

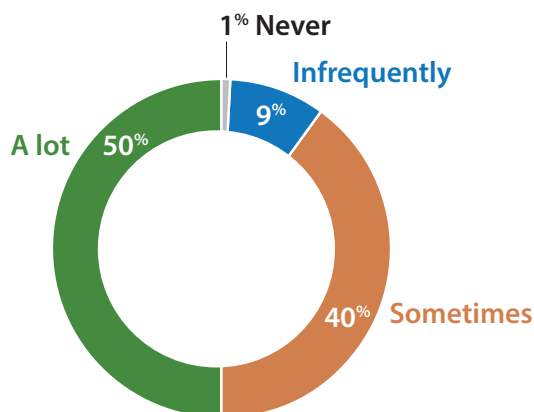
Annual ICTS Survey: Equity & Impact

Health equity and translational impact are closely related and valued!

The annual ICTS survey focuses on engagement and satisfaction with ICTS resources and services. Administered in late 2021, last year's survey had our largest response in the six years of the survey at 981 (44%) ICTS member respondents. This supplemental report describes the connections between the translational impact and health equity modules included in the 2021 survey. Member responses indicate that **those who value the greater societal impact of their work are also more familiar and concerned with health equity.**

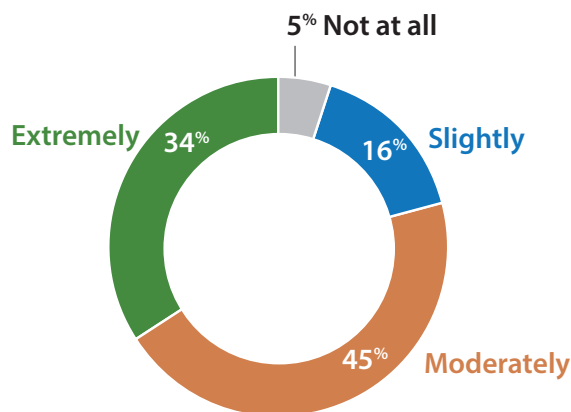
How often do you think about the impact of your work on society beyond academia?

Half (50%) of respondents reported **thinking about the societal or translational impact of their work a lot.** Just 10% reported thinking about larger impacts infrequently or never.



How familiar are you with the concept of health equity?

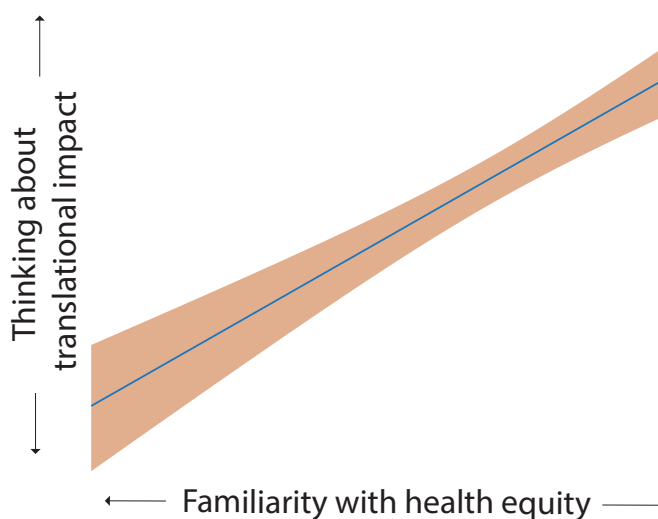
About one-third (34%) of respondents said they were **extremely familiar** with the concept of health equity, while almost half (45%) were moderately familiar.



Familiarity with health equity is positively correlated with the frequency of thinking about translational impact. Those who thought about impact a lot were twice as likely to be extremely familiar with the concept of health equity than others.

ICTS members more familiar with health equity are more likely to think about impact.

