Snapshot: Consumer access to healthcare information

Whether it's because they have a new symptom or are due for a checkup, when people search for healthcare information, they often do additional research and leverage sources like social media sites, search engines and AI chatbots.

Let's take a look at what Epsilon's consumer research discovered about how people search for healthcare information.

How people use search engines like Google, Bing or Yahoo

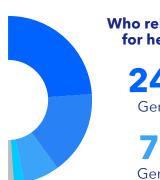
63%

understand symptoms and self-diagnose

information about medication side effects and interactions

54%

treatment options for a condition



Who relies on AI tools to search for healthcare information?

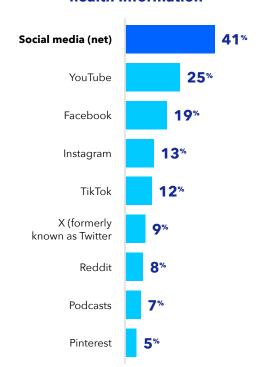
Gen Z

Gen X

Millennials

Boomers

Social media used for health information



What makes people trust the health-related information they're getting online?

10%

say the source is a well-known and trusted health organization

48%

check multiple sources to compare the information

Why do people look to influencers and content creators for healthcare information?



for general wellness and lifestyle tips



for diet and nutrition advice



for fitness and exercise recommendations



across generations refer to their healthcare providers for healthcare information

the average number of visits per year to a primary care doctor



rely on their family and friends for healthcare information