

Table 5. Tobacco Counseling at Office Visits to Primary Care Physicians by Adult Tobacco Users [by Patient Race and Selected Characteristics], United States, 2007-2008

Patient Characteristics	Unweighted Sample Size	Number Visits (in thousands)	Standard Error (in thousands)	Percent Counseled	Standard Error Of Percent
All Races	3,188	103,176	6,612	23.3	1.7
..Age					
....18-44 years	1,468	43,936	2,935	20.1	1.8
....45-64 years	1,307	42,748	3,163	26.5	2.4
....65 years and over	413	16,491	1,638	23.4	3.3
..Sex					
....Female	1,911	62,199	4,005	22.1	1.7
....Male	1,277	40,976	3,171	25.1	2.5
..Expected Payment Source By Age Group					
....Private, age less than 65	1,251	53,595	3,826	24.8	2.0
....Public, age less than 65	855	19,635	1,759	21.3	2.8
....No insurance, age less than 65	368	7,924	1,488	21.8	5.4
....Medicare and Private, age 65 and over	177	8,535	1,144	26.2	4.5
....Medicare and Medicaid, age 65 and over					
....Medicare only, age 65 and over	167	6,486	897	19.7	4.7
....Other/unknown	335	6,405	1,224	17.3	3.0
..Location					
....Within Metropolitan Statistical Area	2,713	85,039	6,062	23.4	1.9
....Outside Metropolitan Statistical Area	475	18,137	3,626	22.5	2.9

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White	2,483	86,727	5,912	23.4	1.8
..Age					
....18-44 years	1,131	36,634	2,586	20.1	2.0
....45-64 years	1,000	35,532	2,867	26.9	2.6
....65 years and over	352	14,561	1,540	23.0	3.1
..Sex					
....Female	1,485	52,528	4,264	22.0	2.1
....Male	998	34,198	3,277	25.5	3.1
..Expected Payment Source By Age Group					
....Private, age less than 65	1,069	45,581	4,095	25.1	2.5
....Public, age less than 65	582	15,401	1,855	22.4	3.9
....No insurance, age less than 65	284	6,581	1,504	19.3	5.7
....Medicare and Private, age 65 and over	162	7,838	1,340	26.8	5.7
....Medicare and Medicaid, age 65 and over					
....Medicare only, age 65 and over	139	5,594	941	18.3	4.6
....Other/unknown	222	* 5,275	* 1,233	16.8	4.1
..Location					
....Within Metropolitan Statistical Area	2,041	69,748	5,282	23.5	2.1
....Outside Metropolitan Statistical Area	442	16,978	3,571	22.6	3.0

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Black or African-American	472	12,253	1,373	21.3	3.1
...Age					
....18-44 years	211	5,169	679	17.5	4.2
....45-64 years	219	5,480	748	23.8	5.4
....65 years and over					
...Sex					
....Female	287	7,688	1,259	23.0	4.5
....Male	185	* 4,565	* 774	*18.3	* 5.8
American Indian or Alaskan Native	129	* 589	* 187	* 6.6	* 5.0

*Figure does not meet standards of reliability or precision.

Adults are defined as patients 18 years of age or older. Tobacco users are identified from the patient record form based on a yes answer to the question, "Does patient currently use tobacco?"

Visits to primary care providers include all visits to office-based physicians in the specialties of family/general medicine, internal medicine, and obstetrics/gynecology, and visits in which the physician was designated as patient's primary care provider.

Payment source classified by all expected payment sources. Public insurance includes Medicare, Medicaid, and State Children's Health Insurance Program. No insurance is defined as having only 'self-pay' or 'no charge/charity' as payment sources.

Race data were missing for 28.9% of total visits included in this table, and readers are advised to interpret these data with caution. Missing race data were imputed. Standard errors for estimates by race were inflated as described in '2007 NAMCS Microdata File Documentation'

ftp://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/Health_Statistics/NCHS/Dataset_Documentation.

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics, National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey.

Note: For general information about survey methodology, reliability of estimates, and other technical information, readers can refer to the National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey: 2006 Summary (<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nhsr/nhsr003.pdf>).

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