

# Cancer Prevention: the gap between what we know and what we do

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WILL IT BE THE  
MAD COW BEEF,  
THE HORMONE CHICKEN,  
OR THE MERCURY FISH?

UM... I THINK  
I'LL GO WITH THE  
VEGETARIAN DISH.

PESTICIDE  
OR HEPATITIS ?

TALS

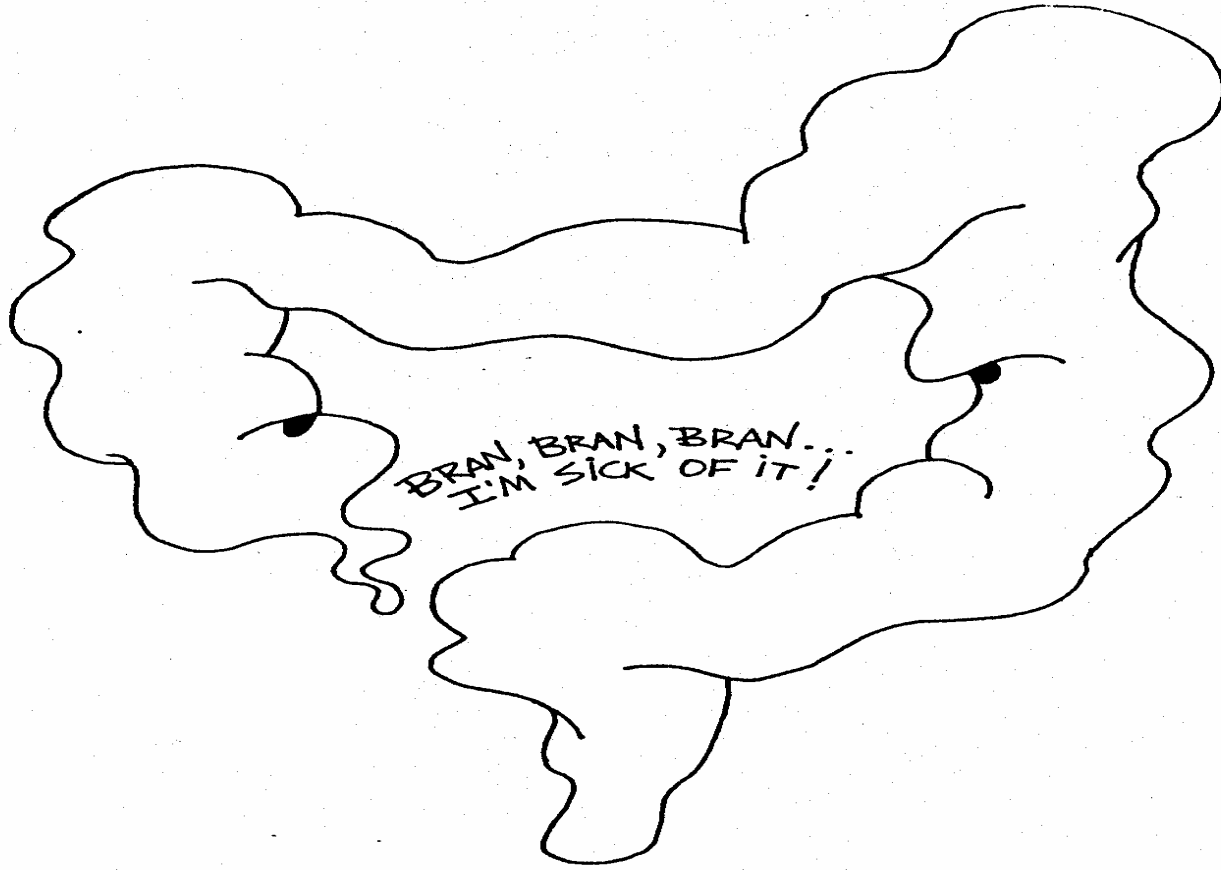
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MAYBE  
JUST  
WATER



POINT SOURCE, OR  
AGRICULTURAL  
RUNOFF?





IRRITABLE BOWEL  
SYNDROME

# Global Trends



# Global Trends

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- Increasing population
- Aging
- Increasing incidence rates
- 10.3 million cases in 1996  
→ 14.7 million cases in 2020



# Cancer as a Cause of Death in the World: 1985 & 2015

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Cause of Death as % of all deaths	Developing Countries		Developed World	
	1985(%)	2015(%)	1985(%)	2015(%)
<b>Cancer</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>
Total Deaths (millions):	37.9	47.8	12.0	14.5
<b>Cancer Deaths (millions):</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>2.6</b>

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Adapted from Bulatao & Stephens, (1990); Mosley, et al. (1993)

# Food, Nutrition and the Prevention of Cancer: a global perspective



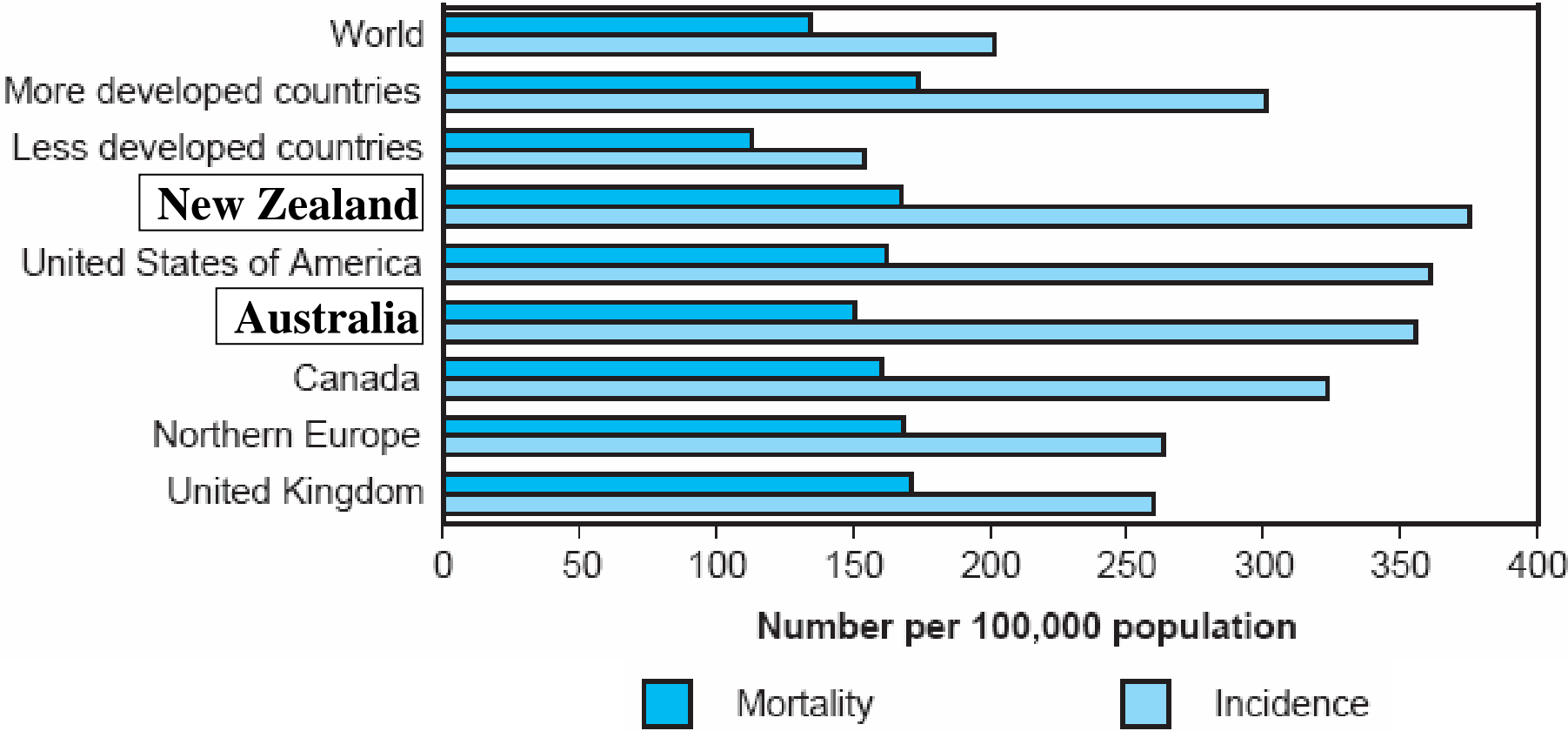
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# International Comparison for Incidence and Death Rates for All Cancers for Males, 2001

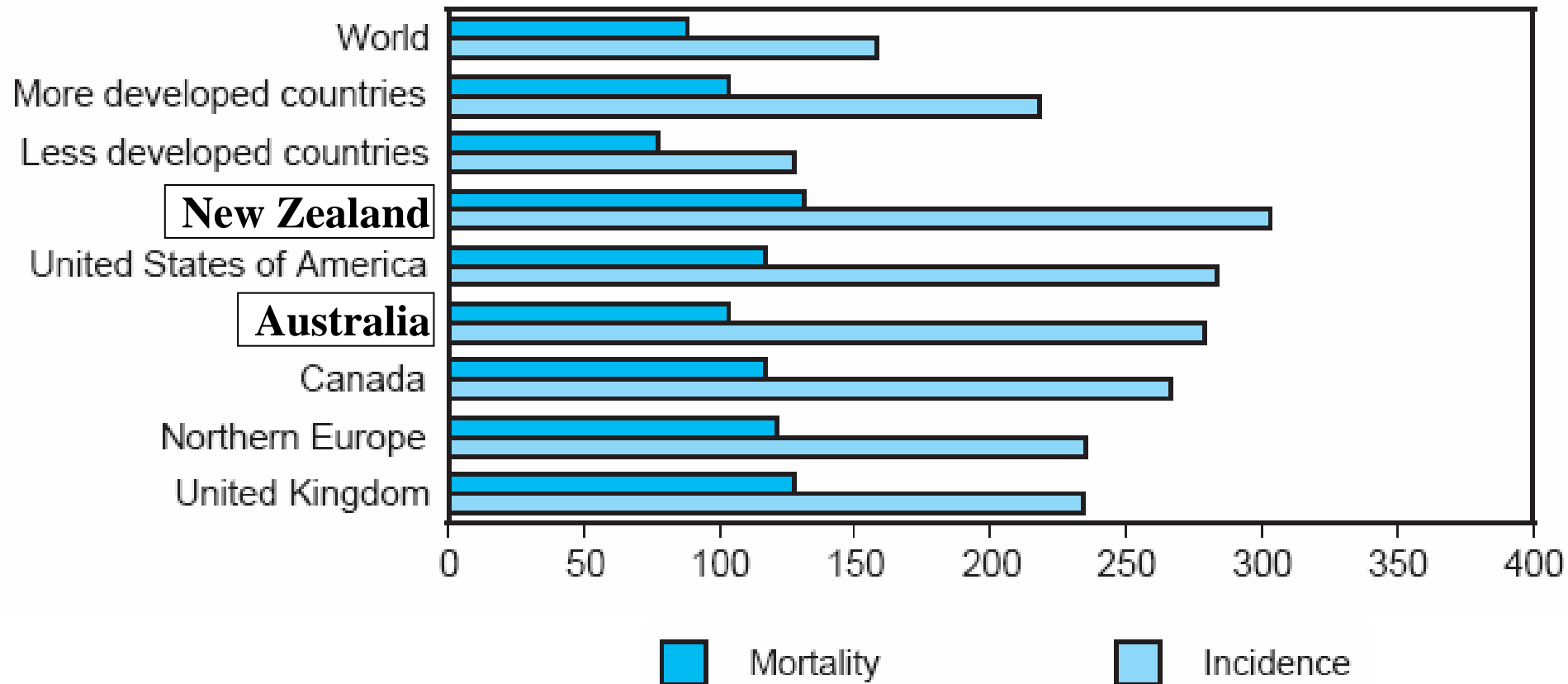


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*Source:* IARC 2001.



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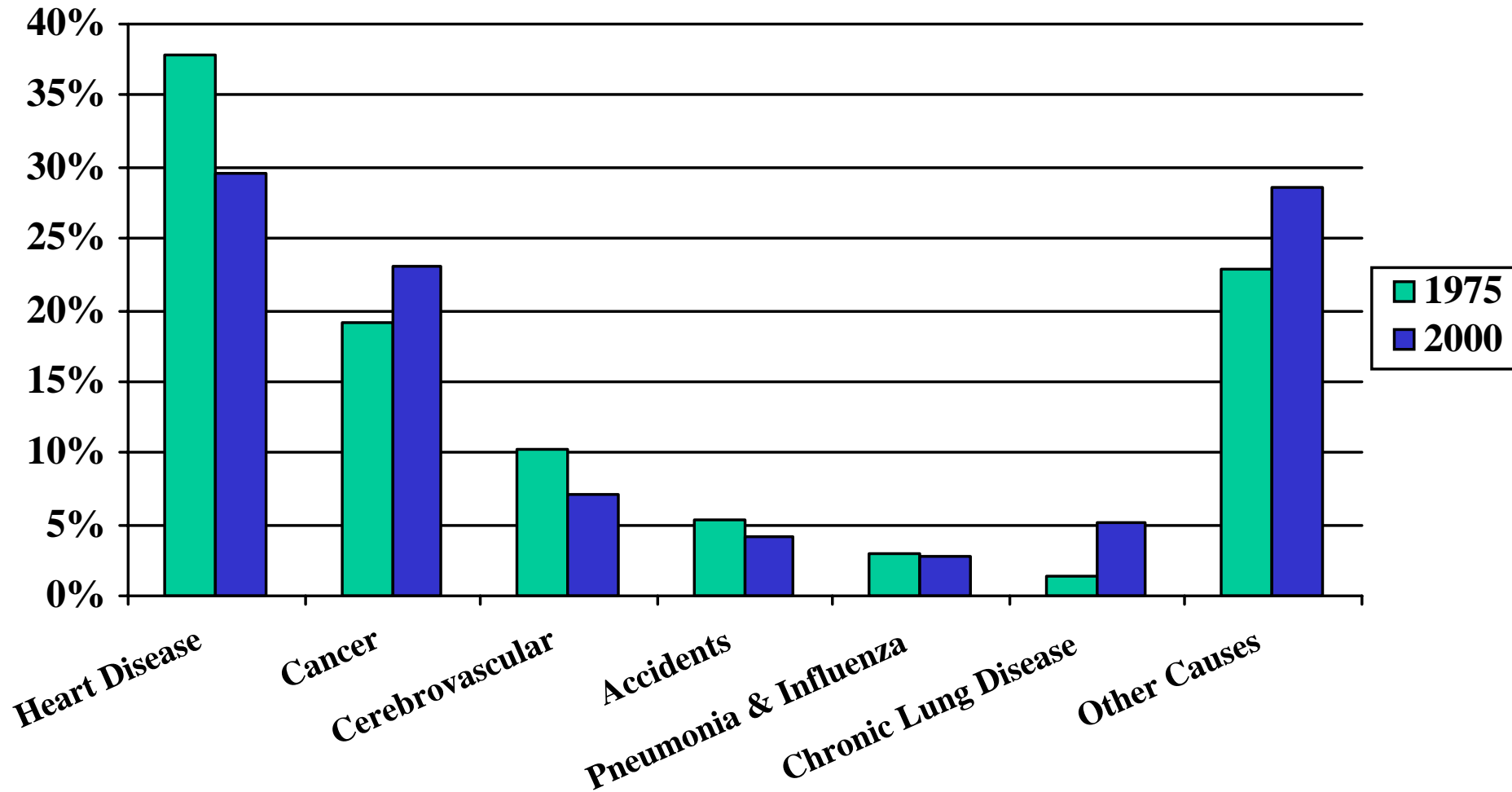


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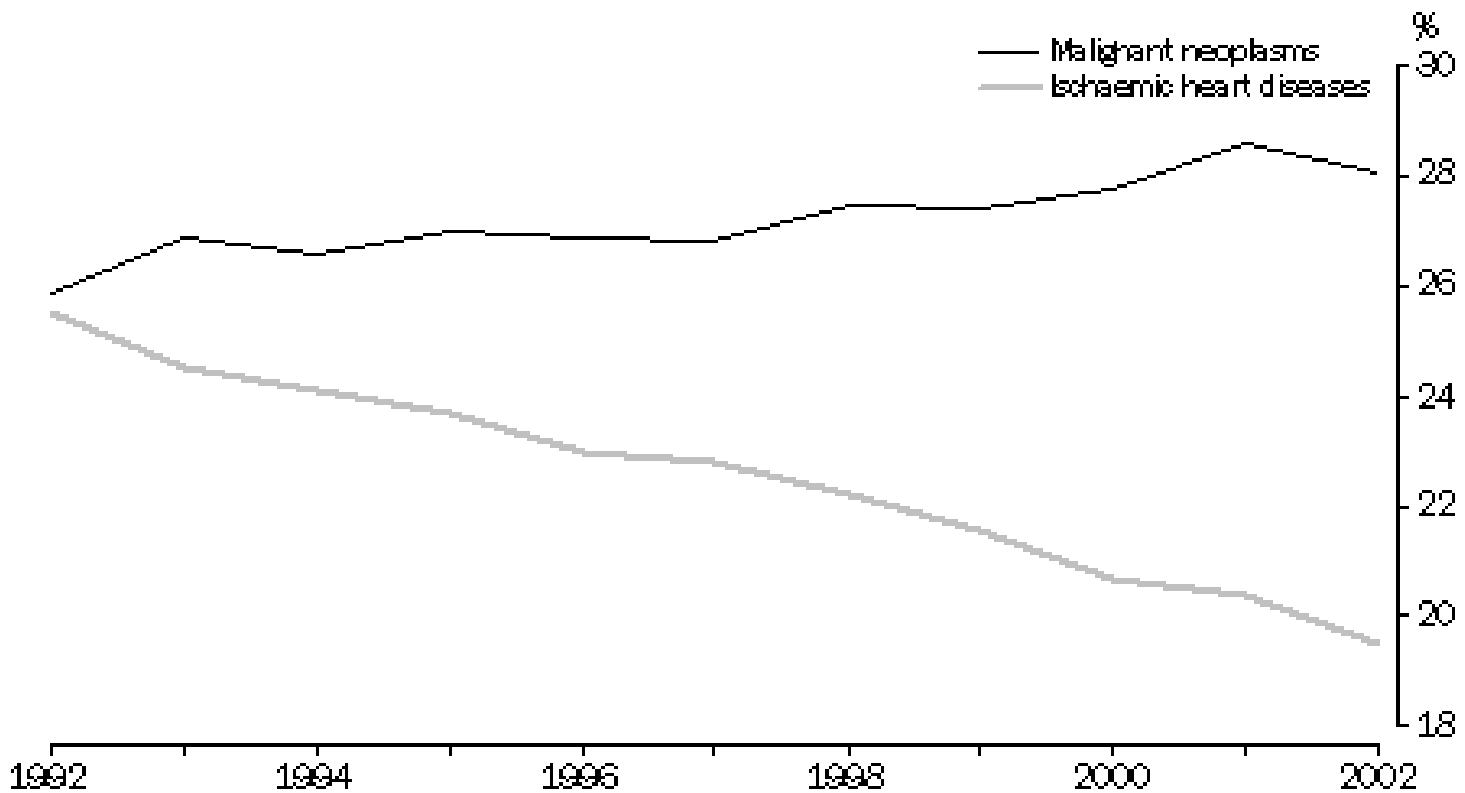
# Leading Causes of Death in the US

## Percent of All Causes of Death, 1975 vs 2000



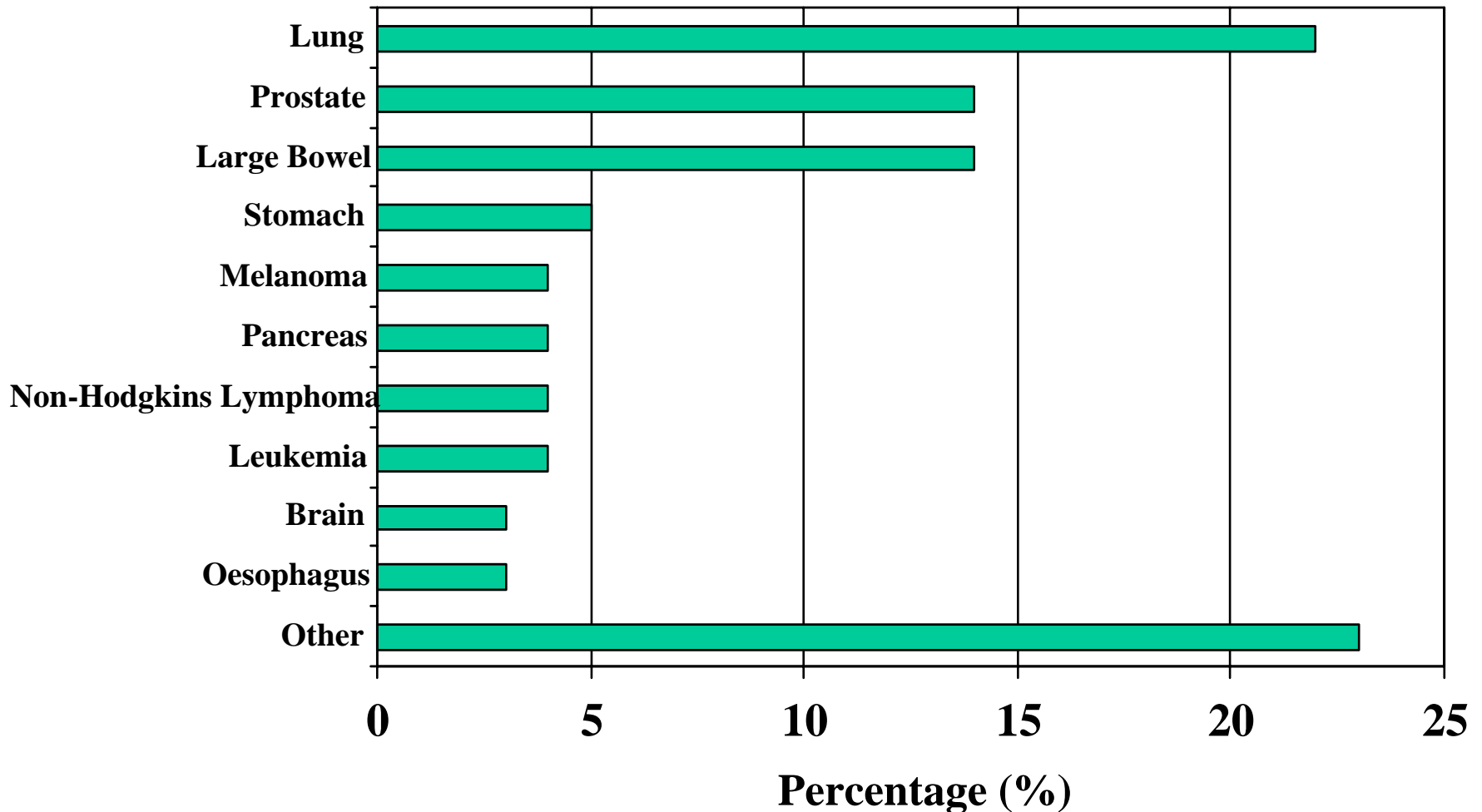
Source: SEER Cancer Statistics Review, 1975-2000, (NCI 2003); access at [http://seer.cancer.gov/csr/1975\\_2000](http://seer.cancer.gov/csr/1975_2000)

# Death by Cancer versus Heart Disease, Percent of All Causes of Death Australia, 1992-2002



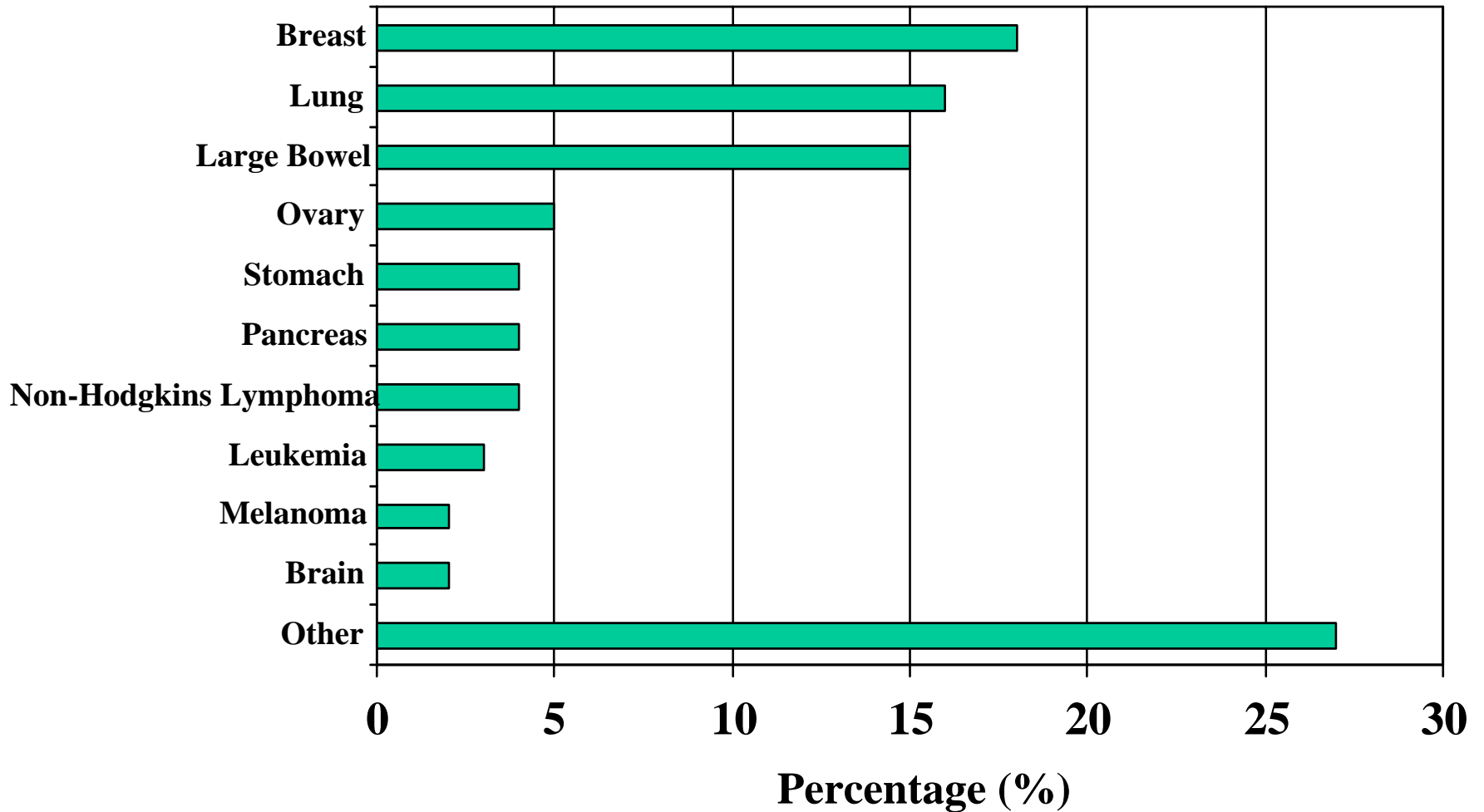
Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics. 3303.0 Causes of Death, Australia, 2003. accessed at <http://www.abs.gov/ausstats>

