

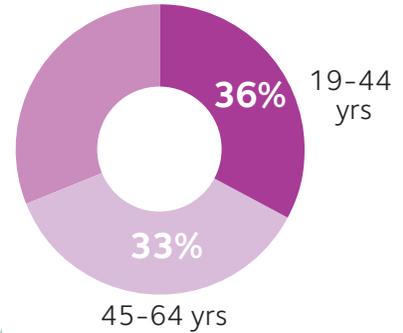
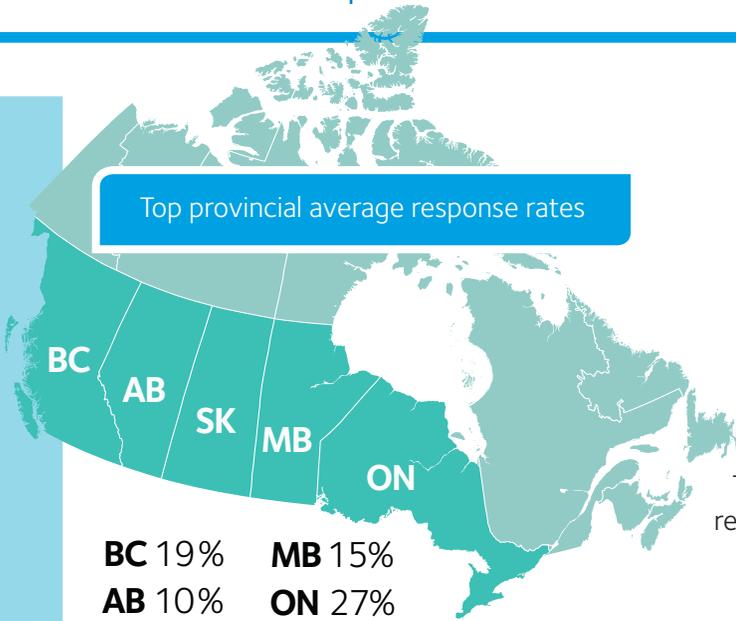
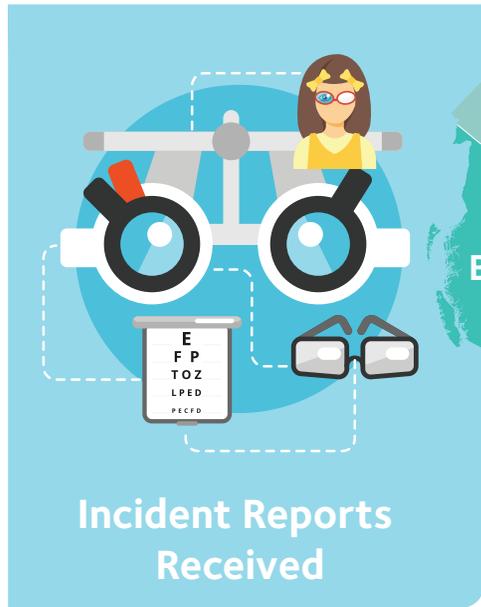
# THE OIR OVERVIEW

The economic value of regular eye exams



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Optometry Incident Report data shows the impact of early diagnosis on long-term healthcare costs. This infographic provides an overview of the data disclosed in the Optometry Incident Reports between January 9, 2017 to February 6, 2018.



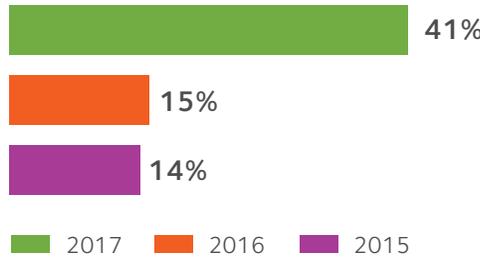
The majority of the patients reported in the OIR fall into the 19-44 age range (36%), followed by patients in the 45-64 age range (33%).

# 87%

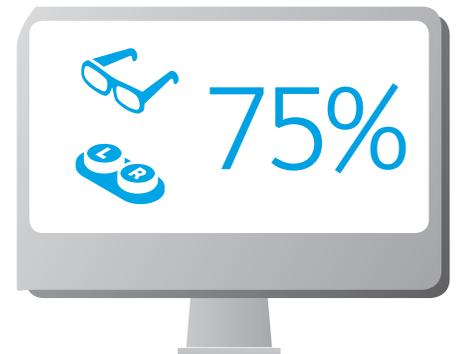
of the cases reported, the patient did not present with symptoms related to the underlying condition or diagnosis.



Asymptomatic patients presenting for a regular eye exam were the #1 reason for Optometrist visits.

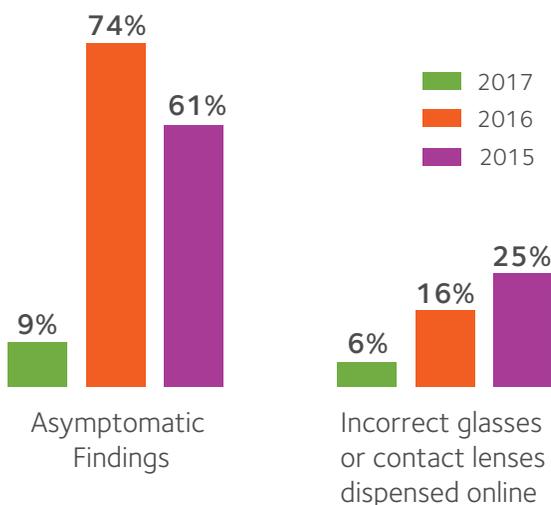


## THE INTERNET EFFECT



Of the incidents reported, 20 patients experienced complications with their contact lenses. Of these reported complications, 75% of patients obtained their contact lenses online.

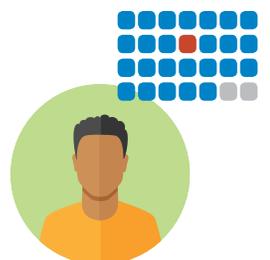
## MOST FREQUENTLY REPORTED INCIDENTS



16% of patients wait more than

# 5 YEARS

between visits. An additional 29% of patients wait between 2 and 5 years. But early detection is crucial



## THE BOTTOM LINE

The majority of patients exhibit asymptomatic eye disease, early detection is crucial to treatment. However, a significant portion of the population are not aware of their eye health. Frequent eye examinations can identify issues before they become a significant burden to patients and the public healthcare system.

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