

Health screenings among Oregon adults by sexual orientation, 2014-2017

Use unadjusted percentages to estimate the overall prevalence of health screenings; use age-adjusted percentages to compare among gay, lesbian, bisexual and heterosexual adult populations.



	Gay/Lesbian		Bisexual		Heterosexual	
	Unadjusted (%)	Age-Adjusted (%)	Unadjusted (%)	Age-Adjusted (%)	Unadjusted (%)	Age-Adjusted (%)
Men						
Blood sugar test within past three years ¹	64.0	NA	37.4	NA	49.5	NA
Cholesterol checked within past five years	83.5	NA	51.2	NA	77.1	NA
Current on colorectal cancer screening (50-75 years old) ²	76.0	NA	60.2	NA	66.0	NA
Fecal occult blood test (FOBT) within past year (50-75 years old)	14.9^	NA	11.5^	NA	11.4	NA
Women						
Blood sugar test within past three years ¹	61.7	NA	56.4	NA	57.5	NA
Cholesterol checked within past five years	85.4	NA	73.6	NA	84.4	NA
Current on colorectal cancer screening (50-75 years old) ²	72.7	NA	52.3	NA	72.1	NA
Fecal occult blood test (FOBT) within past year (50-75 years old)	14.1	NA	6.4^	NA	12.8	NA
Mammogram within past two years (50-74 years old)	79.0	NA	74.1	NA	76.1	NA
Pap test within past three years (21-65 years old with a cervix)	74.5	NA	73.8	NA	81.0	NA

^ This number may be statistically unreliable and should be interpreted with caution.

NA = not applicable for topics that do not require age adjustment

¹ Among Oregon adults without diabetes.

² Current on colorectal cancer screening includes: having a fecal occult blood test (FOBT) in the past year; a colonoscopy within the past 10 years; or, a sigmoidoscopy within the past five years as well as an FOBT within the past three years

Source: Oregon Behavioral Risk Factors Surveillance System 2014-2017; age-adjusted to the 2000 standard population.

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