Doctors are going digital to **save lives**

Let's face it. We live in a digital world.

While most of us are using our devices to play games or to get from point A to point B, health care systems around the world are taking advantage of our technological age.

As of 2013, U.S. medical systems have electronically:









Filed 190 million+ prescriptions.



Shared 4.3 million+ summaries among colleagues when patients

changed doctors.



Sent patients 4.6 million+ copies of health-related information.

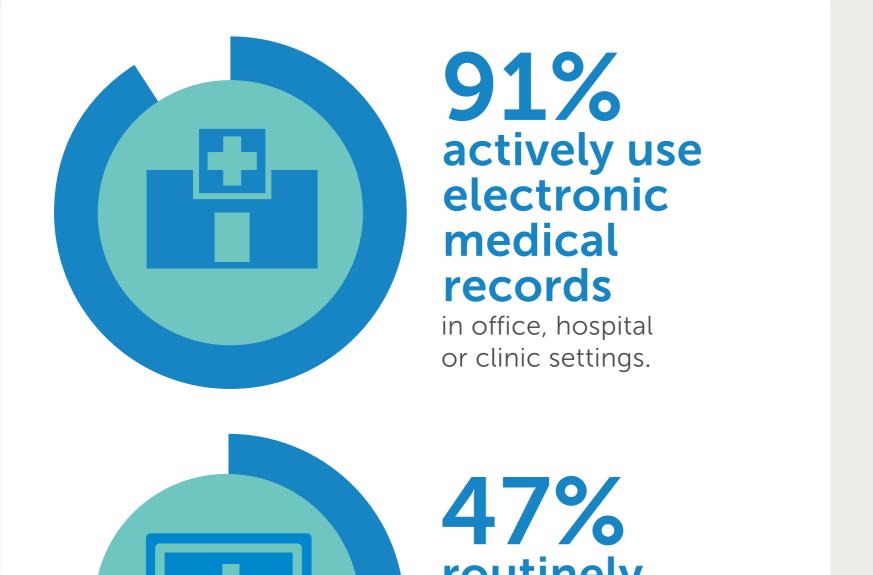
Reminded 13 million+ patients of checkups, required tests or appointments.



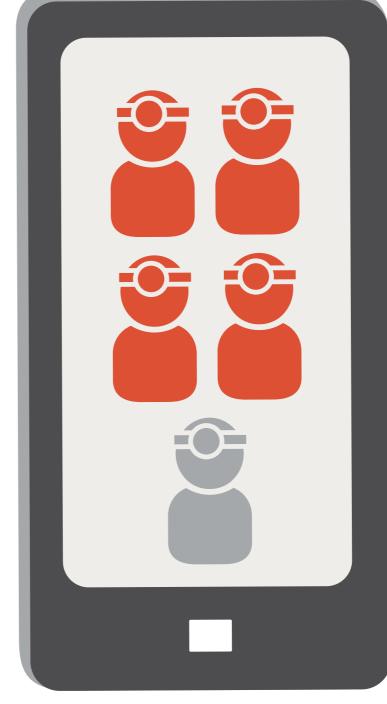
Performed 40 million+ checks on medication and

drug interactions.

Physicians are beginning to digitize their practices.



4/% routinely access clinical data via their PCs.

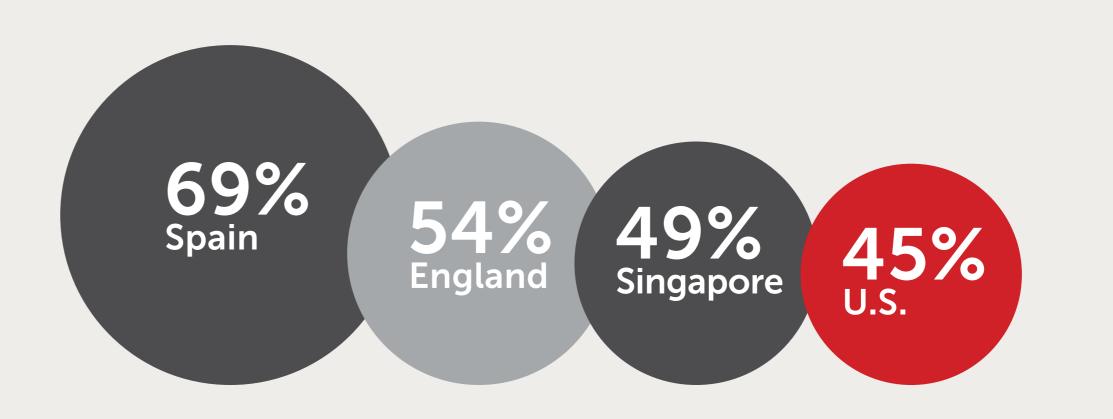


4/5 use in their practice:

- smartphones
- tablets
- apps

Comparative use around the globe

The U.S. ranks fourth when it comes to physicians who routinely use healthcare IT in their practices.