# Cause of Cancer Deaths -- Males New Zealand, 1999

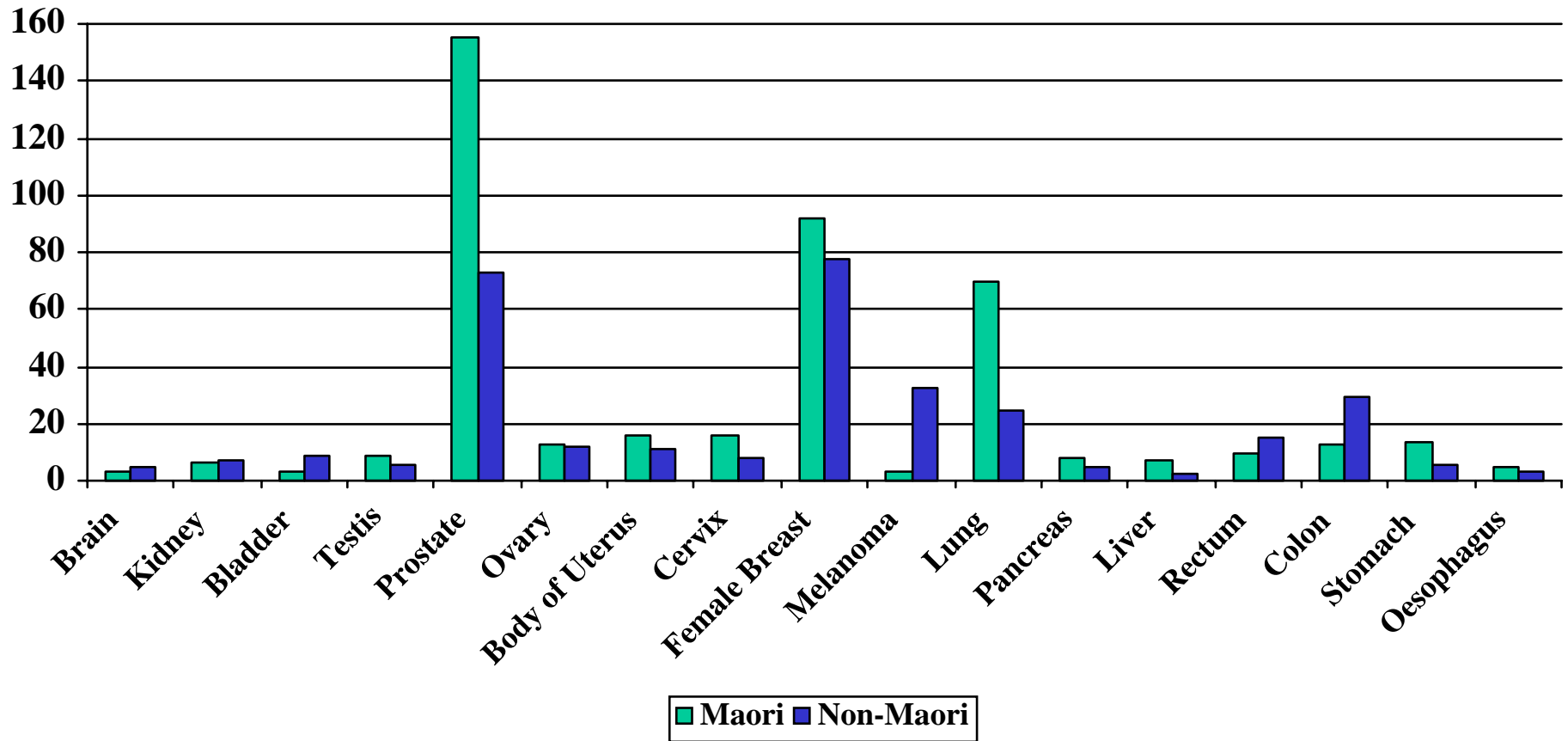


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## New Zealand, 1999



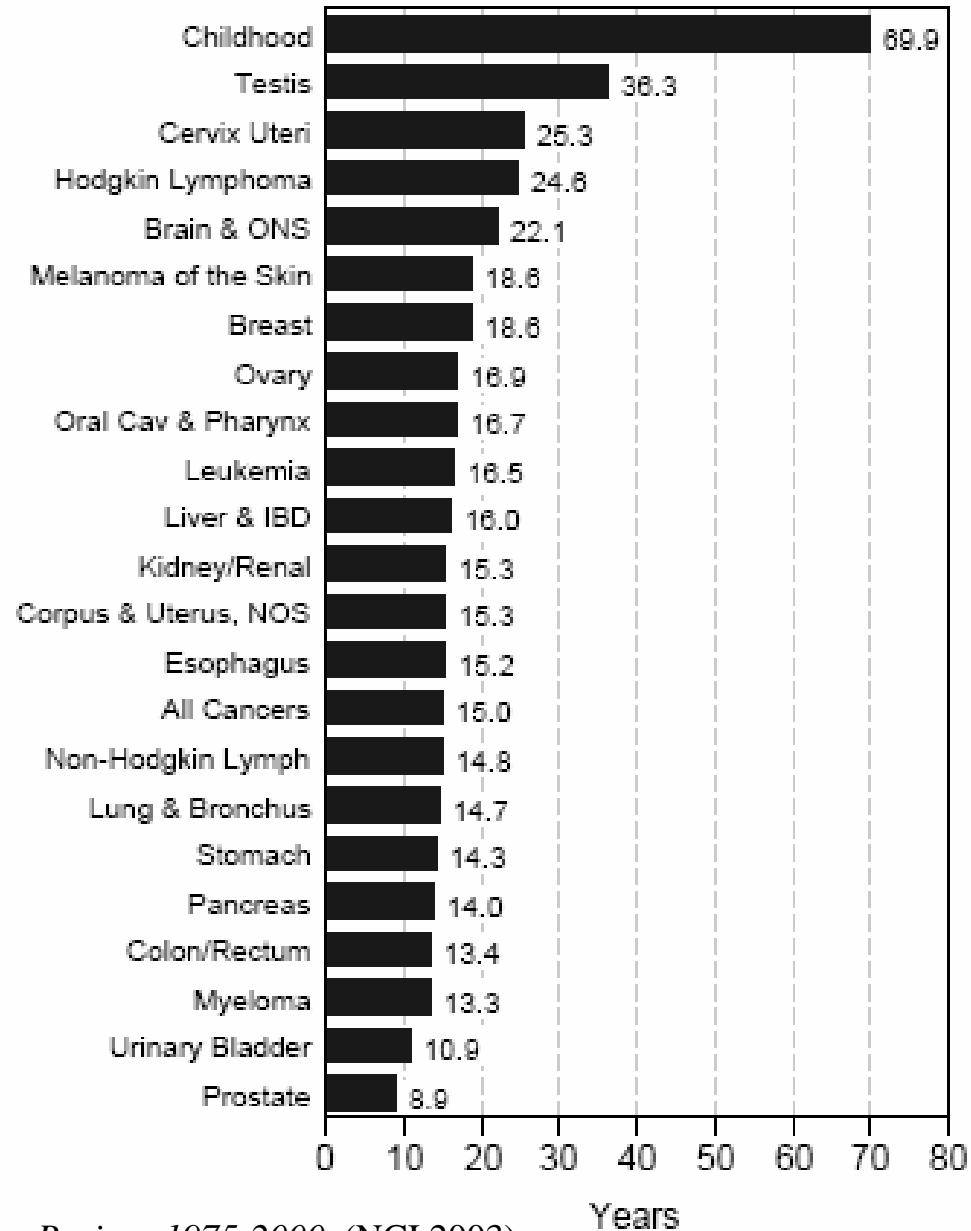
# Maori and Non-Maori Cancer Rates New Zealand, 1999



\* Rates per 100 000 and age-standardised to Segi's world population

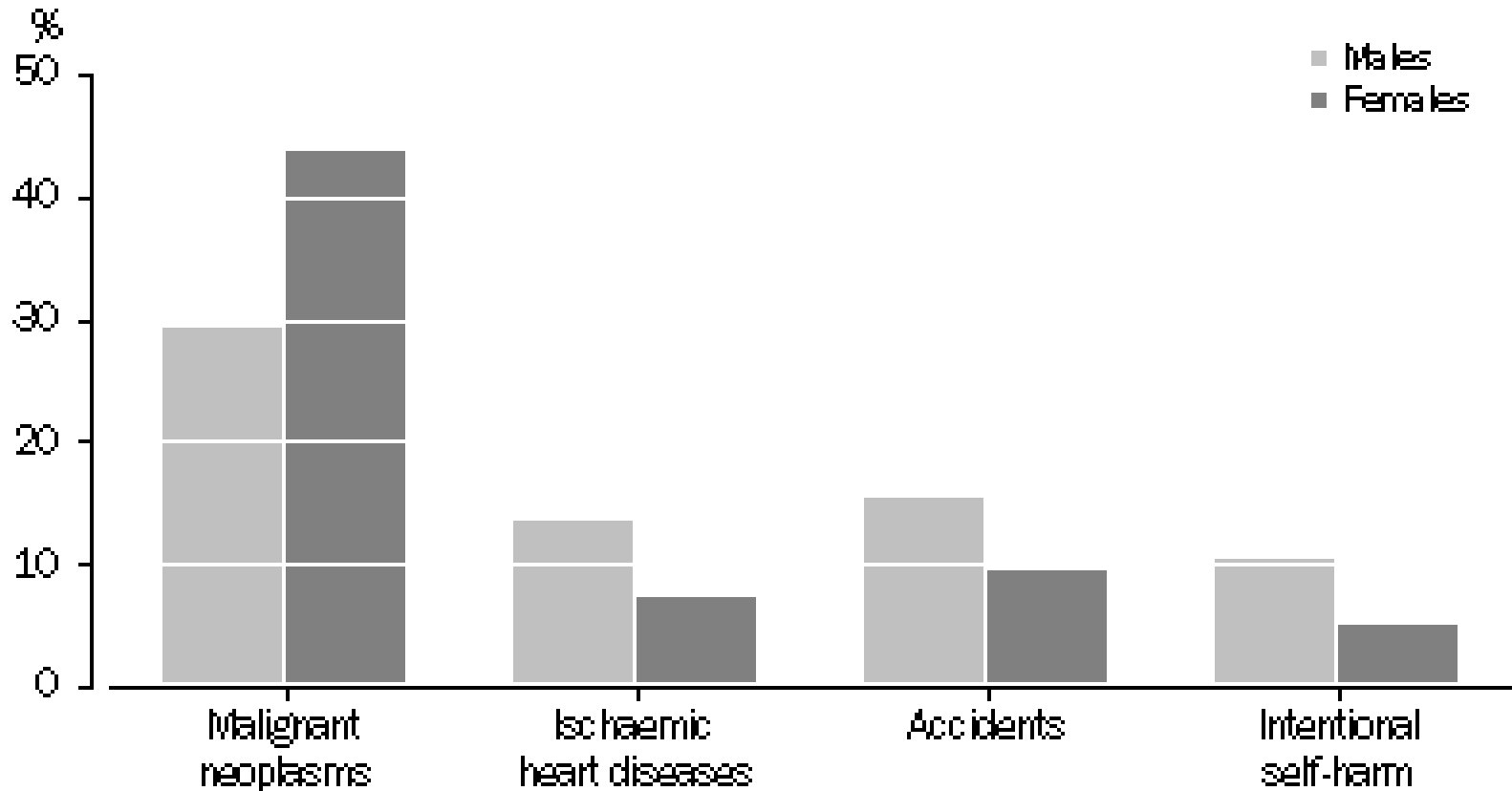
Source: *Cancer: New Registrations and Deaths 1999*. Health Statistical Services, Ministry of Health, Wellington, 2002

# Average Years of Life Lost from Cancer, USA



Source: SEER Cancer Statistics Review, 1975-2000, (NCI 2003)

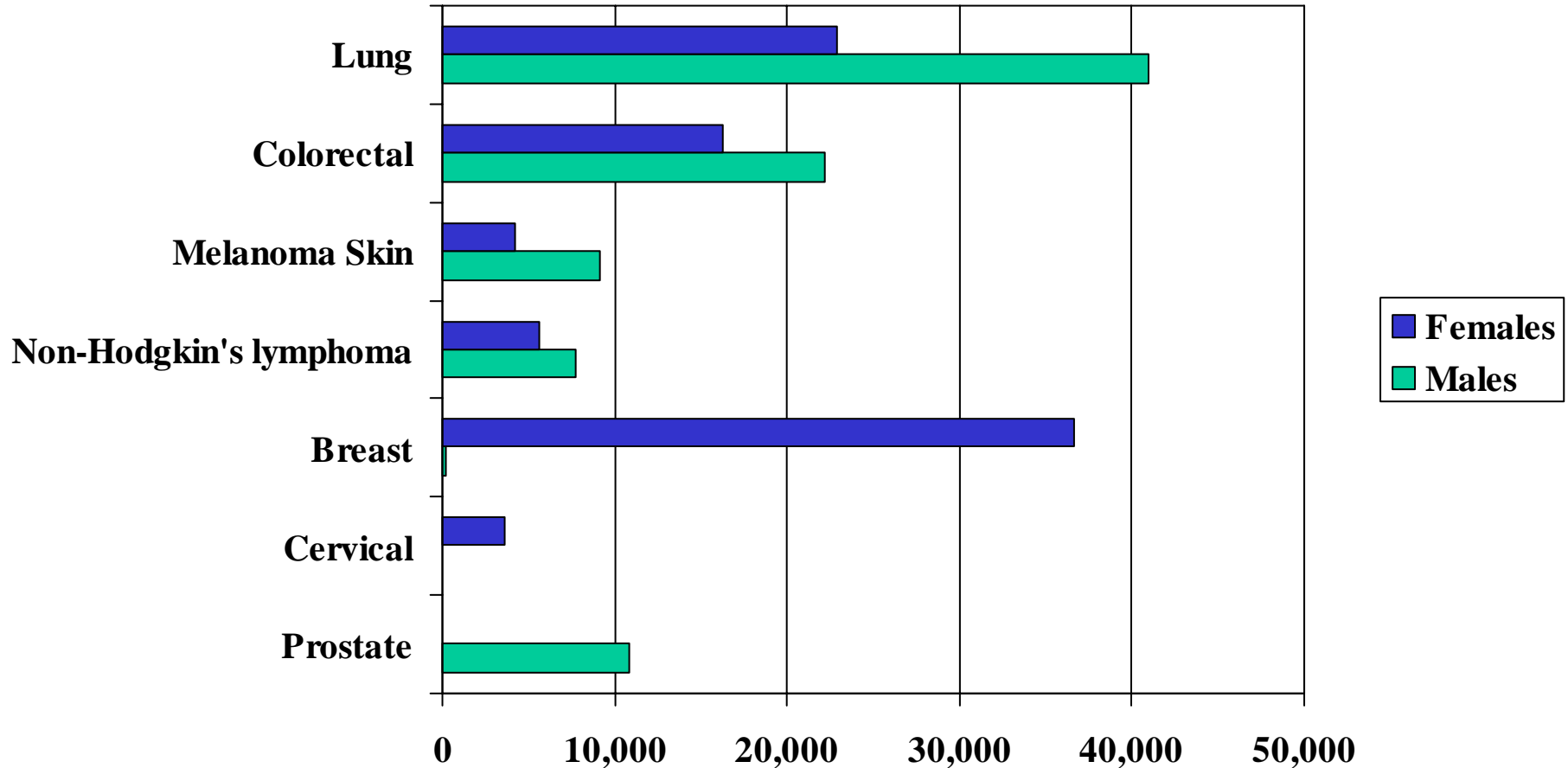
# Percentage of Years of Potential Life Lost from Selected Causes, Australia, 2002



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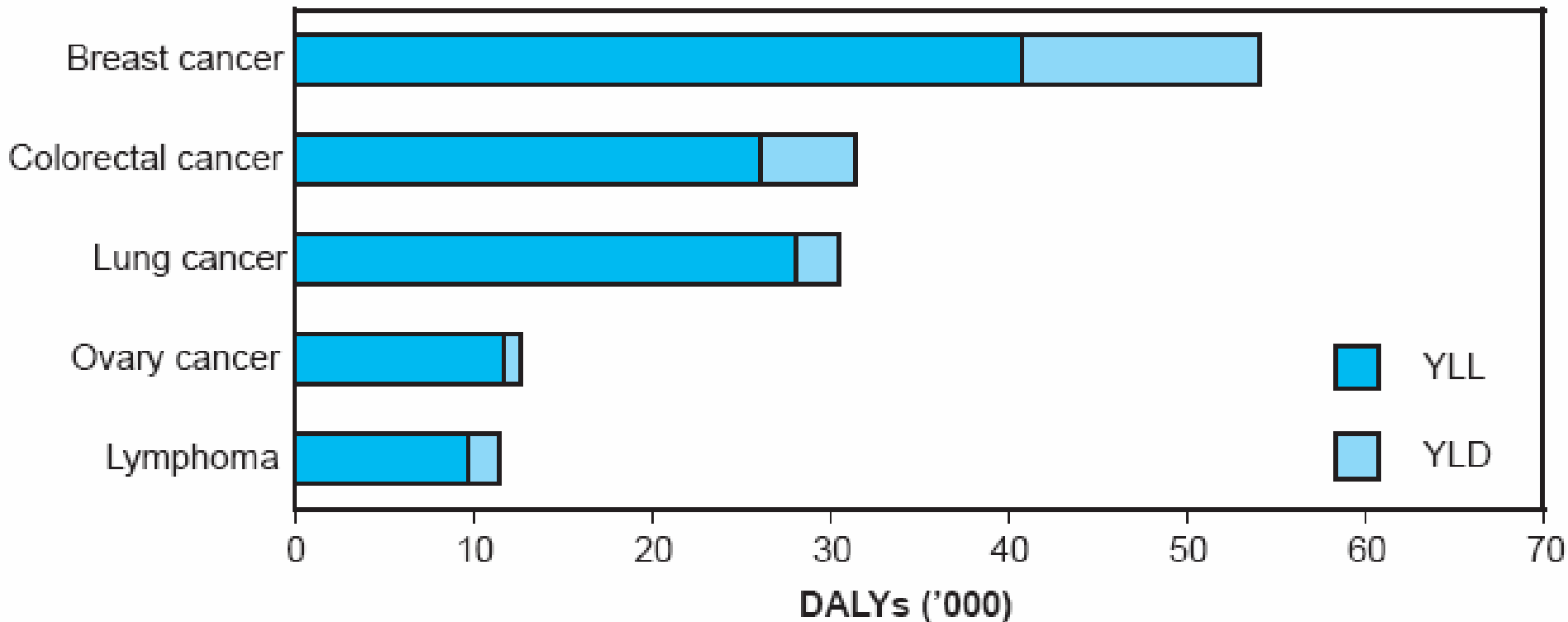


# Years of Potential Life Lost from Cancer Australia, 2002



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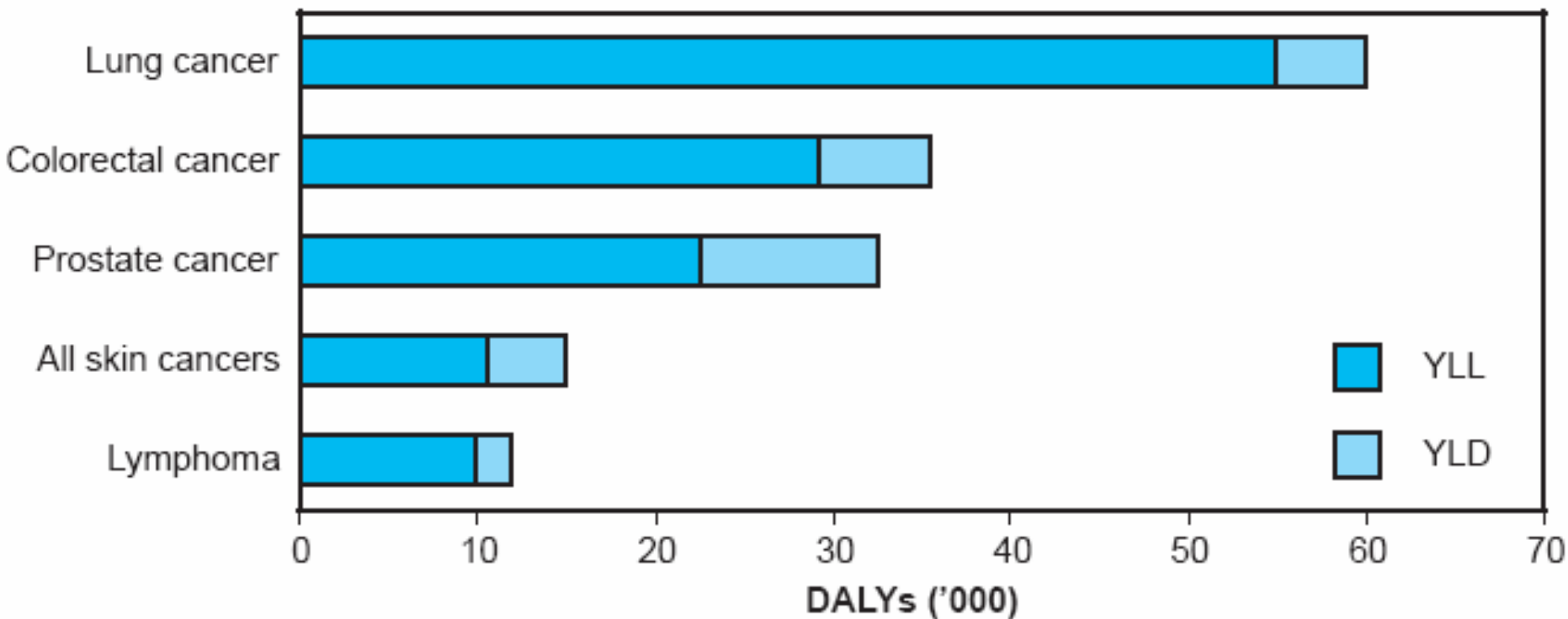
# Disease Burden Associated with Cancer For Females Australia, 1996



Note: YLL is years of life lost due to premature mortality; YLD is years of 'healthy' life lost due to disability.

Source: AIHW: Mathers et al. 1999.

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LABELS THAT  
EVERYONE CAN  
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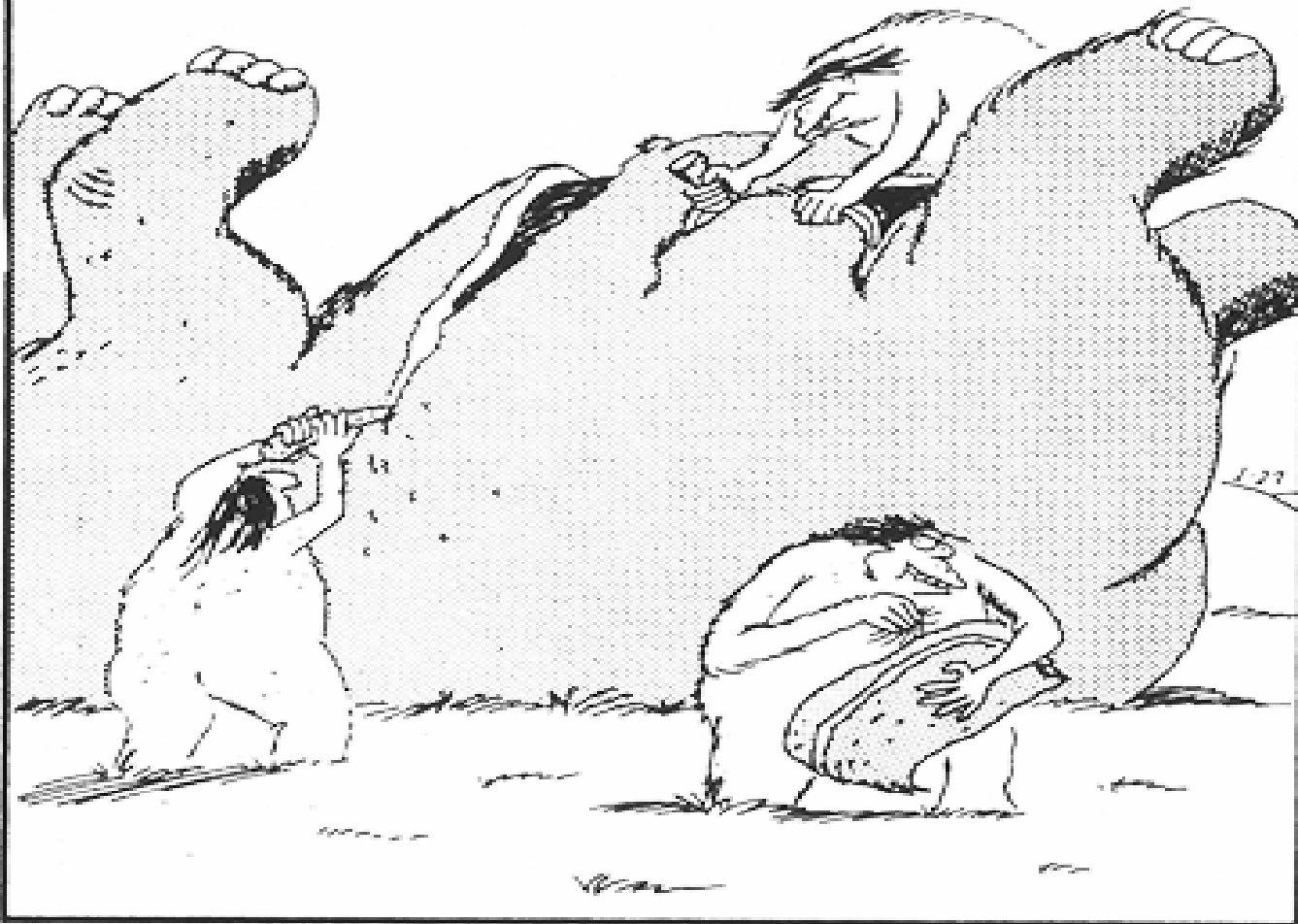
"EAT TOO MUCH OF  
THIS STUFF AND  
YOU'LL DIE."



