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"dal 1950 al servizio dello sport"



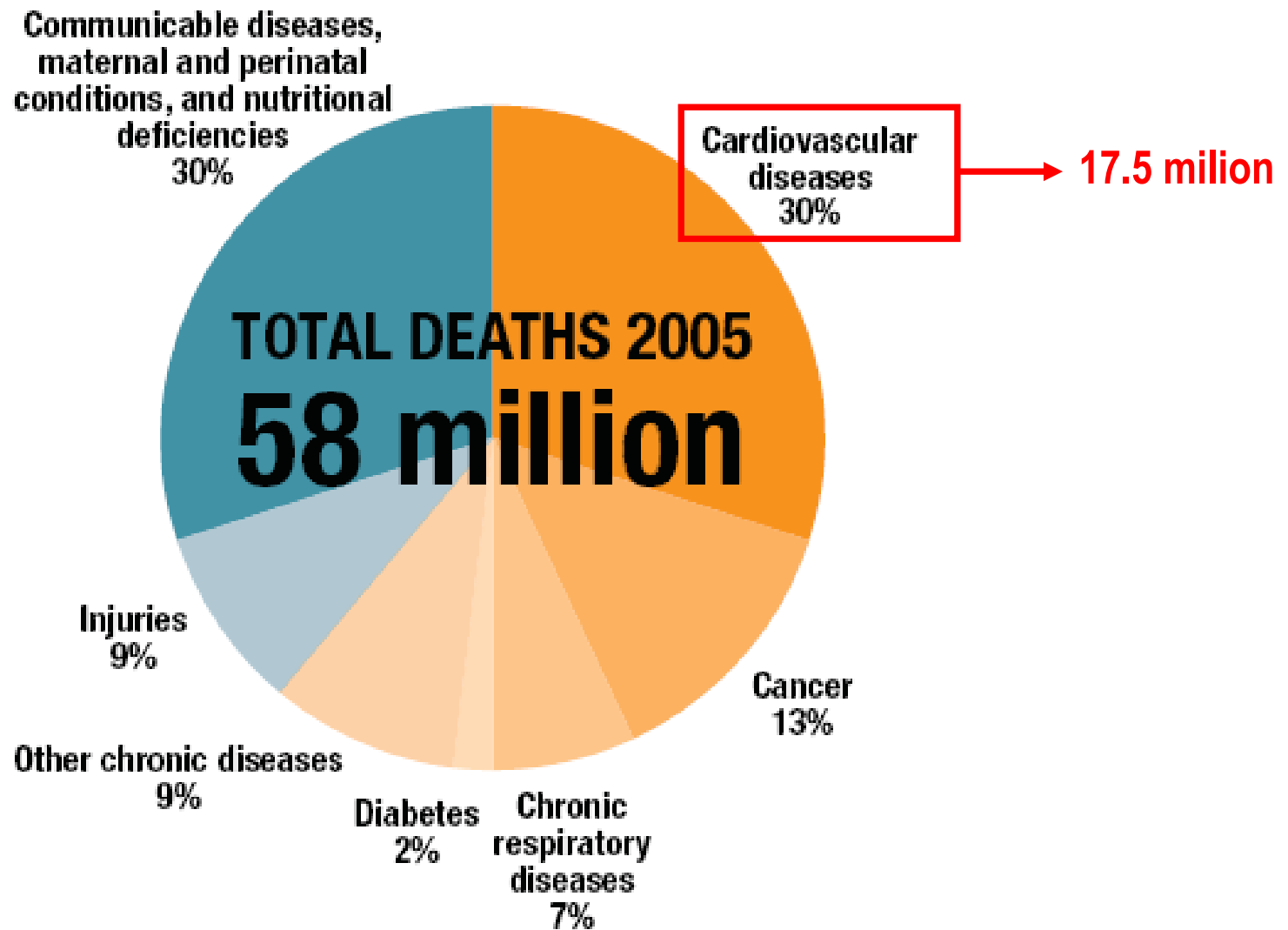
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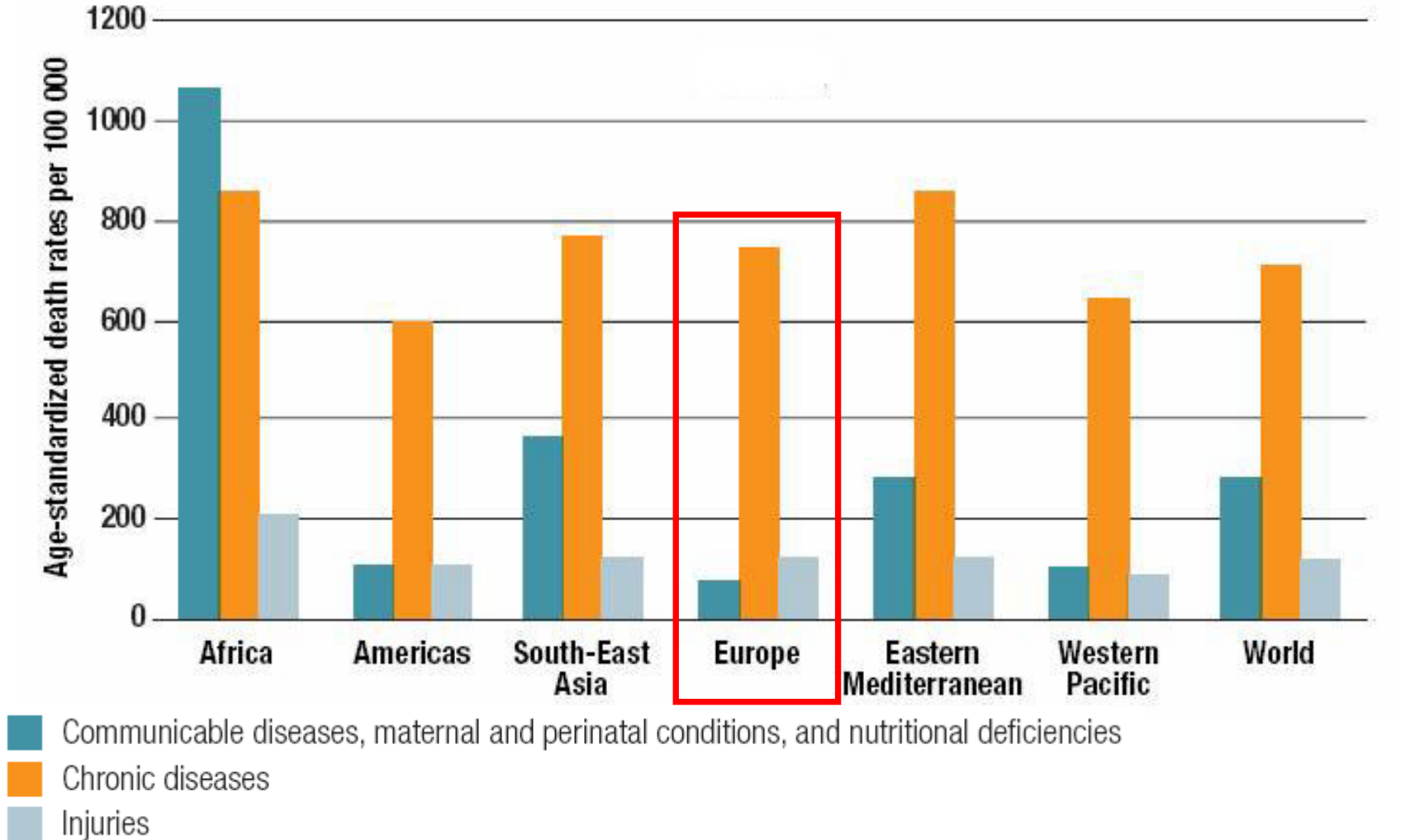


Gian Franco Gensini

Main causes of death worldwide at all ages (year: 2005)



Main causes of death by WHO region (year: 2005)



Cardiovascular diseases in Europe

Incidence: (number of events per
100,000 patients per year in 1997)*

35–64 years
(men/women)

75+ years
(men/women)

Myocardial infarction

European Mediterranean
countries[†] (average):

163/26

991/811

European Nordic countries[‡]
(average):

290/86

1,666/1,327

Ischemic stroke

European Mediterranean
countries[†] (average):

148/51

1,486/1,264

European Nordic countries[‡]
(average):

101/60

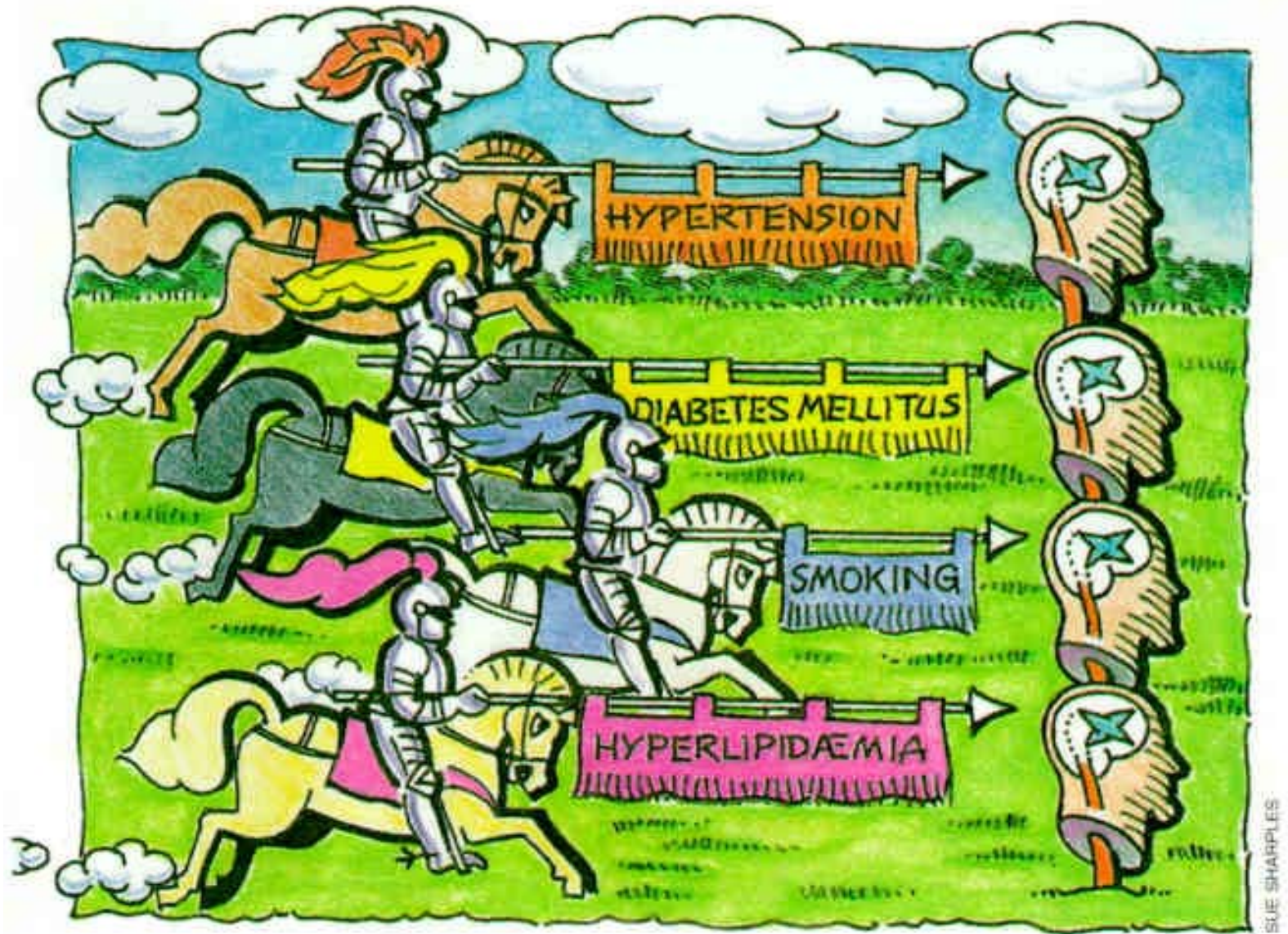
1,317/1,401

*According to patient age, sex and country of origin

[†]Spain, Italy, France

[‡]UK, Germany, Netherlands

1. Guillot F, Moulard O. *Circulation* 1998; 98(abstr suppl 1): 1421.



Barnett: BMJ, Volume 318(7197).June 5, 1999.1539-1543

Modifiable risk factors for MI in 52 countries (the INTERHEART study)

Cases: 15,152; Controls: 14,820

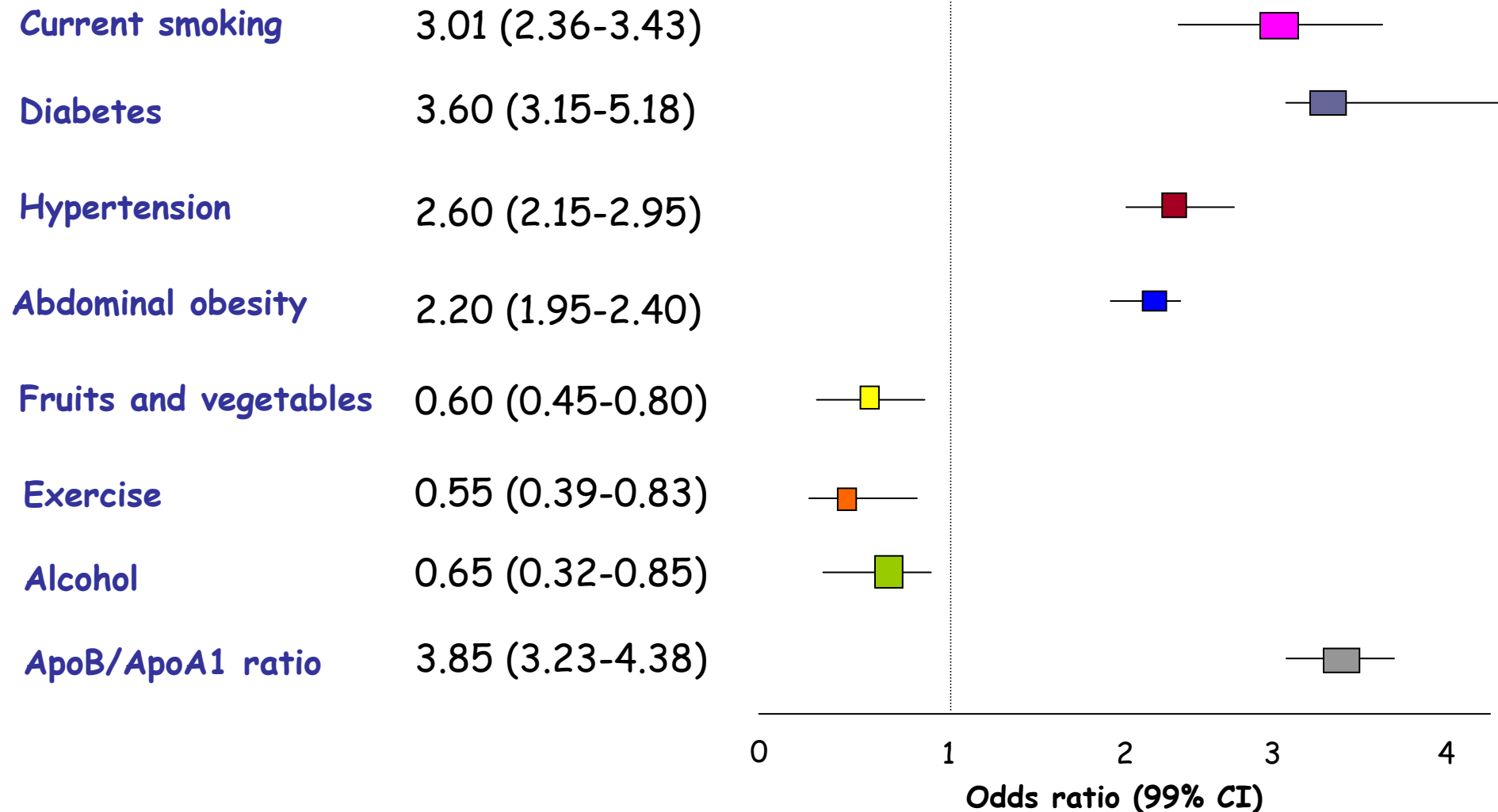


Figure 4.9 Global distribution of burden of disease attributable to 20 leading selected risk factors

