

Definition/Description:

Population aged 12 and over who have consulted with a dental professional in the past 12 months. Dental professionals include dentists, orthodontists or dental hygienists.

Source:

Statistics Canada, Canadian Community Health Survey, 2000/01

Findings:

Indicator	Sex	Geography	Per Cent	Low 95% confidence interval - per cent	High 95% confidence interval - per cent
Contact with dental professionals in past 12 months	Both	Canada	60.0	59.6	60.4
		Manitoba	58.4	56.7	60.1
		Winnipeg Health Region	60.9	58.3	63.5
	Females	Canada	62.5	61.9	63.0
		Manitoba	60.2	58.0	62.3
		Winnipeg Health Region	61.9	58.7	65.2
	Males	Canada	57.4	56.8	58.0
		Manitoba	56.6	54.2	58.9
		Winnipeg Health Region	59.8	56.2	63.5

Highlights:

- The percentage of population having contact with a dentist is very similar in all jurisdictions. For the WHR, 60.9% of the population has consulted a dental professional in the past 12 months.
- Residents of Winnipeg are slightly more likely to contact a dentist than those in the rest of the province (60.9% and 58.4% respectively) however this difference is not significant.