

strategy or were not familiar with the file management strategies in their digital imaging software programs. No single method prevailed for archiving images, and there was no standard level of image resolution.

"The biggest problems we saw in the survey were inconsistent file-naming strategies and underutilization of metadata," Dr. Humphrey said.

Based on their conducted research, the investigators recommend a digital management strategy that includes assigning metadata in the form of keywords that provide information about diagnoses and procedures.

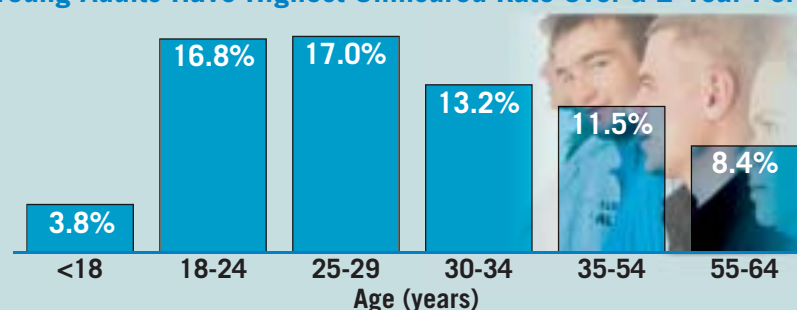
"We think metadata will make your images more accessible and retrievable and assure compatibility if you switch software programs," he said.

For more detailed information about digital asset management, visit www.iptc.org, which includes a list of software programs that are friendly to IPTC metadata.

Another useful resource is "The DAM Book: Digital Asset Management for Photographers" (San Francisco: O'Reilly Media, 2005) by Peter Krogh, a professional photographer and recognized expert in digital asset management, Dr. Humphrey said. ■

DATA WATCH

Young Adults Have Highest Uninsured Rate Over a 2-Year Period



Note: Based on data for people who were uninsured during 2004-2005.
Source: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

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