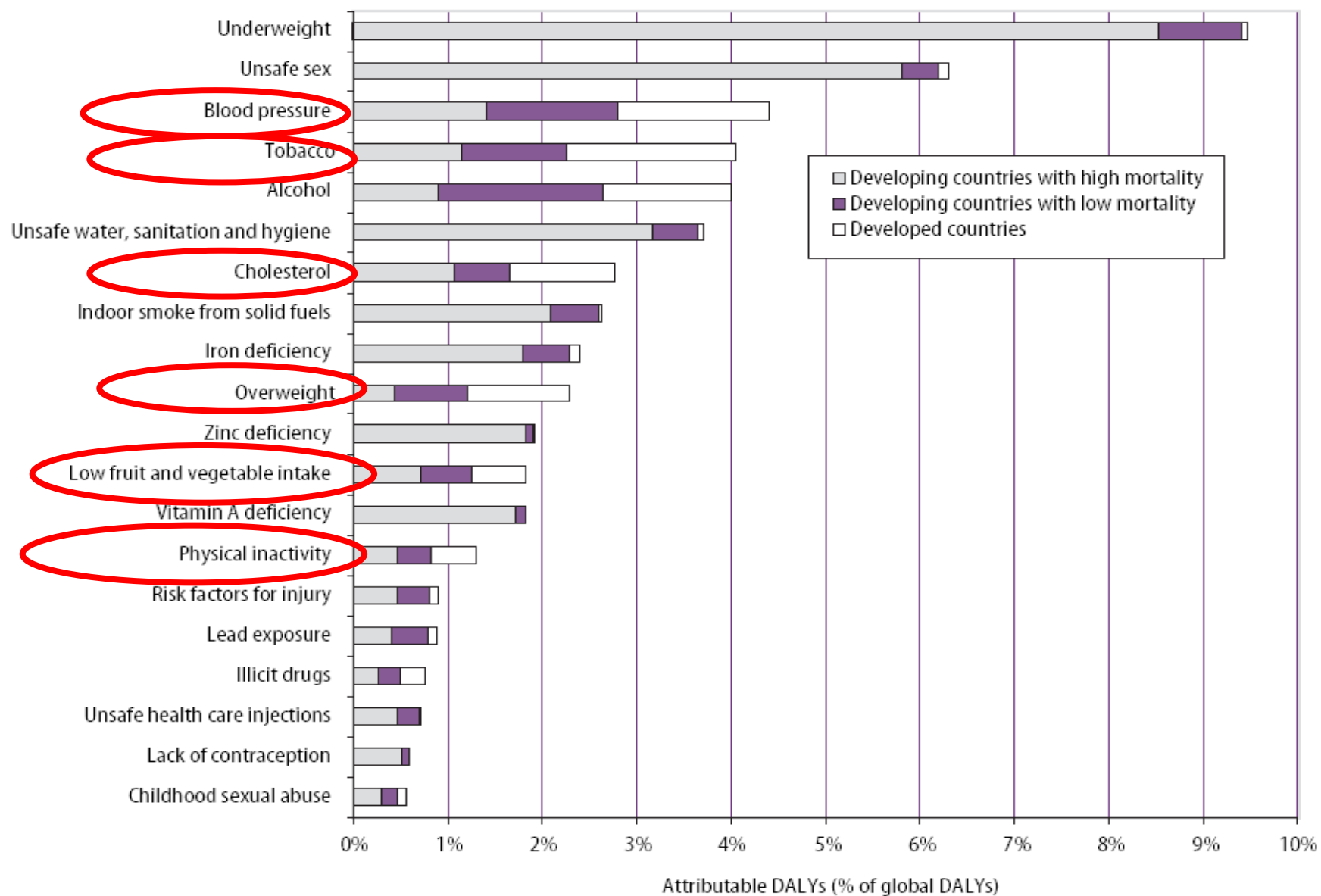


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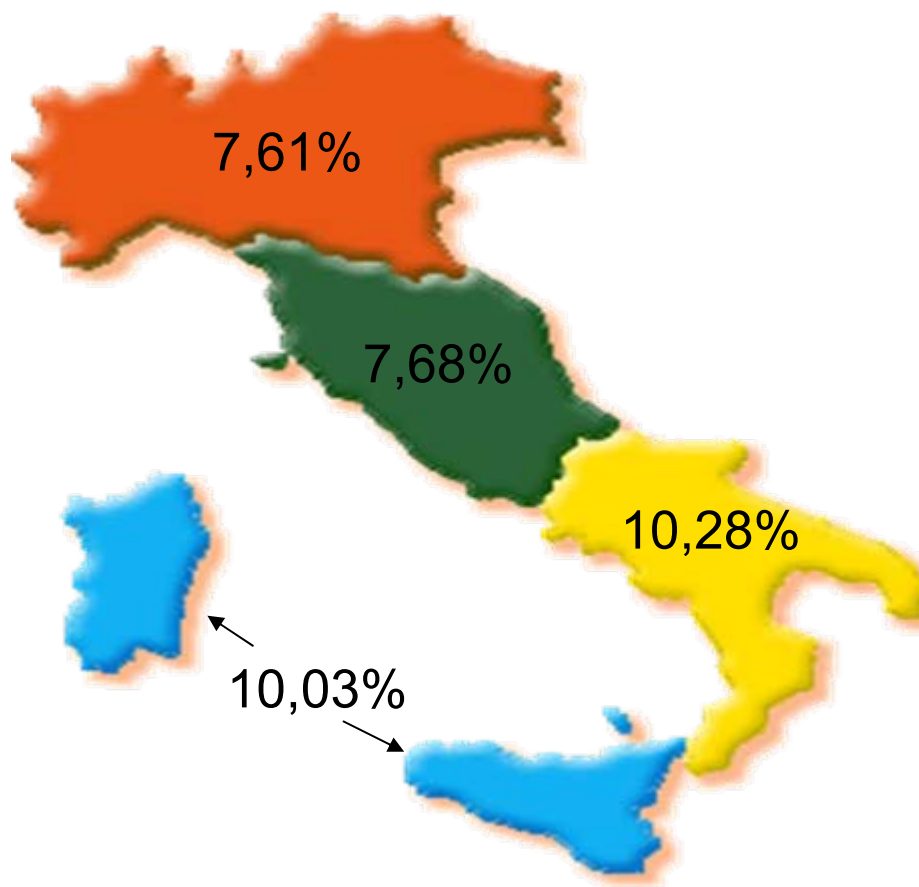
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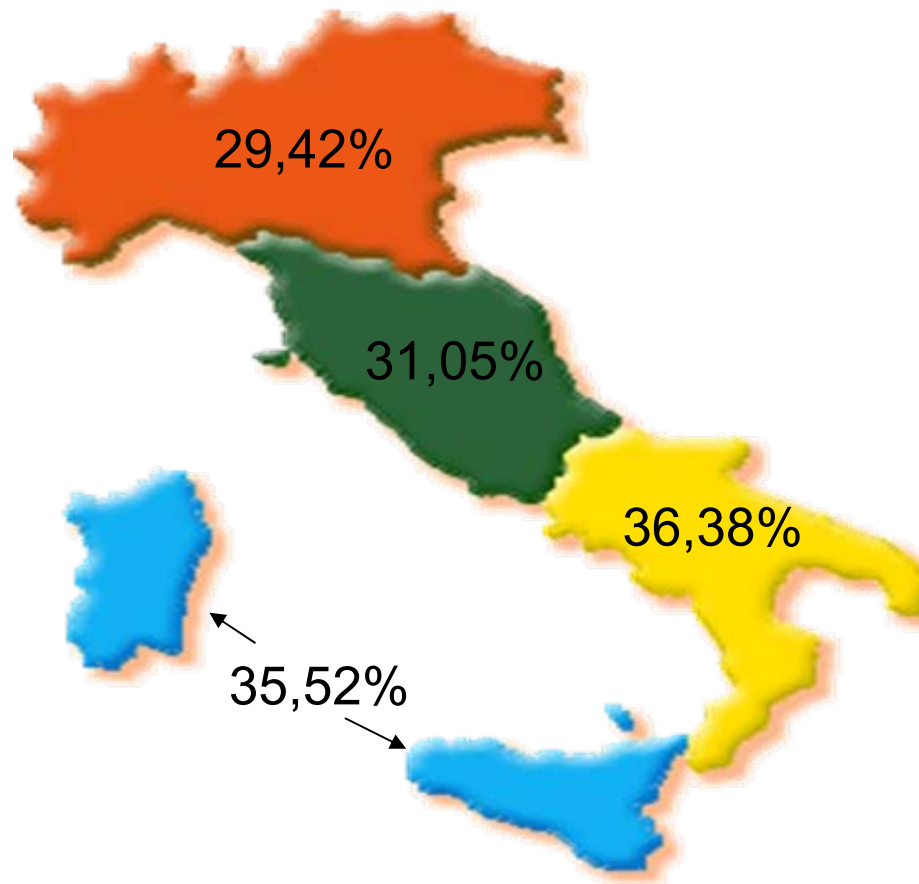
Obesity

Persone obese nel 2000 (tassi per 100 persone)



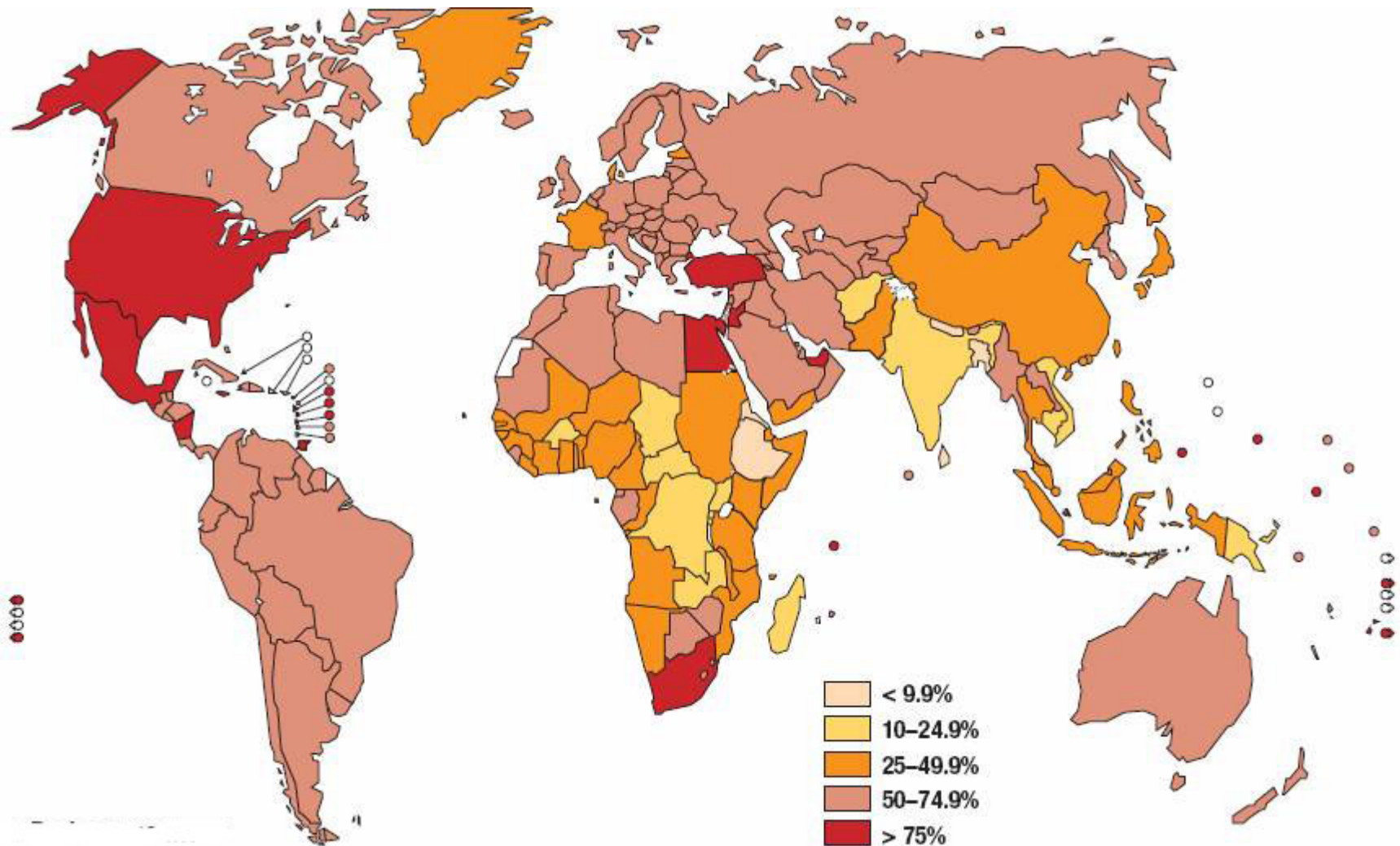
Fonte: Istat, Servizio "Struttura e dinamica sociale" 2000

Persone sovrappeso nel 2000 (tassi per 100 persone)

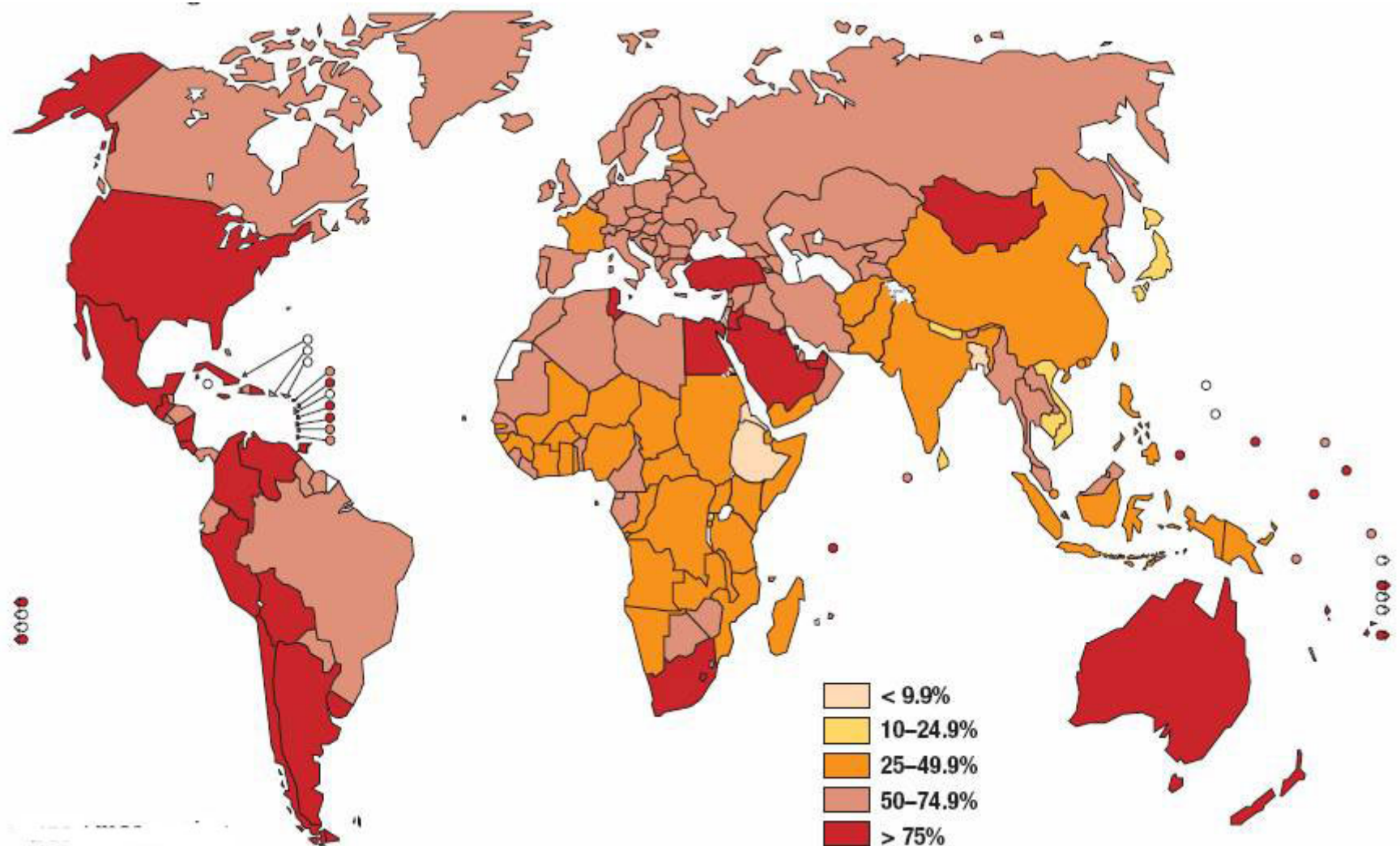


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Prevalence of overweight (BMI>25 kg/m₂) (year: 2005)



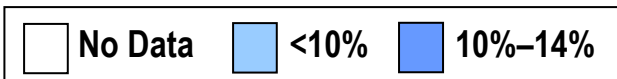
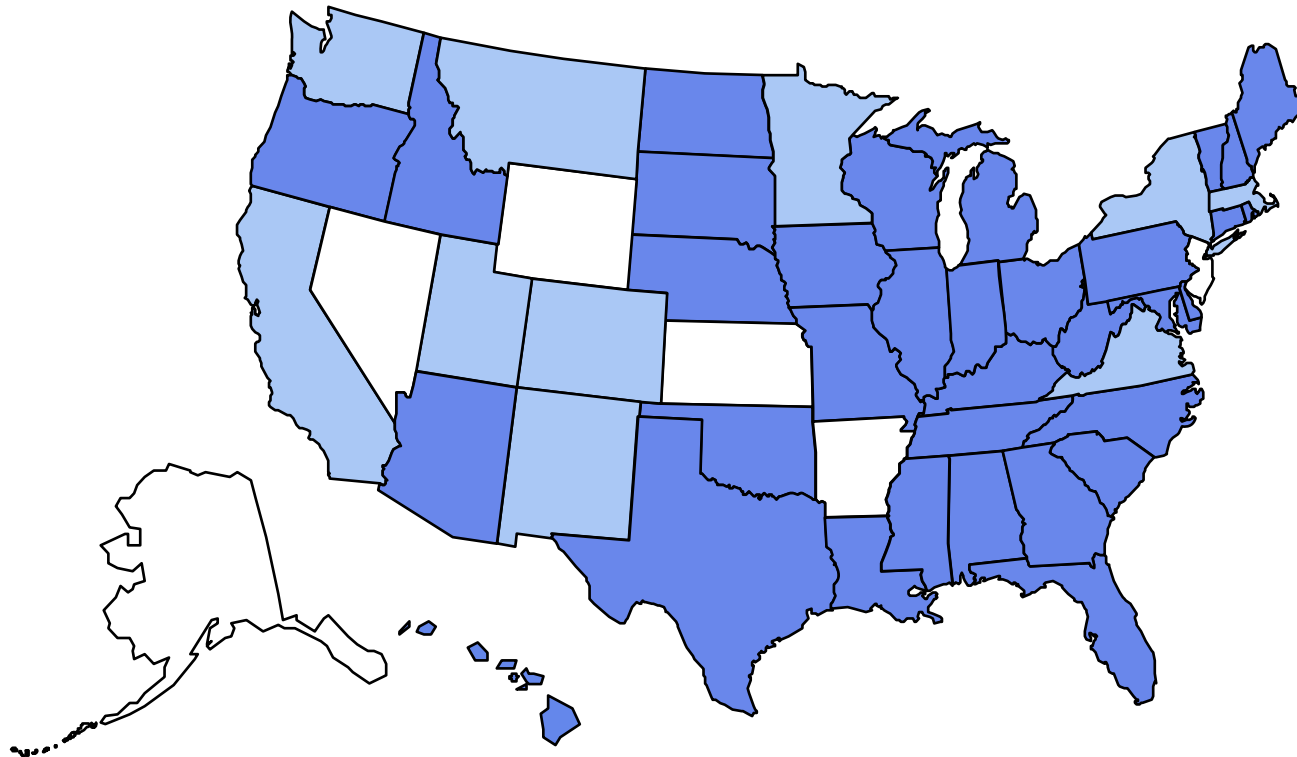
Prevalence of overweight (BMI>25 kg/m₂) (year: 2015)



