

Table 6. Tobacco Counseling at Office Visits to Primary Care Physicians by Adult Tobacco Users [by Payment Source and Age Group 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 Payment Sources And Age Groups	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
..Race					
....White	2,483	86,727	7,035	23.4	2.1
....Black or African-American	472	12,253	1,634	21.3	3.7
....Asian					
....Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander					
....American Indian or Alaskan Native	129	* 589	* 223	* 6.6	* 6.0
....Multiple races					
..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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Private insurance, age less than 65	1,251	53,595	3,826	24.8	2.0
..Age					
....18-44 years	613	25,349	1,889	20.1	2.0
....45-64 years	638	28,246	2,361	29.0	2.8
..Sex					
....Female	758	32,313	2,497	23.0	2.0
....Male	493	21,283	1,858	27.7	3.2
..Location					
....Within Metropolitan Statistical Area	1,074	46,190	3,580	24.2	2.1
....Outside Metropolitan Statistical Area	177	7,406	1,669	28.5	5.1
Public insurance, age less than 65	855	19,635	1,759	21.3	2.8
..Age					
....18-44 years	488	11,404	1,172	23.8	3.6
....45-64 years	367	8,230	902	17.8	3.5
..Sex					
....Female	571	13,924	1,340	20.8	3.1
....Male	284	5,711	657	22.3	4.4
..Location					
....Within Metropolitan Statistical Area	694	13,902	1,366	21.8	3.5
....Outside Metropolitan Statistical Area	161	* 5,733	* 1,260	19.8	4.6

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Patient Characteristics	Unweighted Sample Size	Number Visits (in thousands)	Standard Error (in thousands)	Percent Couseled	Standard Error Of Percent
No insurance, Age less than 65	368	7,924	1,488	21.8	5.4
..Age					
....18-44 years	217	* 4,838	* 1,089	*16.1	* 6.1
....45-64 years	151	* 3,086	* 534	30.8	7.9
..Sex					
....Female	201	* 4,094	* 690	19.5	5.8
....Male	167	* 3,830	* 916	*24.3	* 8
Medicare and Private, age 65 and over	177	8,535	1,144	26.2	4.5
Medicare only, age 65 and over	167	6,486	897	19.7	4.7
Other/unknown payment	335	6,405	1,224	17.3	3.0

*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, 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 based on 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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