DJAY

**We know that a diet  
higher in vegetables  
and fruit is associated  
with a reduced risk of  
cancer - as well as  
CHD**

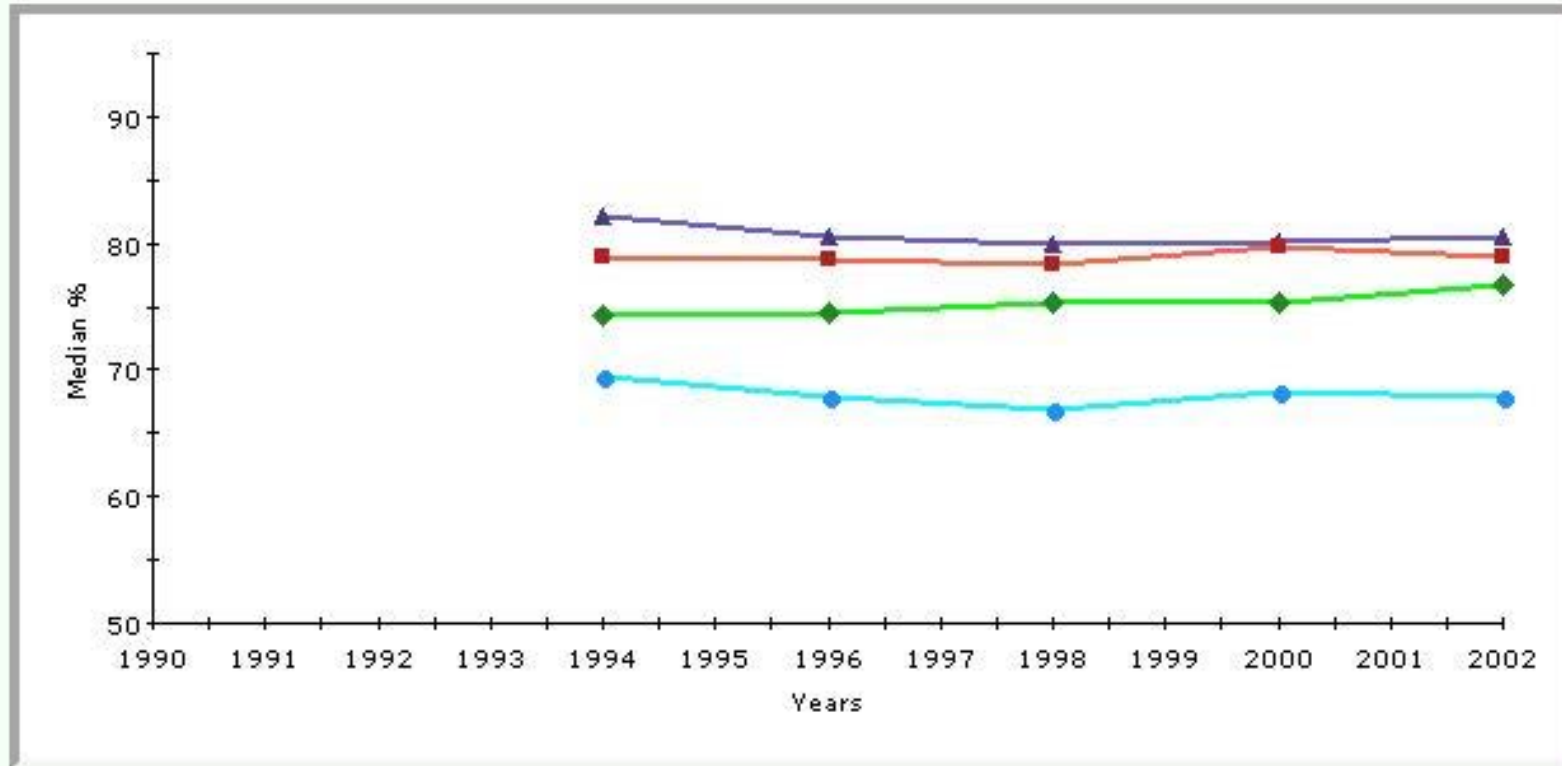




**When no one was looking, Konor would secretly sprinkle on a few sprouts**

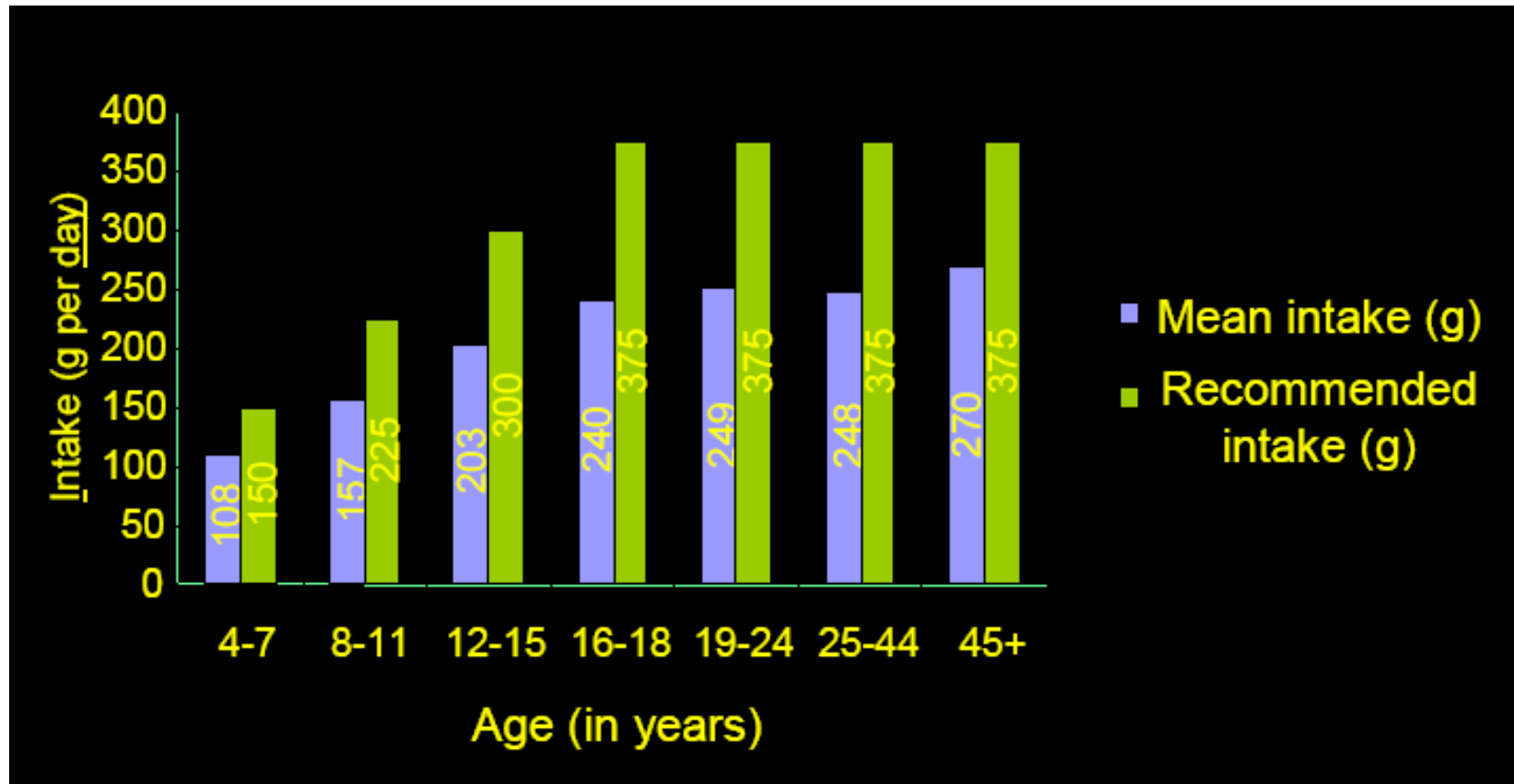
# Vegetable and Fruit Consumption - US

Not Enough Fruits And Vegetables  
Nationwide - Grouped by Age



\*Includes all respondents 18 and older who report they are not consuming five or more servings of fruits and vegetables a day.  
\*\*No data for nationwide - 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1997, 1999, 2001  
*Source:* Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, access at:  
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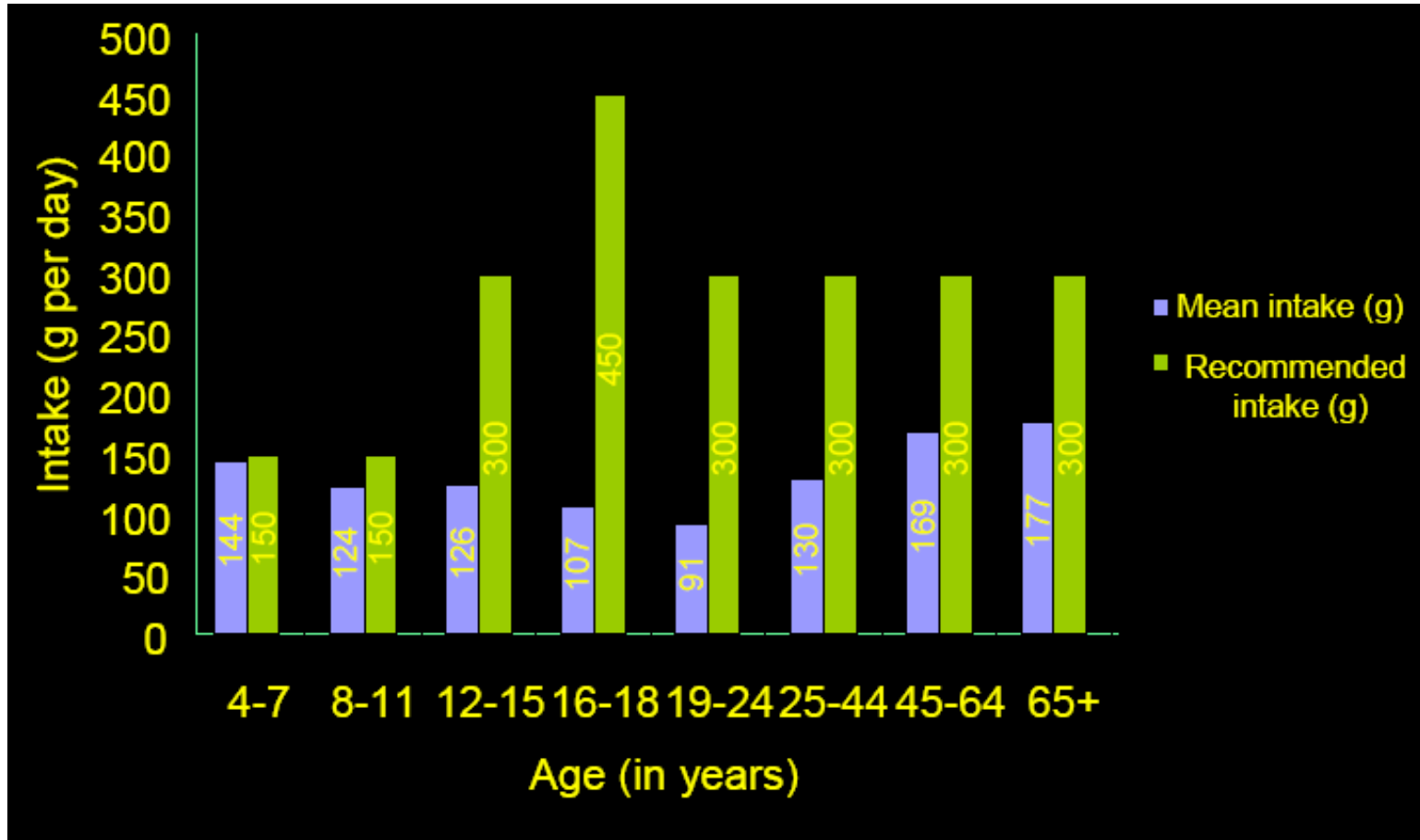
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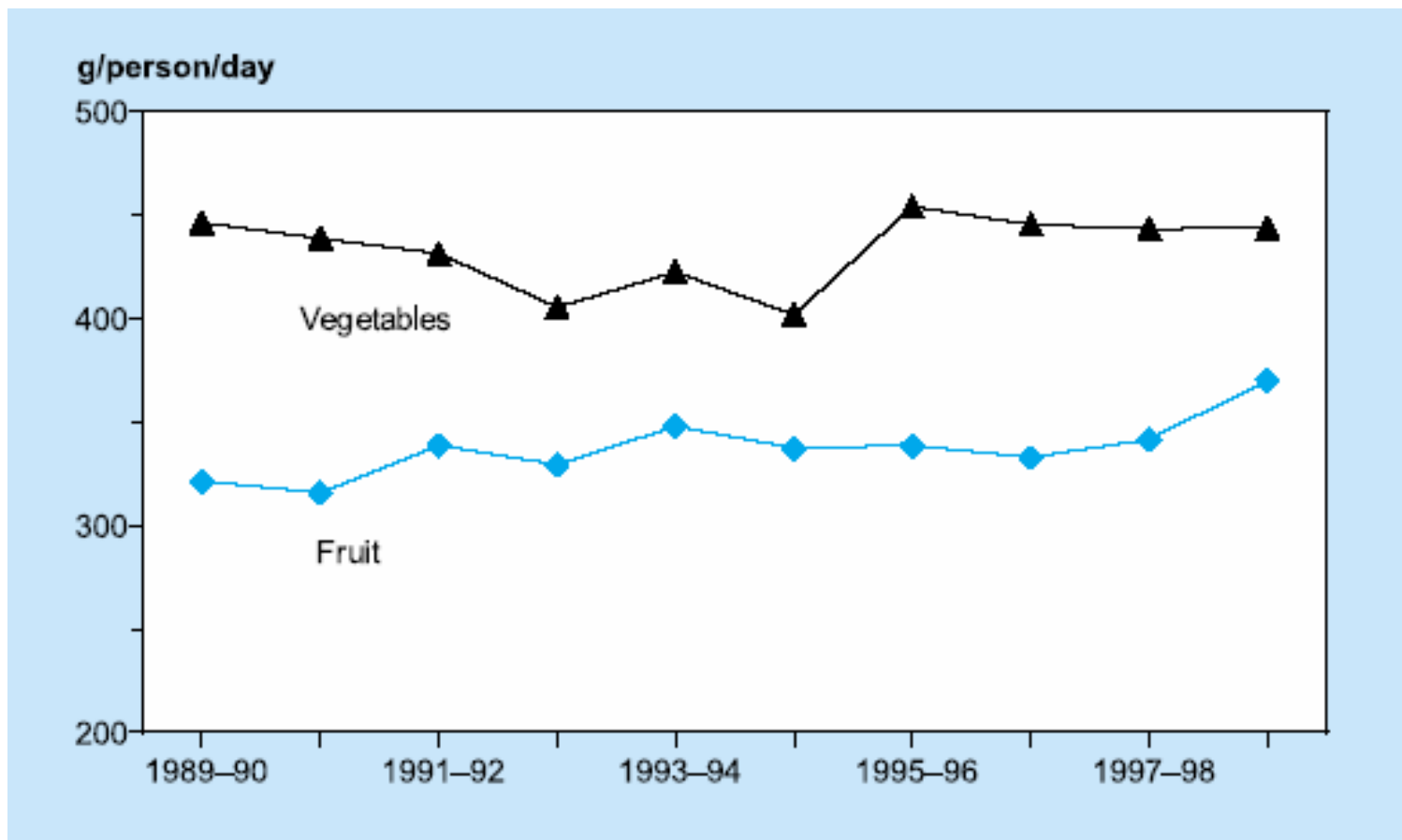


# Fruit Intake Per Day by Age New Zealand, 1995



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# Vegetable and Fruit Consumption Per Day Australia, 1989-1999



*Note:* The data given are for fresh fruit and vegetables plus the fresh equivalent weight of produce used in processing, such as canning and juice. The data include allowances for non-commercial production, such as fruit and vegetables grown at home.

*Source:* ABS Cat. No. 4306.0 (various years).

# Transport

Food in the US travels 1300 miles and changes hands six times before being consumed

Hendrickson, USDOE, 1969

The Packer, 1992

Increased durability means reduced palatability and nutritional value

Kloppenber et al. 1996

Nutrient losses are important, even with excellent storage, particularly Vitamin C, carotenoids, riboflavin, Vitamin E

Bender and Bender, 1997

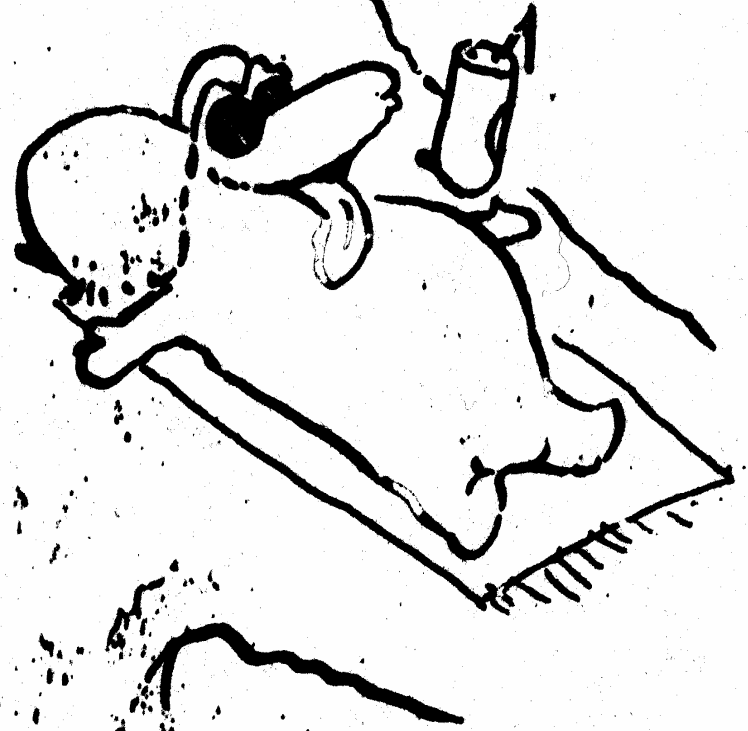
**We know that  
avoiding excessive  
sun exposure  
reduces the risk of  
melanoma and other  
skin cancers**



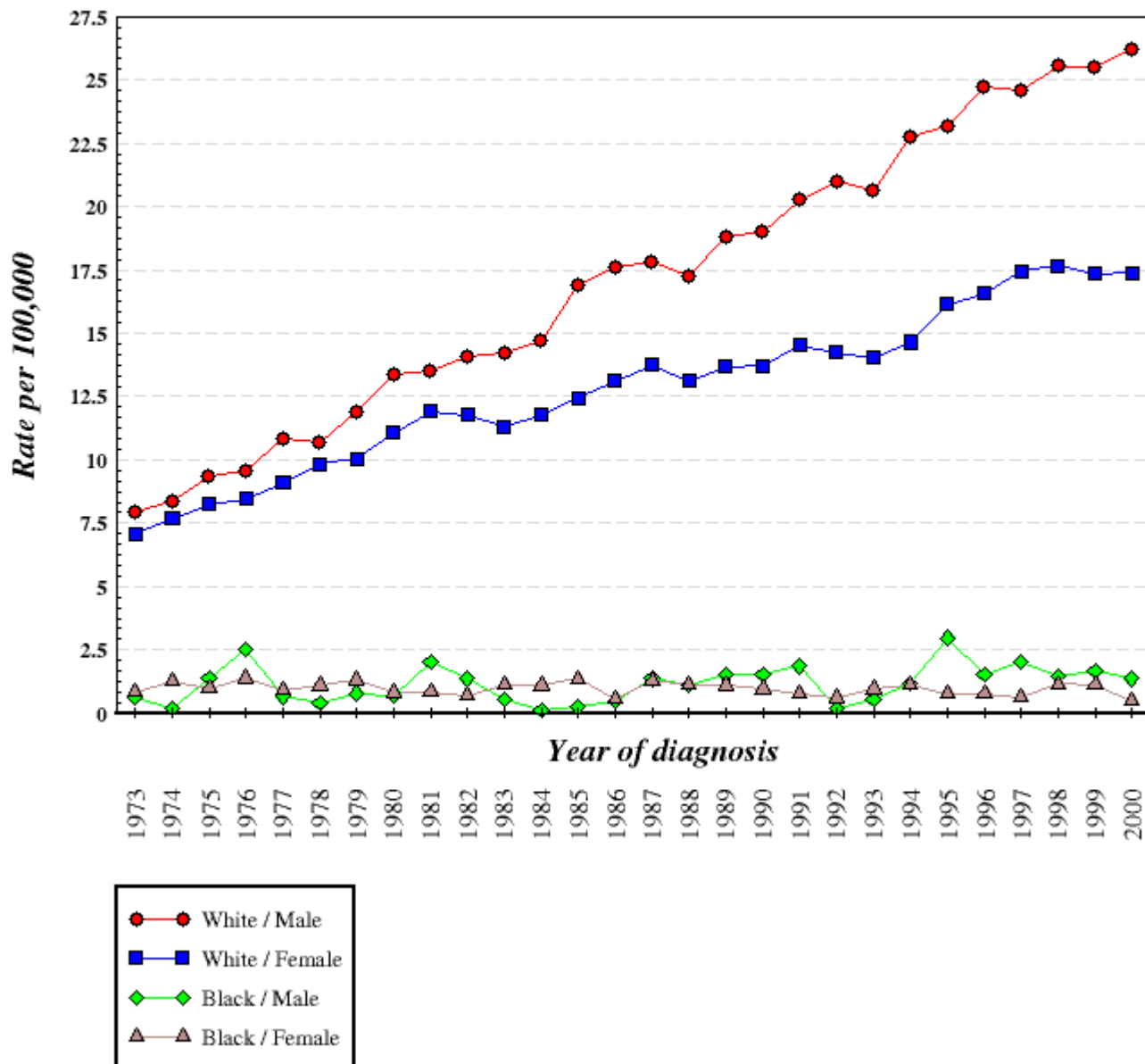


POLAR BEAR

SOLAR BEAR



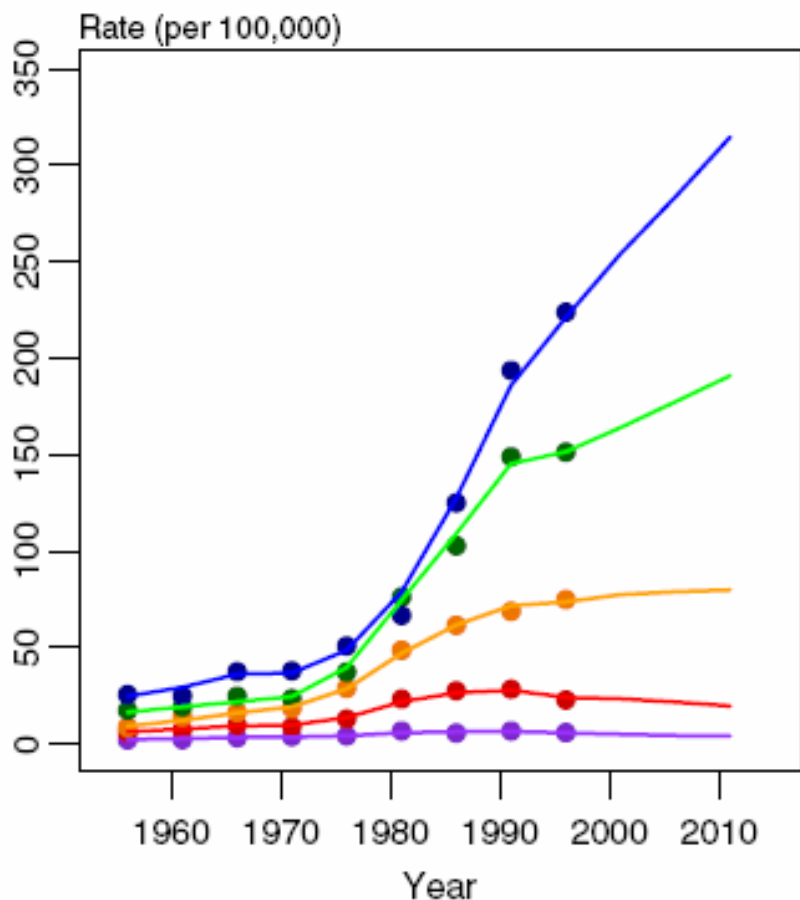
# Melanoma Incidence in the US, 1973-2000



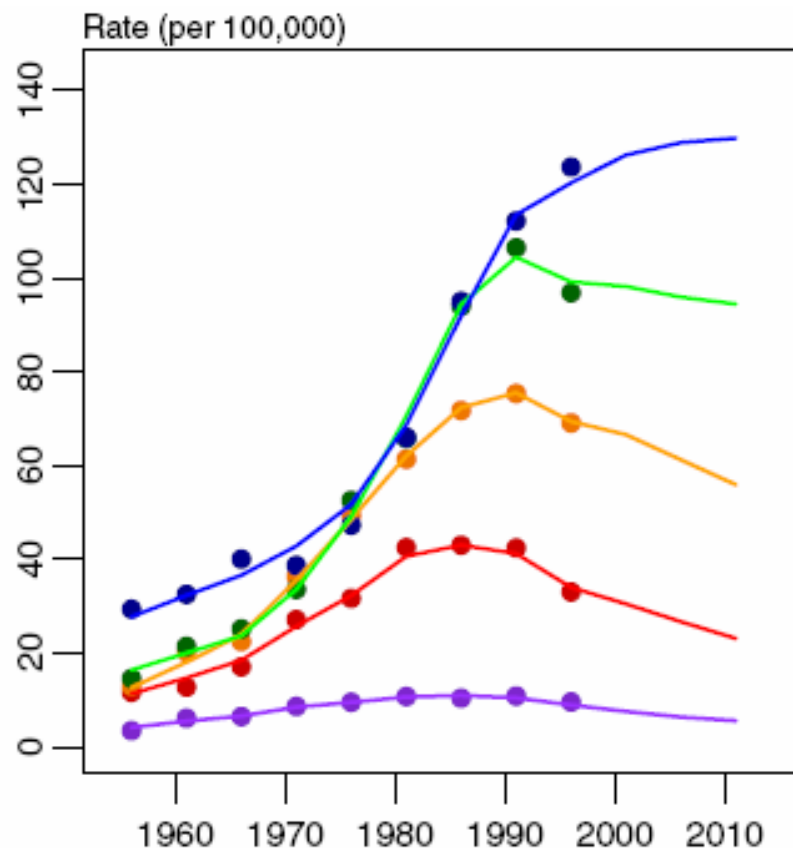
Source: SEER\*Stat Database: Incidence - SEER 9 Regs Public-Use, Nov 2002 Sub (1973-2000).