Obesity Trends* Among U.S. Adults

BRFSS, 1990

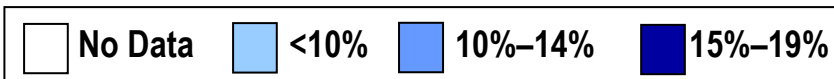
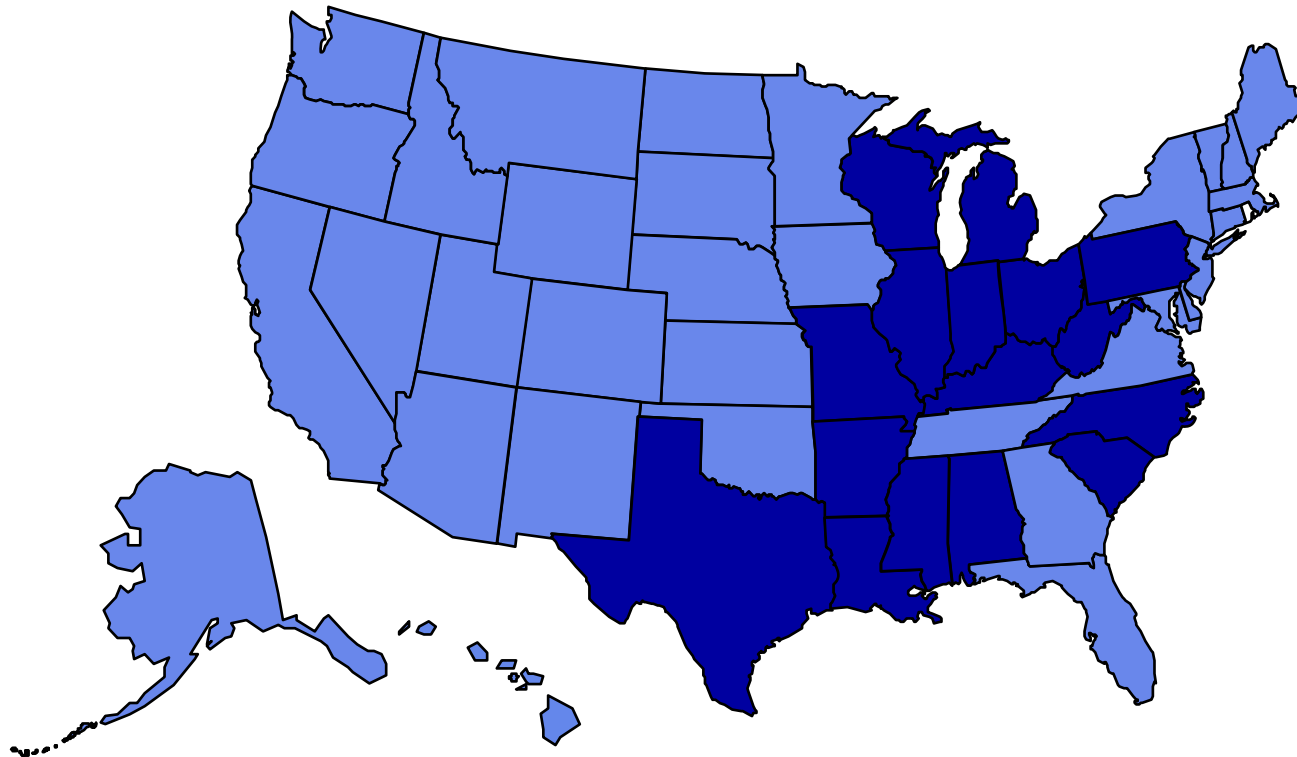
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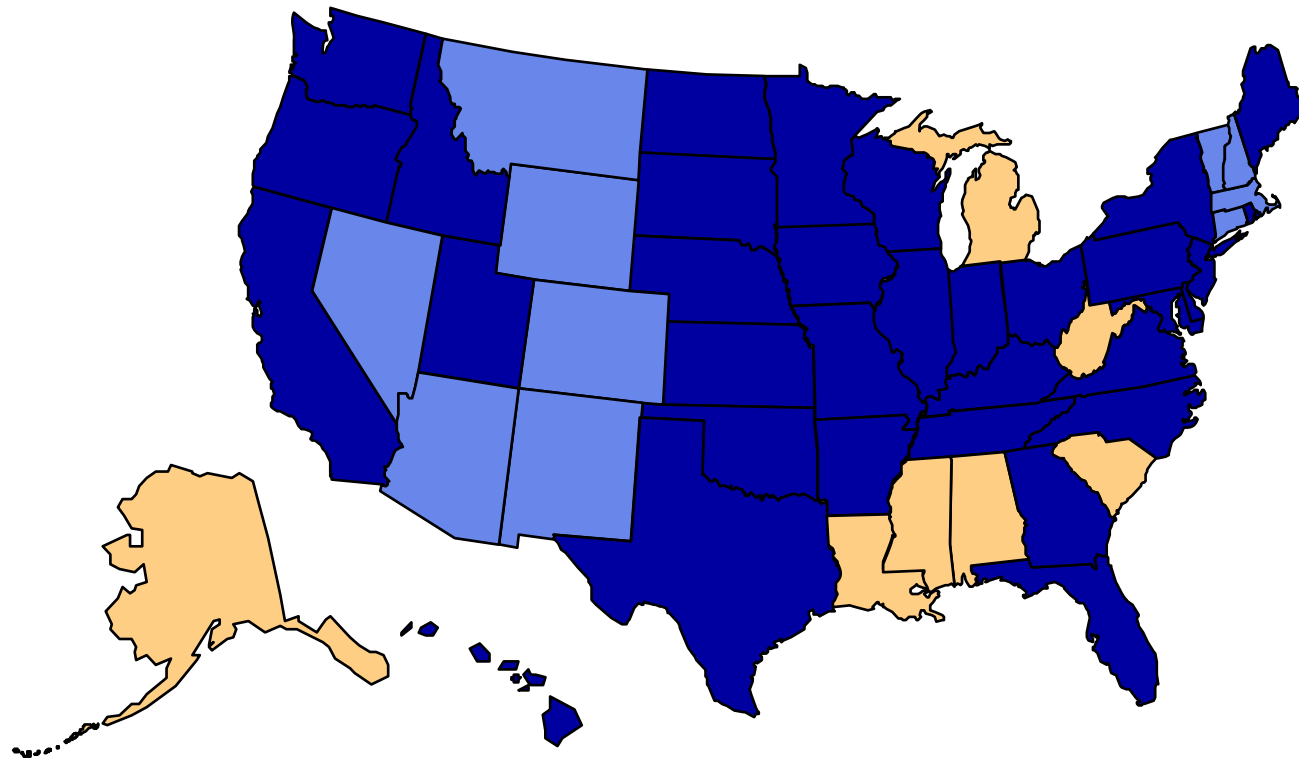
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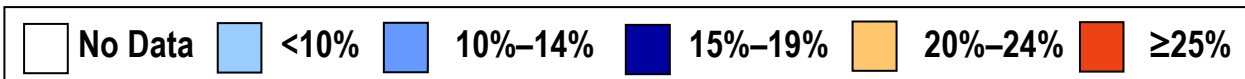
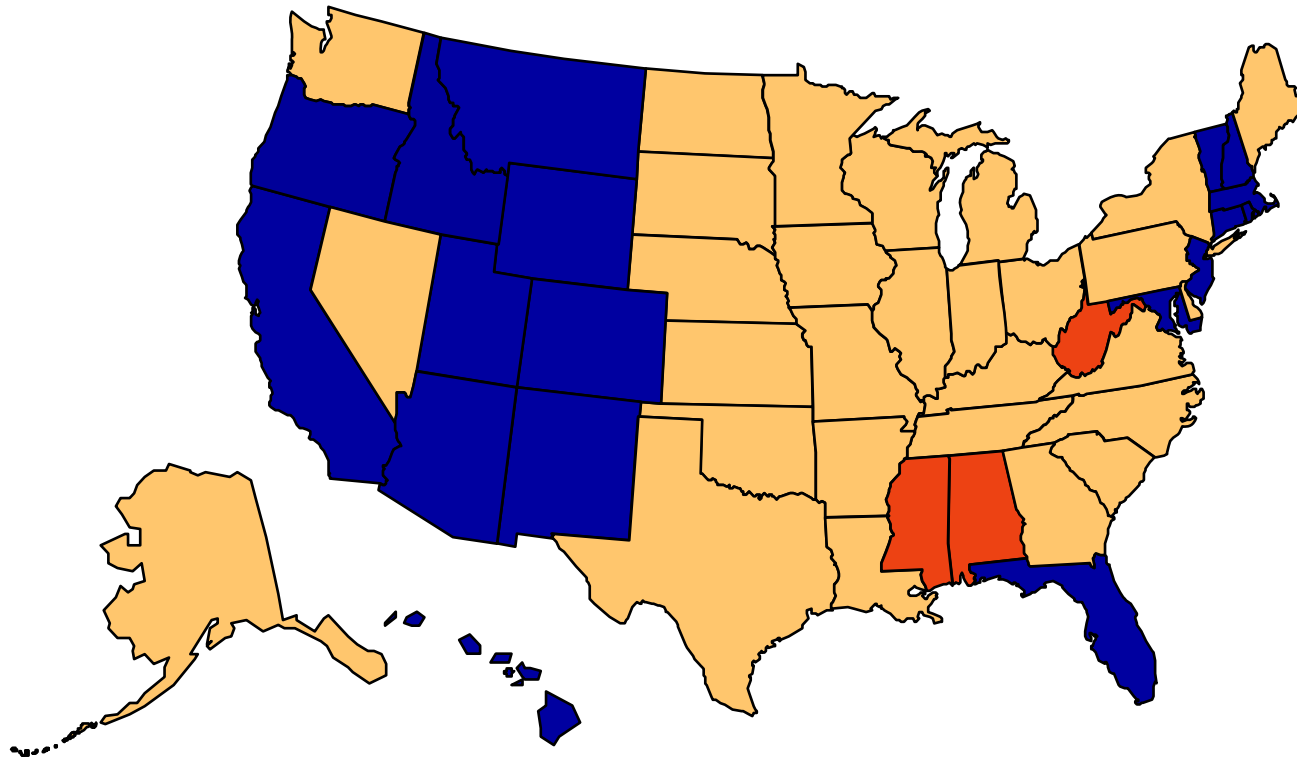


No Data	<10%	10%–14%	15%–19%	≥20%
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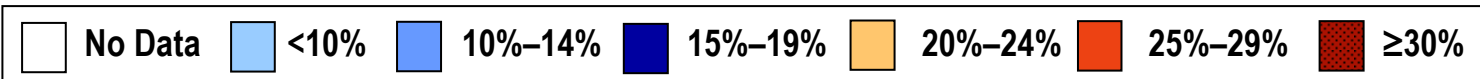
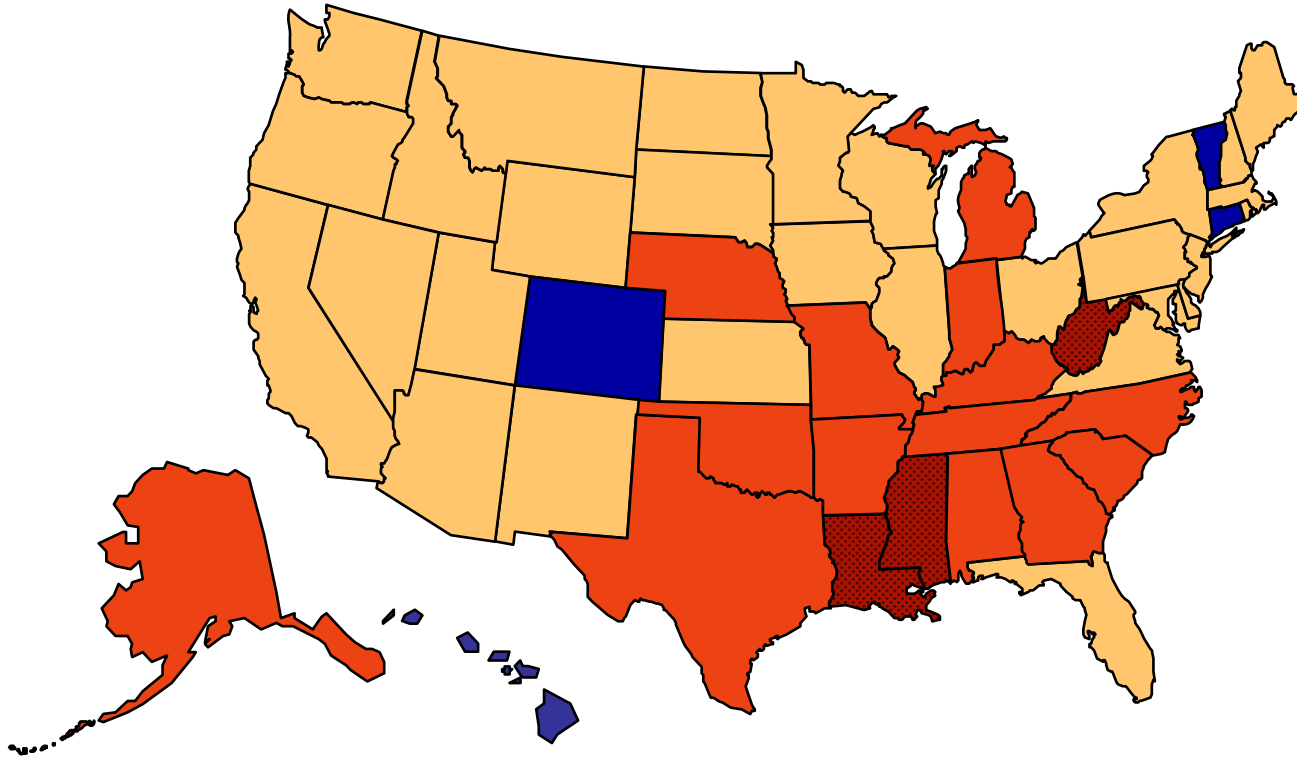
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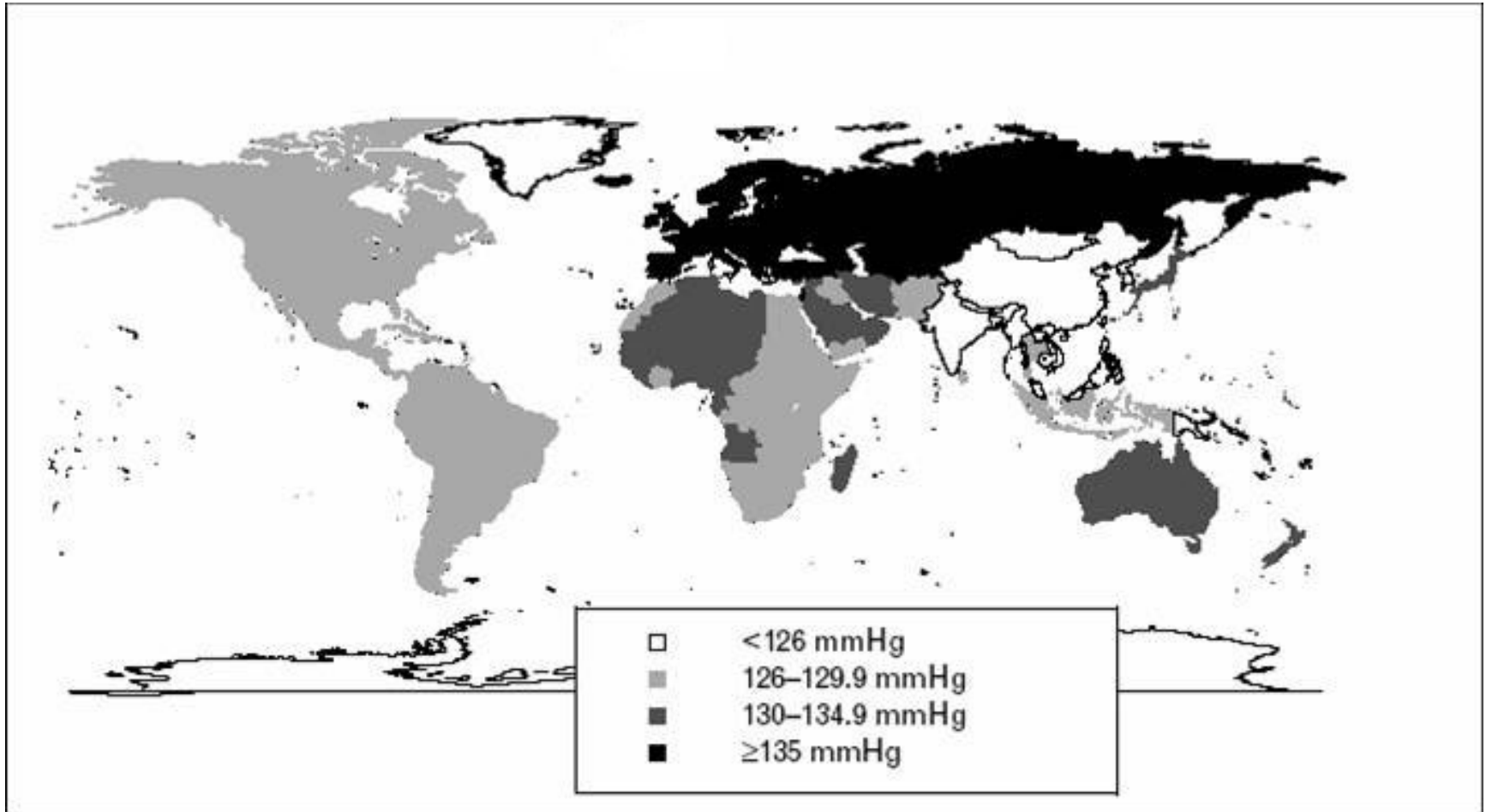
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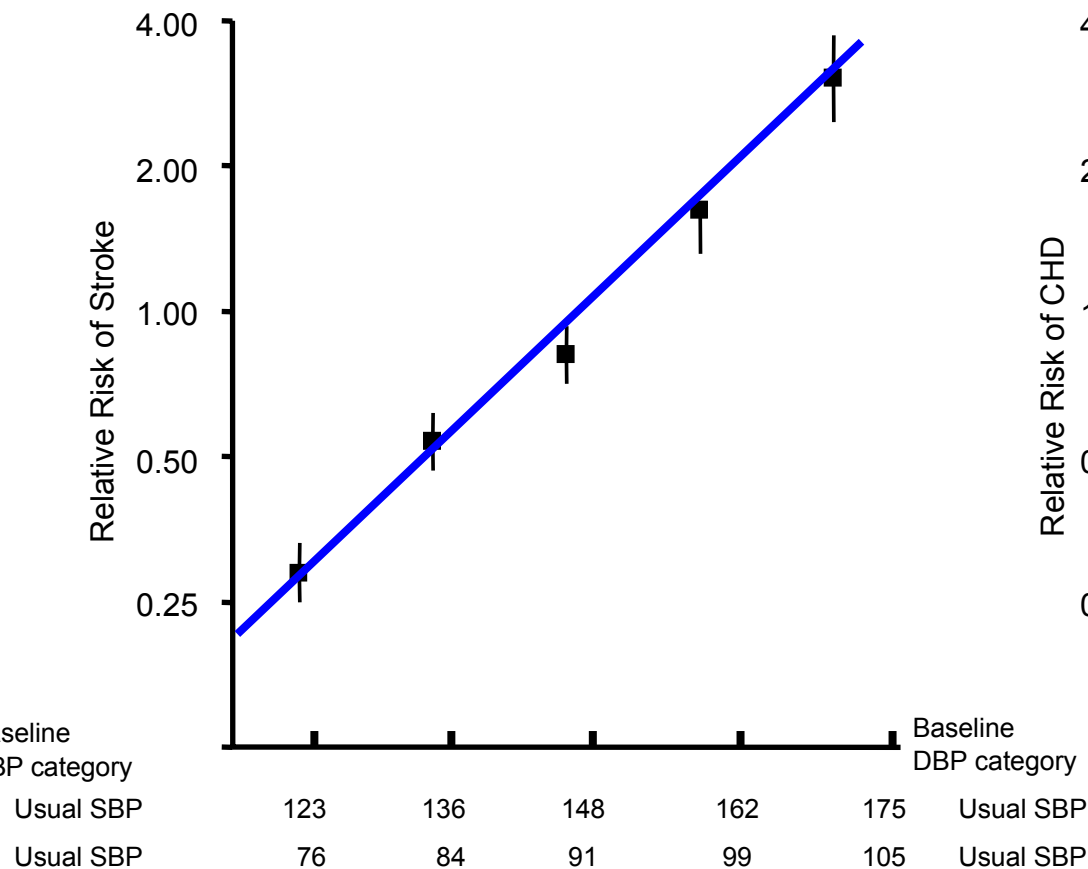


Hypertension

Worldwide age-standardized blood pressure

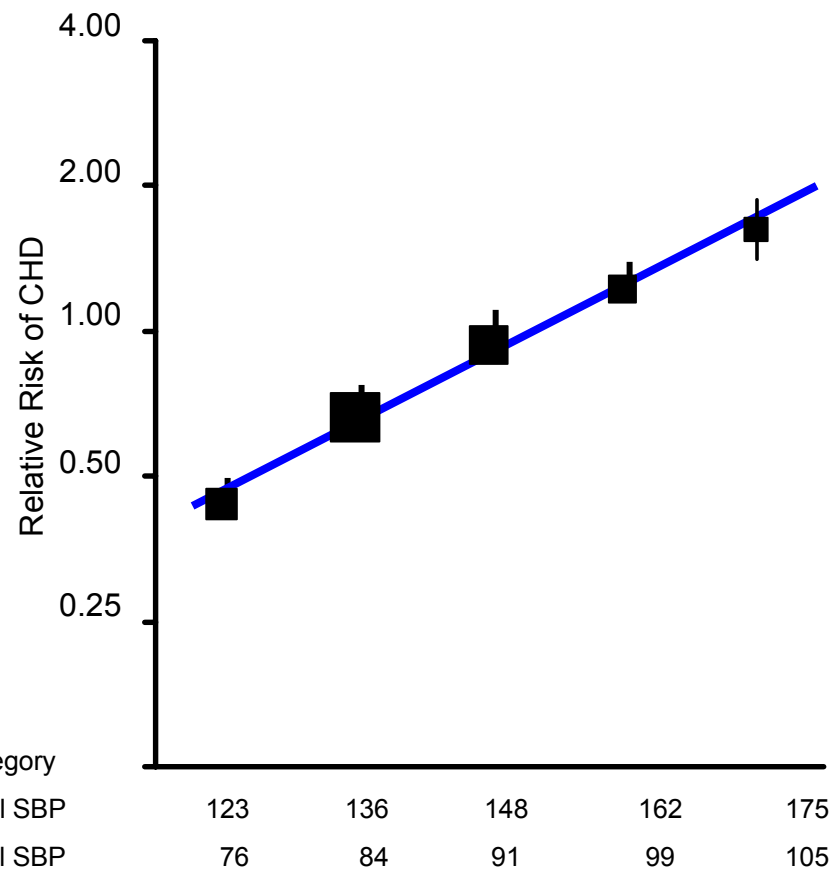


Stroke and usual BP
(in 5 categories defined by baseline DBP)
7 prospective observational studies (843 events)



Approximate mean usual BP
(estimated from later remeasurements
in the Framingham study)

Coronary Heart Disease and usual BP
(in 5 categories defined by baseline DBP)
9 prospective observational studies (4856 events)



