

Table. Percentage of office-based physicians using any electronic health record (EHR)/electronic medical record (EMR) system and physicians that have a certified EHR/EMR system, by specialty: National Electronic Health Records Survey, 2017

Specialty	Any EHR or EMR system ¹			Certified EHR or EMR system ²		
	Percent	95% confidence interval		Percent	95% confidence interval	
		Low	High		Low	High
All Physicians	85.9	83.2	88.4	79.7	76.7	82.4
Primary care	†88.5	84.7	91.6	†83.5	79.6	86.9
Non-primary care	83.6	79.5	87.1	§76.0	71.6	80.1
Surgical	84.2	77.5	89.5	77.3	69.8	83.7
Medical	83.1	77.6	87.7	§75.1	69.3	80.3
Physician Specialties ³						
Dermatology	80.0	62.4	91.9	79.5	61.9	91.4
General/family practice	86.1	79.9	91.0	81.5	75.1	86.8
General Surgery	†95.8	89.3	99.0	†94.2	87.1	98.1
Internal medicine	84.9	72.8	93.1	81.6	70.1	90.1
Obstetrics/Gynecology	†95.7	91.0	98.4	†90.7	84.5	95.0
Orthopedic Surgery	96.7	87.8	99.7	*	*	*
Other ⁴	89.3	84.6	92.9	81.1	75.3	86.0
Otolaryngology	†94.6	84.9	98.9	*	*	*
Pediatrics	†92.1	86.2	96.0	84.9	78.1	90.3
Urology	88.7	73.0	97.0	86.7	70.3	96.0

*Estimate does not meet NCHS standards of reliability.

†Percentage is significantly higher than the percentage of all physicians (p<0.05; two-tailed, adjusted for dependent comparisons).

§Percentage is significantly lower than the percentage of all physicians (p<0.05; two-tailed, adjusted for dependent comparisons).

¹ For all physicians, non-primary care, surgical, medical, general/family practice, pediatrics and other, both the estimate and its complement meet the NCHS standard of reliability. For all other groups, estimates meet the NCHS standard of reliability, their complement does not.

² For all physicians, surgical, general/family practice, internal medicine, pediatrics, and other, both the estimate and its complement meet the NCHS standards for reliability. For all other groups, estimates meet the NCHS standards of reliability, their complement does not.

³ Cardiovascular disease, psychiatry, Neurology and Ophthalmology specialties estimates did not meet the NCHS standards of reliability for either Any or Certified EHR/EMR system.

⁴ Other is a residual category of specialties not included in the following specialty groups: cardiovascular disease, dermatology, general/family practice, general surgery, internal medicine, neurology, obstetrics and gynecology, ophthalmology, orthopedic surgery, otolaryngology, pediatrics, psychiatry or urology.

NOTE: Using any EHR/EMR was defined by physicians answering "yes" to use of an electronic health record system at the reporting location. Having a certified system was defined by physicians answering "yes" to having a current system that "meet meaningful use criteria defined by the Department of Health and Human Services." For more information on certified systems and meaningful use (renamed "promoting interoperability") criteria go to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Official Web site for the Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs (<https://www.cms.gov/ehrincentiveprograms>). Data for United States includes all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

SOURCE: NCHS, National Electronic Health Records Survey, 2017

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