# Trends and Predictions for Melanoma Incidence Rates, New Zealand

## Men

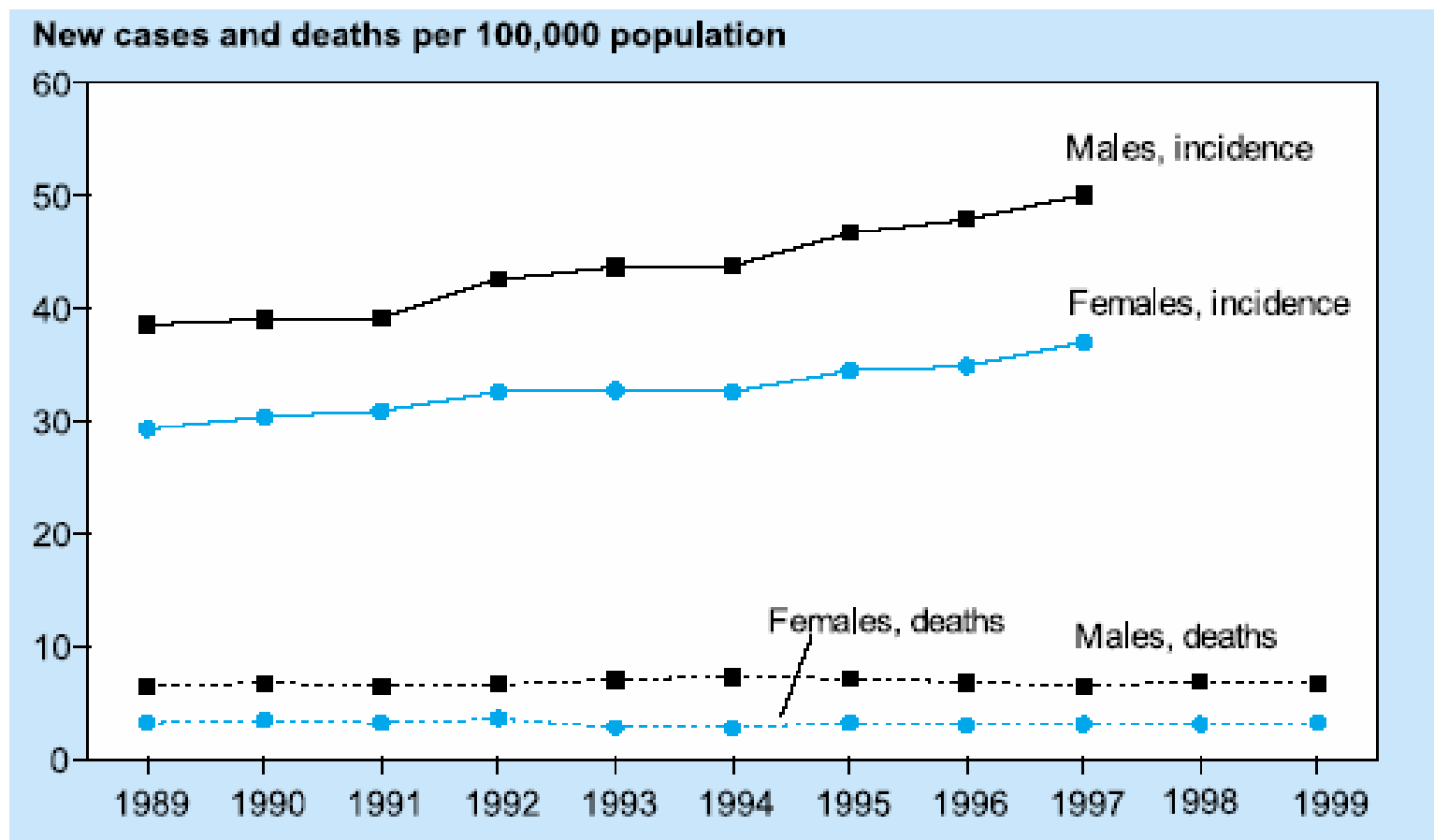


## Women



**Key:** —●— 15-24 year olds —●— 25-44 year olds —●— 45-64 year olds —●— 65-74 year olds —●— 75 years & older

# Incidence and Death Rates for Melanoma Australia, 1989-1999



## Notes

1. Melanoma is classified according to the ICD-10 code: C43.
2. The incidence and death rates were age-adjusted using the total Australian population as at 30 June 1991.

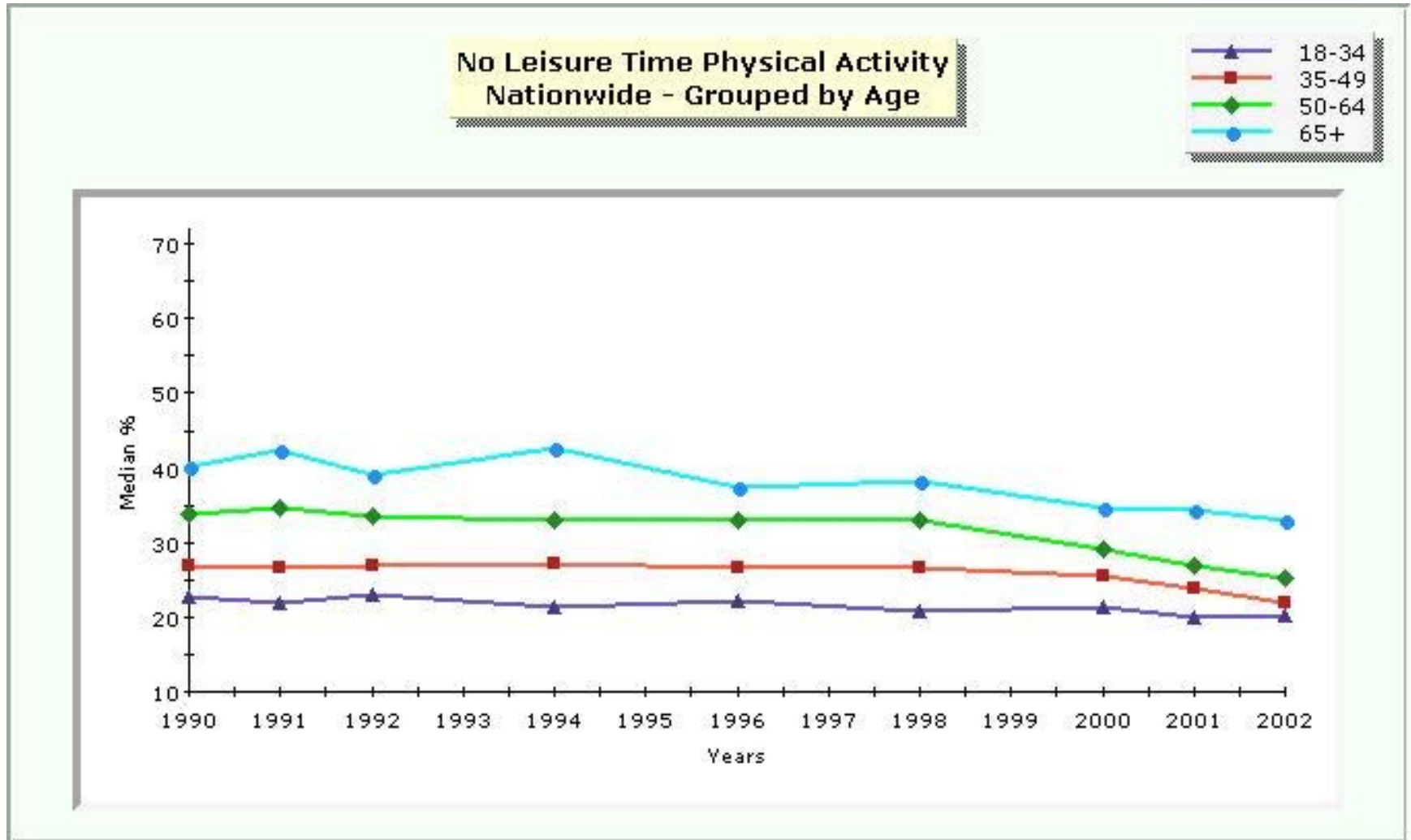
Sources: AIHW National Cancer Statistics Clearing House Database and State and Territory cancer registries.



**We know that physical activity reduces risk of several cancers, particularly colon cancer, as well as obesity and heart disease**



# Lack of Participation in Physical Activity, USA



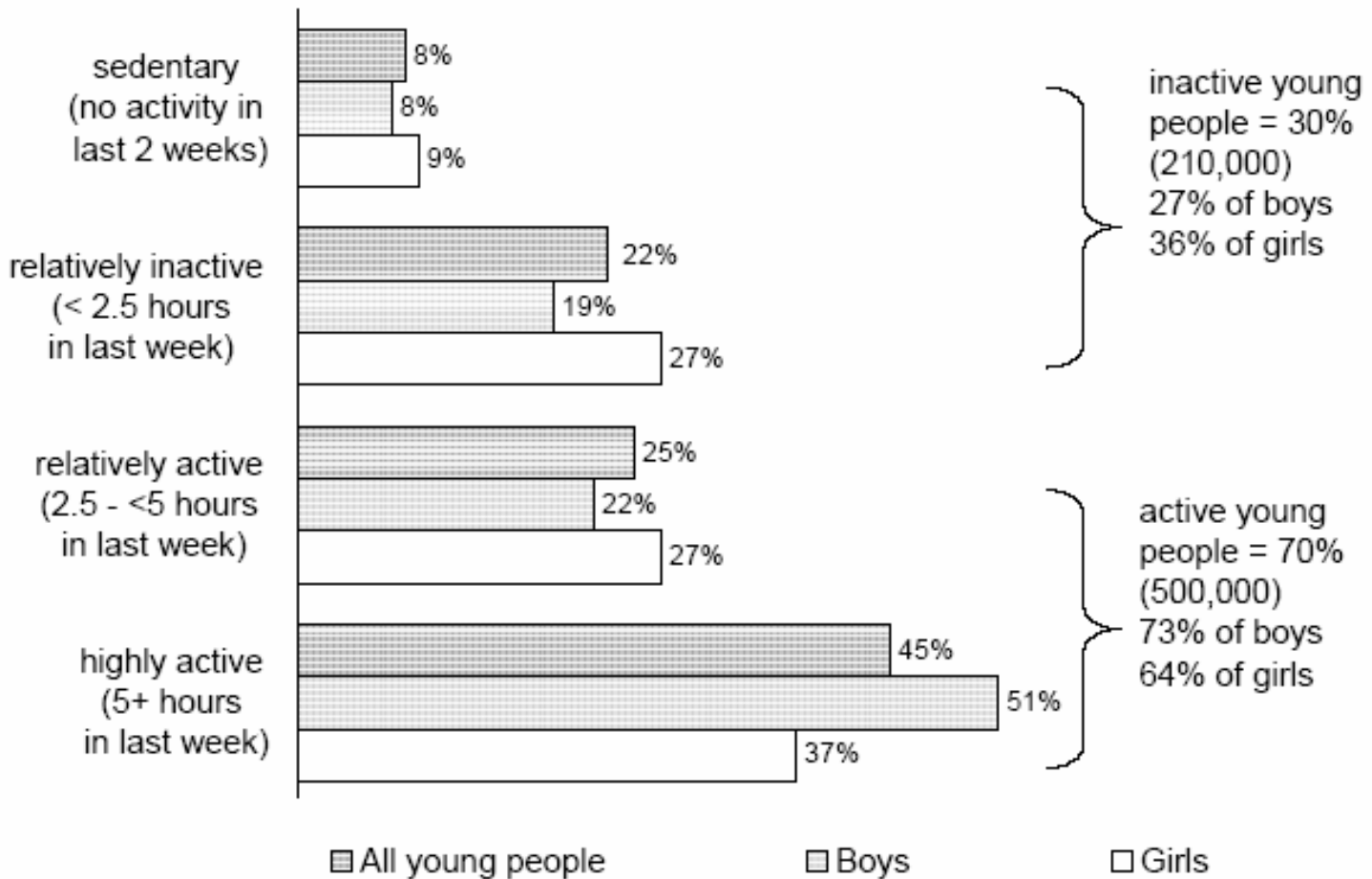
\*Includes all respondents 18 and older who report no leisure-time physical activity during the past month.

\*\*No data for nationwide - 1993, 1995, 1997, 1999

Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, access at:

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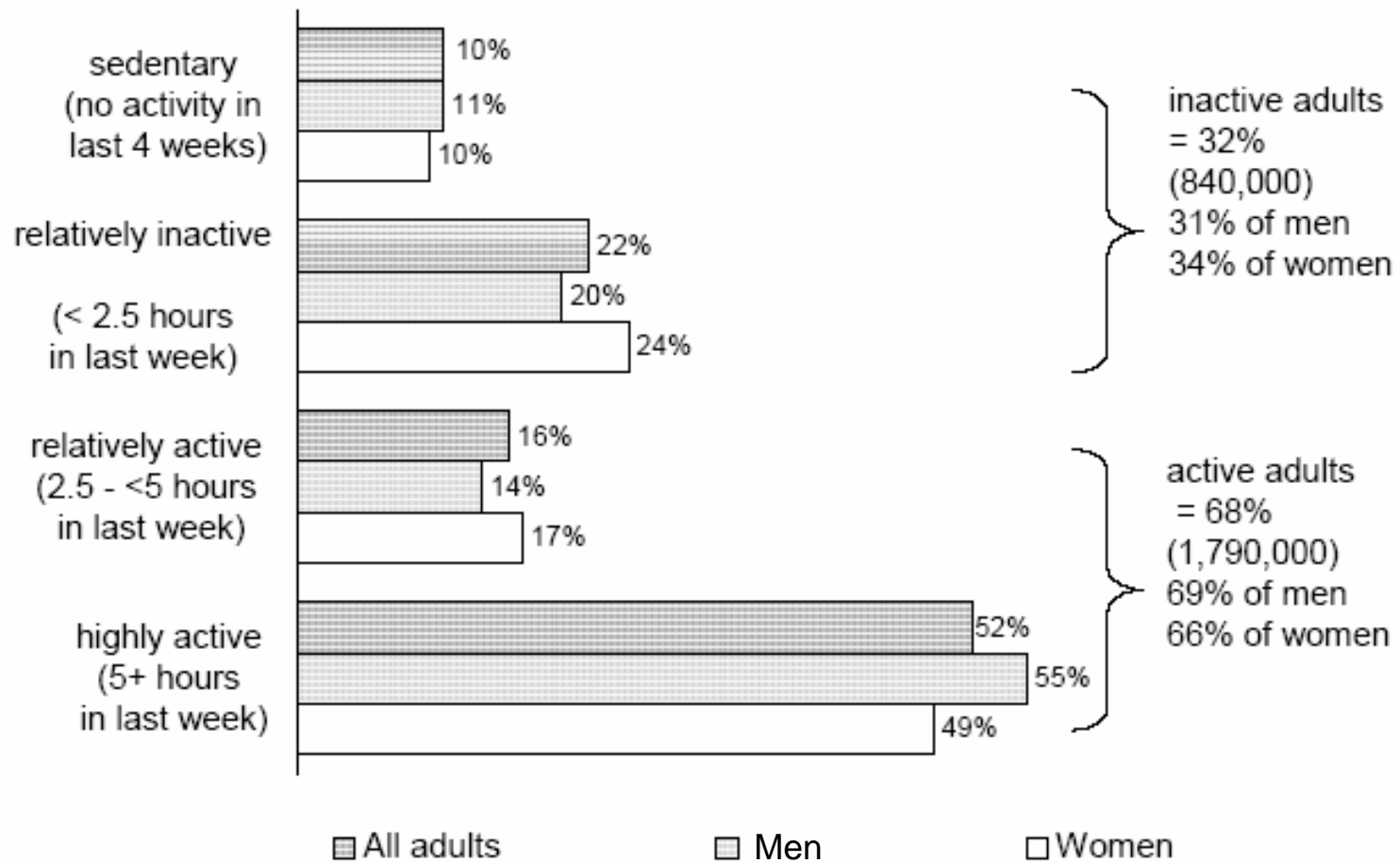
# Level of Physical Activity among Young People in New Zealand, 1997-2000



Note: Young people refers to persons age 5-17 years old.

Source: SPARC Facts/Push Play Facts (1997/99). Accessed at: [http://www.sparc.org.nz/research/sparcfacts\\_2.php](http://www.sparc.org.nz/research/sparcfacts_2.php)

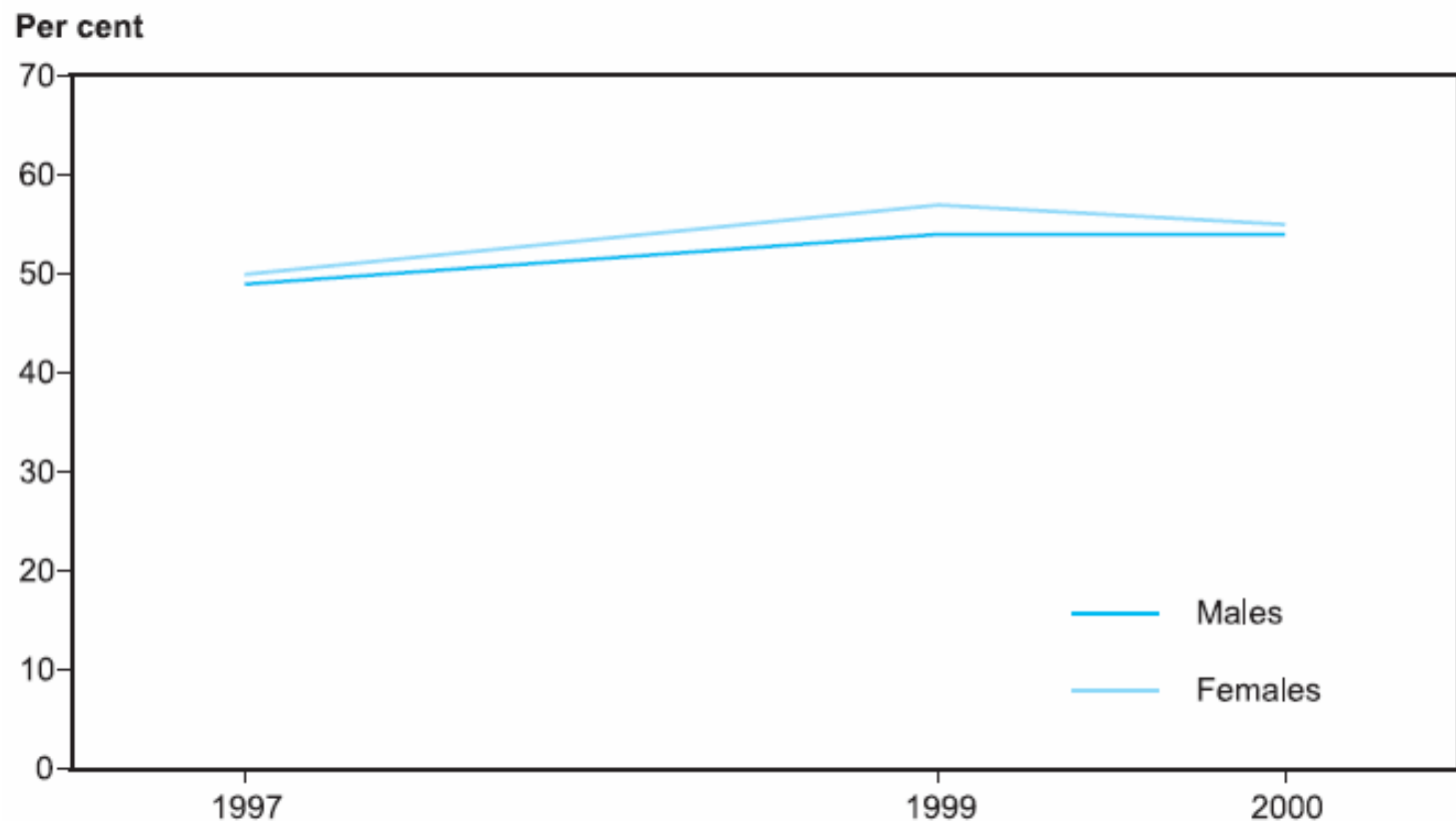
# Level of Physical Activity among Adults New Zealand, 1997-2000



*Note:* Adults refers to persons age 18 years and older.

*Source:* SPARC Facts/Push Play Facts (1997/99). Accessed at: [http://www.sparc.org.nz/research/sparcfacts\\_2.php](http://www.sparc.org.nz/research/sparcfacts_2.php)

# Proportion of Adults with Insufficient or No Physical Activity, Australia 1997, 1999, 2000



## Notes

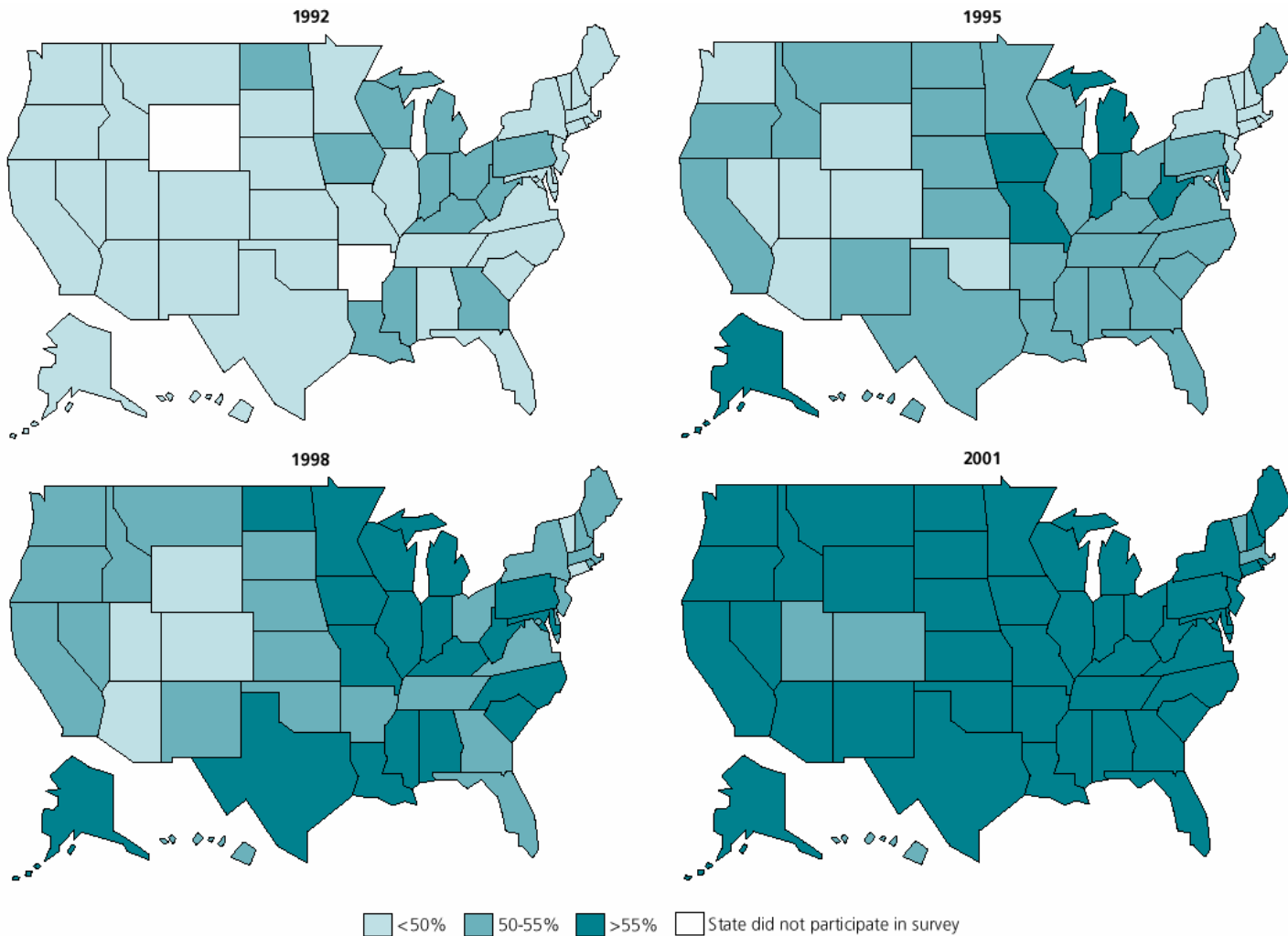
1. Age-standardised to the 2001 Australian population.
2. People aged 18–75 years.
3. 'Insufficient physical activity' is less than 150 minutes or less than five sessions of physical activity in the previous week.

Source: AIHW analysis of the 1997, 1999, 2000 National Physical Activity surveys.

In primitive times, lack of food gave languishing bodies to death; now, on the other hand, it is abundance that buries them

**Lucretius: De Rerum Natura V., 1097: (50BC)**

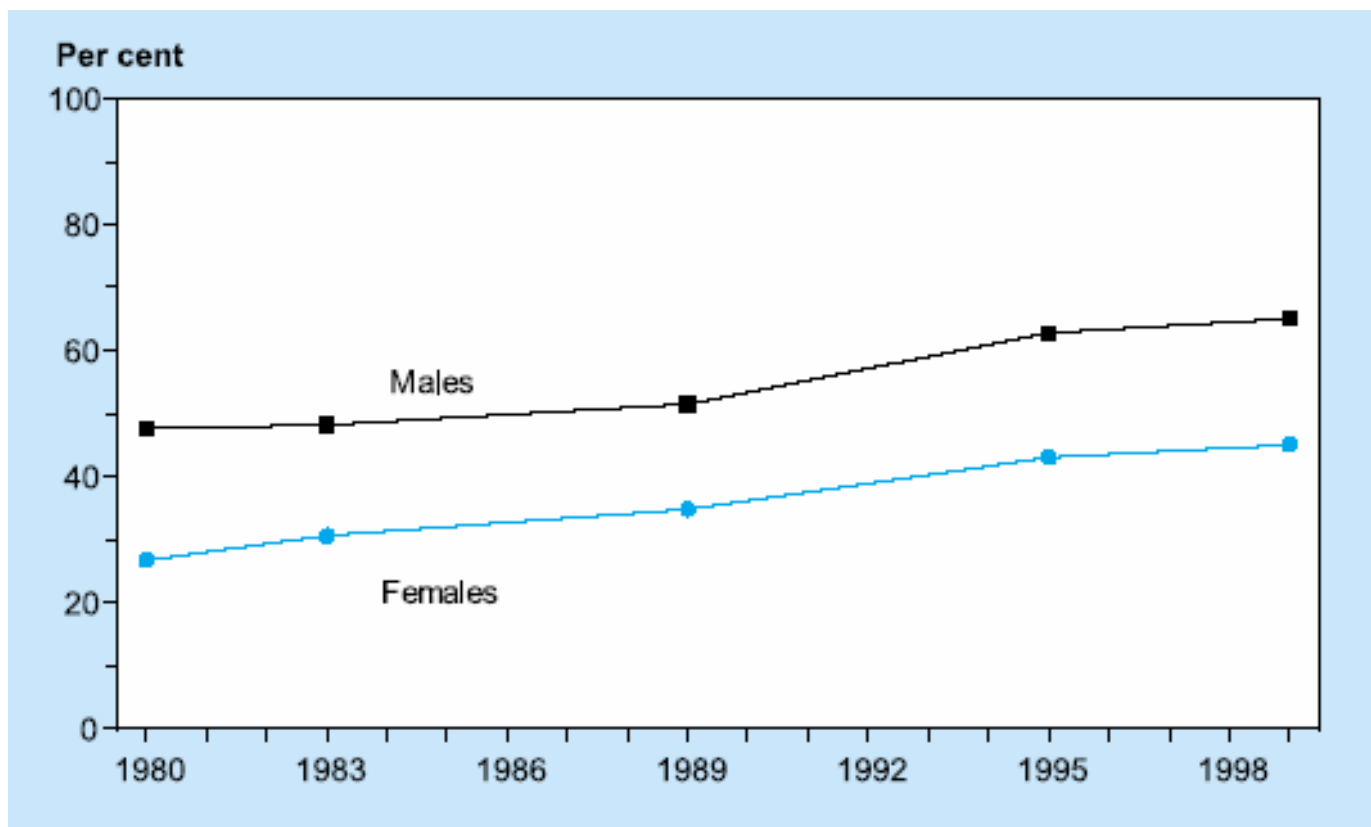
# Trends in Overweight\* Prevalence (%), Adults 18 and Older, US, 1992-2001



\* Body mass index of 25.0 kg/m<sup>2</sup> or greater.

Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, CD-ROM (1984-1995, 1998) and Public Use Data Tape (2001), National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1997, 2000, 2002.

# Proportion of 25-64 year-olds who are considered overweight, Australia, 1980-1999



## Notes

1. Persons were classified overweight if they had a body mass index (BMI)  $\geq 25$ ; BMI is calculated as  $\text{weight}/\text{height}^2$ .
2. Includes only persons living in capital cities or urban areas.
3. The proportions were age-adjusted using the total Australian population as at 30 June 1991.

Sources: AIHW analysis of the 1980, 1983, 1989 NHF Risk Factor Prevalence Study surveys; 1995 ABS National Nutrition Survey; 1999-00 Australian Diabetes, Obesity and Lifestyle Study (AusDiab).



# Physical Activity in Adults,

## USA

- Approximately **15%** of **USA** adults engage regularly (3 times a week for at least 20 minutes) in **vigorous physical activity** during leisure time
- Approximately **22%** of adults engage regularly (5 times a week for at least 30 minutes) in sustained **physical activity of any intensity** during leisure time
- About **25%** of adults report **no physical activity** in their leisure time
- Physical inactivity is more prevalent among women, among Blacks and Hispanics, among older adults, and among the less affluent

# Physical Activity in Adults, New Zealand

- Between **10 and 15%** of adults are **sedentary**
- The highest levels of physical activity are among those aged **15-24 years** (65%) and those aged **65-74 years** (68%)
- **Maori women** are as active as **Maori men** (68% active).
- A **lower level of education** was associated with **lower participation** in physical activity. Those who had **no educational qualifications** were more likely to be **sedentary** than those with school and post-school qualifications

# Physical Activity in Adults, Australia

- About **1/3rd of Australians** are at increased risk due to their sedentary lifestyle. Physical inactivity is more prevalent among **older persons**, those belonging to **lower socio-economic groups**, and persons from **non-English speaking backgrounds**.
- Data from the 1999 National Physical Activity Survey indicate that **60% of males** and **54% of females** exercise at a 'sufficient' level, i.e. they obtain some of the health benefits attributed to physical activity.

# Physical Activity in Adolescents & Young Adults, USA

- Only about **50% of U.S. young people** (ages 12-21 years) regularly participate in **vigorous physical activity**
- **25%** report **no vigorous physical activity**
- About 14% of young people report no recent vigorous or light to moderate physical activity. This indicator of inactivity is higher among females and particularly among African-American females
- Participation in all types of physical activity declines strikingly as age or grade in school increases

# Physical Activity in Children & Adolescents, New Zealand

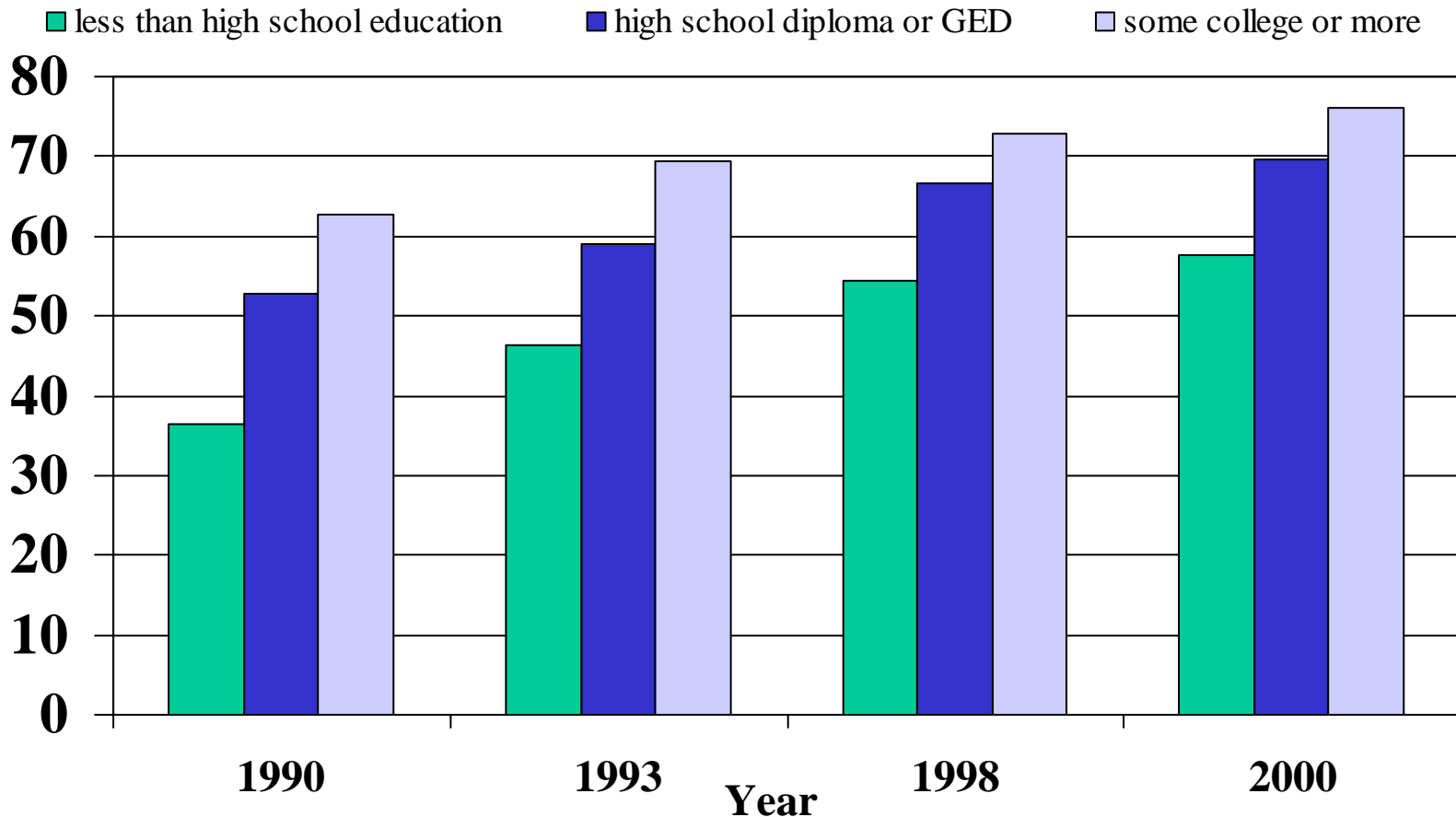
- **66%** of young people are active (2.5 hours physical activity per week)
- Almost all young people (**92%**) take part in some **sport or physical activity** (but not necessarily more than 2.5 hours per week). Participation is high for both boys (**93%**) and girls (**91%**).

**We know that  
screening and early  
detection reduce  
markedly  
the risk of dying from  
cancer**



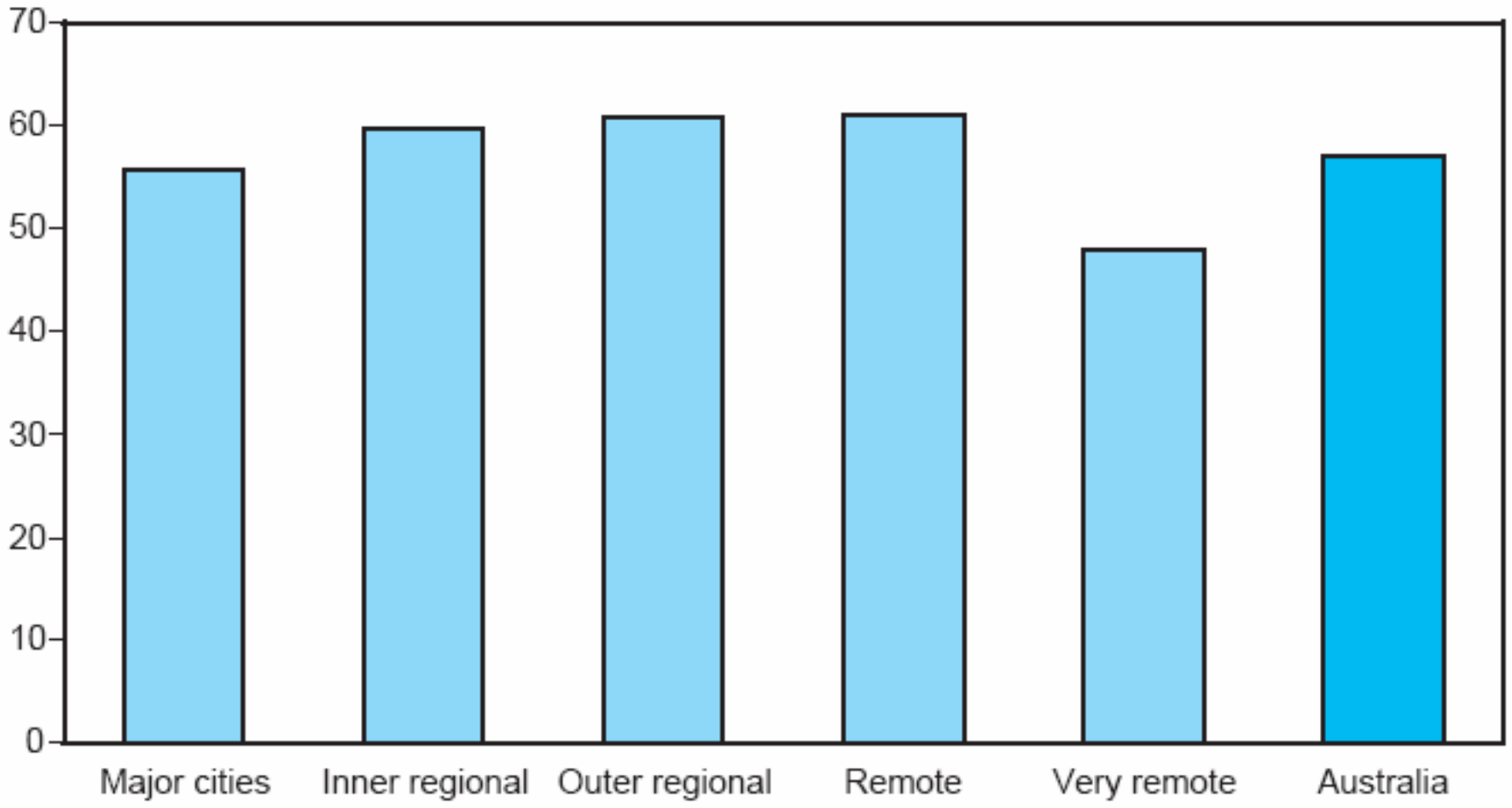
# Mammography and Education, US - 1990-2000

**Percentage of women 40 years of age and older who report having a mammogram within the past 2 years**



# Participation by Women Aged 50-69 Years in BreastScreen Australia by region, 2001-02

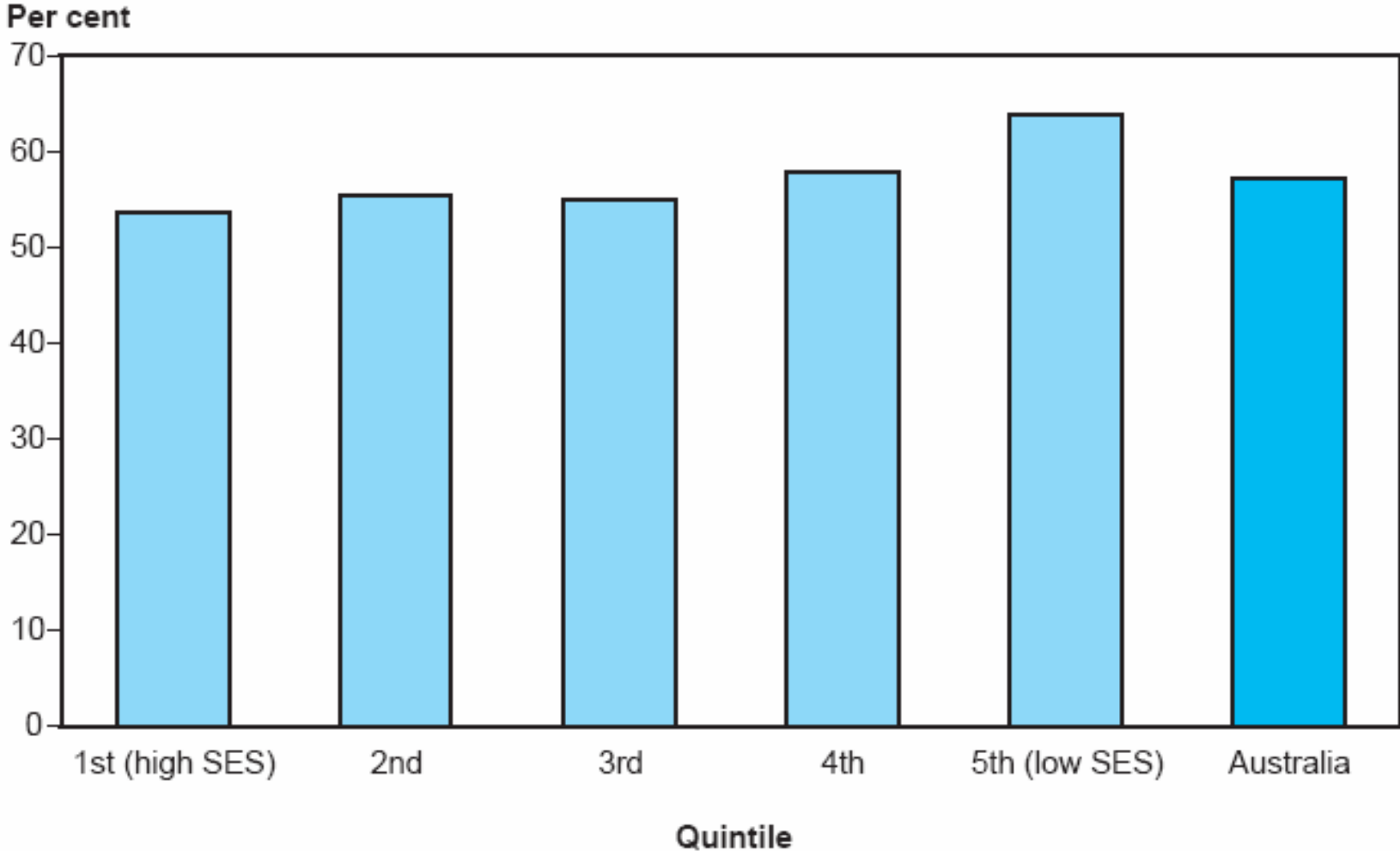
Participation per cent



Source: AIHW analysis of BreastScreen Australia data.

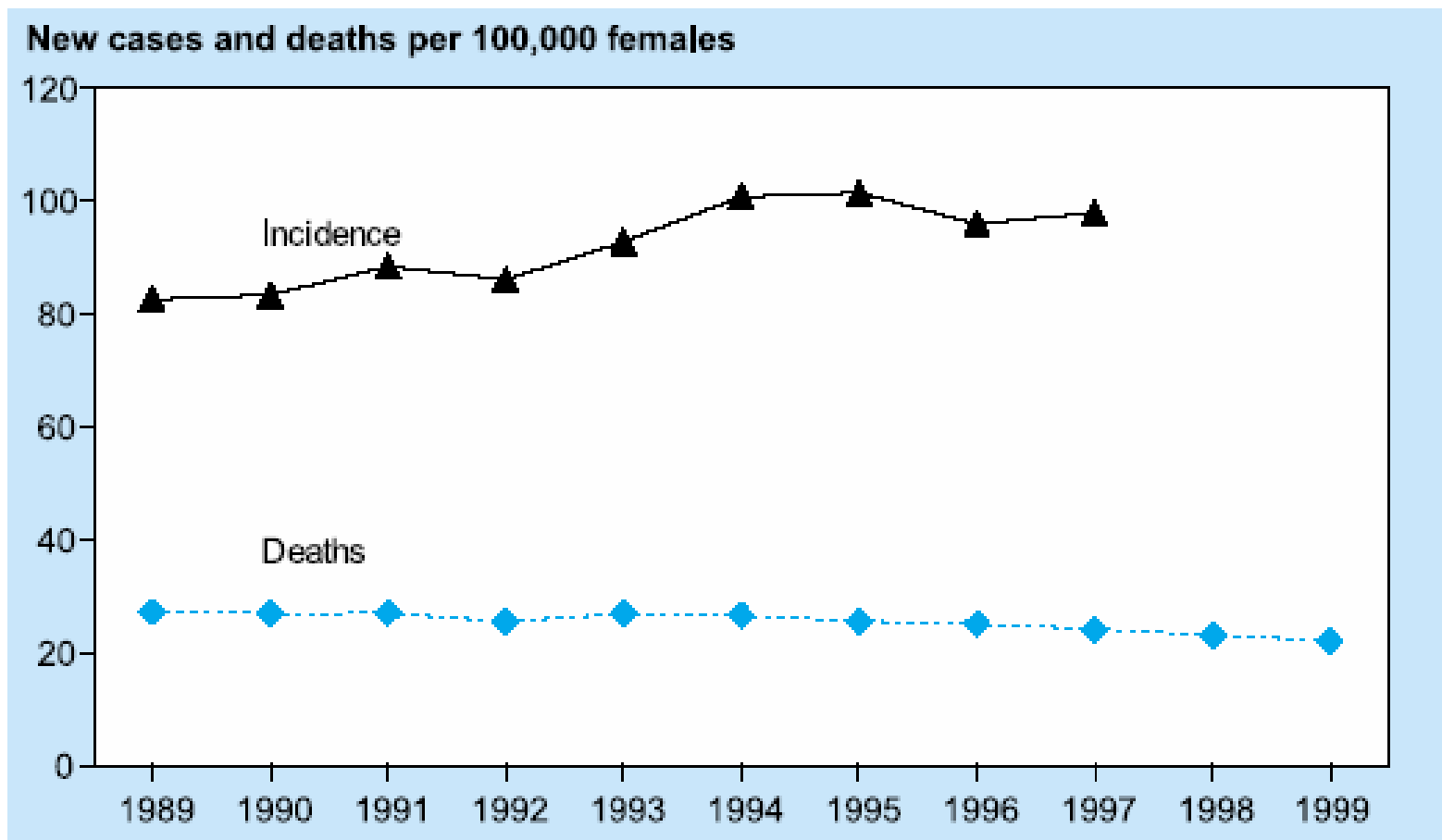


# Participation by Women Aged 50-69 Years in BreastScreen Australia by socio-economic status, 2001-02



Source: AIHW analysis of BreastScreen Australia data.

# Incidence and Death Rates for Breast Cancer Australia, 1989-1999



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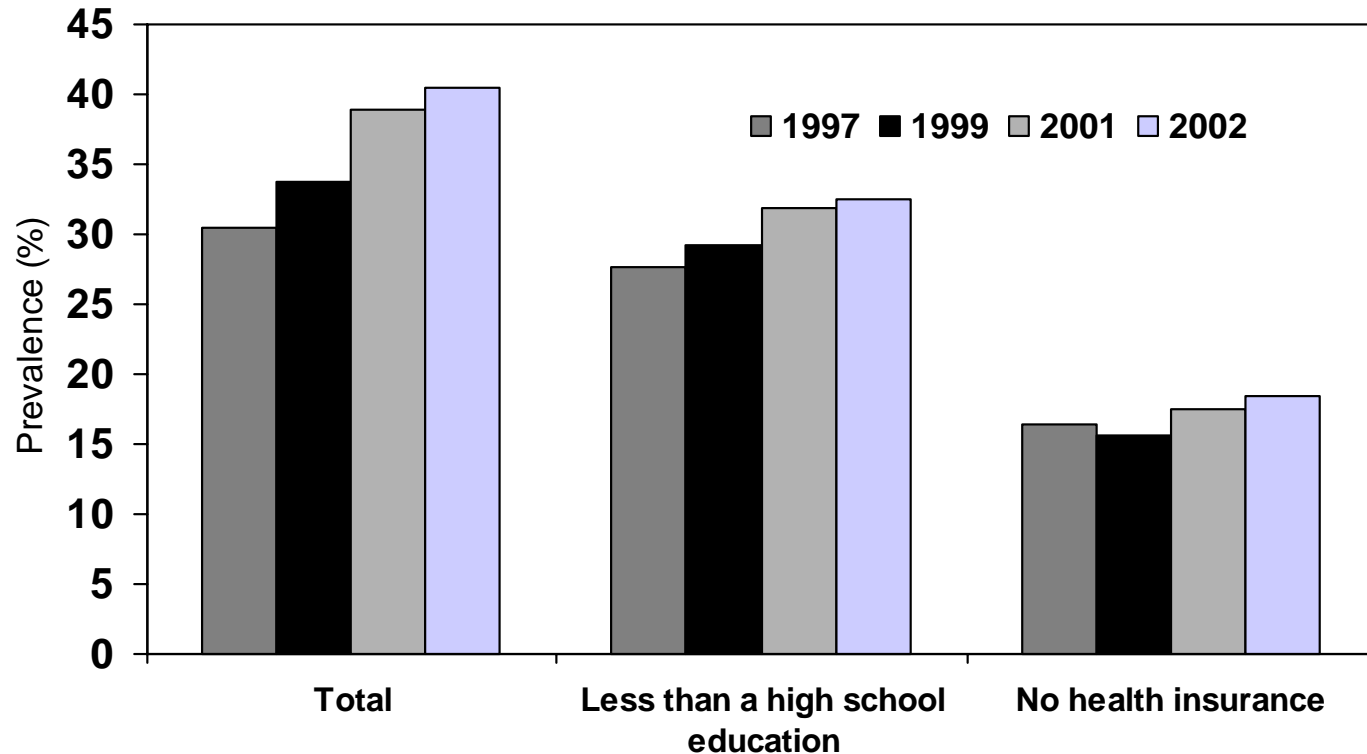
1. Breast cancer is classified according to the ICD-10 code: C50.
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Sources: AIHW National Cancer Statistics Clearing House Database and State and Territory cancer registries.