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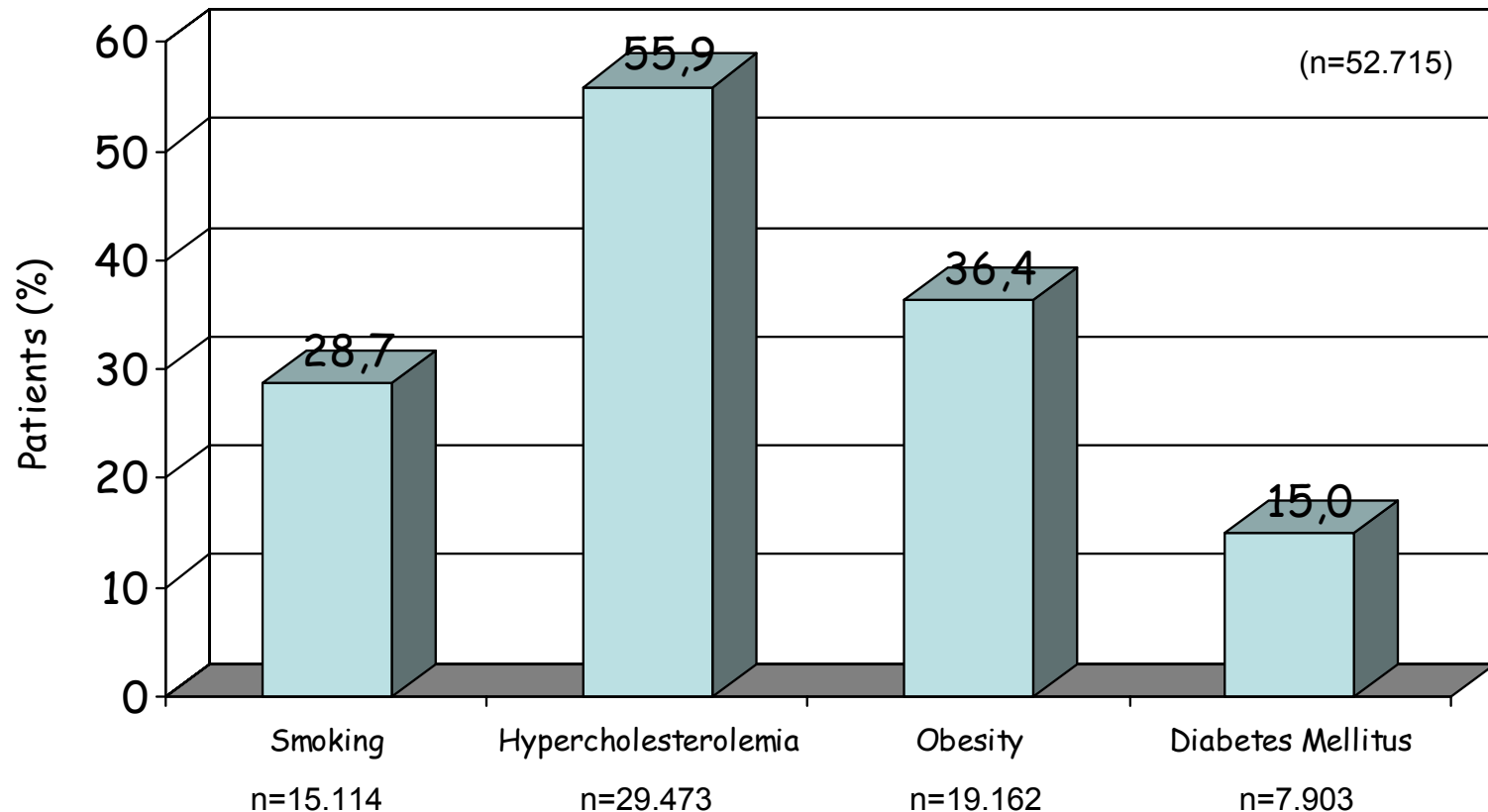
The benefit of antihypertensive treatment: an overview of 17 randomized trials (active treatment vs placebo)

SBP difference - 10/12 mmHg
DBP difference - 5/6 mmHg

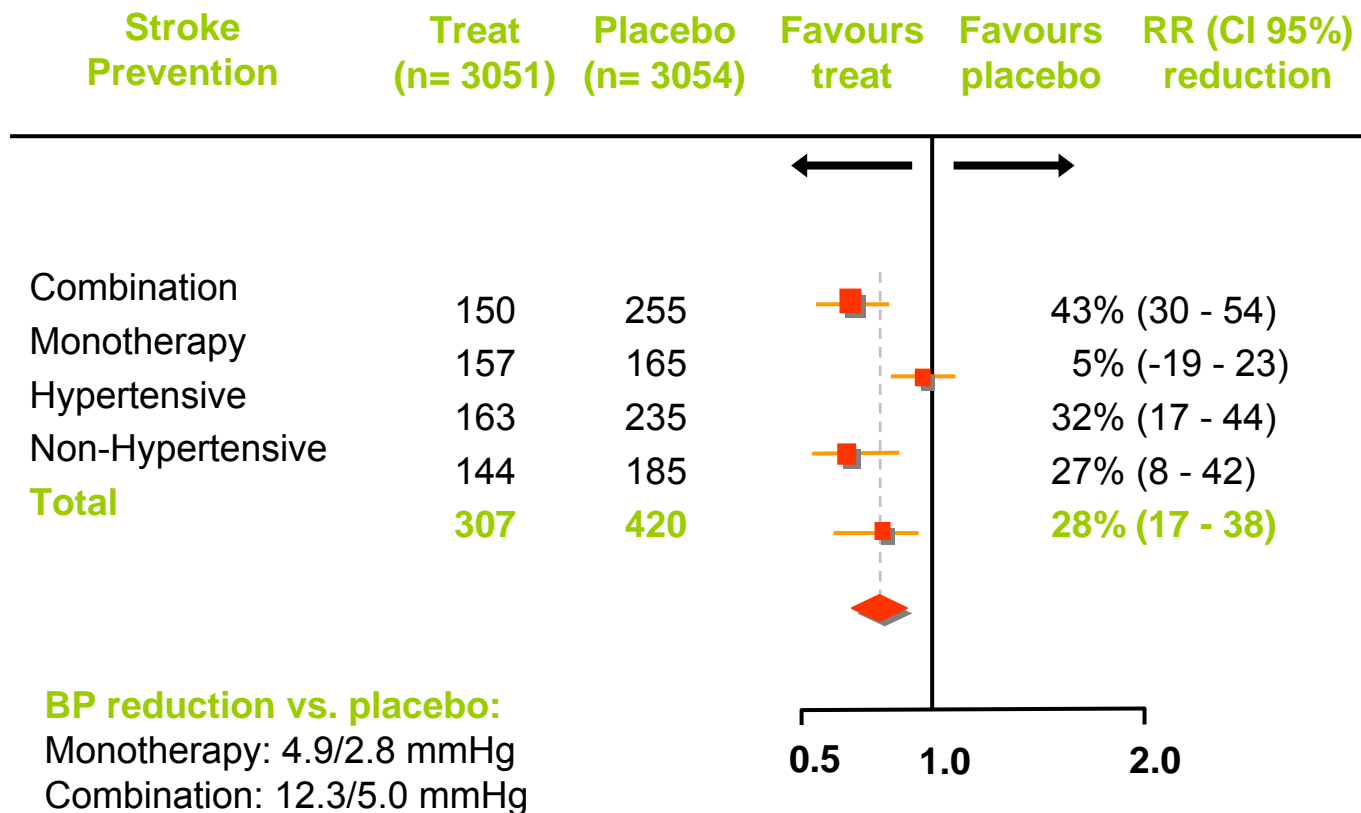
Risk reduction

	expected	observed
Stroke	- 35/40%	- 38 (31-45%)
CHD	- 20/25%	- 16 (8-23%)
CV mortality		- 21%
Total mortality		- 12%

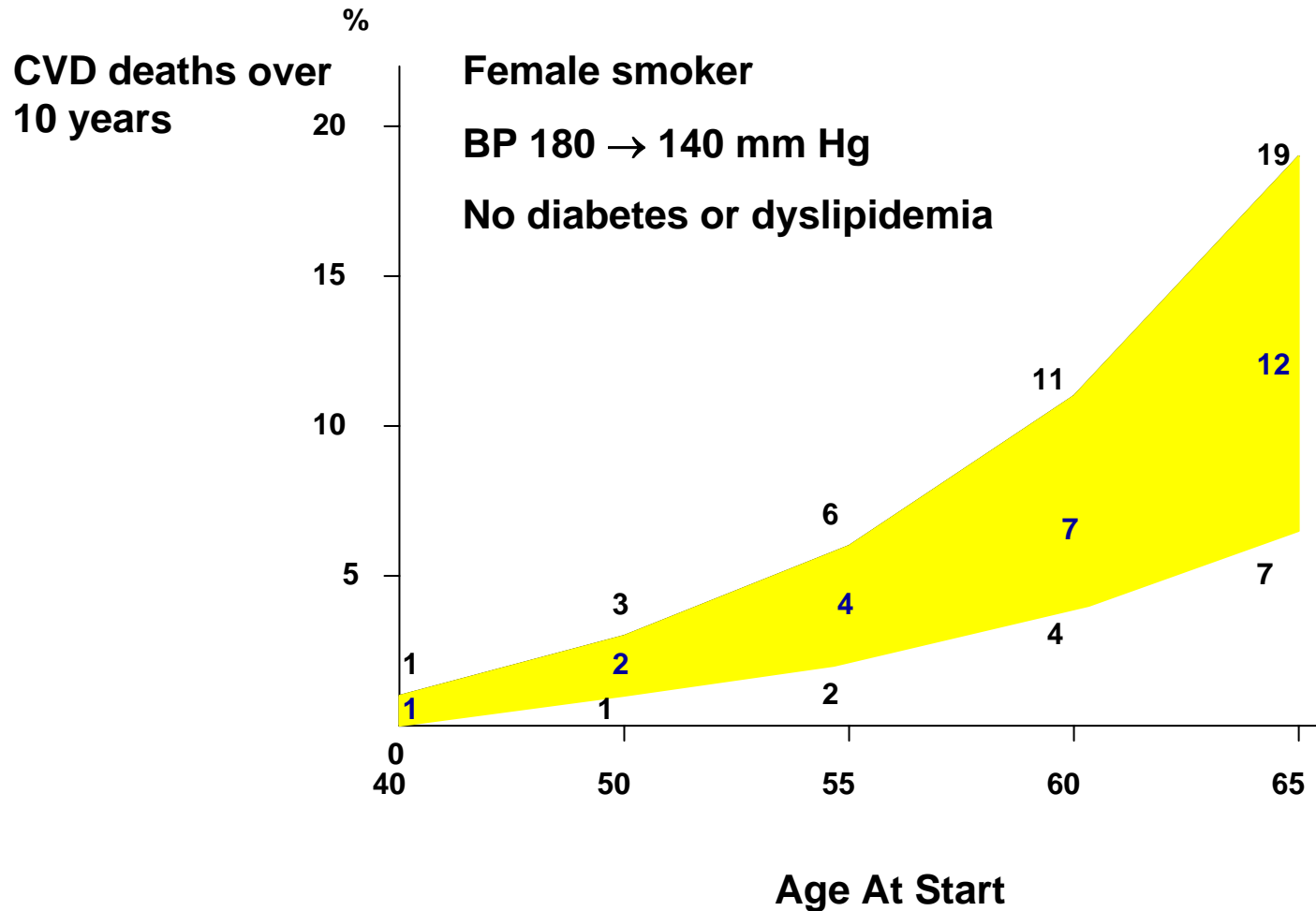
Prevalence of cardiovascular Risk Factors in Italian hypertensive patients



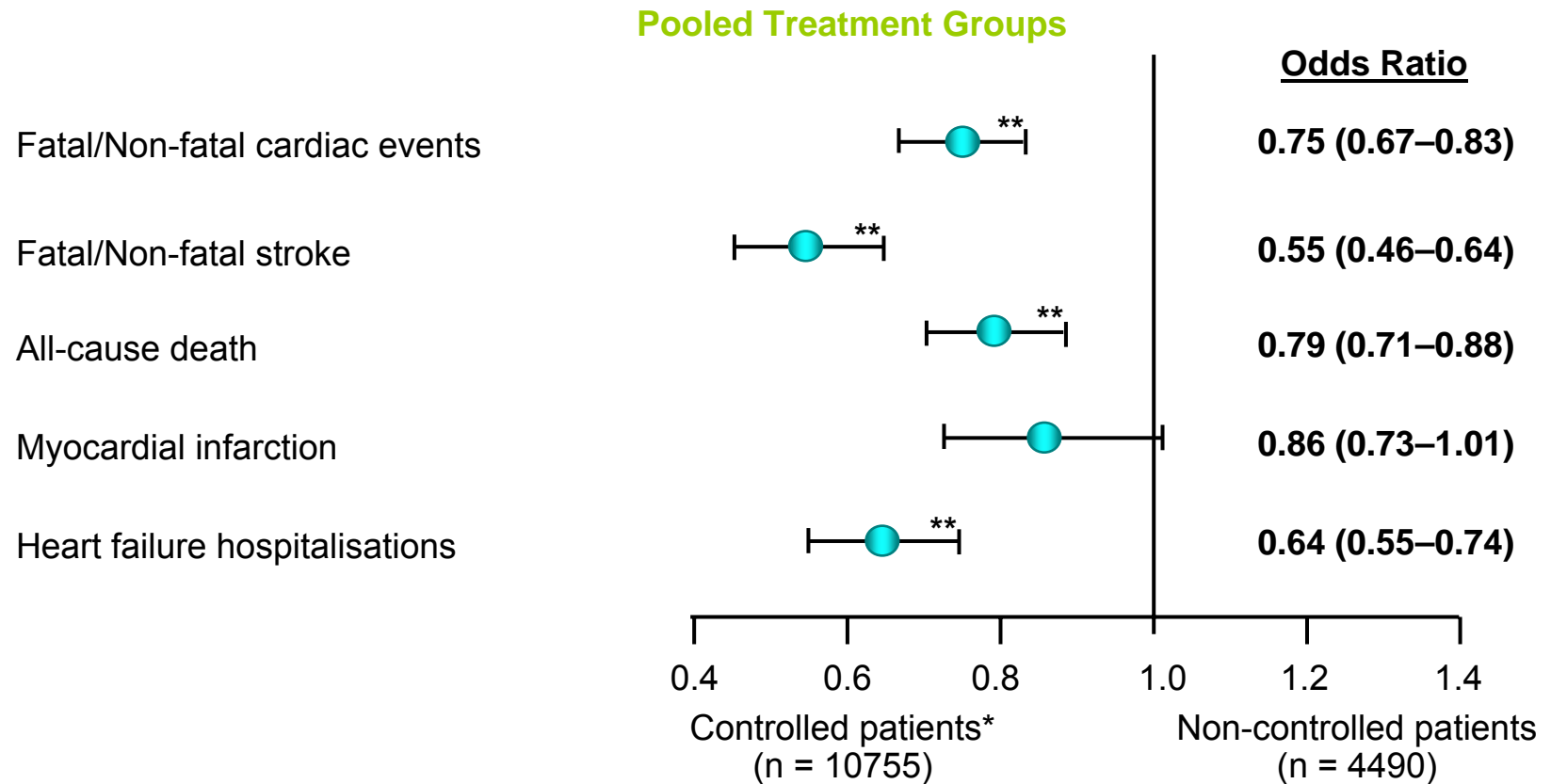
Lowering of BP and Secondary Prevention of Stroke



The Earlier, the Better: Early Intervention Reduces Events



Analysis of Results Based on BP Control at 6 Months

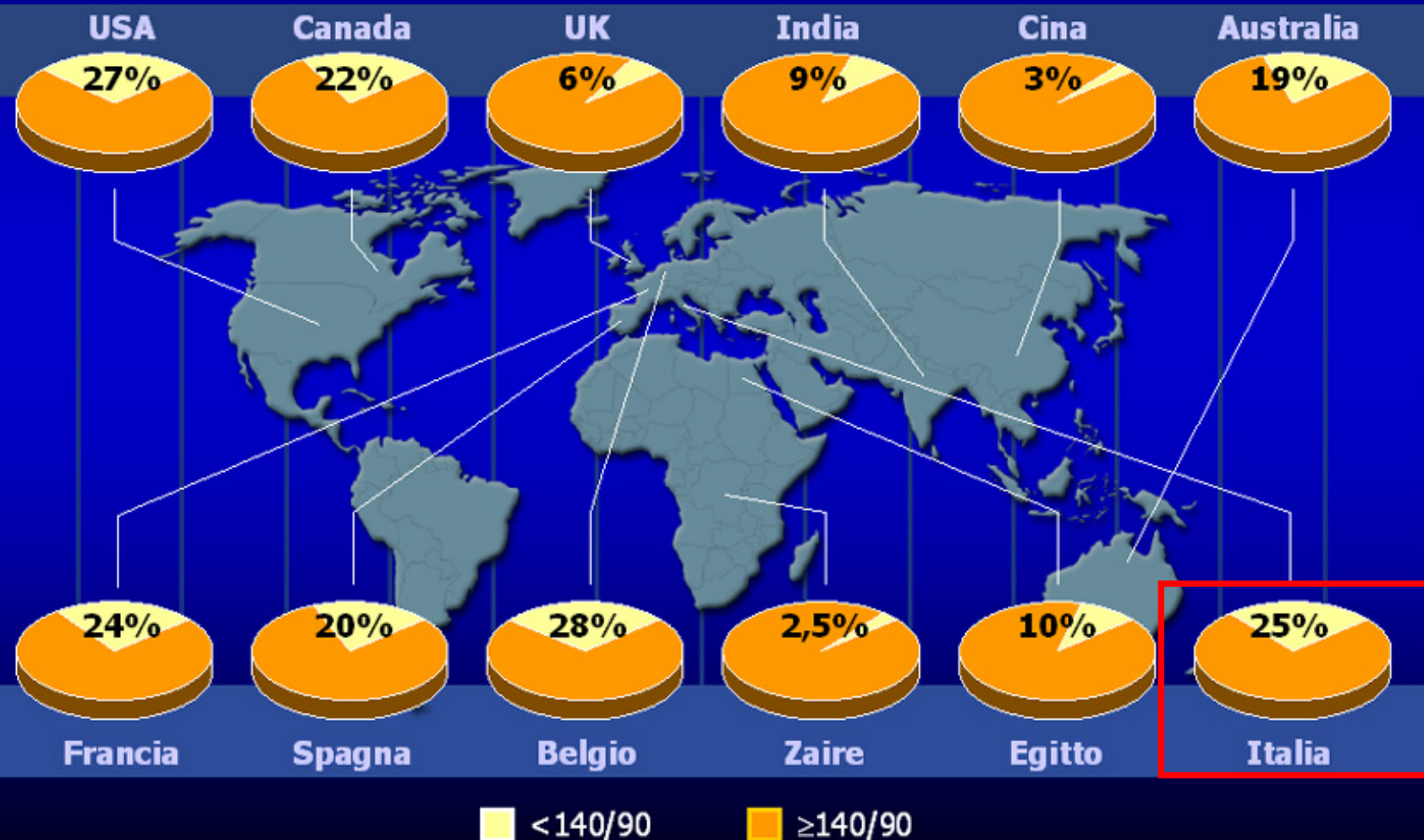


*SBP < 140 mmHg at 6 months.

