion</b>	<b>No response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	2251	0.8%	38.0%	11.7%	33.3%	11.6%	4.5%	100%
<b>Female</b>	765	0.7%	45.0%	8.5%	32.2%	8.5%	5.2%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1486	0.9%	34.5%	13.4%	33.9%	13.3%	4.1%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	213	0.5%	53.1%	8.5%	29.6%	6.6%	1.9%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	617	0.8%	41.0%	10.0%	34.2%	9.7%	4.2%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	739	1.2%	38.6%	10.8%	31.9%	12.3%	5.1%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	457	0.4%	33.7%	14.0%	34.4%	12.3%	5.3%	100%
<b>65+</b>	225	0.4%	22.7%	17.8%	36.9%	18.2%	4.0%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1236	1.0%	39.9%	10.8%	34.9%	9.5%	3.9%	100%
<b>Medical Specialist</b>	739	0.5%	36.9%	11.0%	32.7%	13.7%	5.1%	100%
<b>Surgical Specialist</b>	276	0.7%	32.6%	17.8%	27.9%	15.6%	5.4%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	203	1.0%	42.9%	12.3%	30.0%	10.3%	3.4%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	2048	0.8%	37.5%	11.7%	33.6%	11.8%	4.6%	100%

\* DTCA: direct to consumer advertising, which is advocated by some pharmaceutical companies and would profile a single drug

\*\* DTCI: direct to consumer information, which would profile a number of alternatives for treatment, potentially including more than one pharmaceutical product as well as lifestyle considerations

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#### **Drug formularies**

In the past 12 months, the frequency at which drug formularies led physicians to prescribe a particular drug when they would have preferred to prescribe a different drug

	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Daily</b>	<b>Weekly</b>	<b>Monthly</b>	<b>Occasionally</b>	<b>Never</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>No response</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Overall</b>	2251	12.9%	14.5%	7.0%	30.9%	22.4%	9.6%	2.8%	100%
<b>Female</b>	765	10.7%	16.6%	8.1%	32.4%	20.5%	8.2%	3.4%	100%
<b>Male</b>	1486	14.0%	13.5%	6.5%	30.1%	23.4%	10.2%	2.4%	100%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	213	8.5%	22.1%	10.8%	31.9%	20.2%	4.7%	1.9%	100%
<b>35 - 44</b>	617	13.8%	16.9%	8.4%	28.7%	22.4%	7.3%	2.6%	100%
<b>45 - 54</b>	739	14.1%	14.7%	6.5%	30.4%	21.8%	9.7%	2.7%	100%
<b>55 - 64</b>	457	14.4%	12.5%	4.4%	31.9%	21.7%	11.4%	3.7%	100%
<b>65+</b>	225	7.6%	4.4%	6.7%	35.1%	28.0%	16.0%	2.2%	100%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1236	18.4%	19.4%	7.4%	30.6%	15.4%	6.4%	2.3%	100%
<b>Medical Specialist</b>	739	6.4%	8.7%	5.8%	29.9%	29.9%	15.8%	3.5%	100%
<b>Surgical Specialist</b>	276	5.4%	8.3%	8.3%	34.8%	33.7%	6.9%	2.5%	100%
<b>Rural</b>	203	14.8%	14.3%	6.9%	39.4%	17.2%	5.9%	1.5%	100%
<b>Urban</b>	2048	12.7%	14.6%	7.0%	30.0%	22.9%	9.9%	2.9%	100%



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**Marital Status**

	<b>Marital Status</b>			
	<b>Number of respondents</b>	<b>Single, separated, widowed, divorced</b>	<b>Married, common-law, living with partner</b>	<b>No response</b>
<b>Overall</b>	2251	14.0%	84.0%	2.0%
<b>Female</b>	765	20.4%	77.5%	2.1%
<b>Male</b>	1486	10.8%	87.3%	1.9%
<b>&lt; 35</b>	213	19.2%	80.3%	0.5%
<b>35 - 44</b>	617	12.5%	85.9%	1.6%
<b>45 - 54</b>	739	13.4%	84.6%	2.0%
<b>55 - 64</b>	457	15.1%	81.8%	3.1%
<b>65+</b>	225	13.3%	84.9%	1.8%
<b>GP/FP</b>	1236	13.6%	84.4%	2.0%
<b>Med Spec</b>	739	16.2%	81.5%	2.3%
<b>Surg Spec</b>	276	10.1%	89.1%	0.7%
<b>Rural</b>	203	11.8%	86.7%	1.5%
<b>Urban</b>	2048	14.3%	83.7%	2.0%

<b>Spouse or partner a physician?</b>	
<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
19.9%	79.9%
32.4%	67.3%
14.3%	85.6%
33.9%	66.1%
22.6%	77.0%
21.9%	77.9%
11.5%	88.5%
9.9%	89.5%
19.3%	80.5%
20.3%	79.4%
22.0%	78.0%
18.8%	81.3%
20.1%	79.7%

Includes only those who are married, common-law, or living with a partner