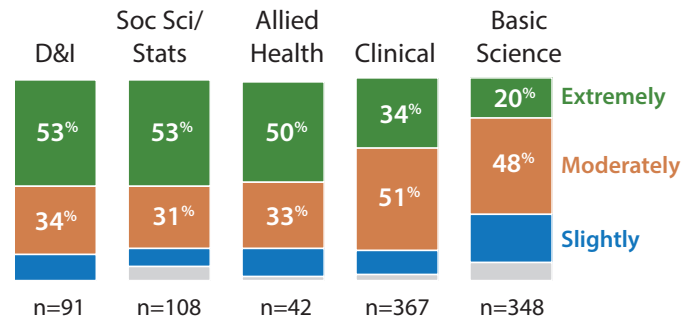
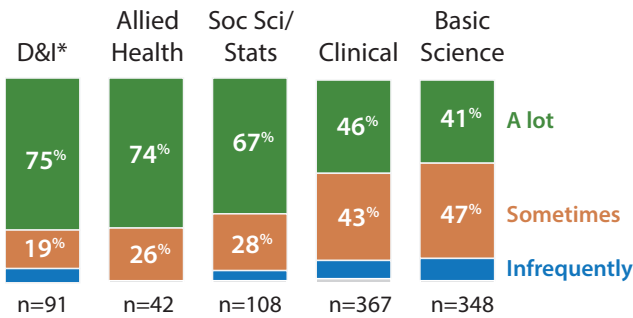
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of responding members also agreed that **ICTS membership helped them to translate their findings into practice.**



Thinking about impact

Familiarity with health equity

BY DISCIPLINE

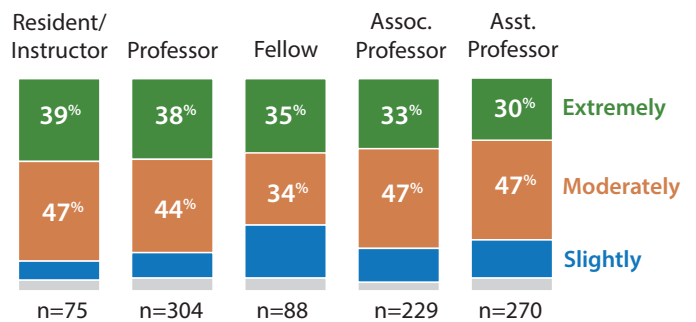
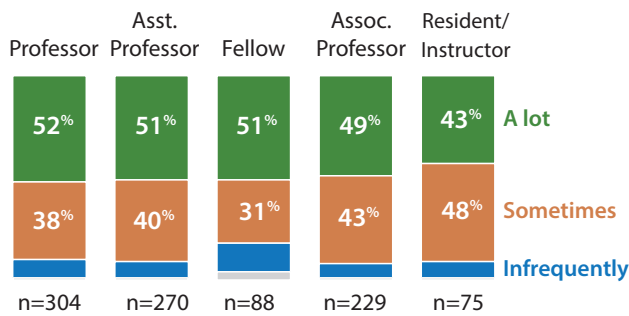


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Though almost everyone thought about the translational impact of their work, **those in D&I, allied health, and social sciences think about it more often than clinicians and basic scientists.**

Almost everyone was moderately or extremely familiar with the concept of health equity, though there is variation across disciplines.

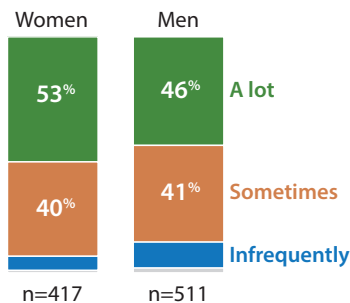
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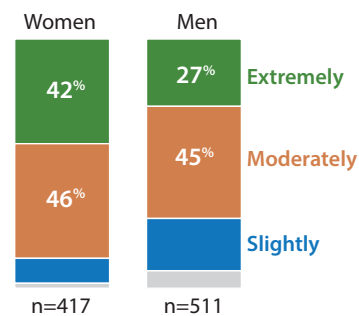
There was little difference across ranks when it came to thinking about the greater societal impact of one's work. This non-finding is notable because it illustrates that **both senior and junior scholars value the impact of their work beyond academia.**