** $P < 0.01$.

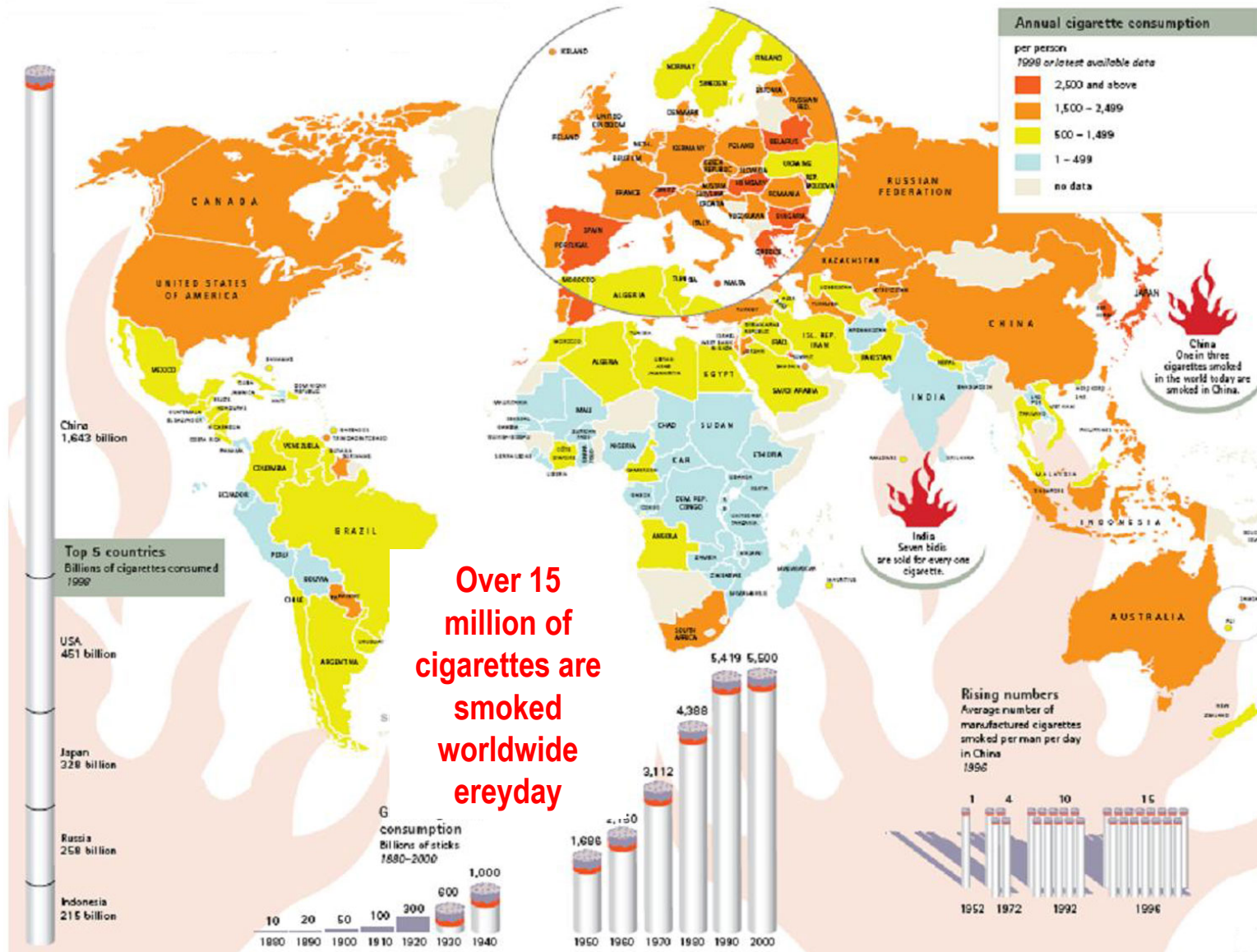
Hazard Ratio 95% CI

Controlled hypertension by treatment

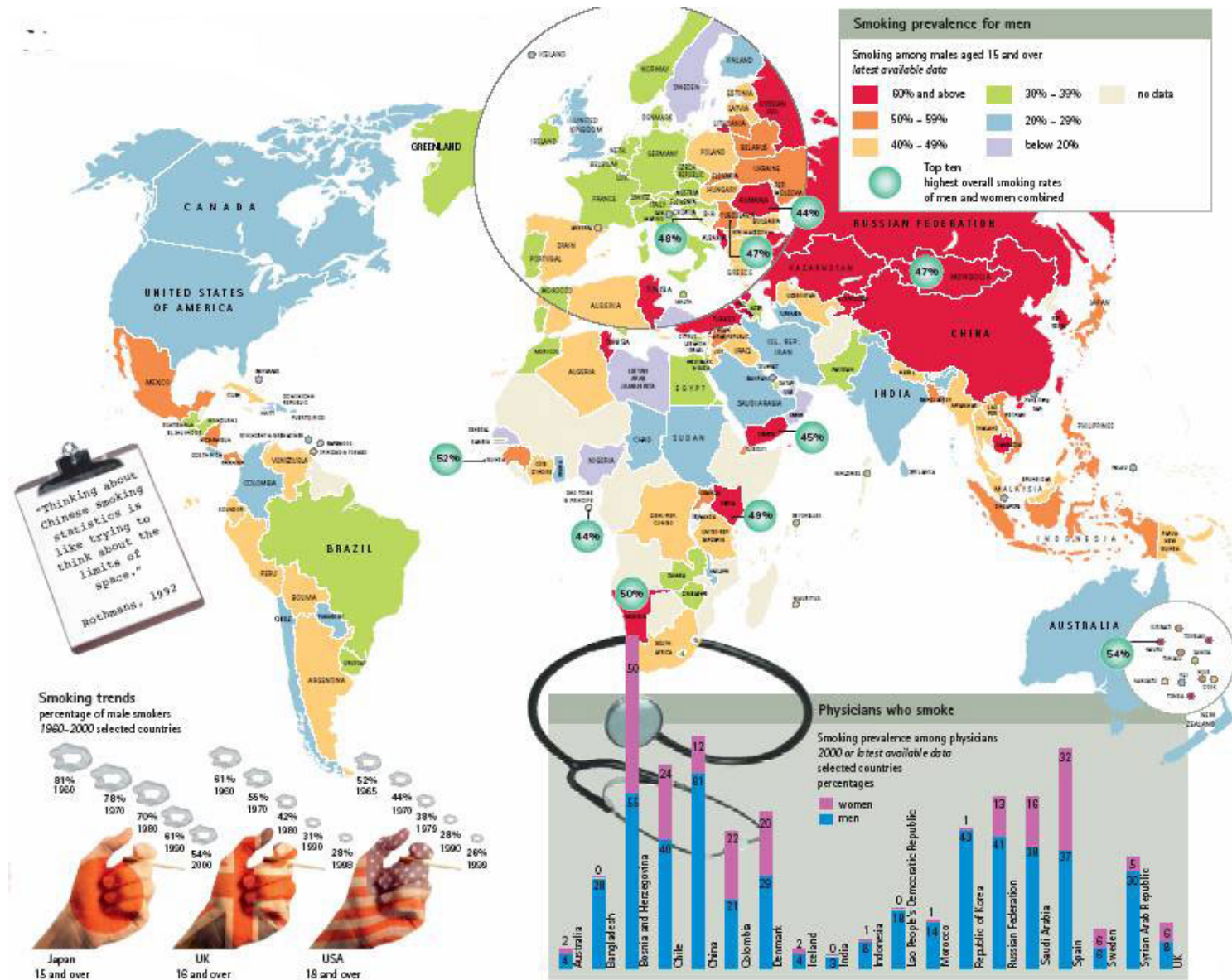


Cigarette Smoking

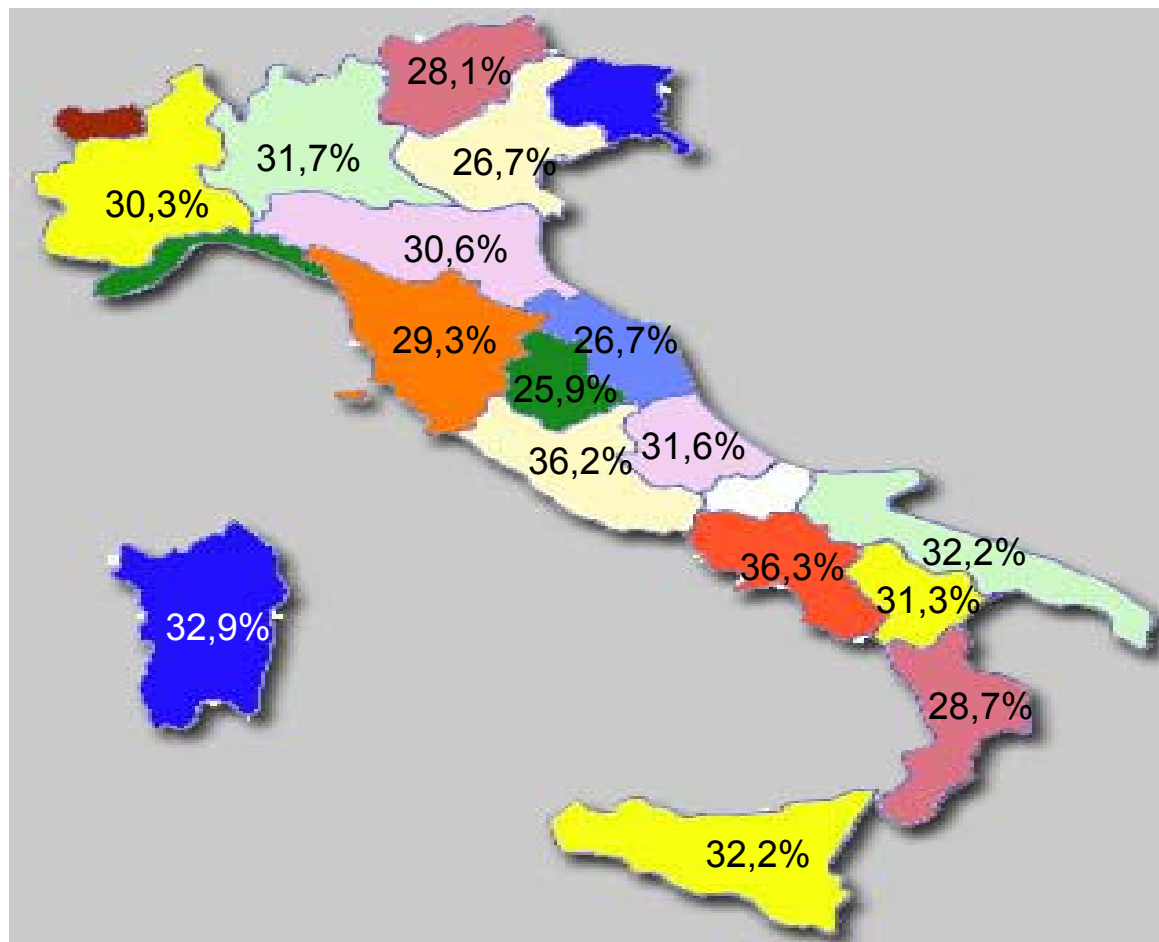
Worldwide cigarette consumption



Smoking prevalence in the world



Percentuale di fumatori nel 2003 in Italia (tassi per 100 persone)

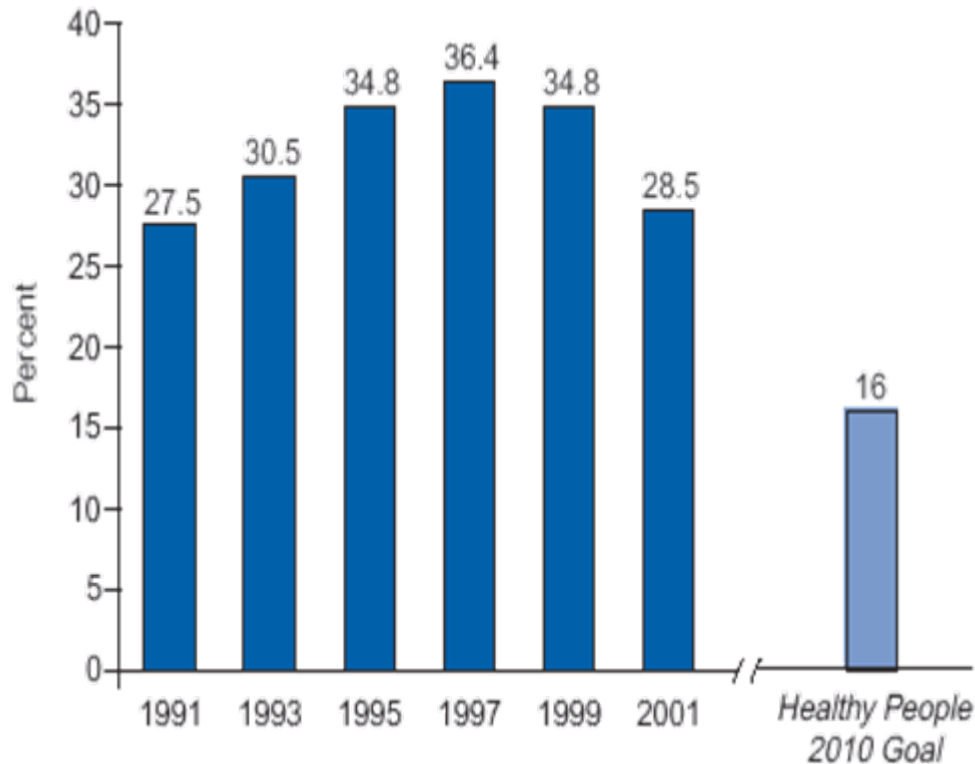


MI risk of current smoking, overall and by level of exposure

Smoking frequency	Odds ratio
Overall	3.02
1-9 cigarettes/day	1.49
10-19 cigarettes/day	2.68
20+ cigarettes/day	4.71

Targeting Tobacco Use: The Nation's Leading Cause of Death At A Glance, 2003

Percentage of High School Students Who Reported Current Cigarette Smoking—United States, 1991-2001*



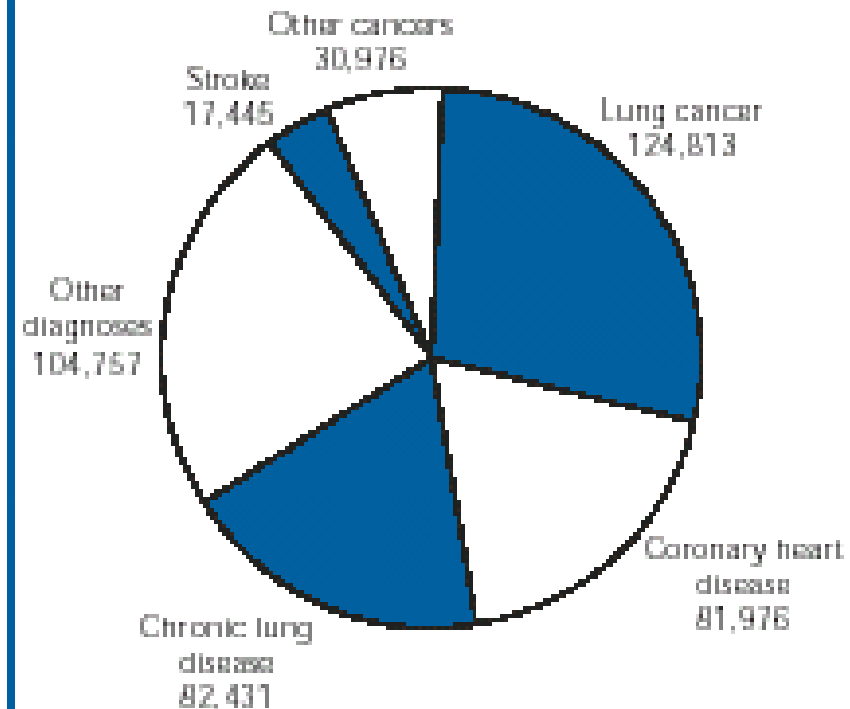
***Smoking one or more cigarettes during the previous 30 days.**

Source: CDC, Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (MMWR 2002;51(19):409–12).

Smoking-related illnesses cost the nation more than \$150 billion each year.



442,398 U.S. Deaths Attributable Each Year to Cigarette Smoking*

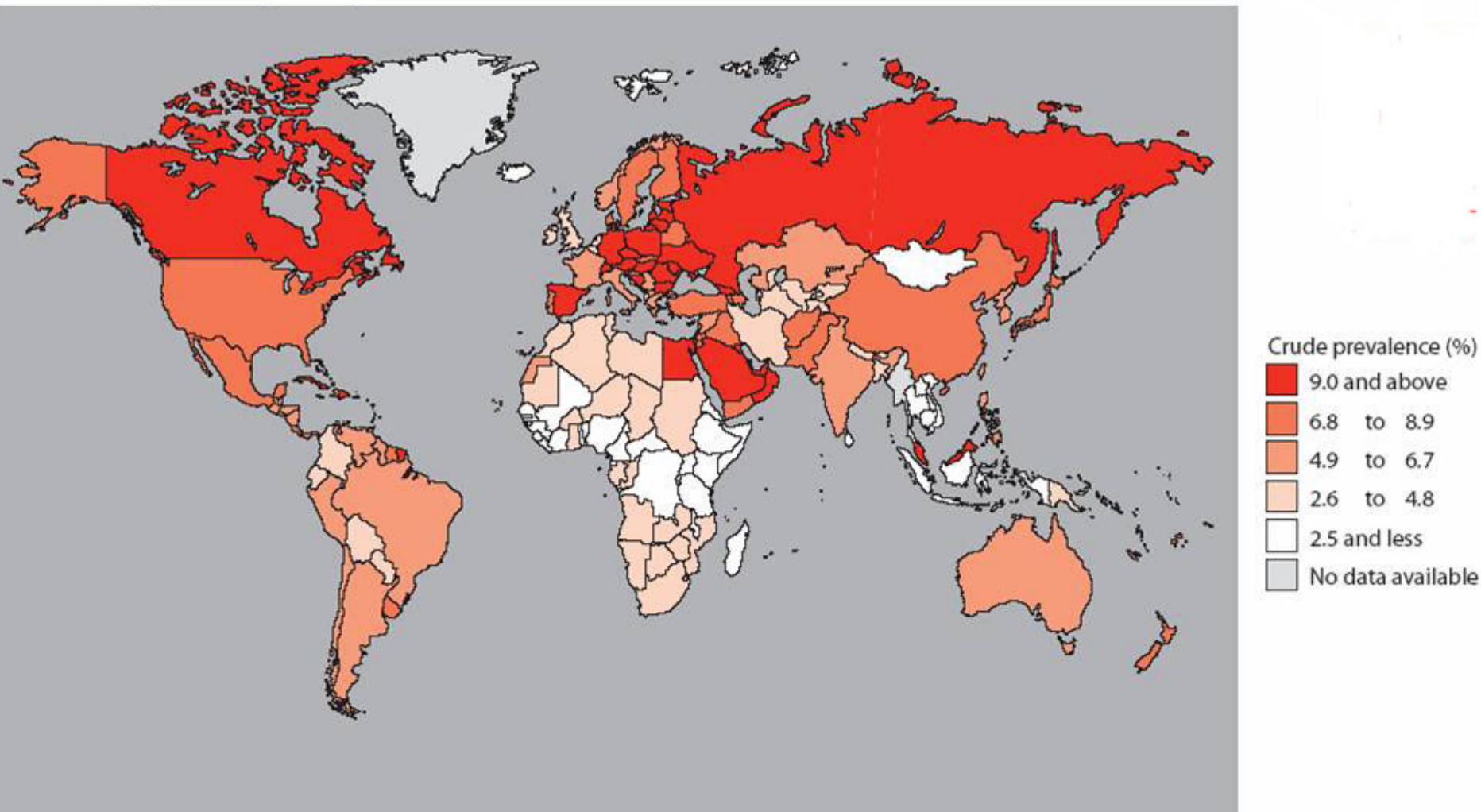


*Average annual number of deaths, 1995-1999.

Source: CDC. Annual smoking-attributable mortality, years of potential life lost, and economic costs—United States—1995-1999. *MMWR* 2002; 51(14):300-3.