# Flexible Sigmoidoscope



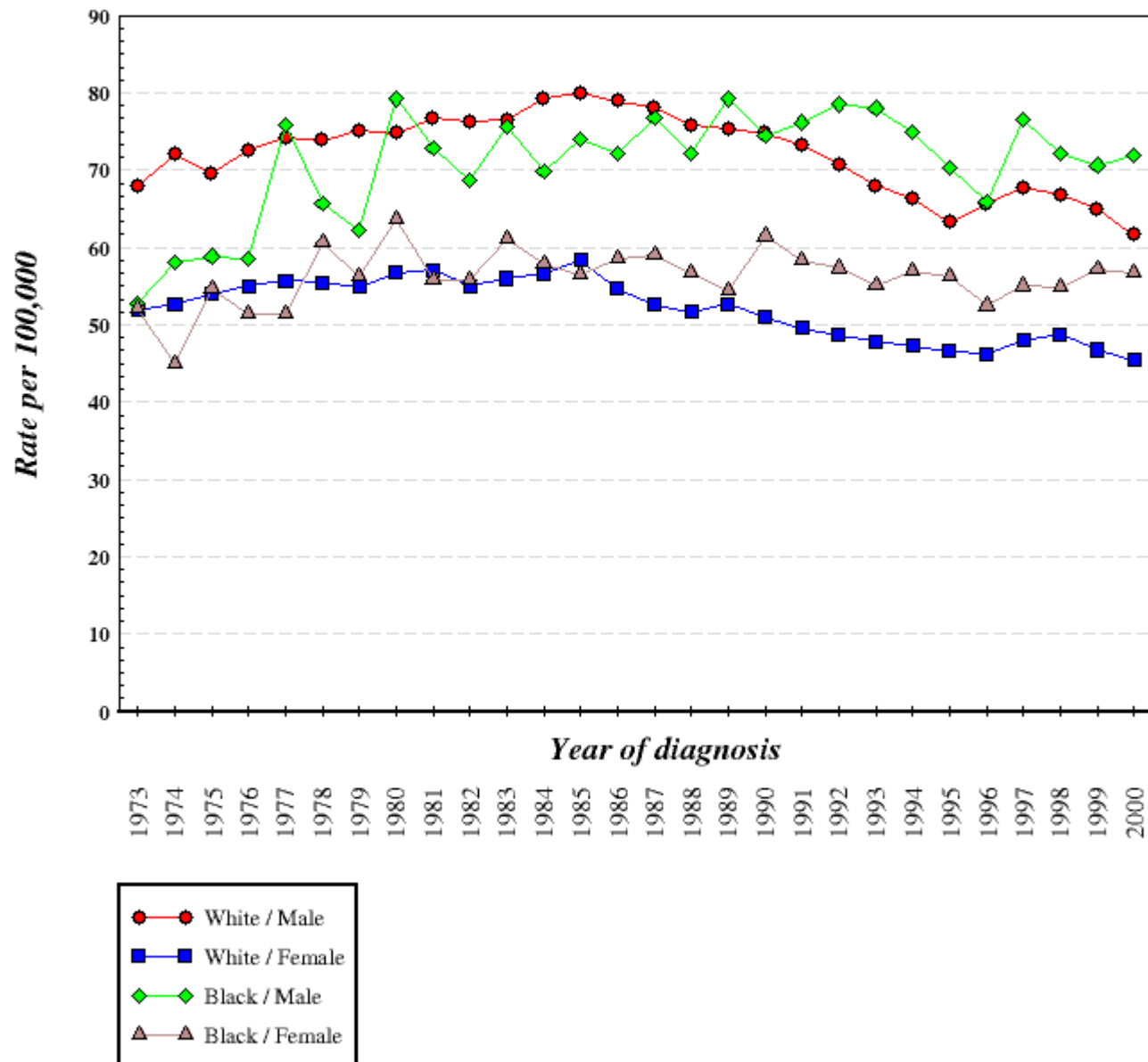
# Recent Flexible Sigmoidoscopy Prevalence Among Adults 50 Years and Older, US, 1997-2002



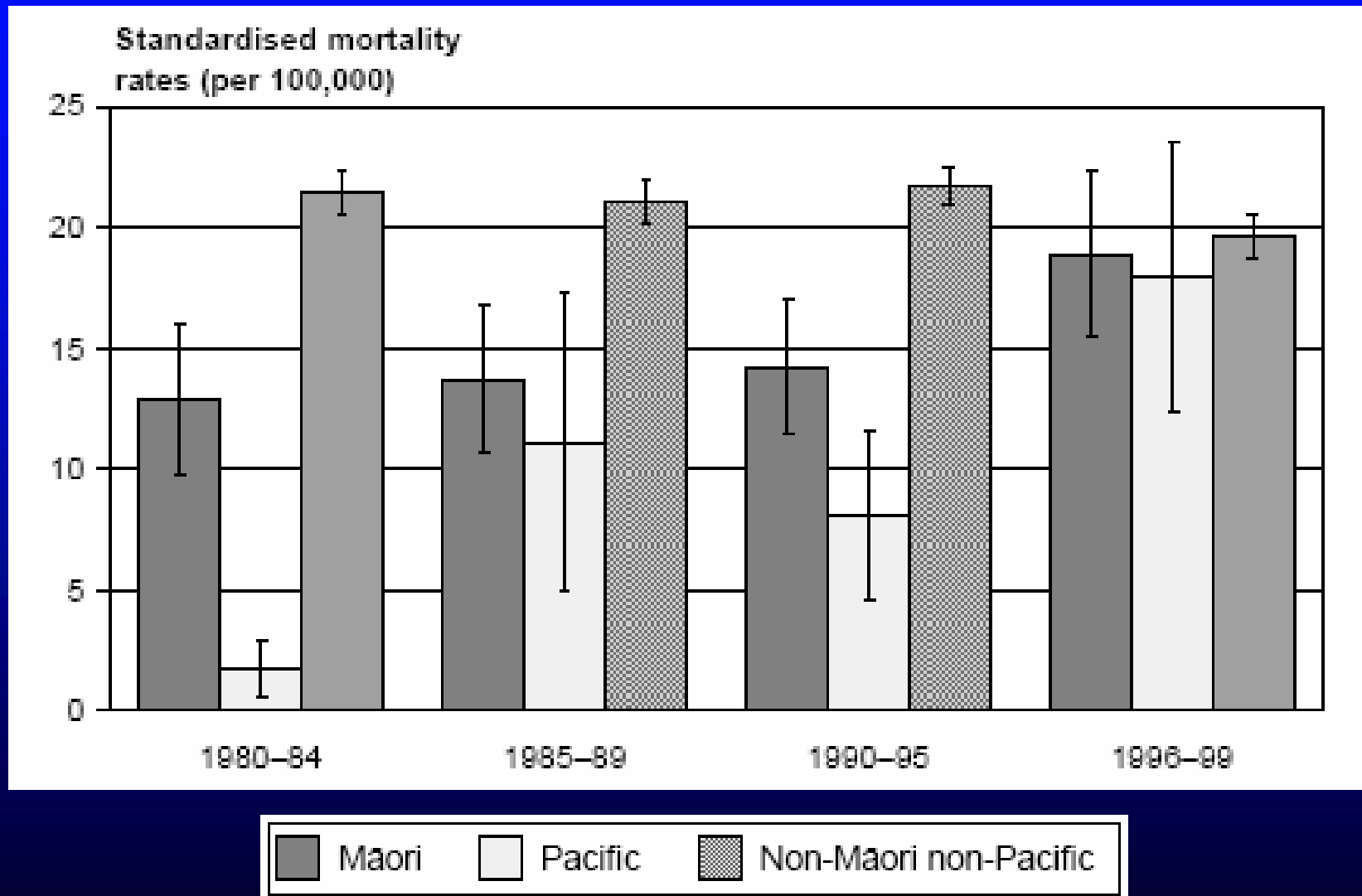
\*A flexible sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy within the past five years. Note: Data from participating states and the District of Columbia were aggregated to represent the United States.

Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System CD-ROM (1996-1997, 1999) and Public Use Data Tape (2001, 2002), National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Prevention, 1999, 2000, 2002, 2003.

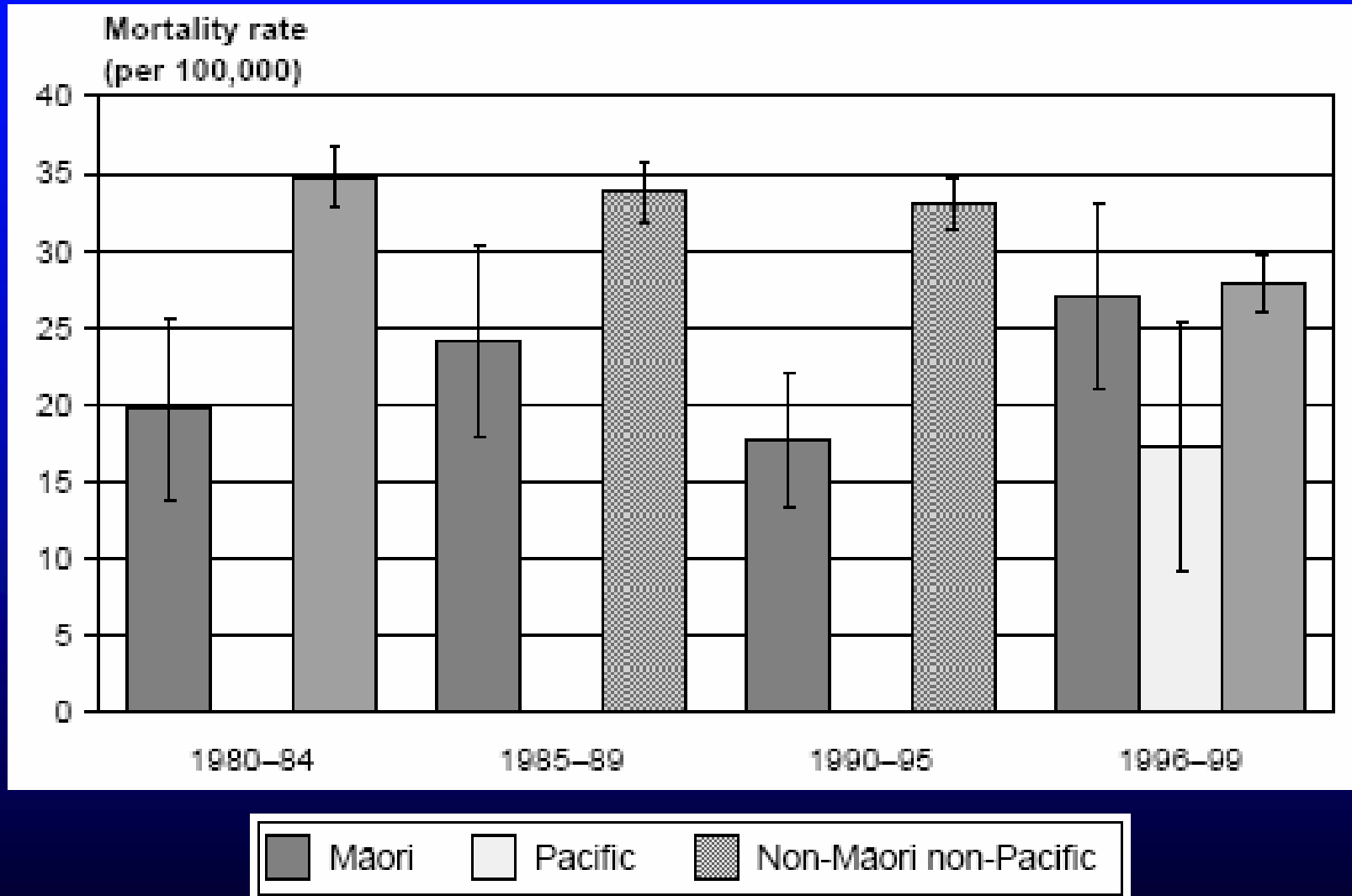
# Colorectal Cancer Incidence 1973-2000



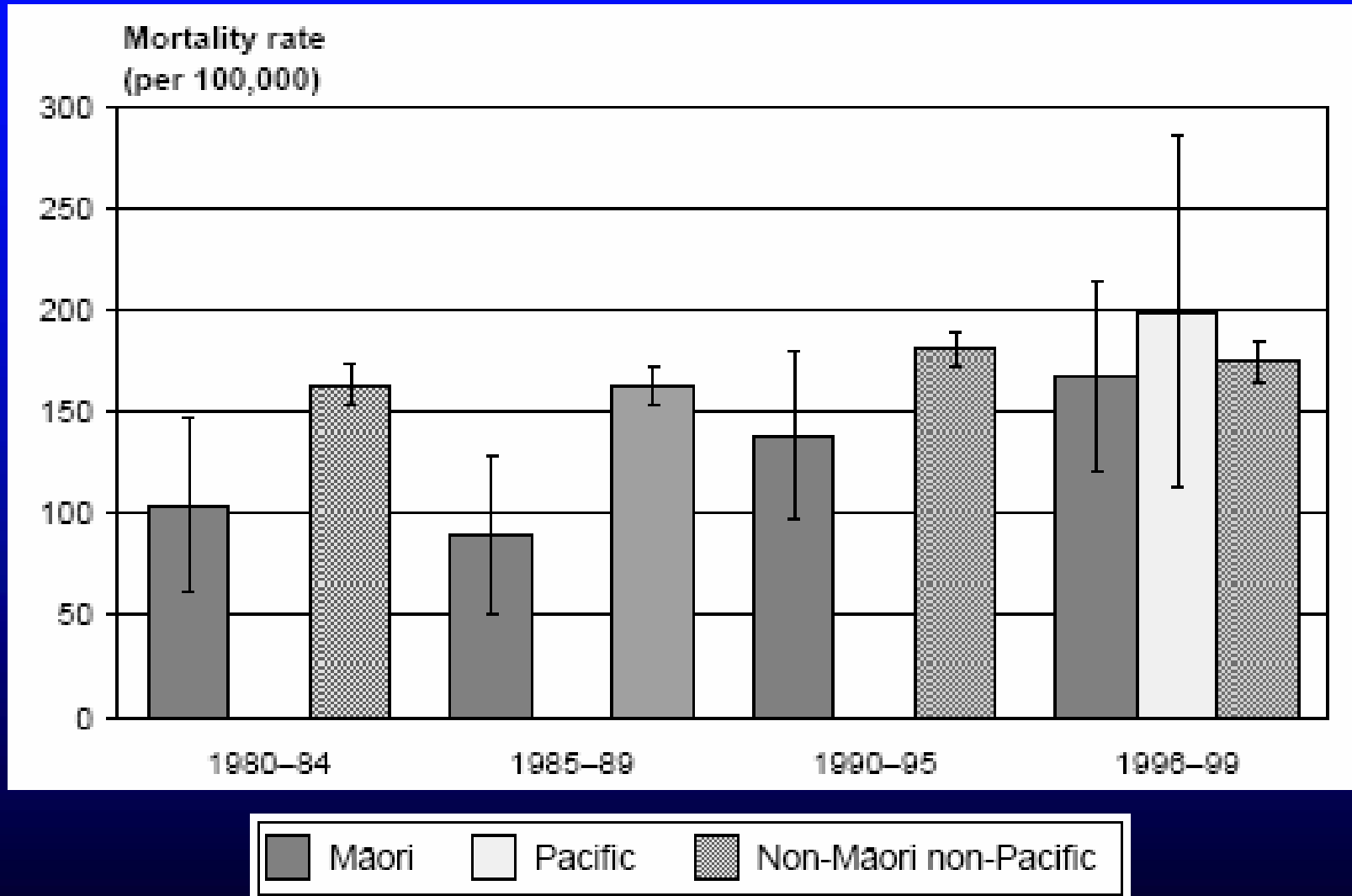
# Colorectal Cancer: Males New Zealand, 1980-1999



# Colorectal Cancer: Males 35-64 years old New Zealand, 1980-1999

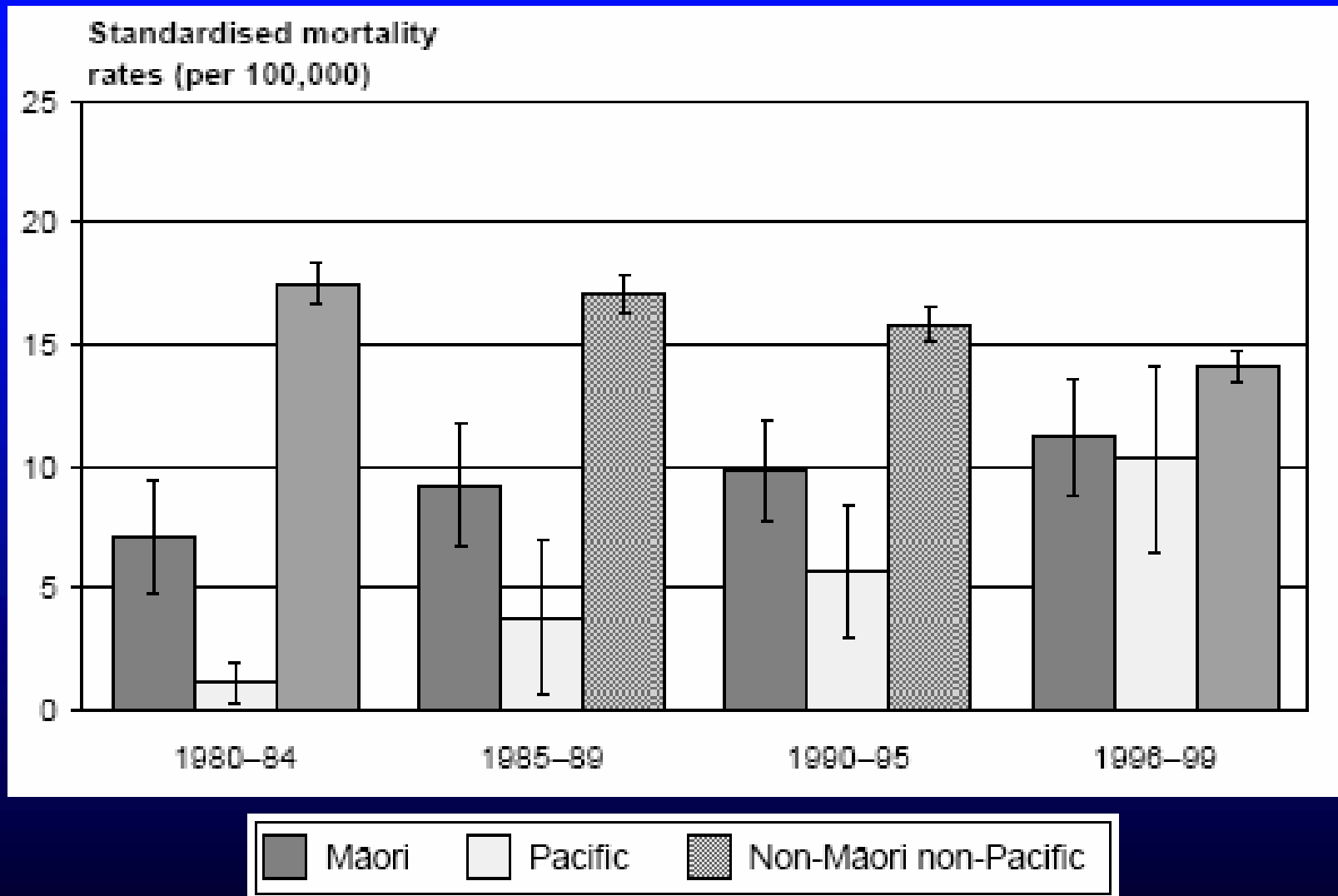


# Colorectal Cancer: Males 65-74 years old New Zealand, 1980-1999

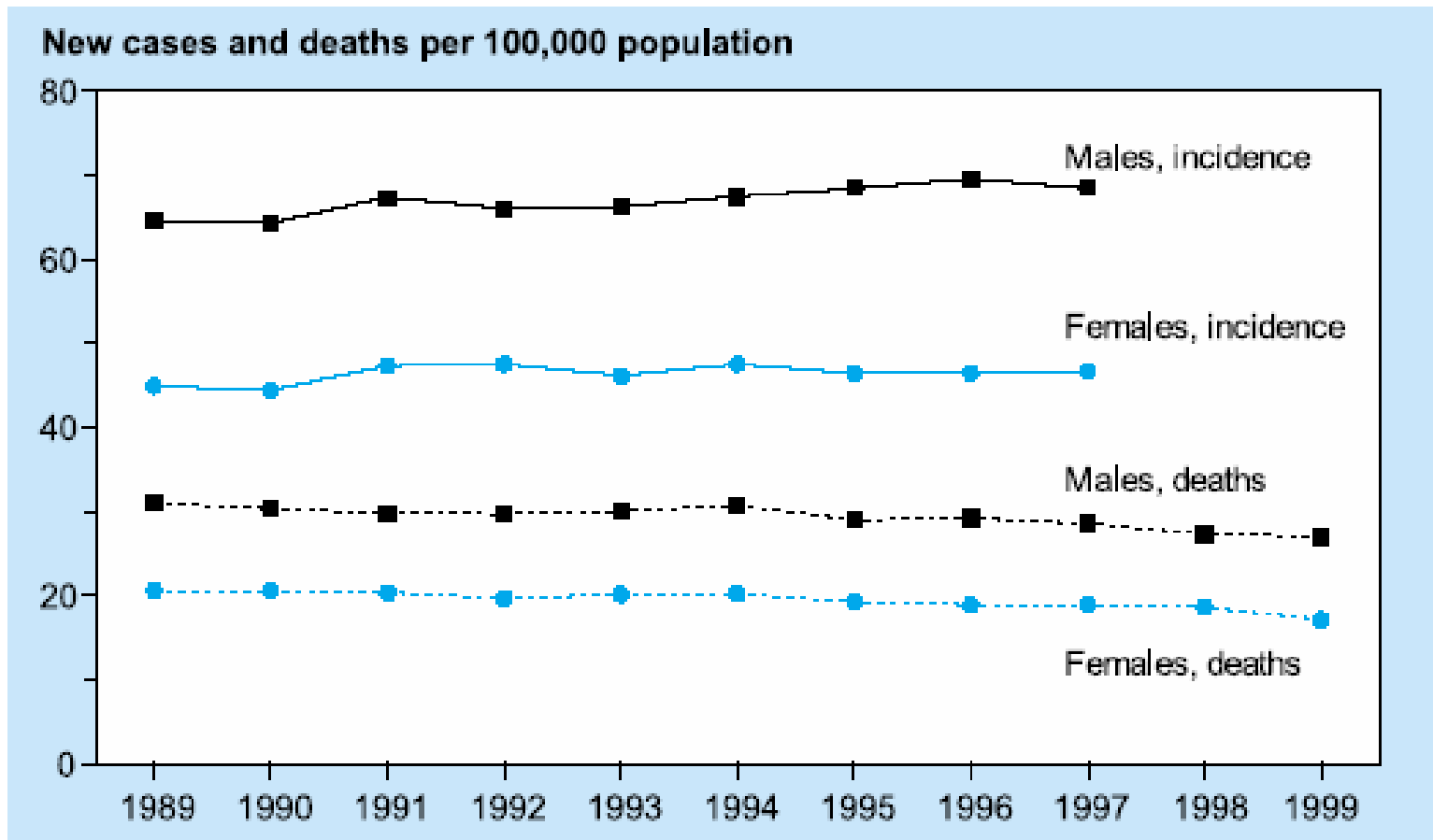




# Colorectal Cancer: Females New Zealand, 1980-1999



# Incidence and Death Rates for Colorectal Cancer, Australia 1989-1999



## Notes

1. Colorectal cancer is classified according to the ICD-10 codes: C18–C21.
2. The incidence and death rates were age-adjusted using the total Australian population as at 30 June 1991.

Sources: AIHW National Cancer Statistics Clearing House Database and State and Territory cancer registries.

# Cost per Year of Life Saved

- Mandatory motorcycle helmets \$2,000
- Colorectal cancer screening \$25,000
- Breast cancer screening \$35,000
- Dual airbags in cars \$120,000
- Smoke detectors in homes \$210,000
- School bus seat belts \$1,800,000

# Screening for Colorectal Cancer

- “At risk” - those >50yr 80 million
- Screened per year
  - colonoscopy 2.0m
  - sigmoidoscopy 4.5m
  - FOBT 9.5m
  - DCBE 0.1m
  - TOTAL PROCEDURES 16.1m



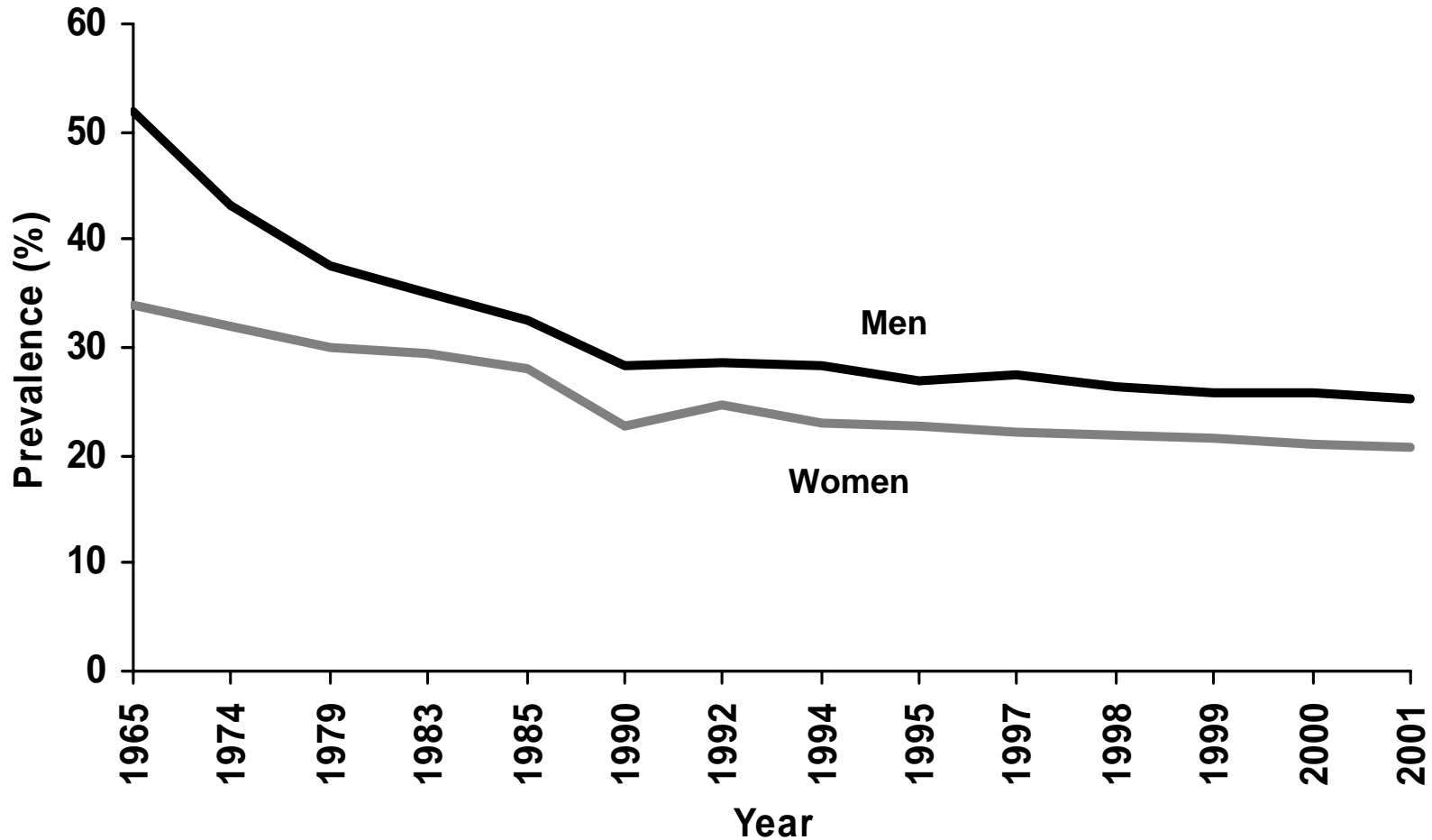
**We know that tobacco  
causes a major  
increase in risk of  
several different  
cancers as well as  
heart and lung  
disease.....**



**.....and therefore a big  
increase of dying  
young and in pain**



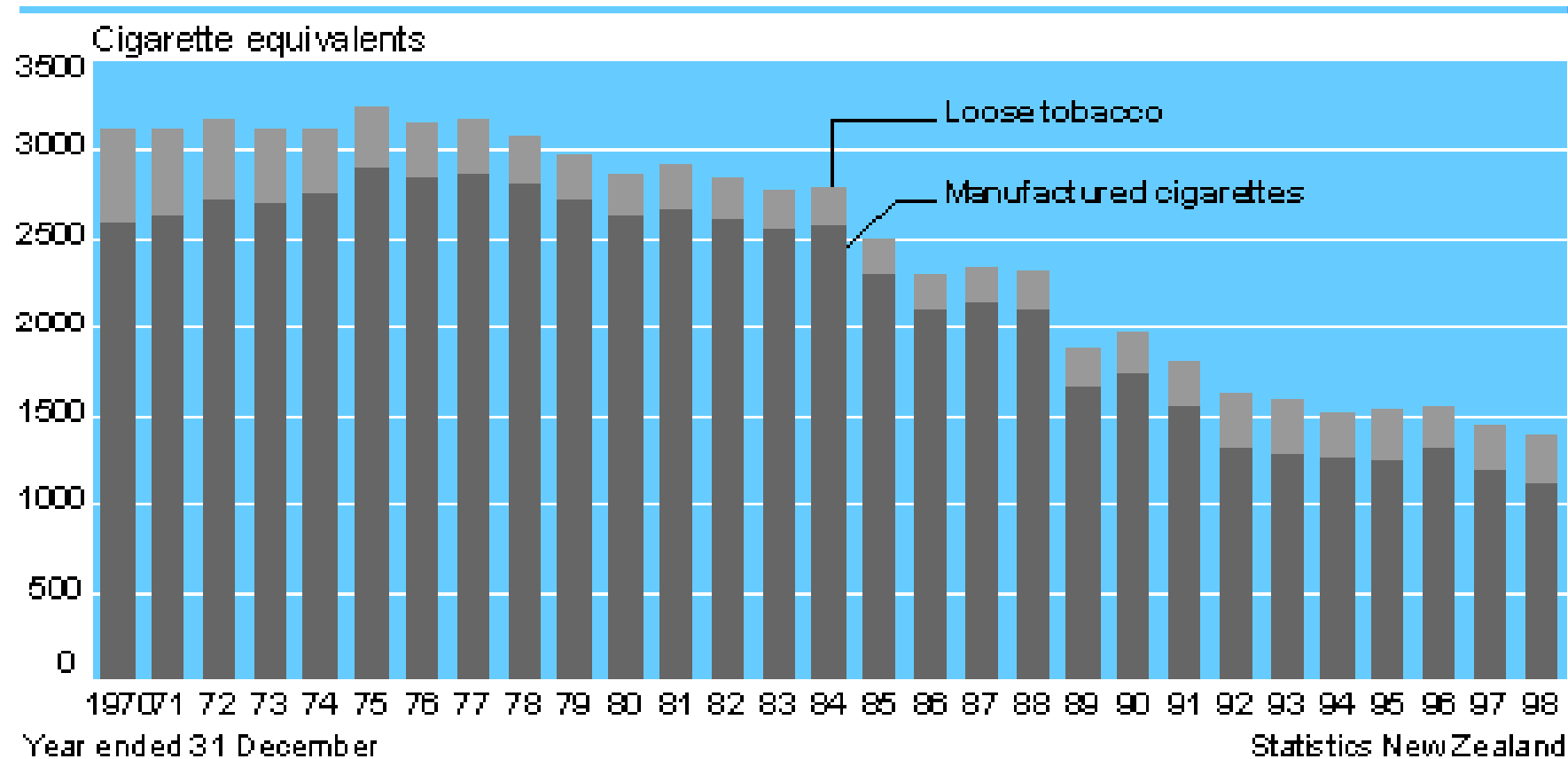
# Cigarette Smoking among Adults 18 and Older in the US, 1965-2001



Source: National Health Interview Survey, 1965-2001, National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2003.