Just as with thinking about the translational impact of their work, there is **little difference in the level of familiarity with health equity across ranks.**

BY GENDER



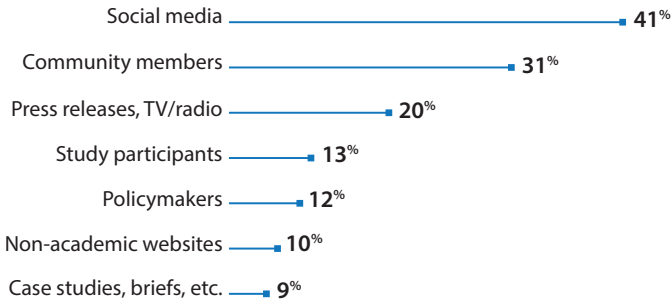
Women and men similarly thought about the translational impact of their work, with women thinking about it a lot or sometimes (93%) slightly more than men (87%).



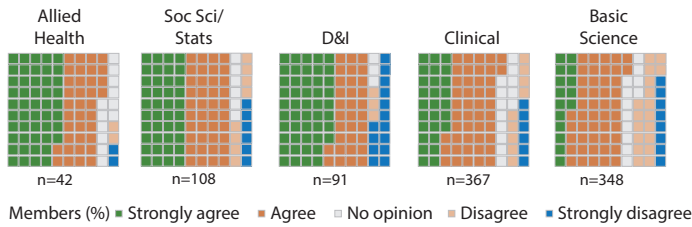
While 88% of women were extremely or moderately familiar with the concept of health equity, a lower percentage of men (72%) were at least moderately familiar.

Translational impact

Which translational products and platforms have you used to disseminate information about the greater impact of your work?

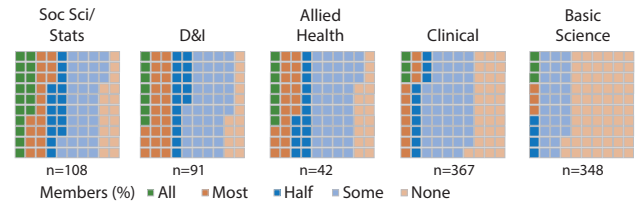


Across disciplines, at least half of respondents agreed that promotion and tenure decisions should explicitly value the societal benefits that may accrue from investigators' research along with more traditional measures like scientific citations.

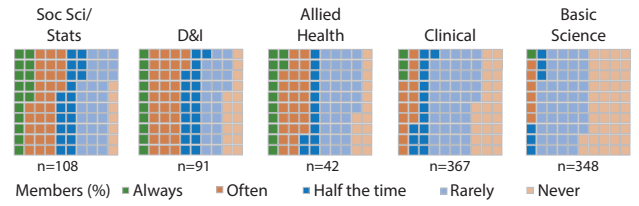


Health equity

How much of your current work includes specific outcomes or other measures related to health equity?



How often do you engage community members or organizations in planning or shaping your research?



How likely are you to incorporate health equity into your work in the future?



Clinicians and basic scientists reported lower measures in their work related to health equity, to inclusion of community members in shaping their research and to future work that would incorporate health equity in research planning (37% and 70%, respectively). The results illuminate an opportunity for tailored trainings as well as other educational efforts focused on equity in these two groups.

Interest in health equity and translational impact are related

Respondents who would likely attend a workshop on health equity would also likely attend one on translational impact, with over one-third of members saying they would do both. The [Translational Science Benefits Model](#), or TSBM framework, helps public health and clinical scientists demonstrate the impact of their scientific activities on downstream public health, clinical, and societal benefits.