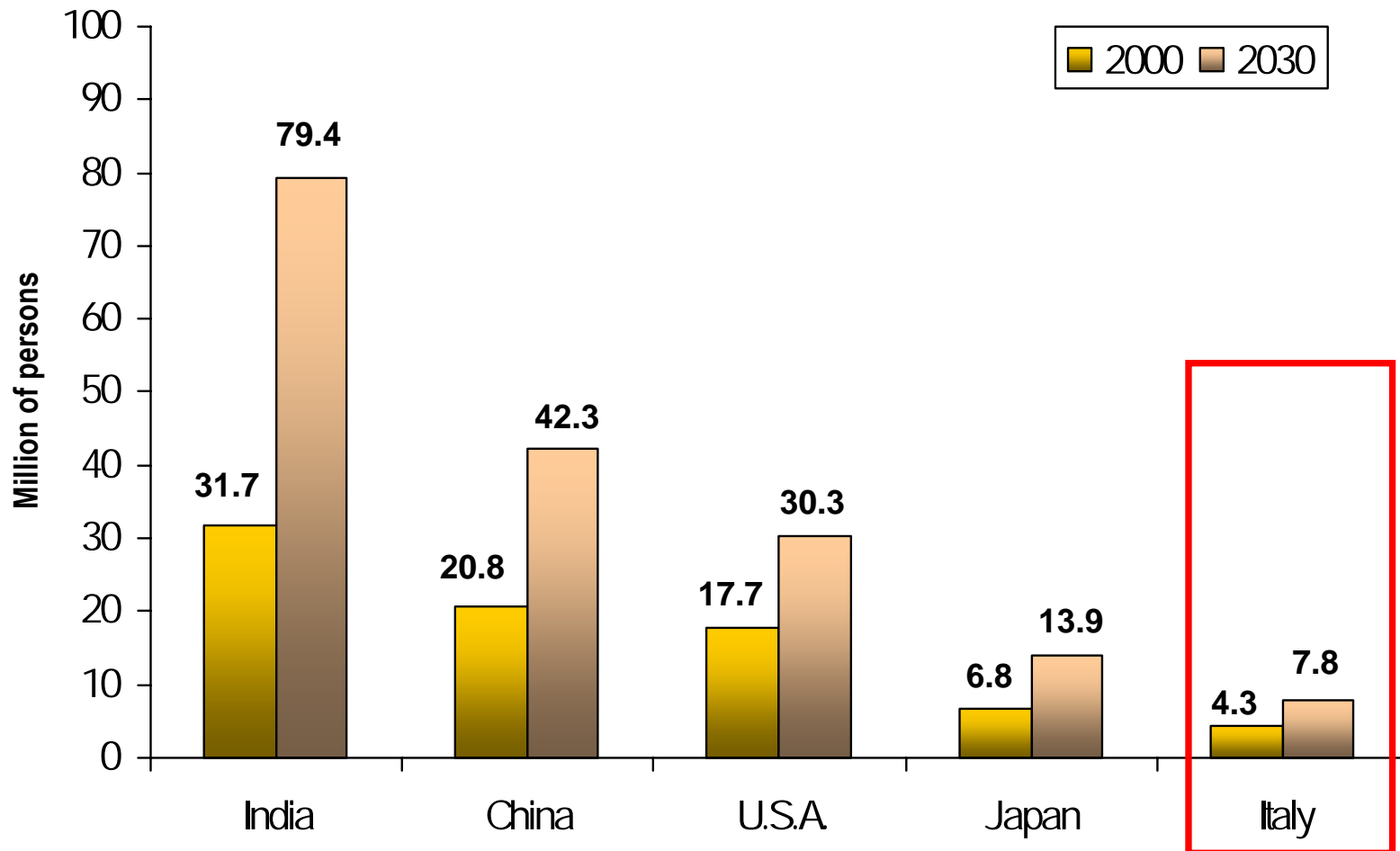
Diabetes

Prevalence of diabetes worldwide (year: 2003)

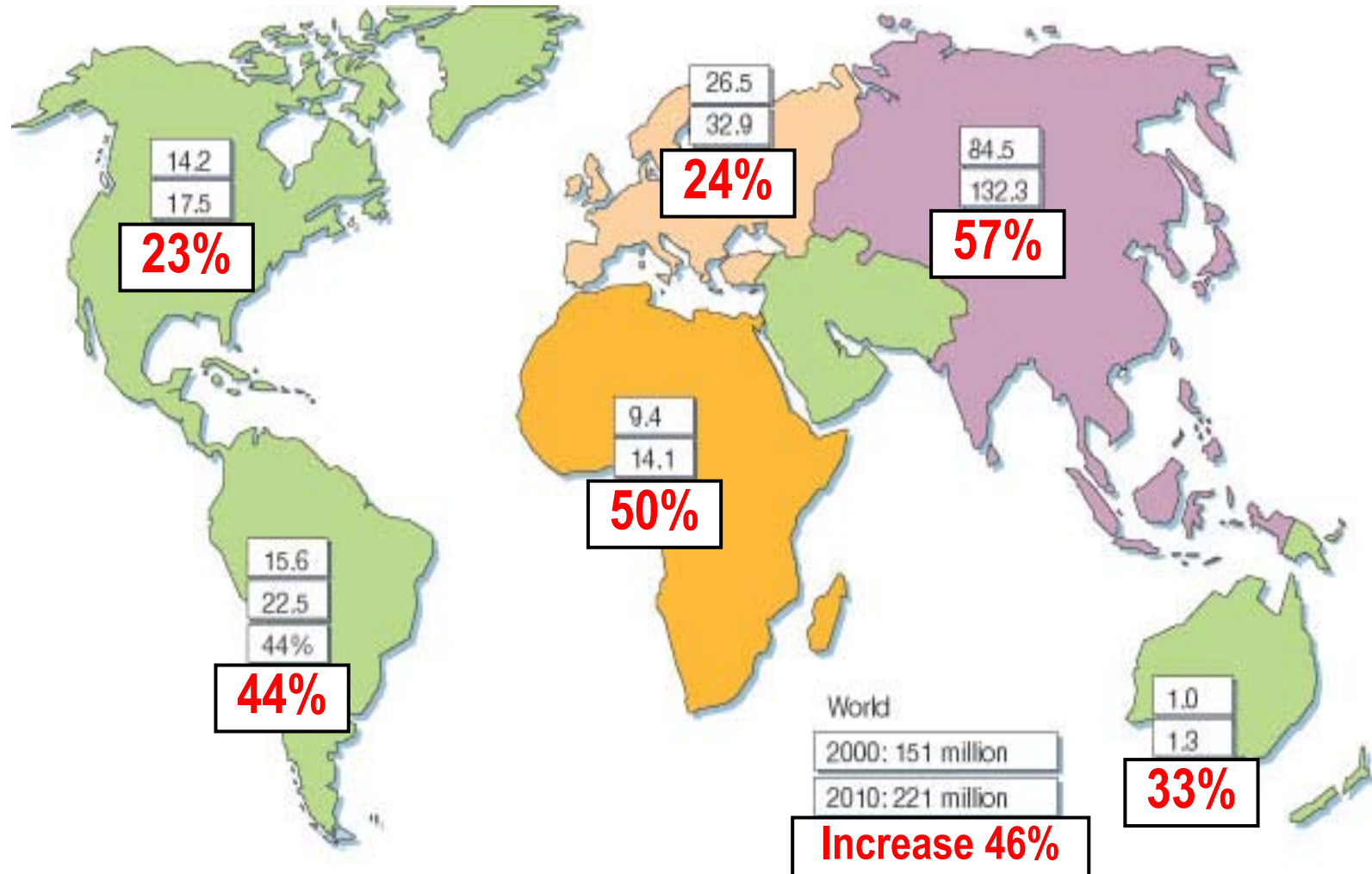


Number of persons with diabetes in the world

171 millions of persons are diabetic in the world

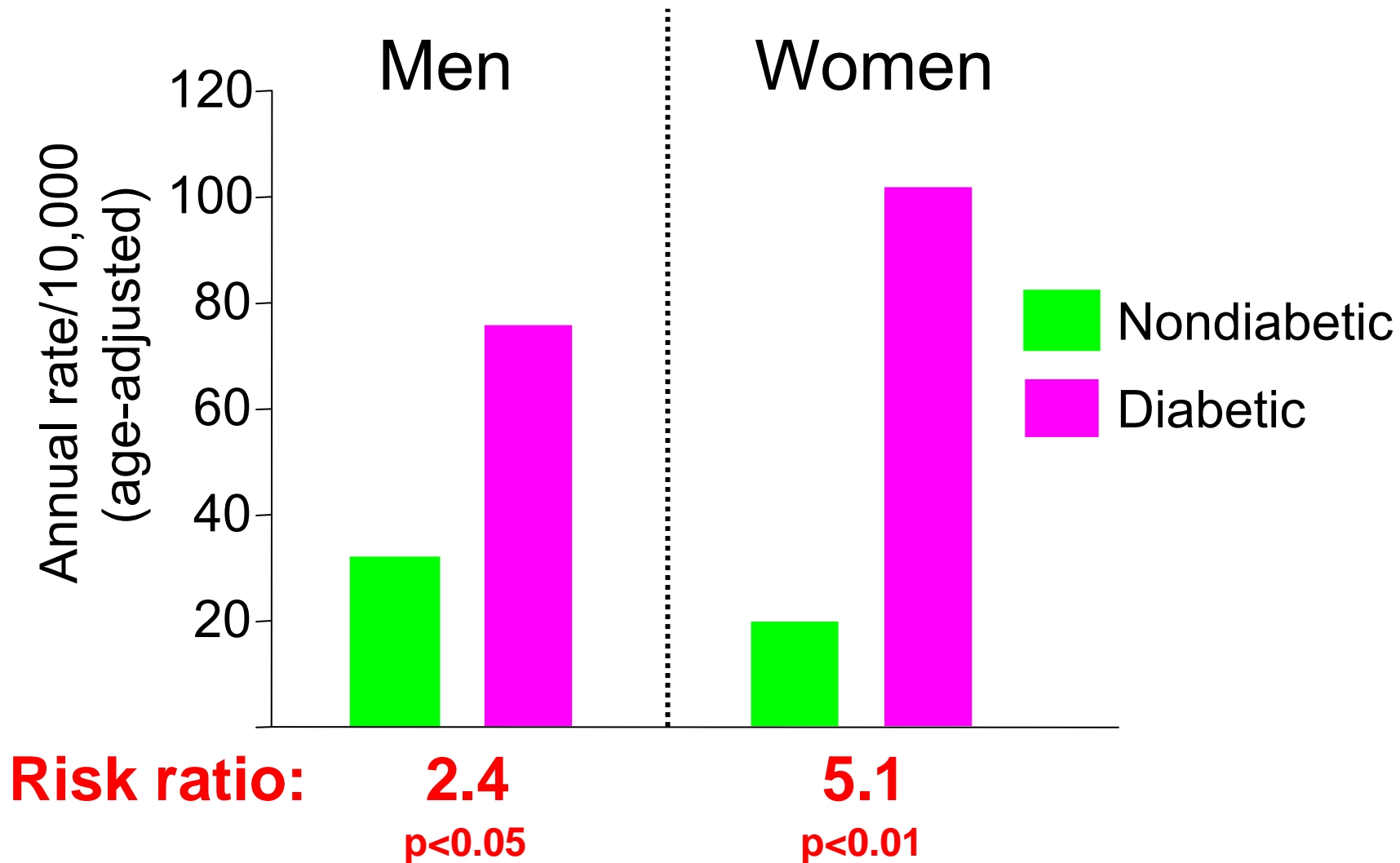


Millions of people with diabetes for 2000 and 2010 (top and middle values, respectively), and the percentage increase

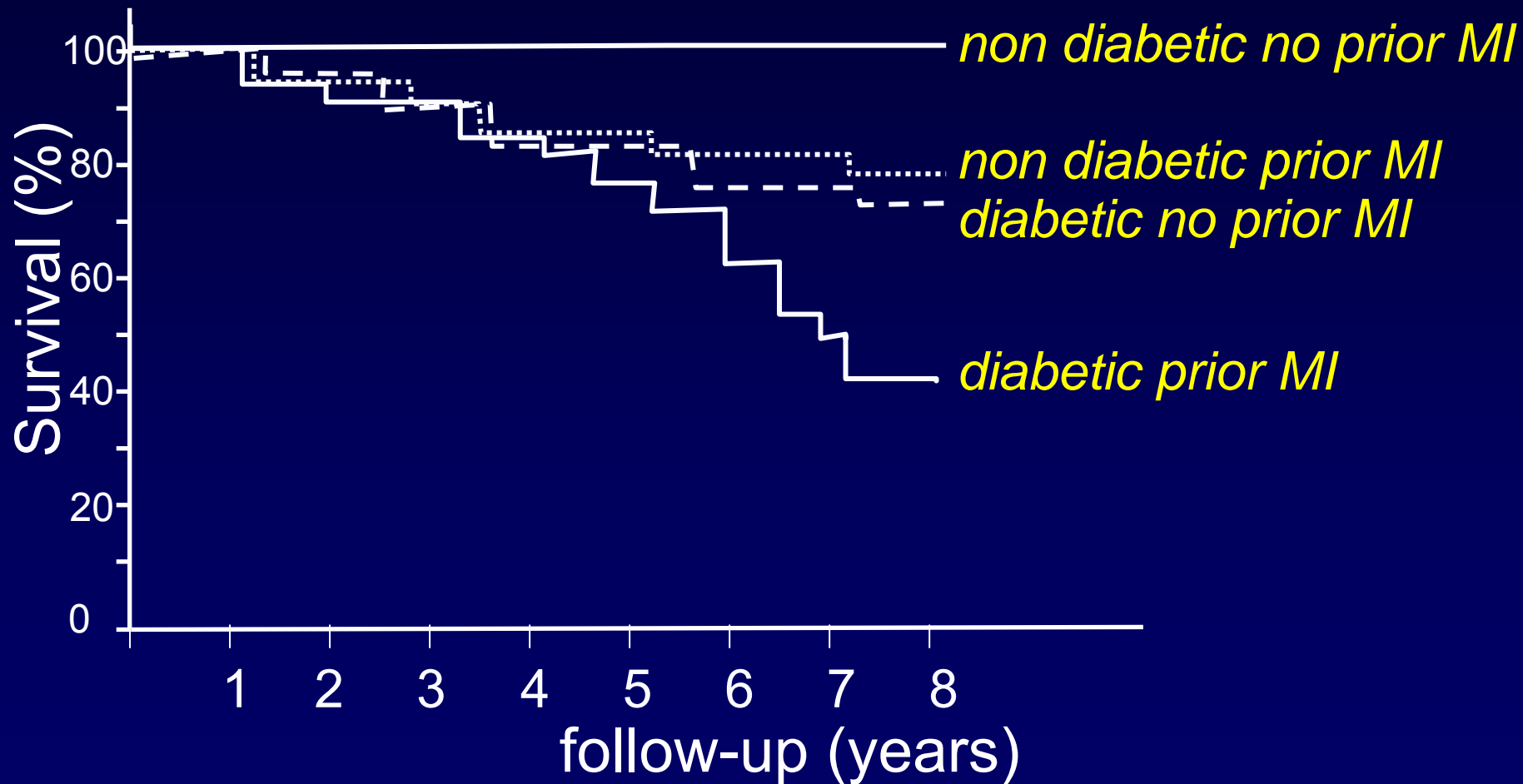


Risk of CHD in patients with NIDDM

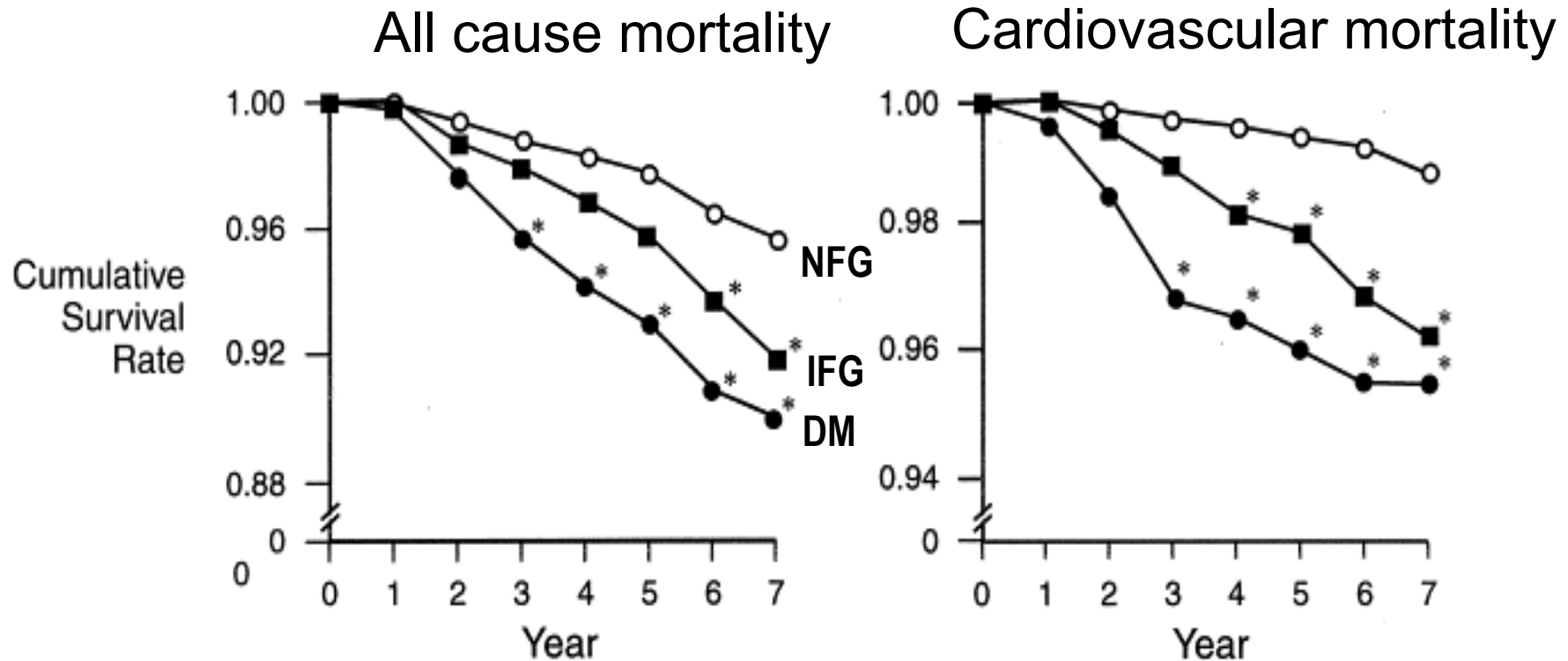
(subjects aged 45-74 yr, Framingham study, 18-yr. follow-up)



Probability of death from Coronary Heart Disease in 1059 subjects with type 2 diabetes and 1378 non diabetic subjects with and without previous IMA



