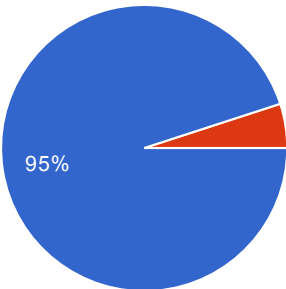


20 responses

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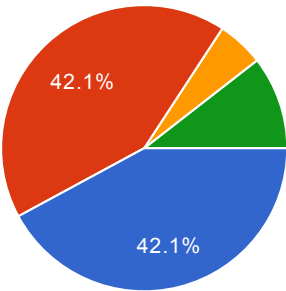
Summary

“Are you the primary person to handle medicines in your family?”



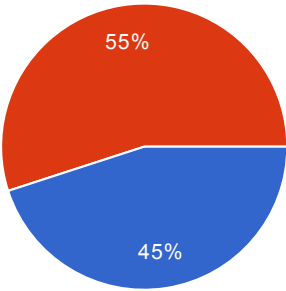
Yes	19	95%
No	1	5%

How many people?



1	8	42.1%
2	8	42.1%
3	1	5.3%
4	2	10.5%
5+	0	0%

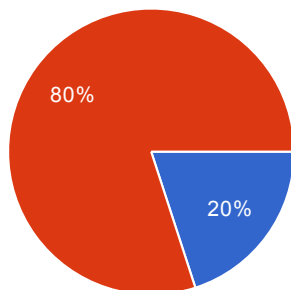
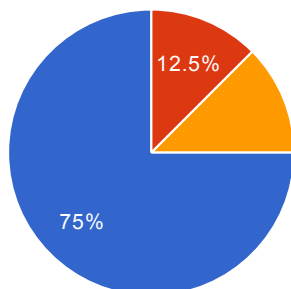
“Do you manage medicine for anyone else, like a parent, child, spouse, or significant other?”



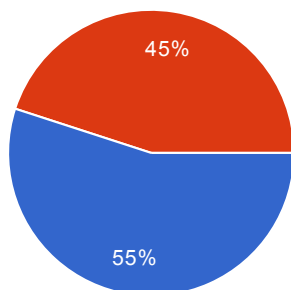
Yes	9	45%
No	11	55%

“Does anyone else in your family manage the medicine for others?”.

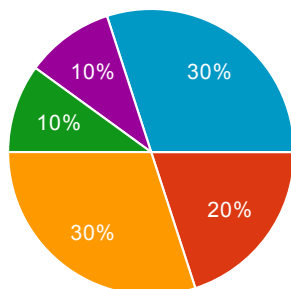
Yes	4	20%
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No **16** 80%**"How many people?"**

1	6	75%
2	1	12.5%
3	1	12.5%
4	0	0%
5+	0	0%

Gender

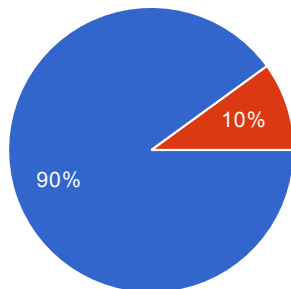
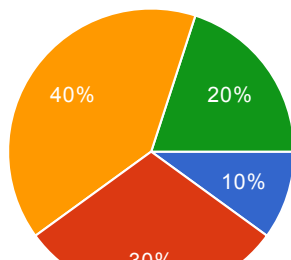
Male	11	55%
Female	9	45%

Age Range

18 – 24	0	0%
25 – 34	4	20%
35 – 44	6	30%
45 – 54	2	10%
55 – 64	2	10%
65+	6	30%

How many different medicines have you taken in the past 6 months?

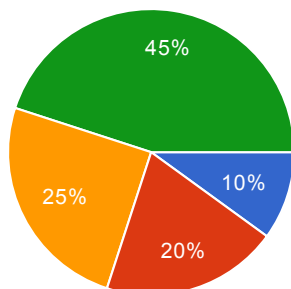
0-1	2	10%
2-4	6	30%
5-8	8	40%
8+	4	20%



Have you ever had one medicine that couldn't be taken with another medicine?

