

Table 1: Comparison of national and WestREN profiles

	O Dowd 1992[5]	O Dowd 2005[5]	WestREN 2009
No of practices	428	545	71
Response Rate	68%	87%	73%
<u>Practice type</u>			
GMS + Private	91%	96%	100%
Private Practice only	9%	4%	0%
<u>GMS List size</u>			
<500	25%*	27%*	4%
1000-1999	27%*	21%	38%
>2000	3%*	<2%	14%
<u>Practice Location</u>			
Rural Location	33%	21%	50%
Urban location	47%	43%	25%
Mixed Location	20%	36%	25%
<u>Premises</u>			
Purpose built premises	27%	43%	54%
Adapted premises	46%	46%	40%
Attached to residence	27%	11%	5.7%
<u>Practice Organisation</u>			
Computerisation	27%	89%	100%
Appointment system	58%	81%	96%
<u>Out of Hours</u>			
Internal Rota	25%*	5%*	4%
External Rota	60%	15%*	19%
Coop	0%	42%	61%
<u>Practice staff</u>			
Single handed GP practice	57%*	35%	25%
Practice nurse (FT and PT)	17%*	75%	92%
<u>Education</u>			
Involved in postgraduate training	8%	18%	42%

All figures are in percentages apart from 'Number of practices'

*These figures were obtained by extrapolation from graph in O Dowd et al [5]