Survival rates in the Funagata study

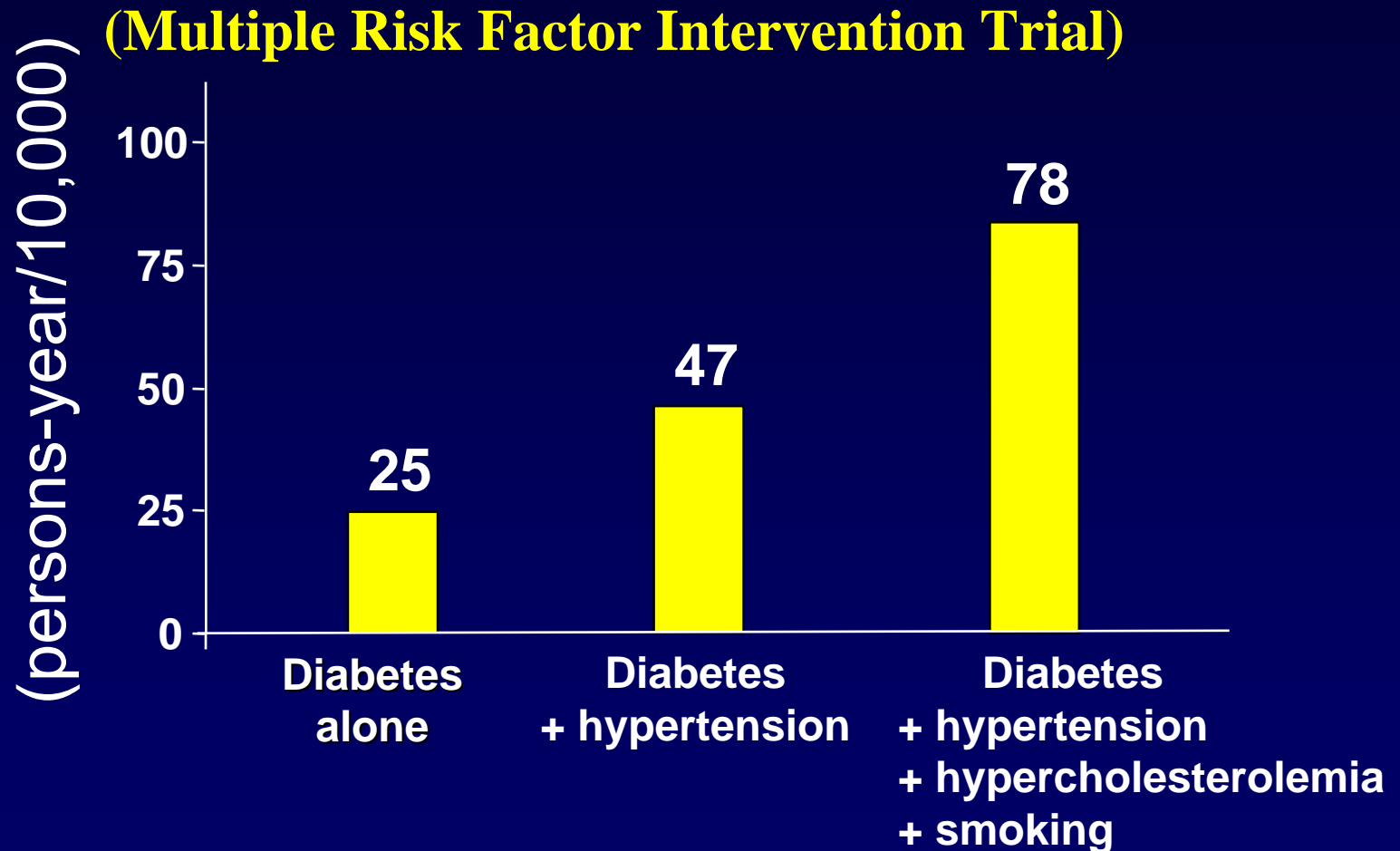


ADA 1997 recommendations:

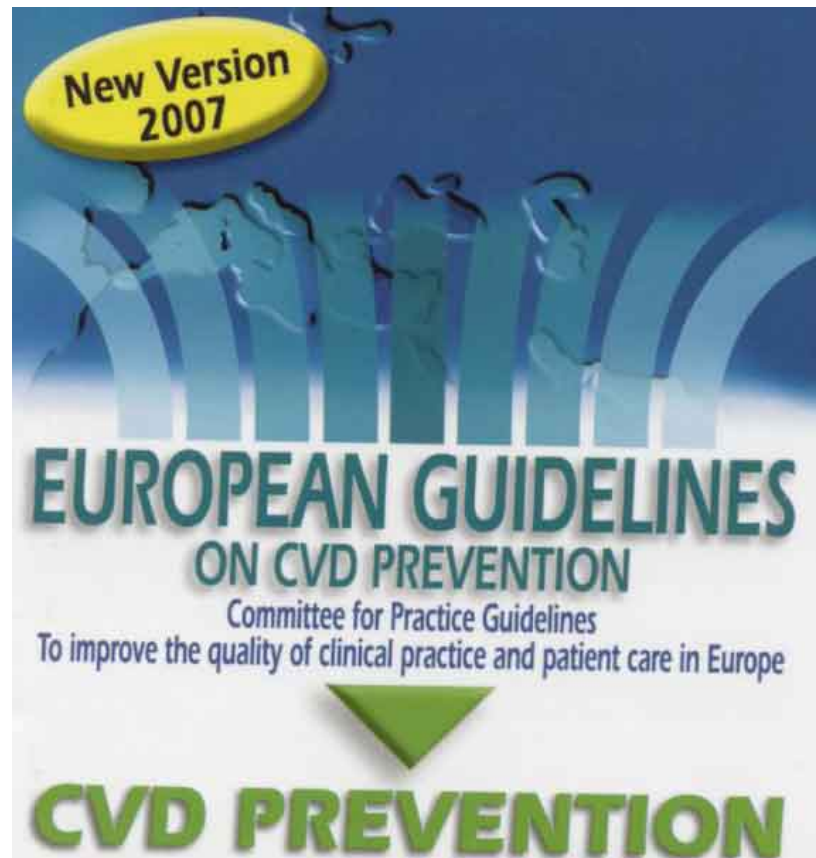
- Normal fasting glucose (NFG)
- Impaired fasting glucose (IFG)
- Diabetes (DM)

<110 mg/dL
>110 mg/dL and <126 mg/dL
> 126 mg/dL

Effects of additional risk factors on the absolute excess risk of CHD death



Cardiovascular prevention... updated guidelines



European guidelines on cardiovascular disease prevention in clinical practice: executive summary

Fourth Joint Task Force of the European Society of Cardiology and Other Societies on Cardiovascular Disease Prevention in Clinical Practice (Constituted by representatives of nine societies and by invited experts)

Objective:

Prevention of disability and early death from cardiovascular diseases through lifestyle changes, management of cardiovascular risk factors and, where needed, the prophylactic use of certain drugs

Why develop a preventive strategy in clinical practice

1. Cardiovascular disease (CVD) is the major cause of premature death in Europe. It is an important cause of disability and contributes substantially to the escalating costs of healthcare
2. The underlying atherosclerosis develops insidiously over many years and is usually advanced by the time that symptoms occur
3. Death from CVD often occurs suddenly and before medical care is available, so that many therapeutic interventions are either inapplicable or palliative
4. The mass occurrence of CVD relates strongly to lifestyles and to modifiable physiological and biochemical factors
5. Risk factor modifications have been shown to reduce CVD mortality and morbidity, particularly in high risk patients

What's new in the Fourth Joint Task Force Guidelines on the Prevention of CVD

1. Increased input from general practice and cardiovascular nursing
2. Increased emphasis on exercise, weight, and lifestyle
3. More detailed discussion on the limitations of present systems of grading evidence
4. Re-defined priorities and objectives
5. Revised approach to risk in the young
6. Total events considered as well as mortality
7. More information from score on total events, diabetes, HDL cholesterol, and body mass index (BMI)
8. New sections on gender, heart rate, BMI/waist circumference, other manifestation of CVD, and renal impairment

What are priorities for CVD preventions in clinical practice

1. Patients with established atherosclerotic CVD
2. Asymptomatic individuals who are at increased risk of CVD because of:
 - Multiple risk factors resulting in raised total CVD risk ($\geq 5\%$ 10 years risk of CVD death).
 - Diabetes-type 2 and type 1 with microalbuminuria;
 - Markedly increased single risk factors especially if associated with end organ clamage
- 3 Close relatives of subjects with premature atherosclerotic CVD or of those at particularly high risk

Objectives of CVD prevention

1. To assist those at low risk of CVD to maintain this state lifelong, and to help those at increased total CVD risk to reduce it
2. To achieve the characteristics of people who tend to stay health:
 - No smoking
 - Healthy food choices
 - Physical activity: 30 minutes of moderate activity a day
 - BMI < 25 kg/m²
 - Blood pressure < 140/90 mmHg
 - Total cholesterol < 190 mg/dL
 - LDL cholesterol < 115 mg/dL
 - Blood glucose < 100 mg/dL

Characteristics of CVD prevention

0 3 5 140 5 3 0	
0	No tobacco
3	Walk 3 km daily, or 30 minutes any moderate activity
5	Portions of fruit and vegetables a day
140	Blood pressure less than 140 systolic
5	Total blood cholesterol < 5 mmol/L (190 mg/dL)
3	LDL cholesterol < 3 mmol/L (115 mg/dL)
0	Avoidance of overweight and diabetes

When total CVD risk need to be assessed?

1. If the patient ask for it
2. If during a consultation:
 - The person is a middle-aged smoker
 - One or more risk factor such as a raised blood cholesterol is known
 - There is a family history of premature CVD or of major risk factors
 - Symptoms suggestive of CVD

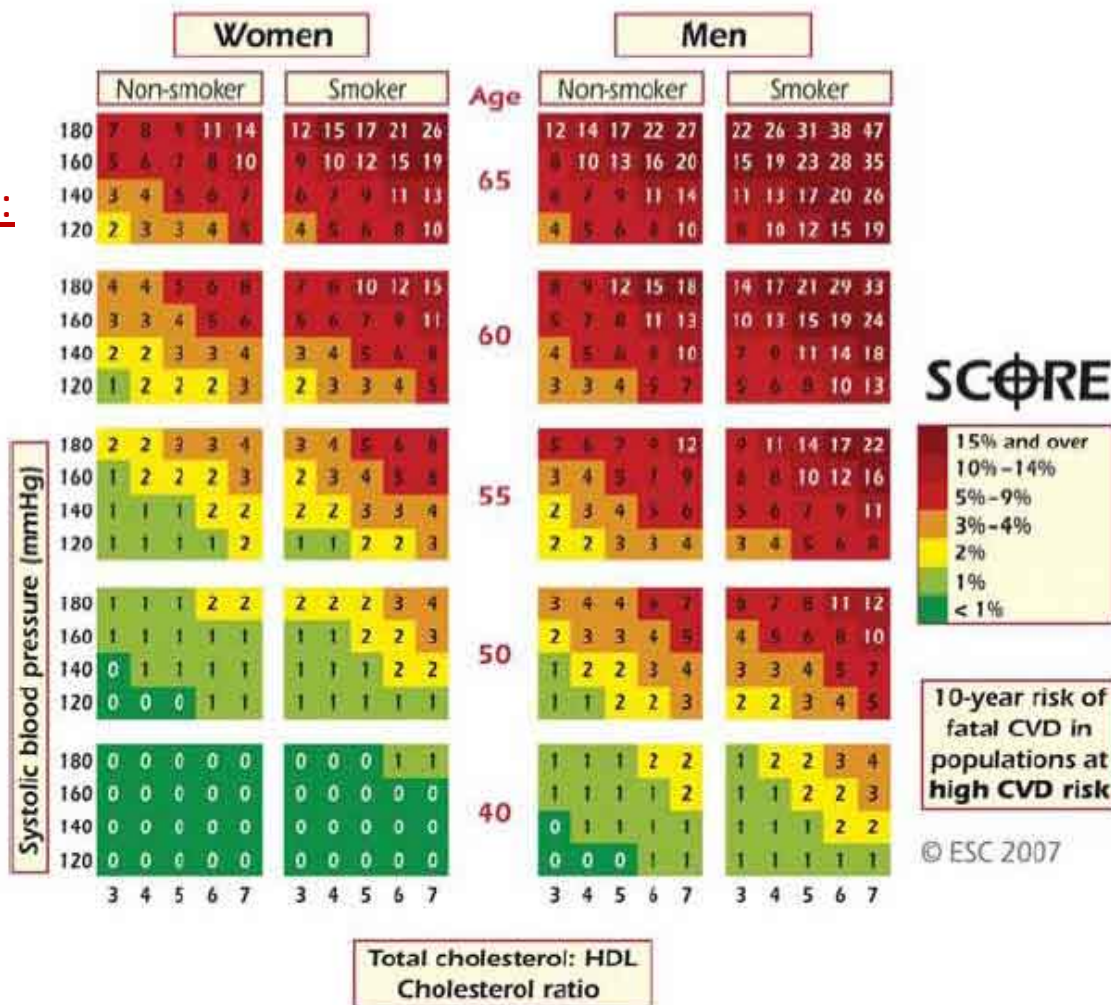
What to do for assessing the risk?

1. Medical history
2. Physical examination (BP, HR, BMI, heart and lung auscultation)
3. Lab tests (urine, lipid profile, blood glucose, creatinine)
4. ECG and exercise ECG if angina suspected

SCORE system

Advantages in using the SCORE chart:

- Intuitive, easy to use tool
- Takes account of the multifactorial nature of CVD
- Estimates risk of all CVD
- Allows flexibility in management
- Allows a more objective assessment of risk over the risk
- Establishes a common language of risk for clinicians



Managing total CVD risk

SMOKING

The five A's

- A- ASK: Systematically identify all smokers at every opportunity
- A- ASSESS: Determine the person's degree of addiction and his/her readiness to cease smoking
- A- ADVISE: Unequivocally urge all smokers to quit
- A- ASSIST: Agree on a smoking cessation strategy including behavioural counselling, nicotine replacement therapy and/or pharmacological intervention
- A- ARRANGE a schedule of follow-up data

Managing total CVD risk

HEALTHY FOOD CHOICES

1. **A wide variety of foods should be eaten**
2. Energy intake should be adjusted to avoid overweight
3. Encourage: **fruits, vegetables, wholegrain cereals and bread, fish (especially oily), lean meat, low fat dairy products**
4. **Replace saturated fats** with the above foods and **with monounsaturated and polyunsaturated fats** from vegetable and marine sources to reduce total fat to <30% of energy, of which less than 1/3 is saturated
5. **Reduce salt intake** by avoiding table salt and salt in cooking, and by choosing unsalted foods

Managing total CVD risk

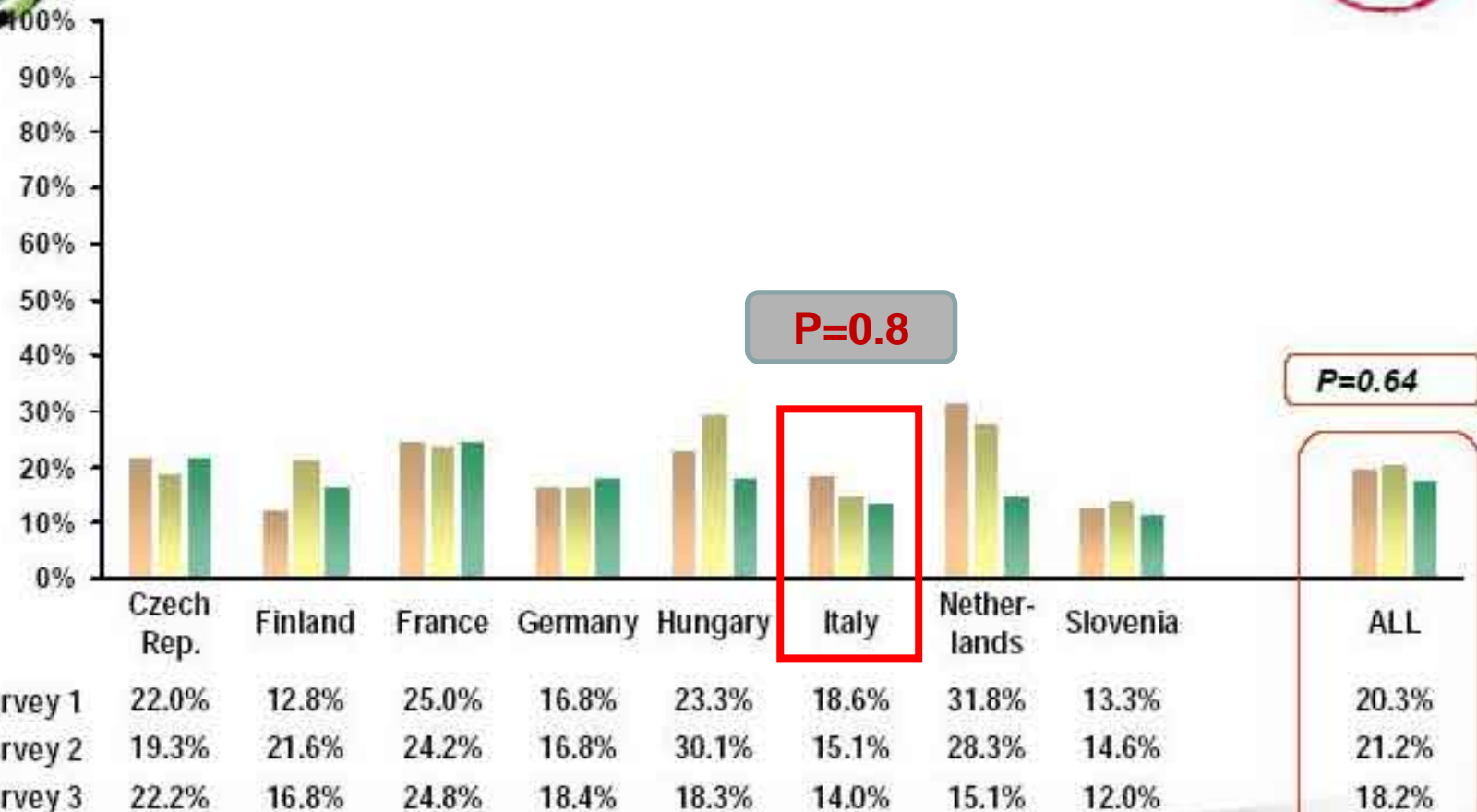
PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

1. **Stress that the positive health benefits occur with almost any increase in activity**; small amounts of exercise have an additive effect; exercise opportunities exist also in the workplace (e.g. stairs instead of lift)
2. **Try to find leisure activities that are positively enjoyable**
3. 30 minutes of moderately vigorous exercise on most days of the week will reduce risk and increase fitness
4. **Exercising with family or friends tends to improve motivation**
5. Added benefits include a sense of well-being, weight reduction and better self-esteem

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Prevalence of Smoking*



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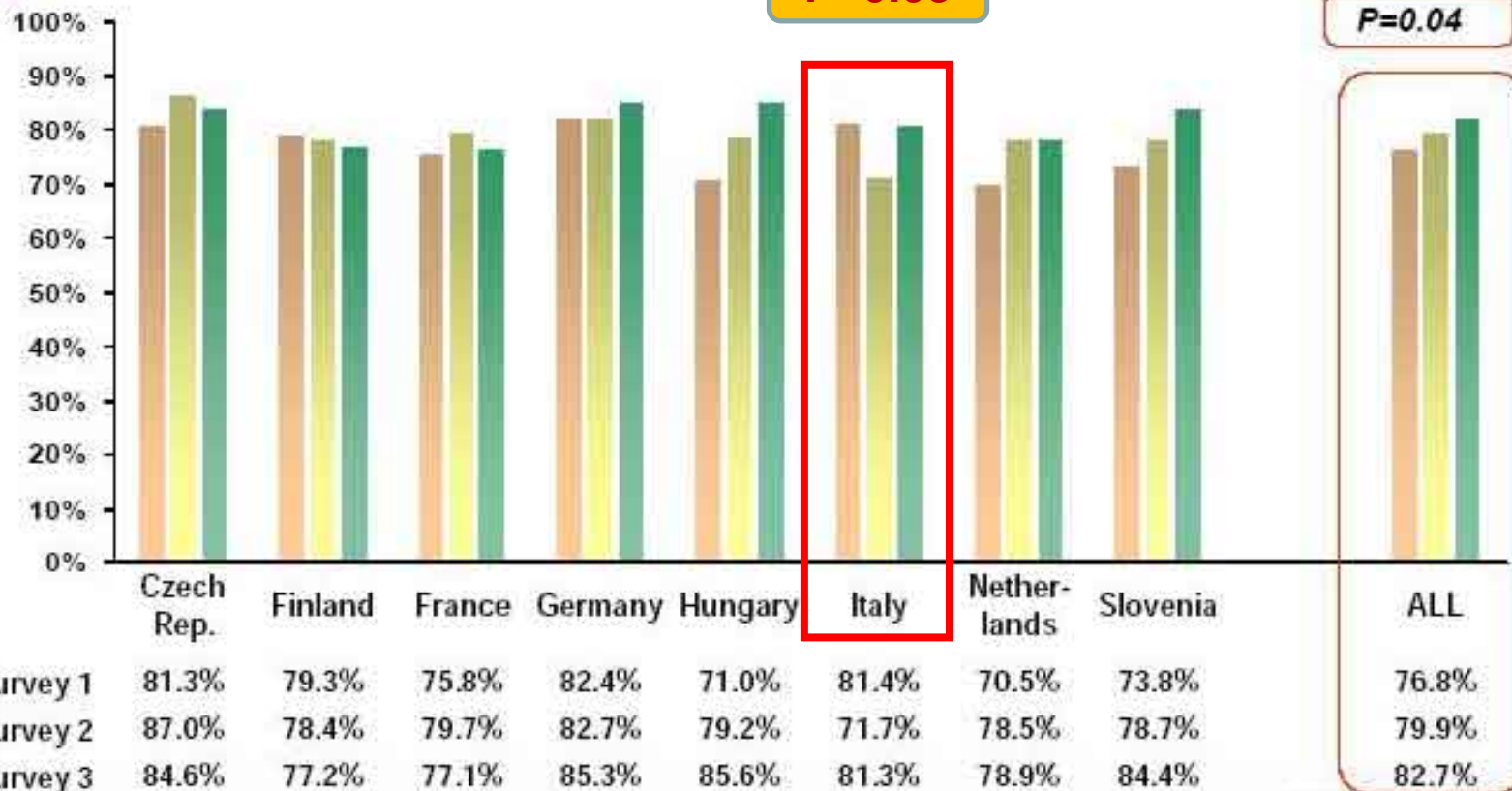


