



Releasing the IS-GBE to the Public

- The IS-GBE was released to the public on May 5, 1999. A new release came in May, 2001. It can be accessed via:
<http://www.gbe-bund.de>
- Completing and updating the system will be an on-going and continuing process.
- The English version contains less information than the German, especially in the field of texts, and it may still contain bugs, because quality assessment focussed on the German version so far.



Usage of the System

- Average number of concurrent users at daytime: 50
- Total of 300 000 hits viewed and 50 000 downloads since June, 2001 (release of new version)
- Prevailing topics: health report, health expenditures and population

Other publications focus on specific topics:

They encompass information e.g. on the health status of the population and the health care system in Germany. The topic-related publications are designed both for all those engaged in the German health care system and for members of the public interested in health issues. They are characterised by their up-to-date, clearly structured and practice-oriented contents.

In 2001/2, publications will be issued on a total of presumably 25 topics including the following:

- alcoholism
- poverty of children and youth
- health among elderly people
- cancer of the skin
- multi-morbidity
- organ transplantation and donation
- sleep disturbances
- terminal care
- overweight
- undesirable drug effects

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ISBN 3-8246-0569-4
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- **Gesundheitsbericht on CD-ROM**
ISBN 3-8246-0592-9
DM 89.00/EUR 45.50
- **Spezialbericht Allergien**
ISBN 3-8246-0612-7
DM48.00/EUR 24.54

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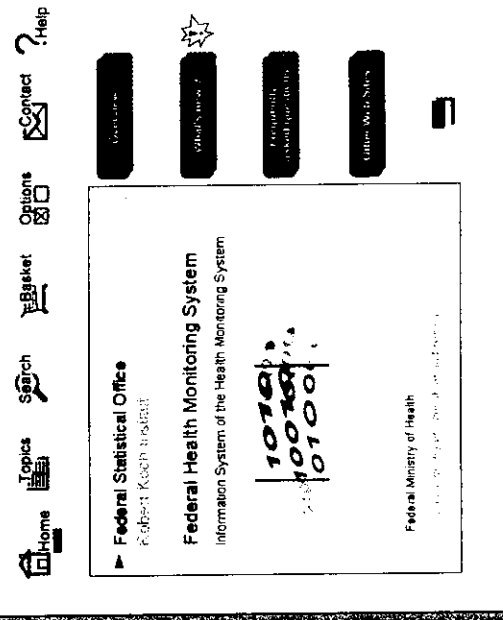
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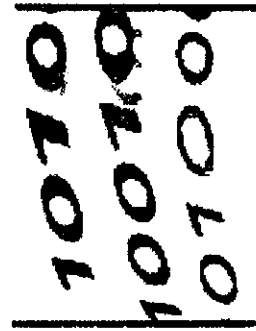
You require easily accessible information on the health care system in Germany?

In that case you are invited to consult the

Information System of Health Monitoring of the Federation

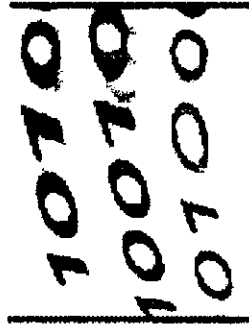
on the Internet:

www.gbe-bund.de



The characteristic features of the information system are:

- The information provided is flexible and individual by nature.
- A large variety of health-related information is presented online, e.g., in the form of informative indicators. Readily comprehensible texts and charts supplement the data offered.



- You may choose the **search strategy** which suits your objectives best: You may either search for topics or for specific terms in a free text search context, or you may "aimlessly" jump from one hit to the next one connected by its contents. The information system provides you with a **hit list**, it displays the number of hits (texts, tables, charts, definitions, other) and provides access to the respective information.

- Your request specifies the **information** to be supplied.
- Many tables provide an option to determine the **level of data detail**. Results not required for a certain purpose may be hidden, while other relevant data may be shown as requested.

- You may download all information found onto your own PC for **subsequent processing**.
- You may select the language of your search to be either **German or English**.