Electronic Health Records (EHRs)

An EHR is a digital record containing pertinent information - medical history, medications, test results, allergies and family health history. It can be easily transmitted electronically to any and all necessary healthcare outlets.



78%

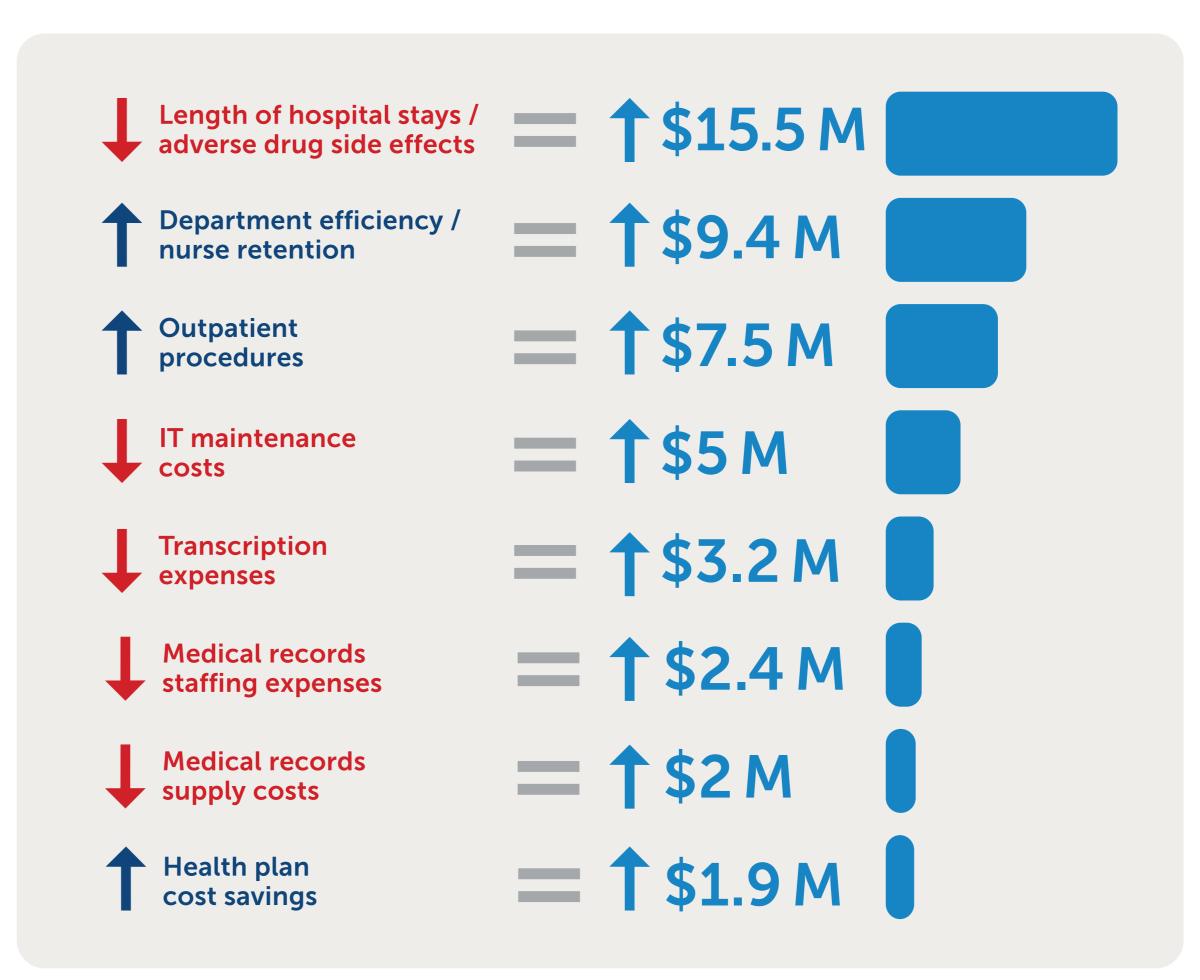
of office-based physicians in the U.S. used some type of EHR system in 2013.

Federal funding: \$24 billion

U.S. allocation as of March 2014 to promote the use of EHRs.

Health Information Exchanges (HIE)

Electronic Health Information Exchanges let patients and medical professionals quickly access critical medical records. Inefficiencies go down while savings go up.





Reduced practice inefficiencies

Increased practice efficiencies

Increased savings (U.S.)

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Digitizing medical information makes sense.

Sharing medical information using digital platforms reduces readmission rates, medication errors and duplicate testing while improving diagnoses.



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