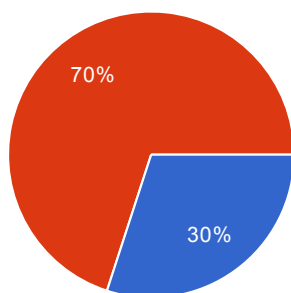
Yes	18	90%
No	2	10%

How many different medicines does your entire family take?



0-1	2	10%
2-4	4	20%
5-8	5	25%
8+	9	45%

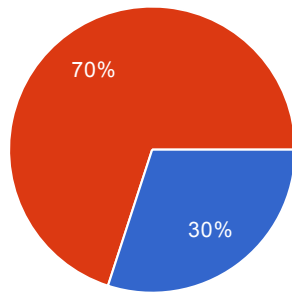
Have you ever had one medicine that couldn't be taken with another medicine?



Yes	6	30%
No	14	70%

Have you ever taken a medicine that couldn't be taken with certain foods?

Yes	6	30%
No	14	70%



Do you research it together?"

3.

Read about interactions. Online research

I don't know.

I read the data sheets that came with the prescriptions

Doctor tells or doesn't tell me.

After reading the label and speaking to his doctor, the alcohol levels in nyquil prevented him from being able to take this other medications.

For medications - Instructions from the pharmacist. For food - there is a small colored warning label on the box (ie. don't take w/grapefruit).

1 prescription. Other over the counter, doctor never said there were any issues.

doctor

From the Rx it told you.

Read the pamphlet that comes with the medicine or look it up online or talk to the doctor

The pharmacist will tell her.

Doctor tells me.

Pharmist, Doctor, or read it on the label.

Pamphlet that came with the med.

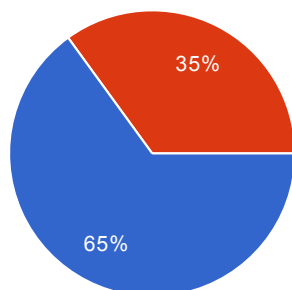
Bc the doc would tell her ahead of time or the pharmacist would let her know.

Read package information from beginning to end.

Reading the labels.

Doctor told me

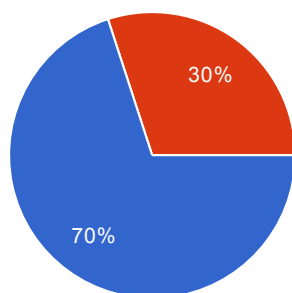
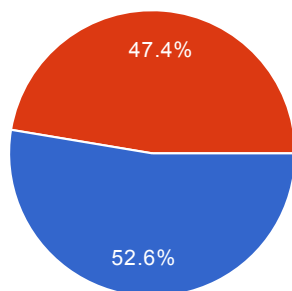
"Did you know that you're not supposed to take Excedrin or Tylenol with alcohol?"



Yes 13 65%

No 7 35%

"When you are prescribed a new drug, do you research it, the effects, the

precautions, or potential conflicts?"Yes **14** 70%No **6** 30%**"Does anyone else in your family?"**Yes **10** 52.6%No **9** 47.4%**Where?**

Online

Not sure. He's assuming.

She researches sometimes, but not always. It depends on the drug. She uses the internet and looks at a variety of sites (which appear through a Google search).

Mother does research. The internet but she is also a nurse.

Online and pharmacy pamphlet

Online, through therapist, or reading magazine articles, sometimes from his health insurance or primary doctor's newsletters

Webmd and health insurance company website.

The internet using a google search. Types in name of meds and gets articles.

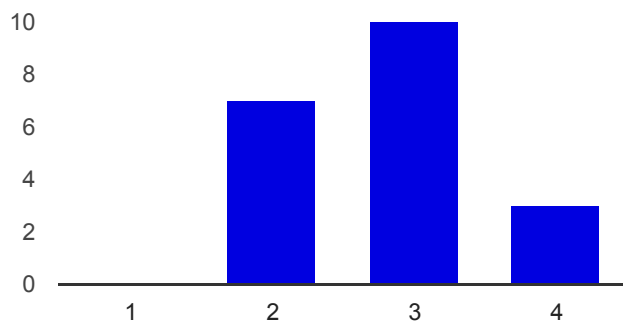
Internet

Internet using name of medicine.

