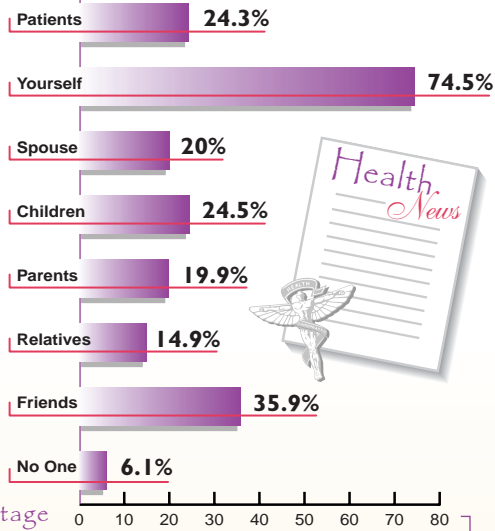


## Searching the Internet:

## Health Information for Who?

An international survey of 1,863 Internet users has revealed that about 92.59 percent of them have used the Internet to find useful medical/health information. Forty-eight percent of the respondents were health care providers; fifty-two percent were nonproviders.

One of the questions asked was: "In the last six months, have you sought medical/health information from any of the following people?"



Where on the Internet are they accessing the health information? About half go to the World Wide Web; 32% to discussion lists; 24% go to newsgroups; 13% from e-mail spamming!

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