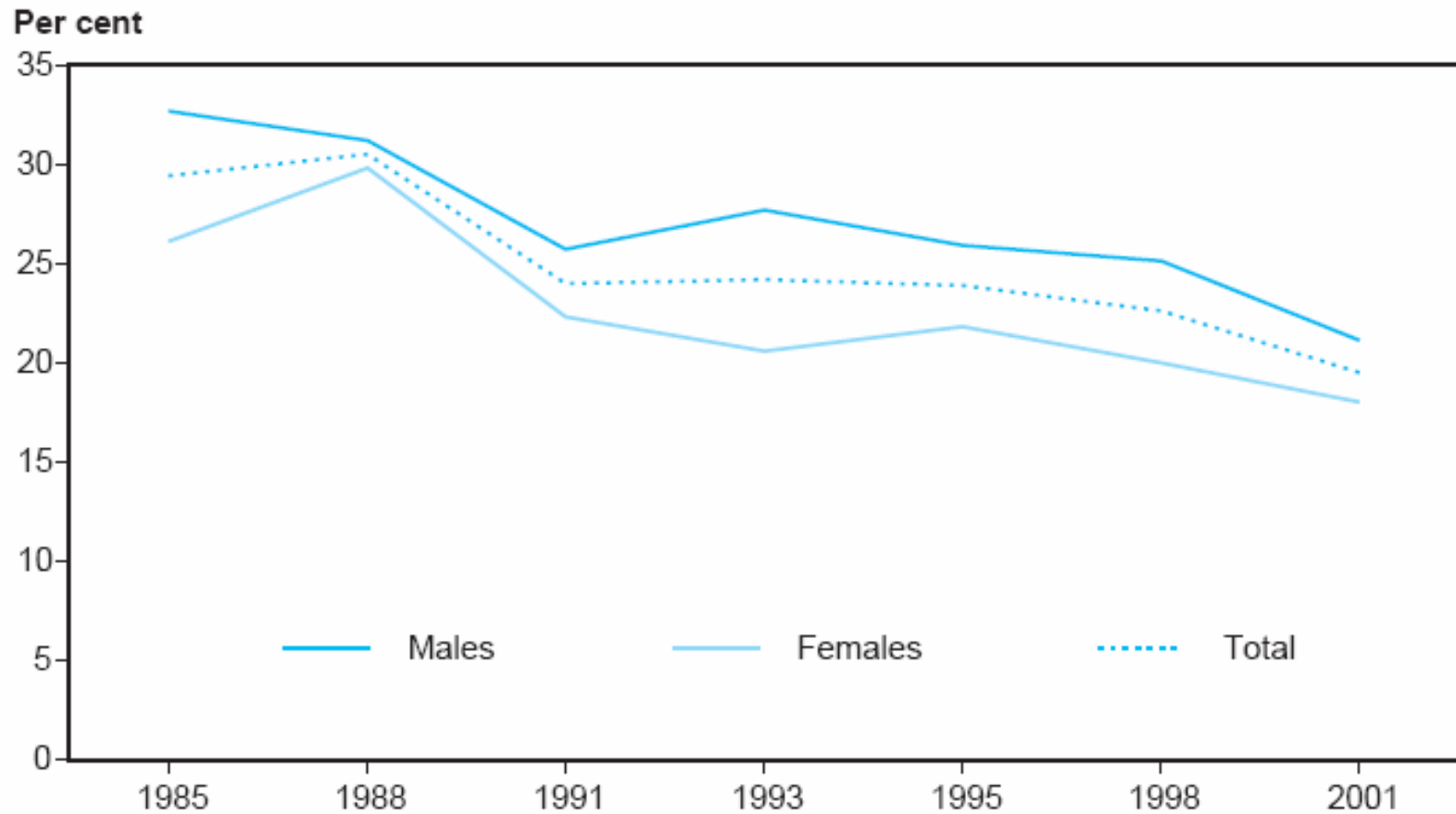


# Tobacco Consumption Per Person Aged 15 Years and Older, New Zealand 1970-1998



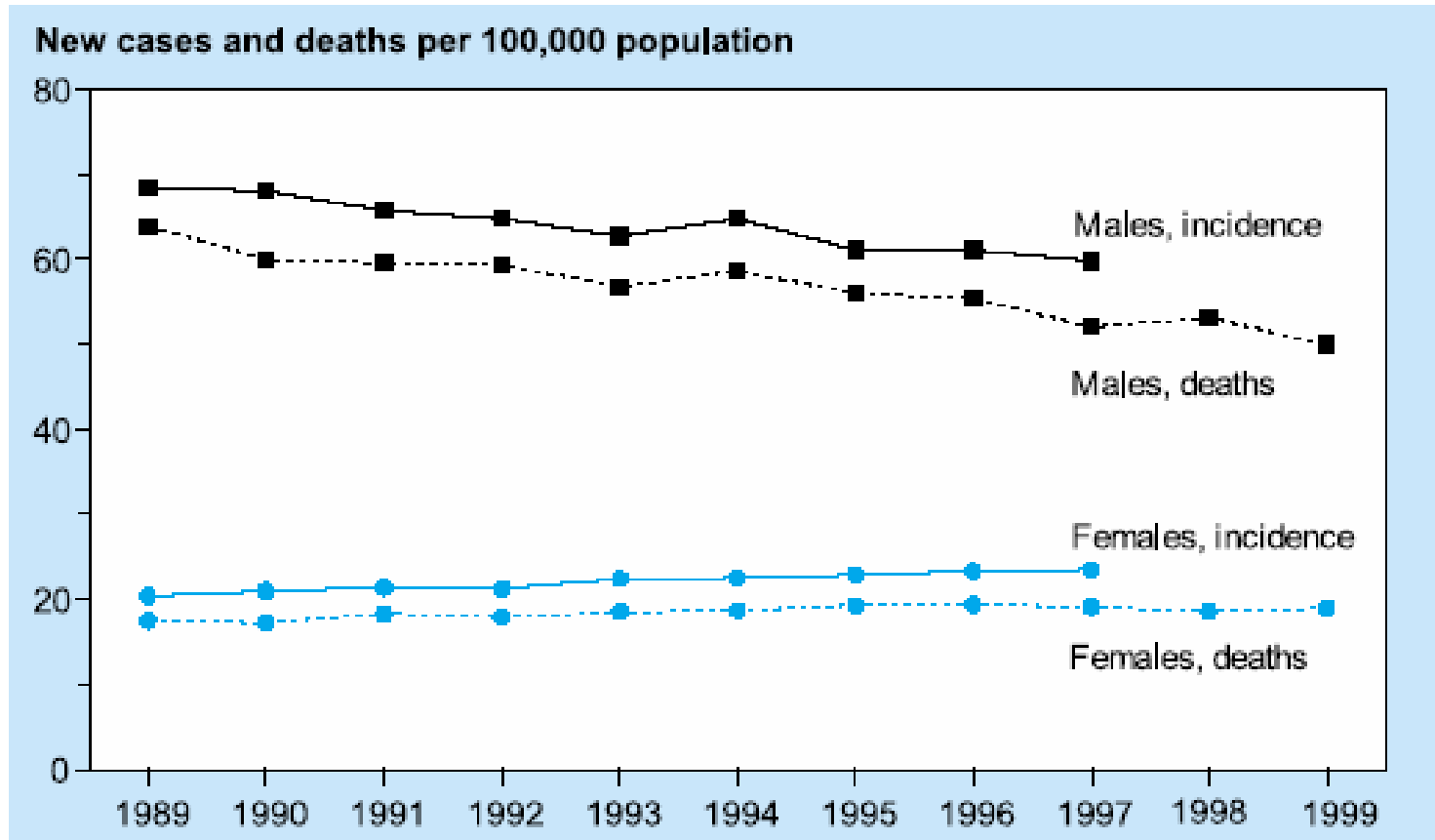
Source: New Zealand Official Yearbook 2000

# Proportion of Persons Aged 14 Years and Older who Smoke Daily, Australia, 1985-2001



Sources: National Campaign Against Drug Abuse Social Issues surveys 1985, 1988; National Campaign Against Drug Abuse Household surveys 1991, 1993; National Drug Strategy Household surveys 1995, 1998, 2001.

# Incidence and Death Rates for Cancer of the Trachea, Bronchus, and Lung Australia, 1989-1999

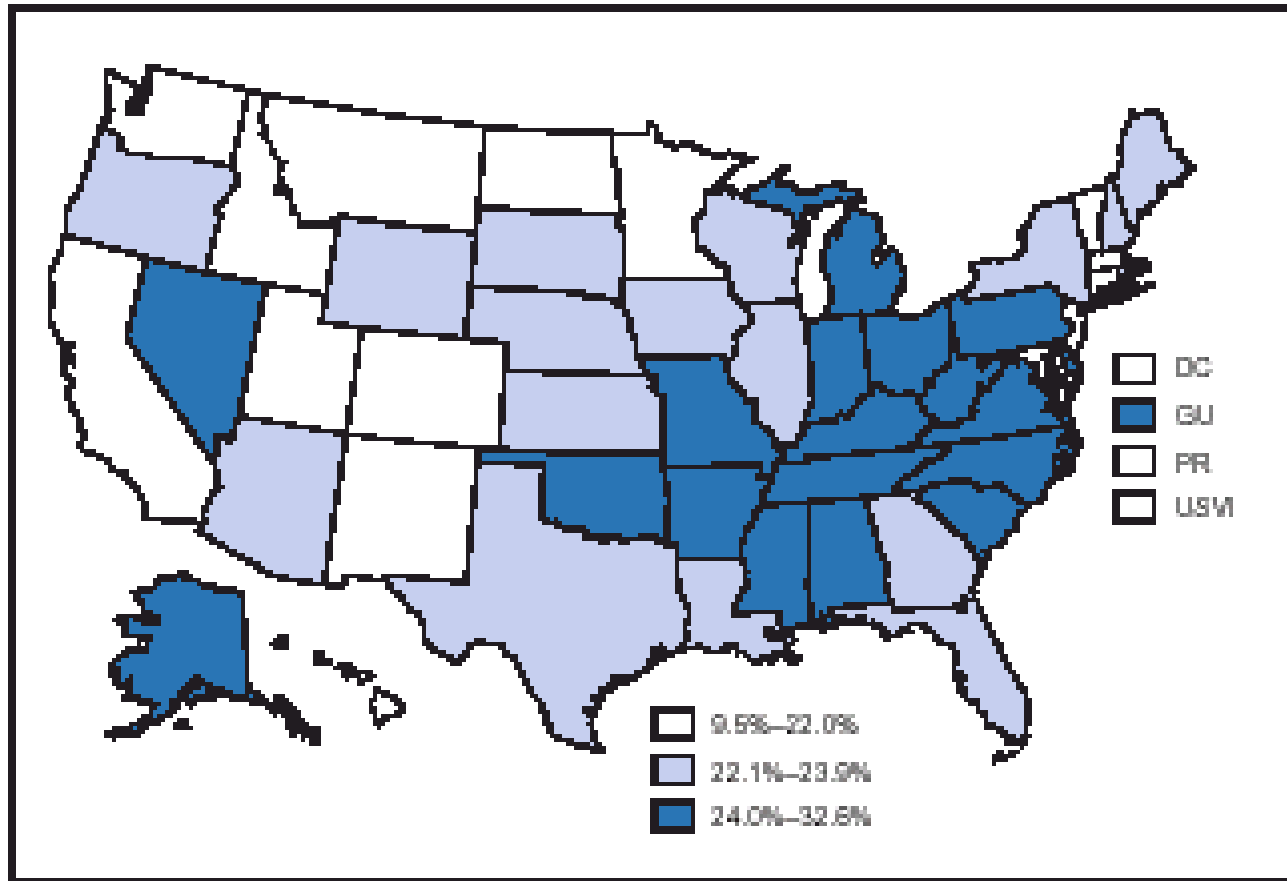


*Notes*

1. Cancer of the trachea, bronchus and lung is classified according to the ICD-10 codes: C33–C34.
2. The incidence and death rates were age-adjusted using the total Australian population as at 30 June 1991.

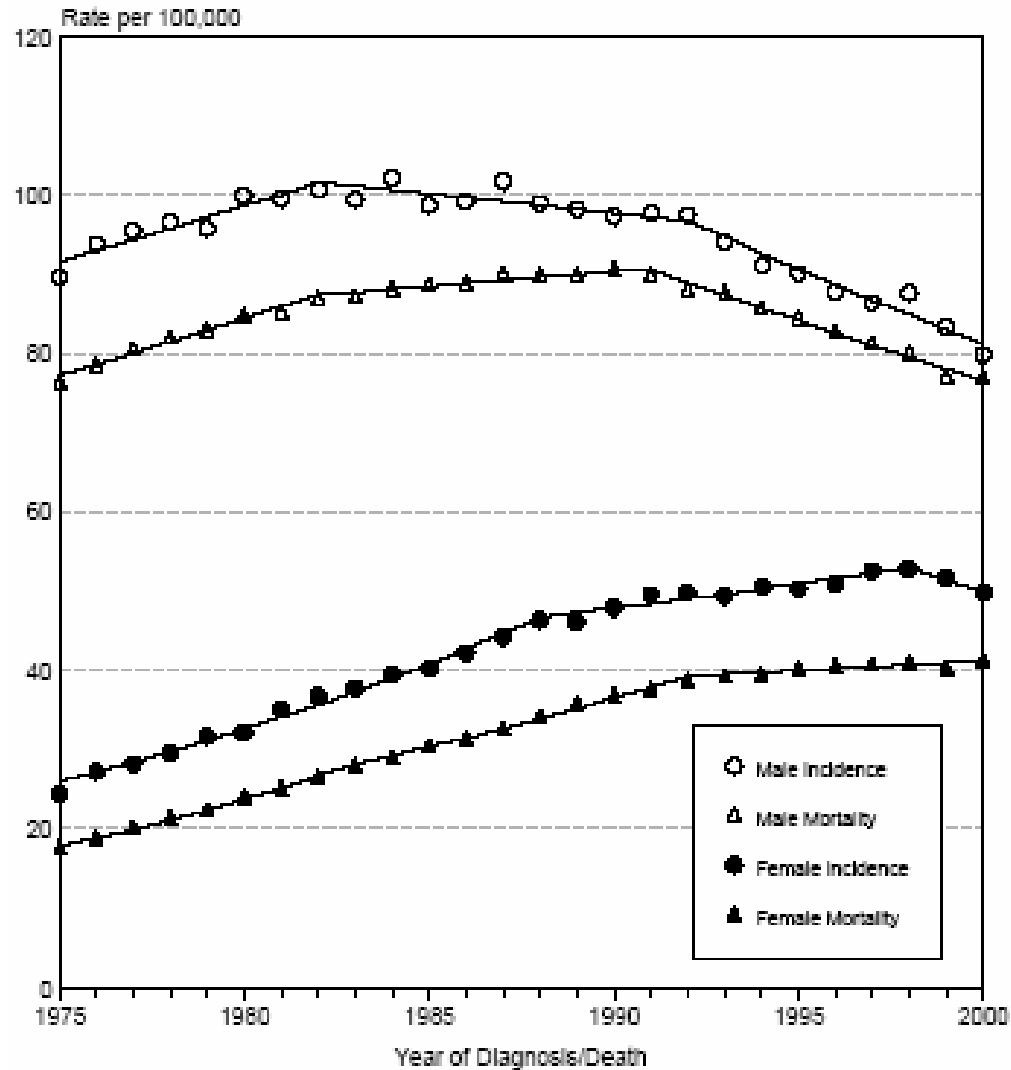
*Sources:* AIHW National Cancer Statistics Clearing House Database and State and Territory cancer registries.

# Prevalence of Current Cigarette Smoking Among Adults 18 and Older in the US, 2002



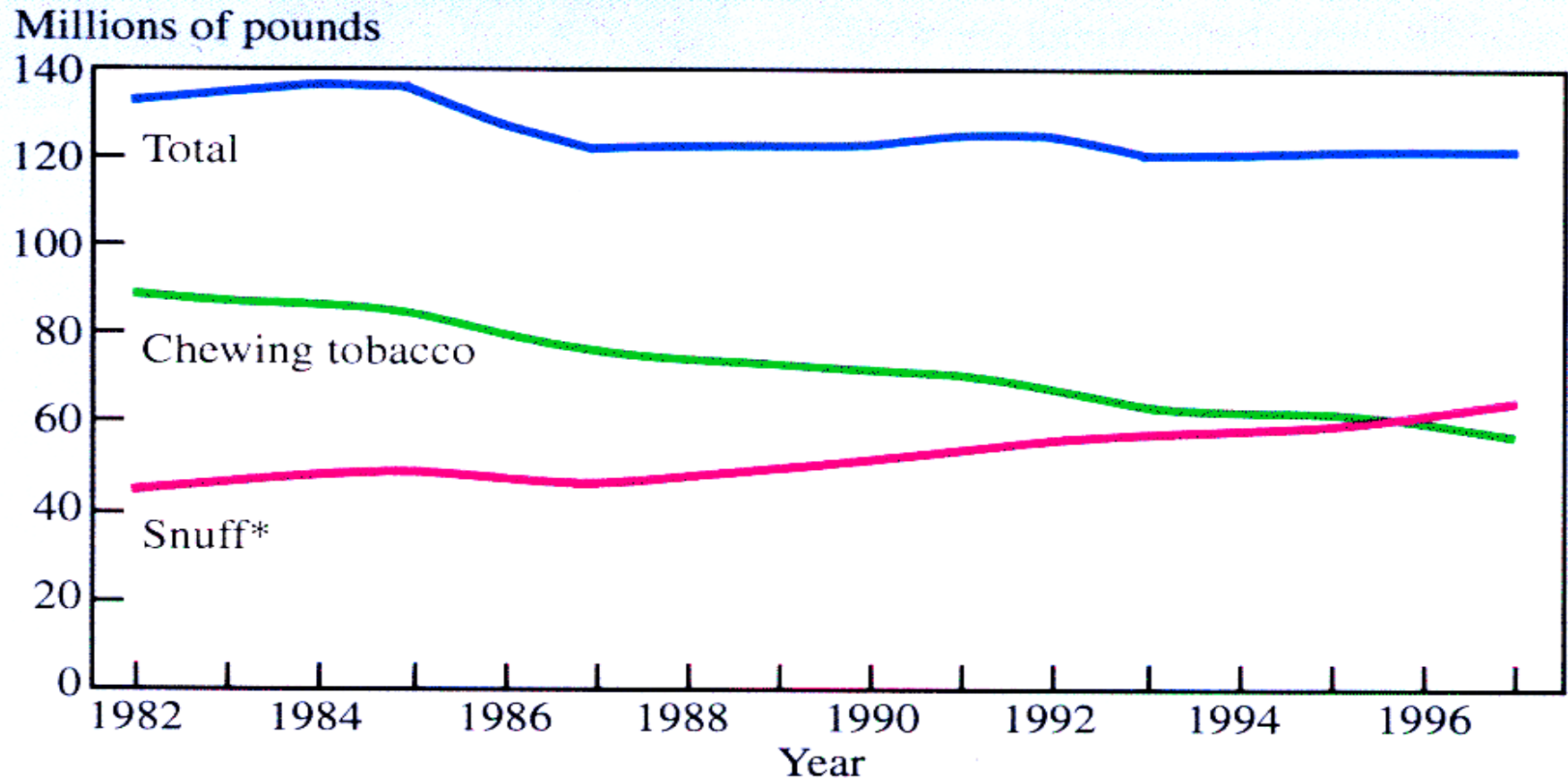
\* The percentage of all adults in each state/area who reported having smoked  $\geq 100$  cigarettes during their lifetimes and who currently smoke every day or some days.

# Cancer of the Lung and Bronchus Incidence and US Death Rates, 1975-2000



Source: SEER 9 areas and NCHS public use data file. Rates are age-adjusted to the 2000 US standard million population by 5-year age groups. Regression lines are calculated using the Joinpoint Regression Program.

# Consumption of Chewing Tobacco and Snuff US - 1982-1997



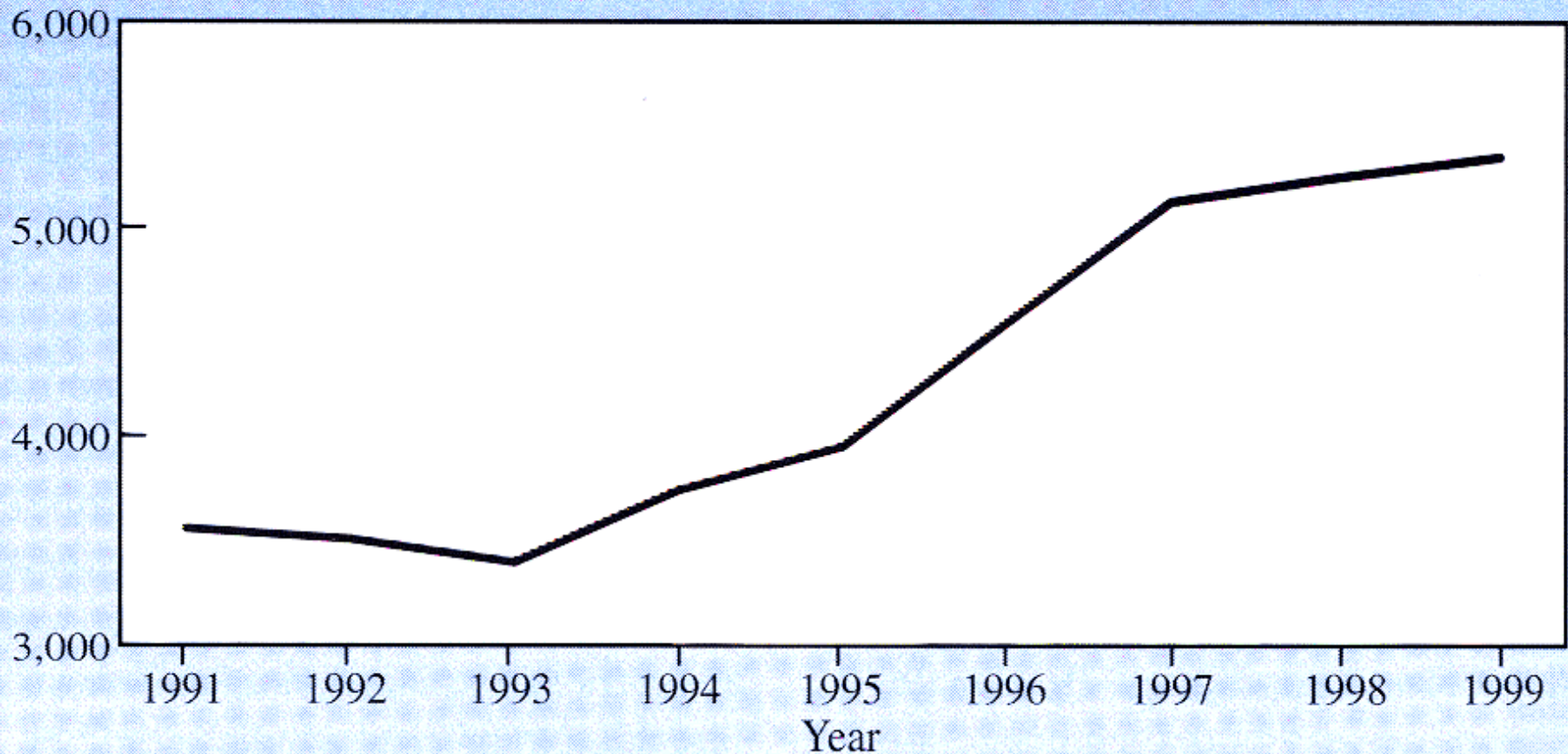
\*Includes both dry and moist snuff.