Package insert and pharmacy

Google, first couple results..

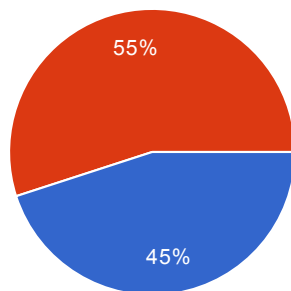
"Are you familiar with those news stories where a prescription drug has unexpected effects and had to be recalled?"



Polite or uninterested response: 1	0	0%
2	7	35%
3	10	50%

Emotional response that moves their body: 4 3 15%

“Do you remember which one(s)?”



Yes	9	45%
No	11	55%

Additional information

Doctor called to change subscription. Rely on doctor, but if I hear something on the news i check.

Most recent one - antacid causing heart attacks.

Sometimes these updates appear in the articles he reads.

Tylenol, melatonin, yaz

Pradaxa - was used to replace Cumidin and caused internal bleeding

He has seen ads on TV.

Maybe birth control hormone?

As long as they aren't hers, she forgets about them. There was one her husband used to take that made him shake, reglan.

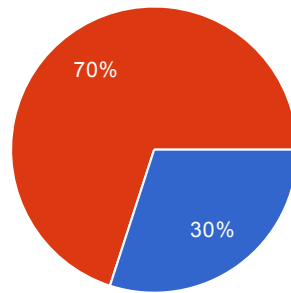
breast cancer recalls and other medical procedures. also blood pressure

Premierion - breast cancer

He's familiar w/late night ads that list side effects. He sees class action suits about them.

One med for diabetes, januvia. another one byetta.

“Were you affected, or did you know anyone who was?”



Yes	6	30%
No	14	70%

If yes, “What did you/they do?”

There was one her husband used to take that made him shake, reglan. She talked to the doctor, it was a necessary drug for him, so he had to reduce his intake.

It was Rx to me, but i wasn't taking it long term.

stopped taking it

Doctor or him on a different drug.

They most likely died as a result of taking the medicine

Because health professional it was discussed.

If no, “How do you know you/they weren't affected?”

When watching the report on NBC news, he didn't qualify as an affected person.

Wasn't taking any of them

I never knew anyone who volunteered that they both took the medication or were effected.

I don't know if they were or weren't.

Not that he knows of. He is basing this off of what people share with him.

No one ever mentioned it. Don't ask people about it.

To the best of his knowledge. Even if they've taken the drug, he doesn't know that they've suffered the same side effects the class action lawsuit was founded on.

Don't know of it.

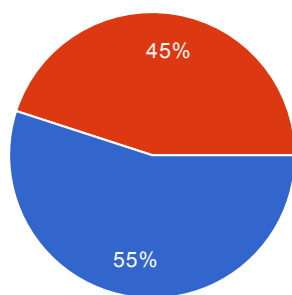
Her doctor had recommended this drug to her, but she didn't take it.

I don't know for sure, but I haven't heard anyone say that they were.

She can't recall the drugs but didn't hear anything.

We weren't using it..

Can't say

"Does that scare you?"Yes **11** 55%No **9** 45%**How would you expect to find out about an Adverse Reaction Report, Recall, or Enforcement Report for a drug that you are taking?**

Doctors would call.

News, or doctor tells me immediately.

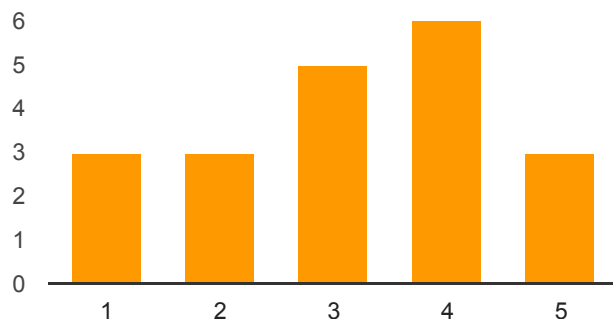
news

Doctor should contact me.

News. Yahoo mail ad. Online news. Never heard from doctor.