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture

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# Trends in US Cigar Consumption

Billions of cigars\*



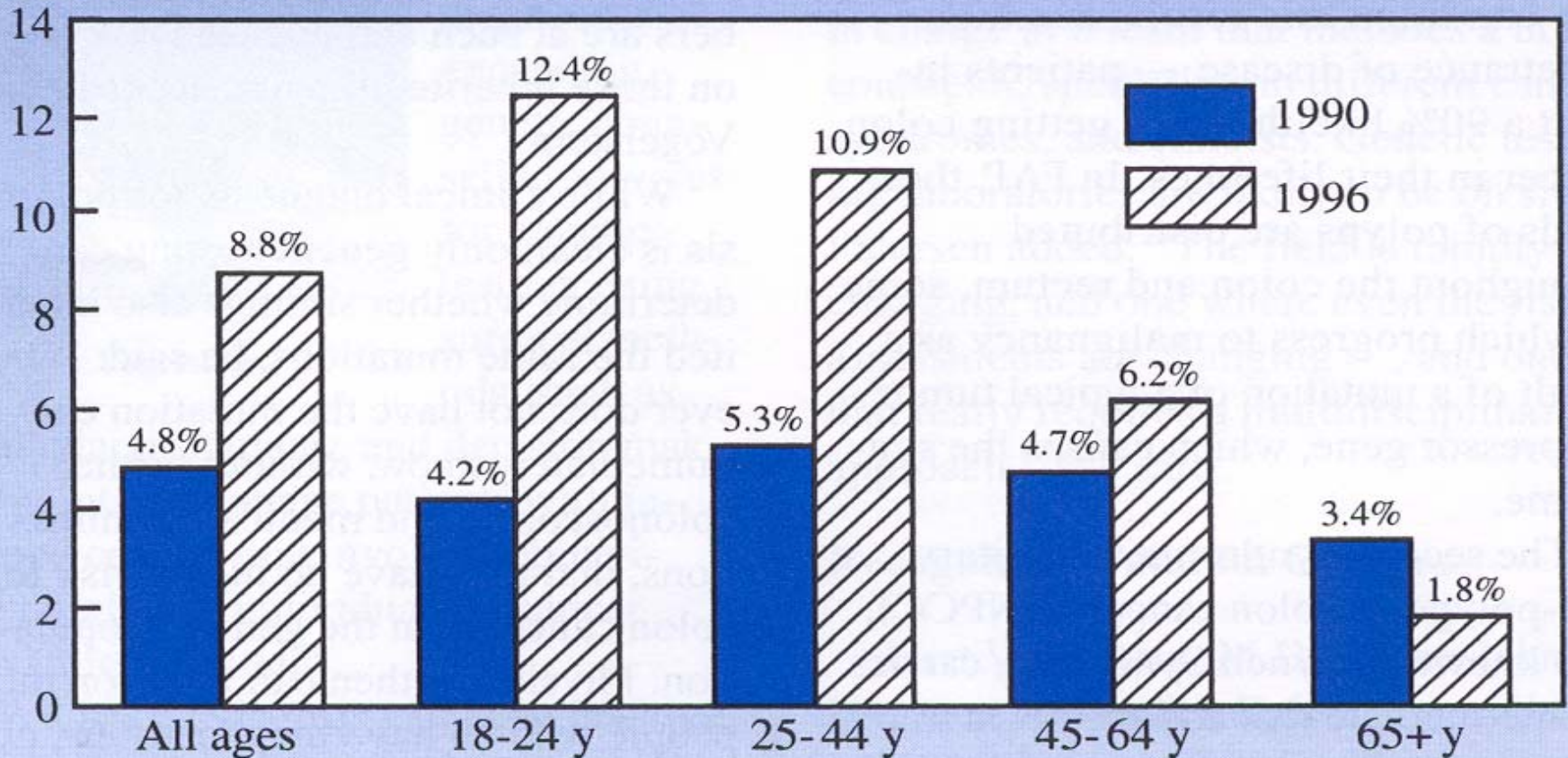
\*Includes both large and small cigars sold for domestic consumption.

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture tables, 1999 preliminary data:  
access at [www.econ.ag.gov/Briefing/tobacco/](http://www.econ.ag.gov/Briefing/tobacco/)



# Cigar Smoking among Men US - 1990-1996

Percent of men currently using cigars

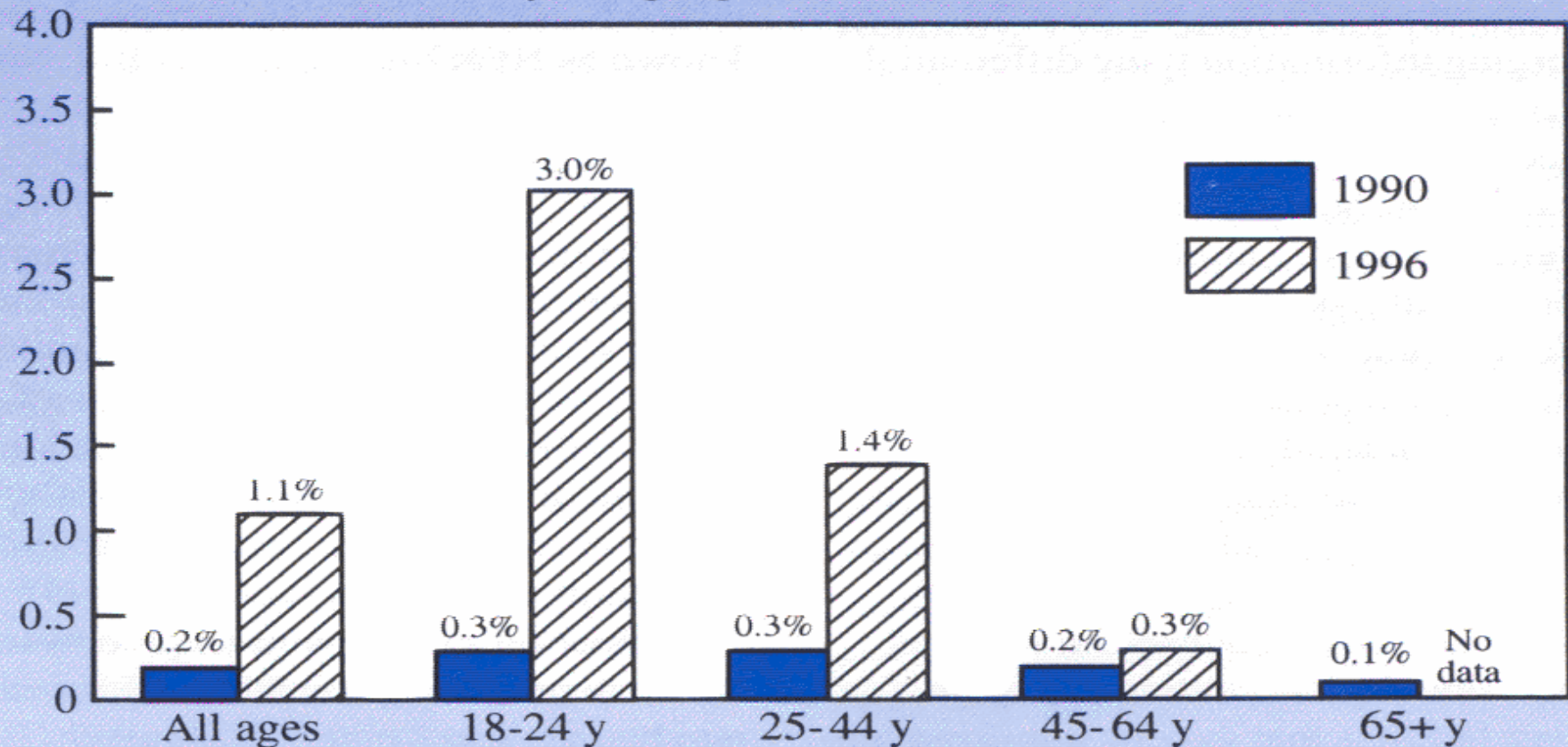


Source: *Cigars: Health Effects and Trends* (National Cancer Institute Smoking Monograph 9).



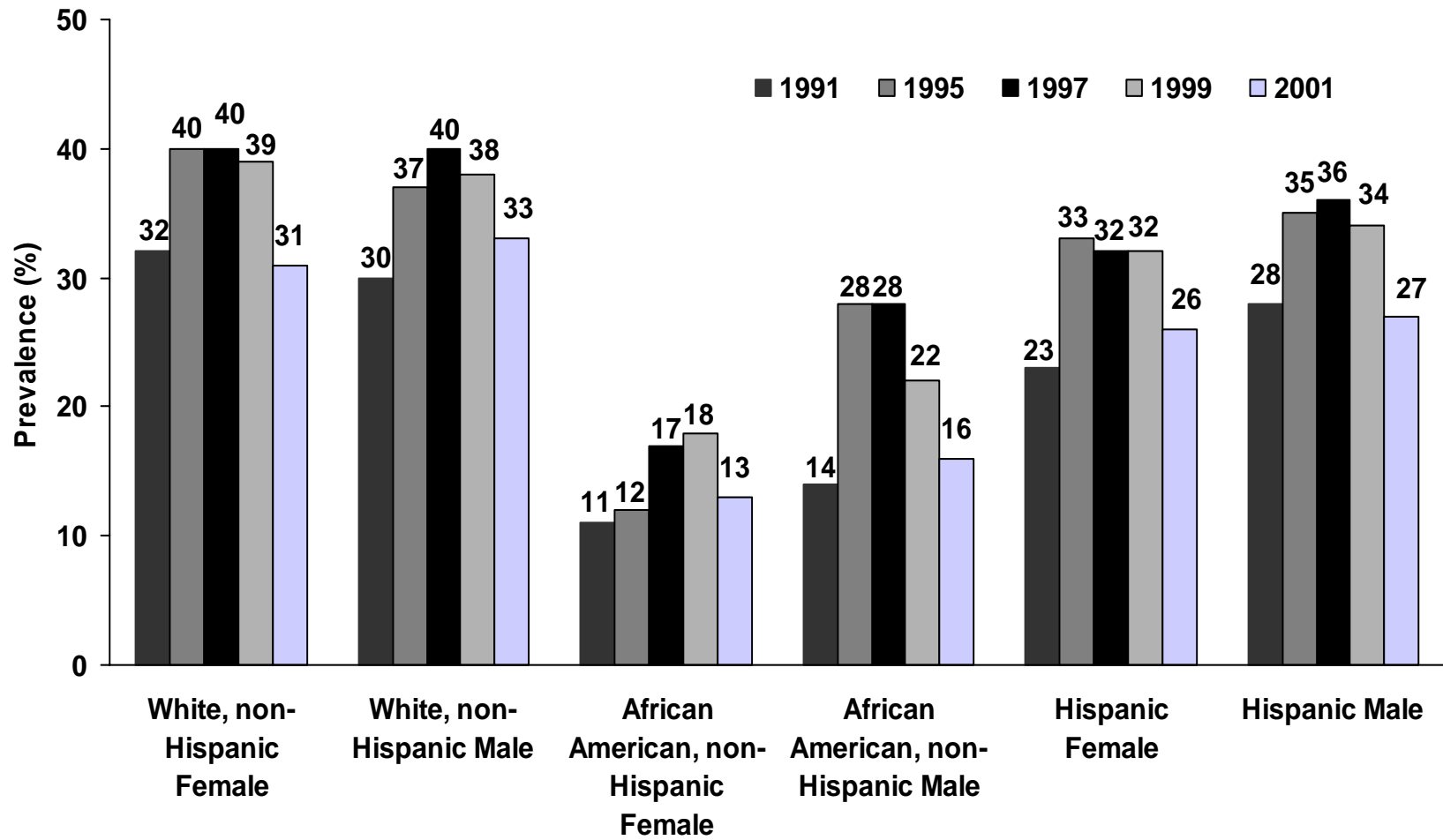
# Cigar Smoking among Women US - 1990-1996

Percent of women currently using cigars



Source: *Cigars: Health Effects and Trends* (National Cancer Institute Smoking Monograph 9).

# Current Cigarette Smoking Among US High School Students, 1991-2001



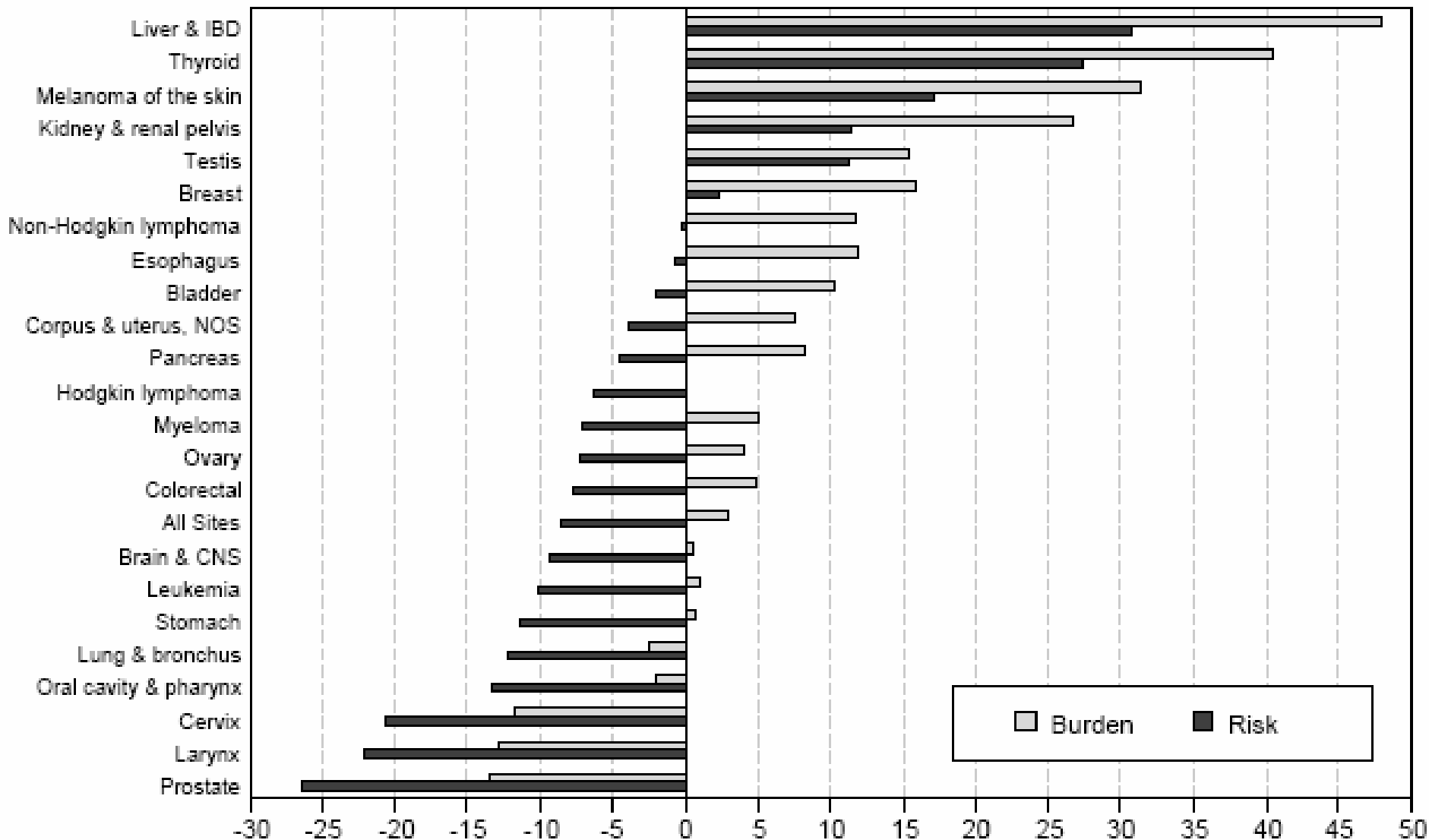
\*Smoked cigarettes on one or more of the 30 days preceding the survey.

Source: Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System, 1991, 1995, 1997, 1999, 2001, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2002.



# Percent Change in Cancer Incidence, 1992-2000

## Numbers (burden) vs Rates (risk), All Ages, USA



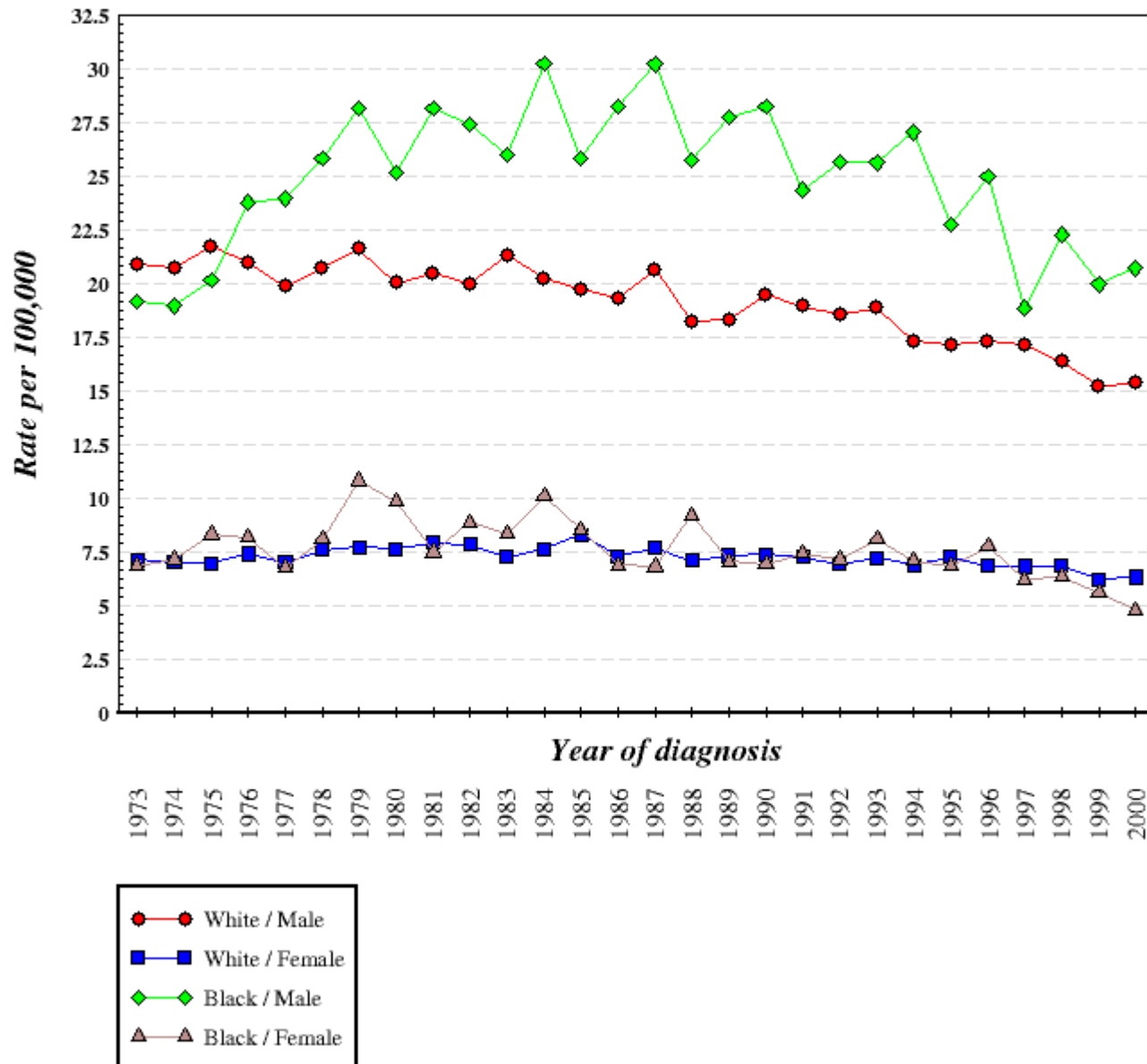
Source: SEER Cancer Statistics Review, 1975-2000, (NCI 2003)

**Although there is still a  
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the causes and  
prevention of cancer, we  
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practice much that we  
already know**





# Oral Cavity and Pharynx Cancers 1973-2000

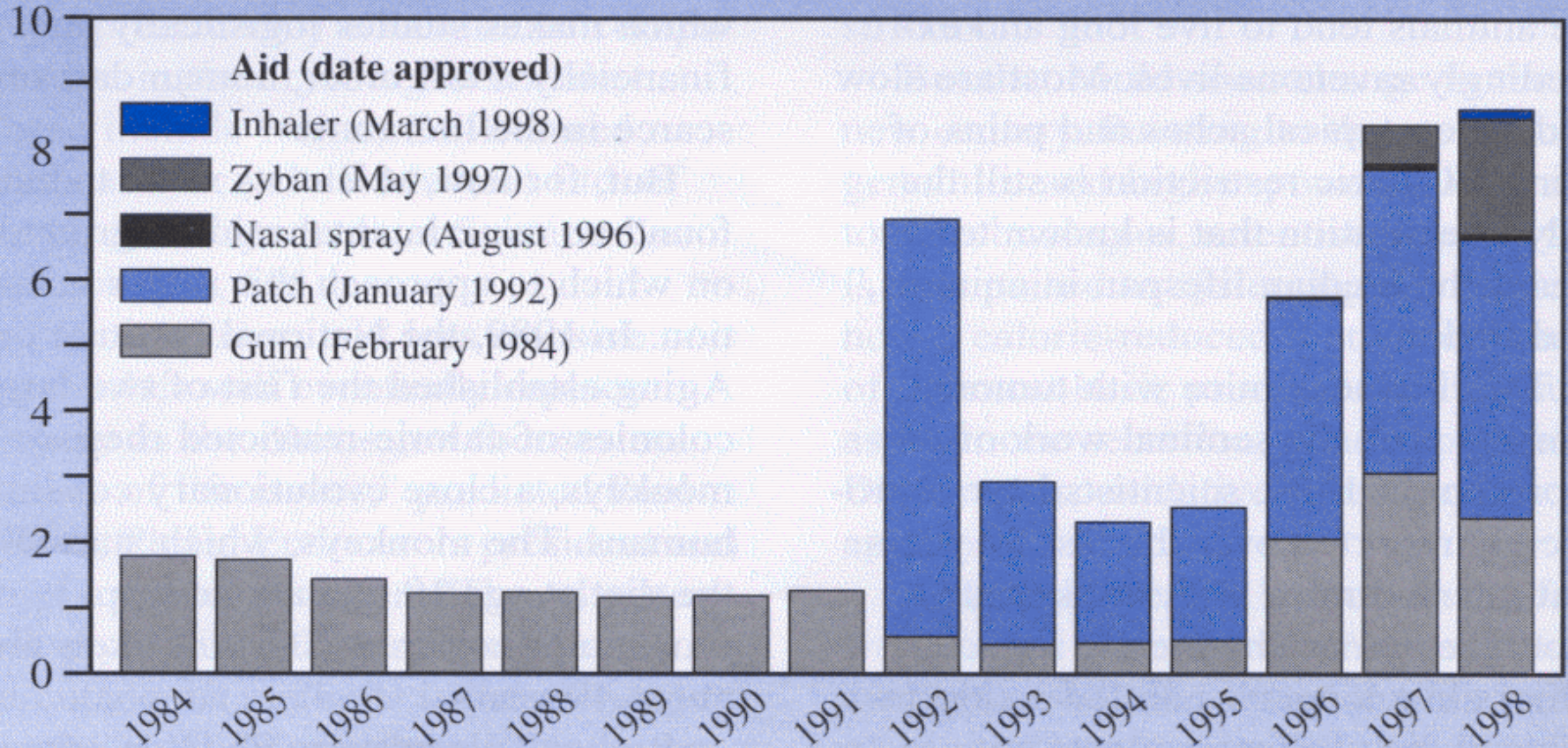


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# Use of Pharmacologic Treatments for Smoking Cessation - 1984-1998 - US

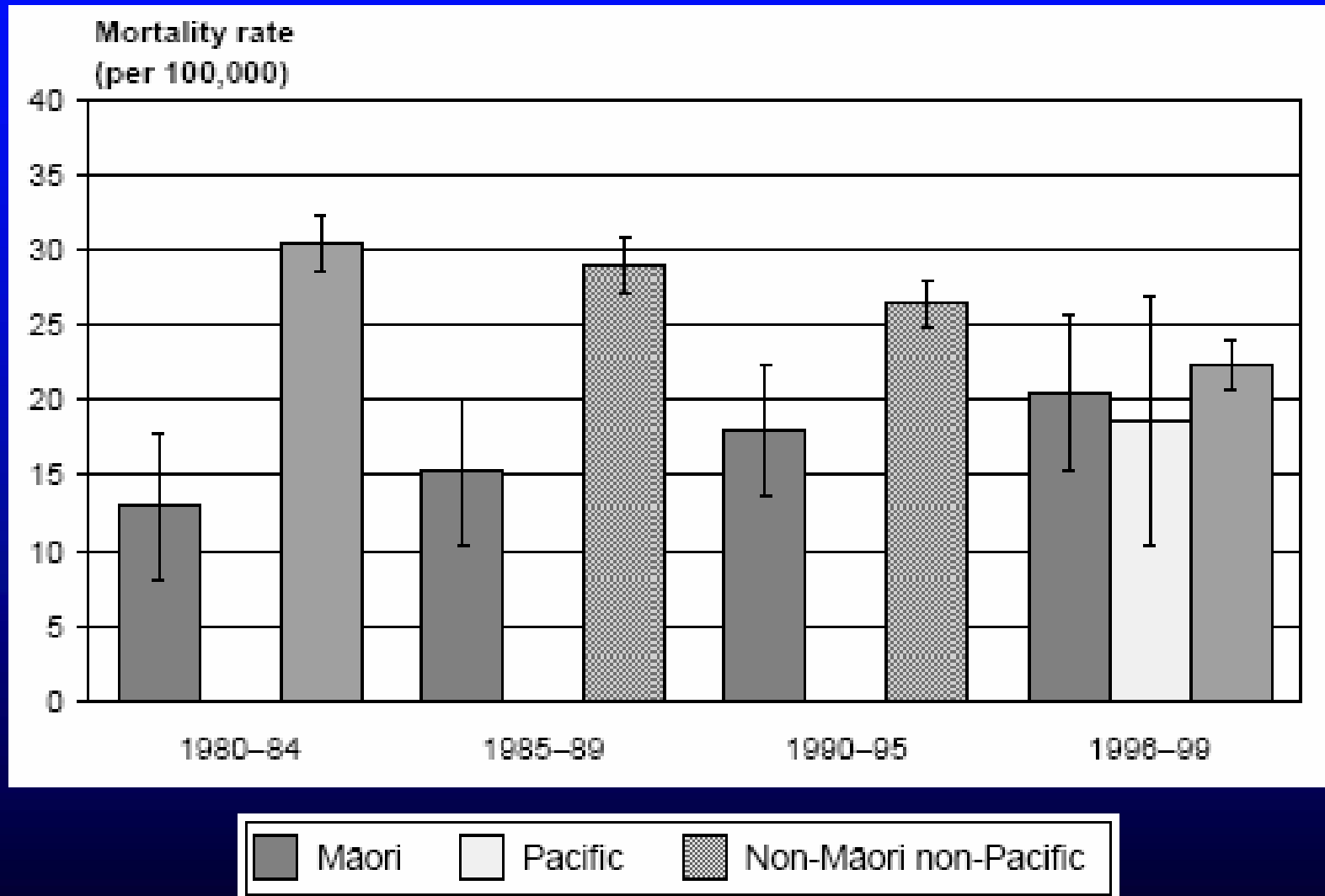
Estimated assisted quit attempts (millions)



Source: *The Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report*, 49(29):665-8 (CDC 2000); access at <http://www2.cdc.gov/mmwr/mmwr.html>



# Colorectal Cancer: Females 35-64 years old New Zealand, 1980-1999



# Colorectal Cancer: Females 65-74 years old New Zealand, 1980-1999