News

Online

"On a scale of 1 - 5, with 1 being not scared and 5 being one of the scariest things in your life, how would you rank your fear of taking a medicine with unknown, life-threatening side effects?"Not scared: 1 **3** 15%2 **3** 15%3 **5** 25%4 **6** 30%Scariest: 5 **3** 15%

"What else scares or concerns you about taking medicines?"

no

Effect on the rest of her organs

On the recall ads he's seen, they list very serious side effects.

Unknown side effects. Reacts differently for different people. Might be good for me but not children.

bad side effects that don't outweigh the benefits

The seizures side effects for a lot of medications these days. She won't let the doctor prescribe her anything without giving her time to look it up. For mixing medications, there should be more literature/education on not taking some things together. They have a label that warns against one thing or food, but for ppl that won't take the time to research, they should put that out there for them. (She is referring to the patients in her healthcare/nursing facility).

Potential toxicity of certain medications over time. The stress placed on my body as side effect of needing to filter out by-products as waste output of certain medications.

She is more into natural remedies and tries to keep off of medication. She has seen pharmaceutical reps in doctor offices and believes they are in business with the doctors to put people on medication. She isn't sure what this stuff will do to your body.

It would be a 4 if he didn't know anything about it. "I always worried that the medications I'm taking will have long term effects on me." Would be interested in natural remedies that could even out the chemicals you are putting in your body.

Even things w/o recalls are scary bc there are so many side effects. Sometimes the cons are worse than the pros. "The cost of medicine is really ridiculous sometimes.

Sometimes there are things you'd want to try, but you stop bc of the cost." Some medications that are approved by the FDA but not covered by insurance.

He tries to limit drug intake and be aware of what's going on. Drug consumption in general scares him. The scale of fear doesn't scare him bc he doesn't try to take a lot of drugs. You always worry about the long-term effects of things. His brother in law has kidney problems, one of the drivers has been the consumption of aspirin. He is especially fearful of the long term effects that aren't known.

Would be interested in a recalled app.

Conflict with other medicines. Inadequate information for me, or for the doctor. Had a doctor who forgot stuff. That they will become ineffective over time. That they'll indicate that I have an illness the doctors didn't tell me about.

Reliance on the medication for a long time.

Wow thinks i take to many.

I'm not good at swallowing pills, maybe I'll choke. I don't really take medicine, maybe I'll be allergic to something I don't know about.

No concerns - would be interested in using an application.

Unexpected interactions.

"On the flip side, how have the medicines you've taken improved your life?"

Prolonging life. Helping achieve normal physical state. Replacing needed chemicals, like thyroid medicine.

greatly, they have improved my health for a chronic condition as well as short term illnesses. Interested in App that provides notifications: Interested if the privacy settings are intact and well done

None that I can recall. Maybe vitamins during "workout mode."

Not sure yet. First medication.

They've all improved life, she's still here. If it wasn't for the diabetes meds, sugar would be out of control. Without RA meds w/o she couldn't get out of bed.

Yes, allergy medicines have definitely improved his life. "I don't take a lot of medicine so I don't have a lot of opinion." As a teenager, he took a lot of acne medication and it didn't really work. He didn't see the results he was hoping for, so it made him weary of the power of medicine. He doesn't go to the doctor very often and isn't sick very much. He doesn't feel he's in a position to take a lot of medicine.

4 medications have improved her life. No further details.

Can't really answer this question without getting into the underlying conditions that necessitate taking the medication in the first place.

Her current prescription has improved, but she has had to go through a few different brands to find this one that works.

keeps me alive and from being an unattractive cripple

Really controlled my problems.

Prevented migranes. Excellent.

Reduced risk of heart disease and stroke. Father died at his age.

saved from lymes disease twice and antibiotics have been very helpful

He's taken medication that has done what it's supposed to do, but he's not sure that it's improved it.

Good. The problems I have are under control. Can live a healthier lifestyle.

For the most part, they are keeping me balanced.

Less migraines, lower cholesterol, lower anxiety.

Does you or the primary medical person in your family use a smart phone?

Yes	7	87.5%
No	1	12.5%