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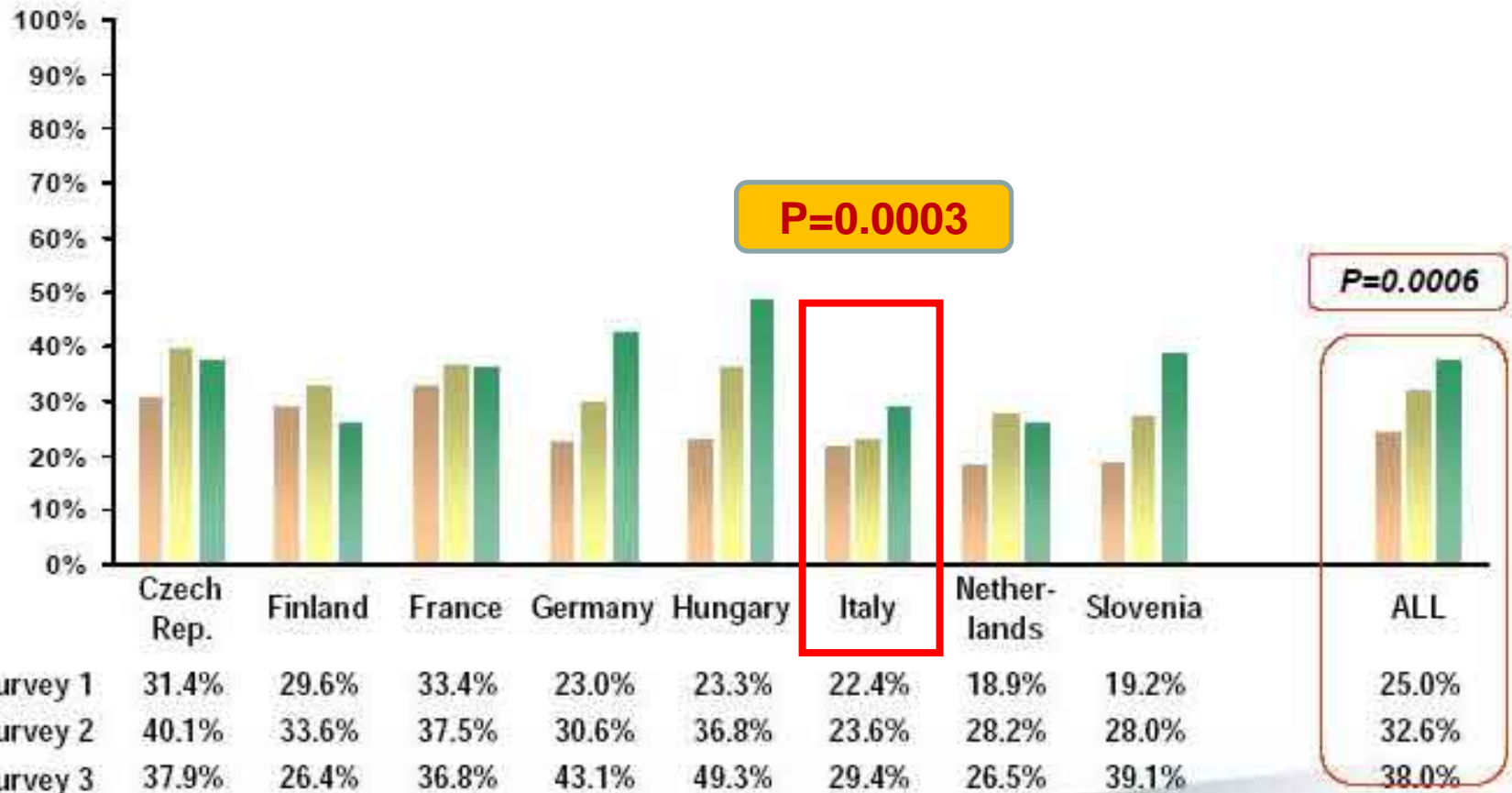
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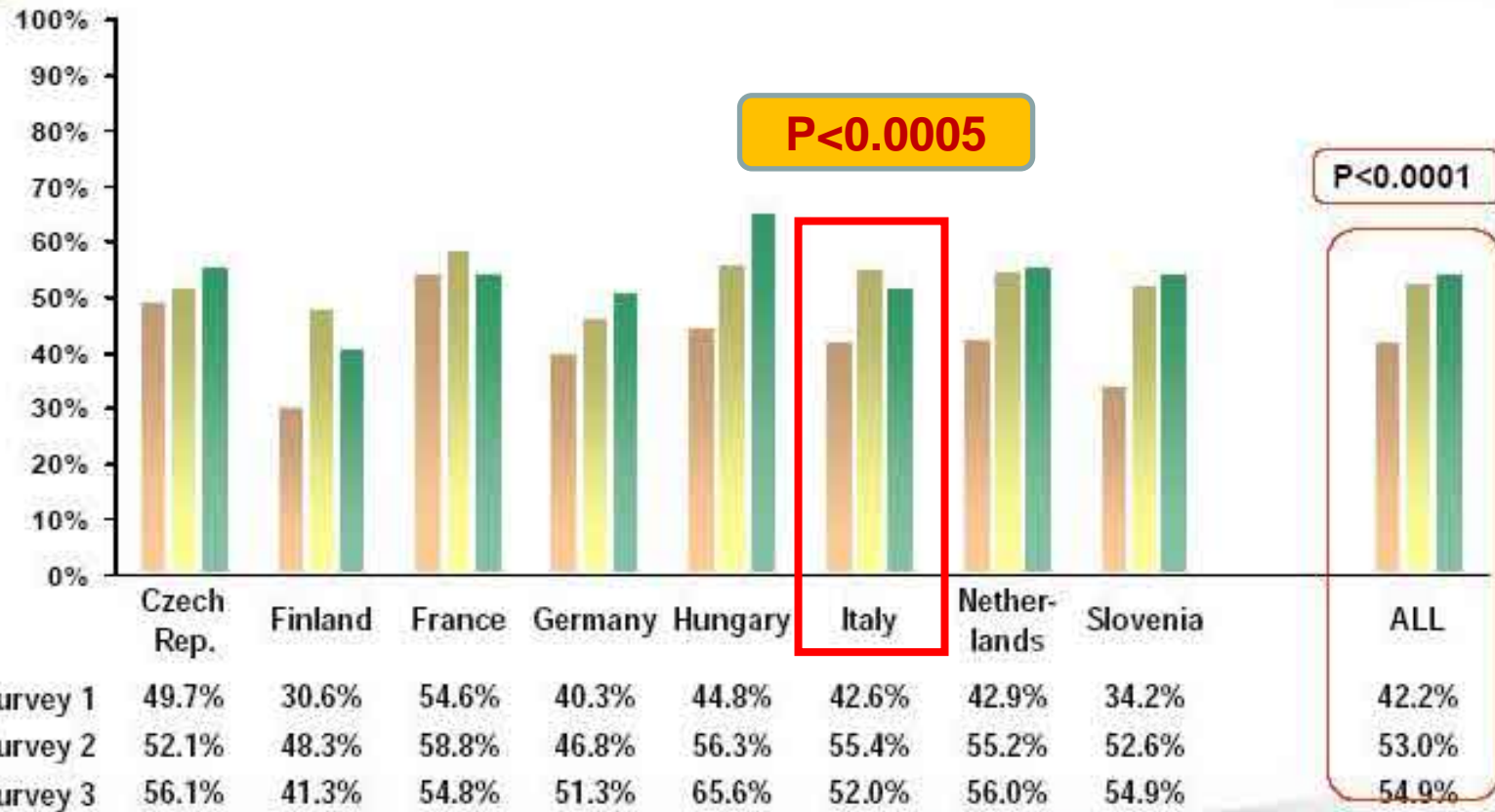
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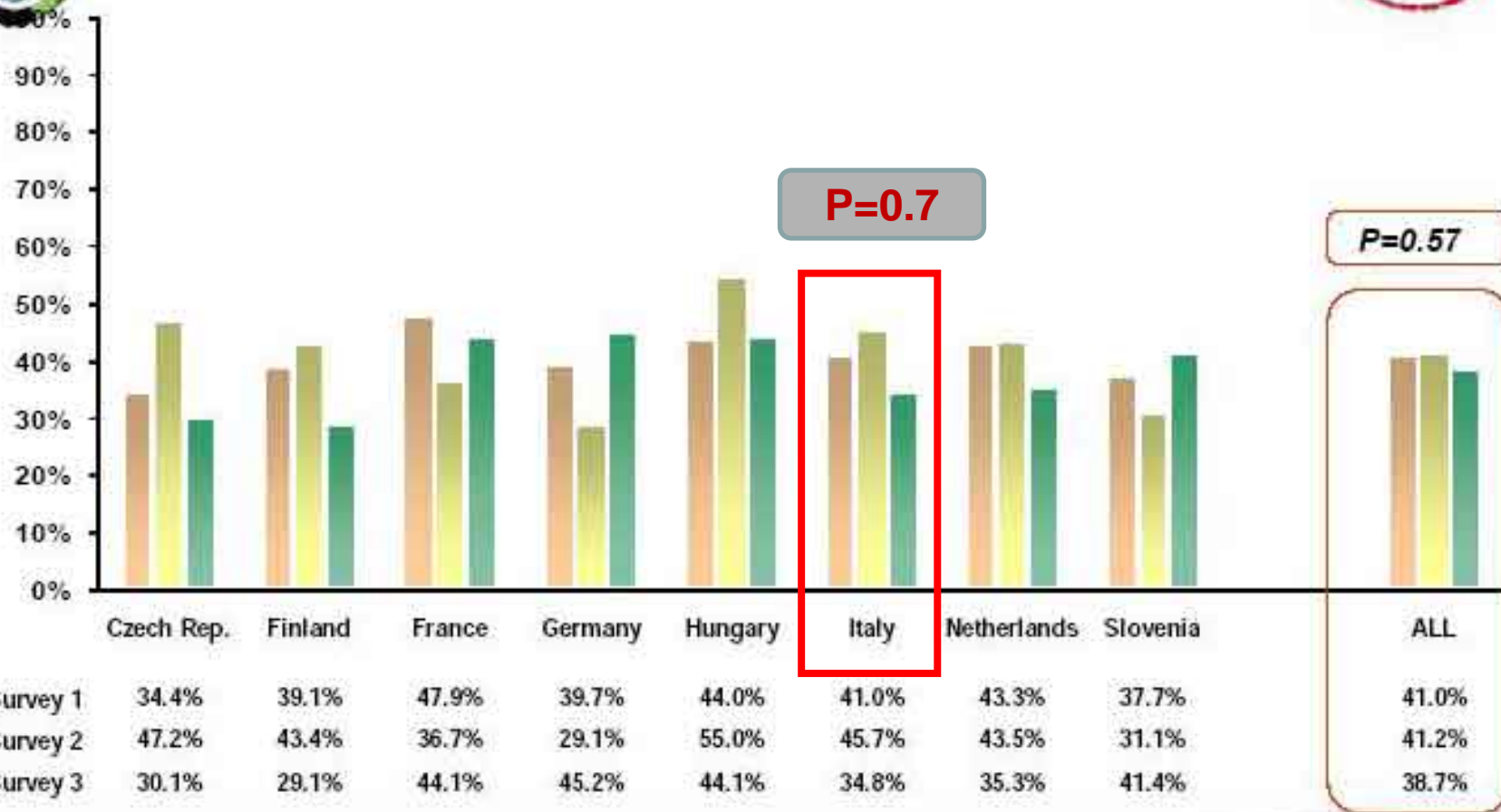


Prevalence of Central Obesity*



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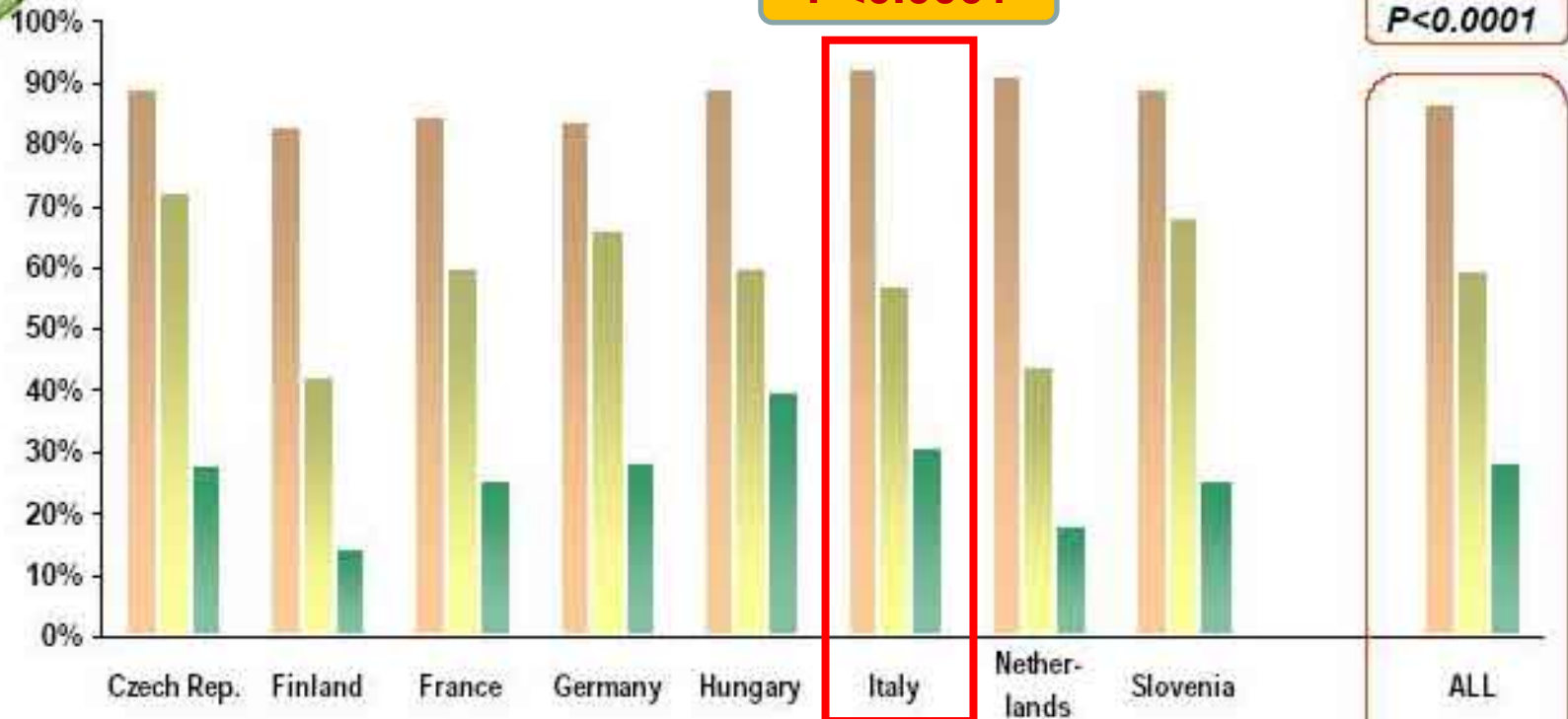


Prevalence of Raised Total Cholesterol (1)*



$P < 0.0001$

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Survey 1
Survey 2
Survey 3

89.4%	83.3%	84.8%	84.1%	89.0%	92.5%	91.2%	89.0%
72.5%	42.6%	60.2%	66.3%	60.2%	56.9%	44.3%	68.3%
28.1%	14.5%	25.5%	28.4%	40.2%	30.7%	18.2%	25.5%

87.0%
59.6%
28.5%

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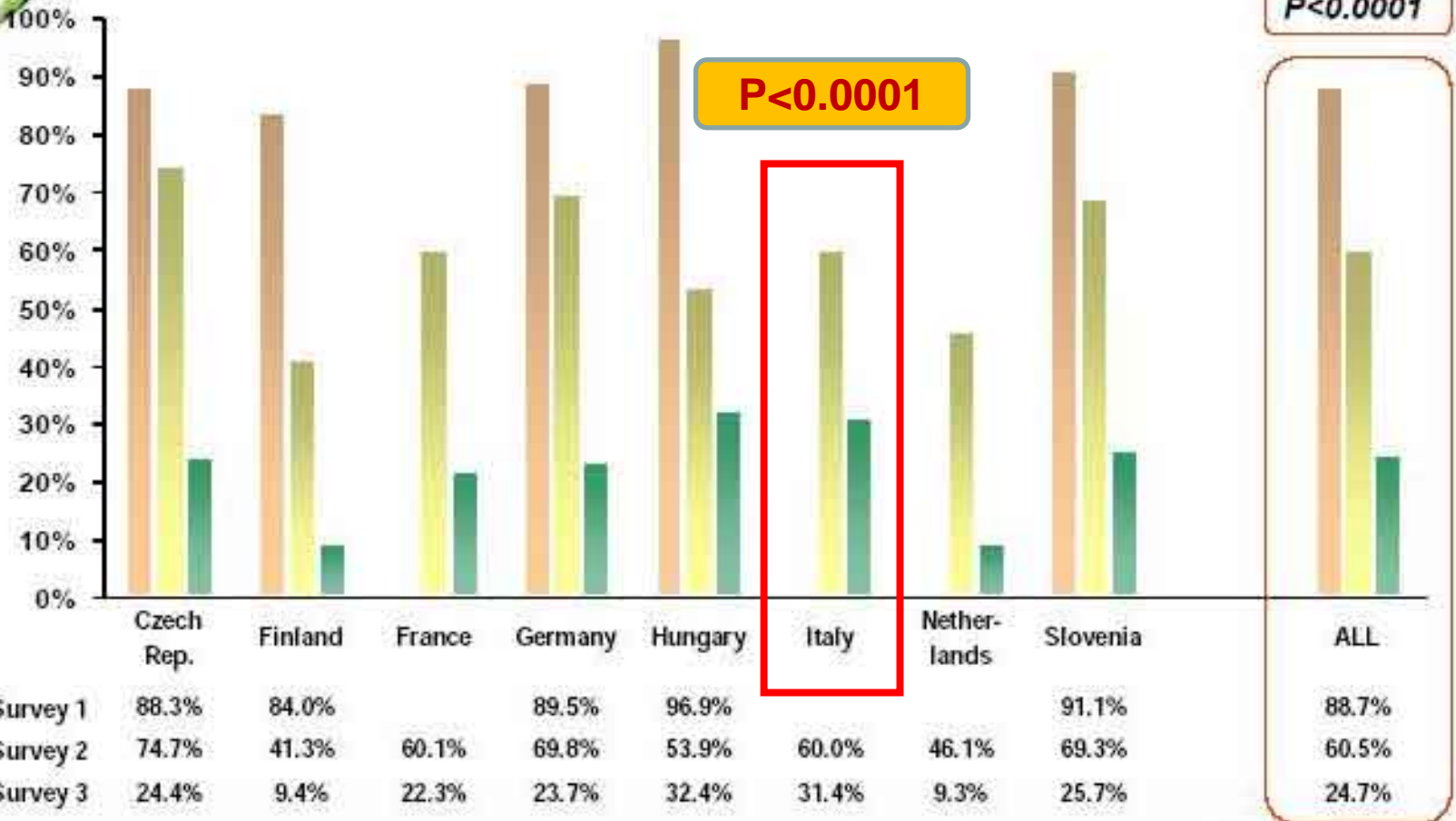


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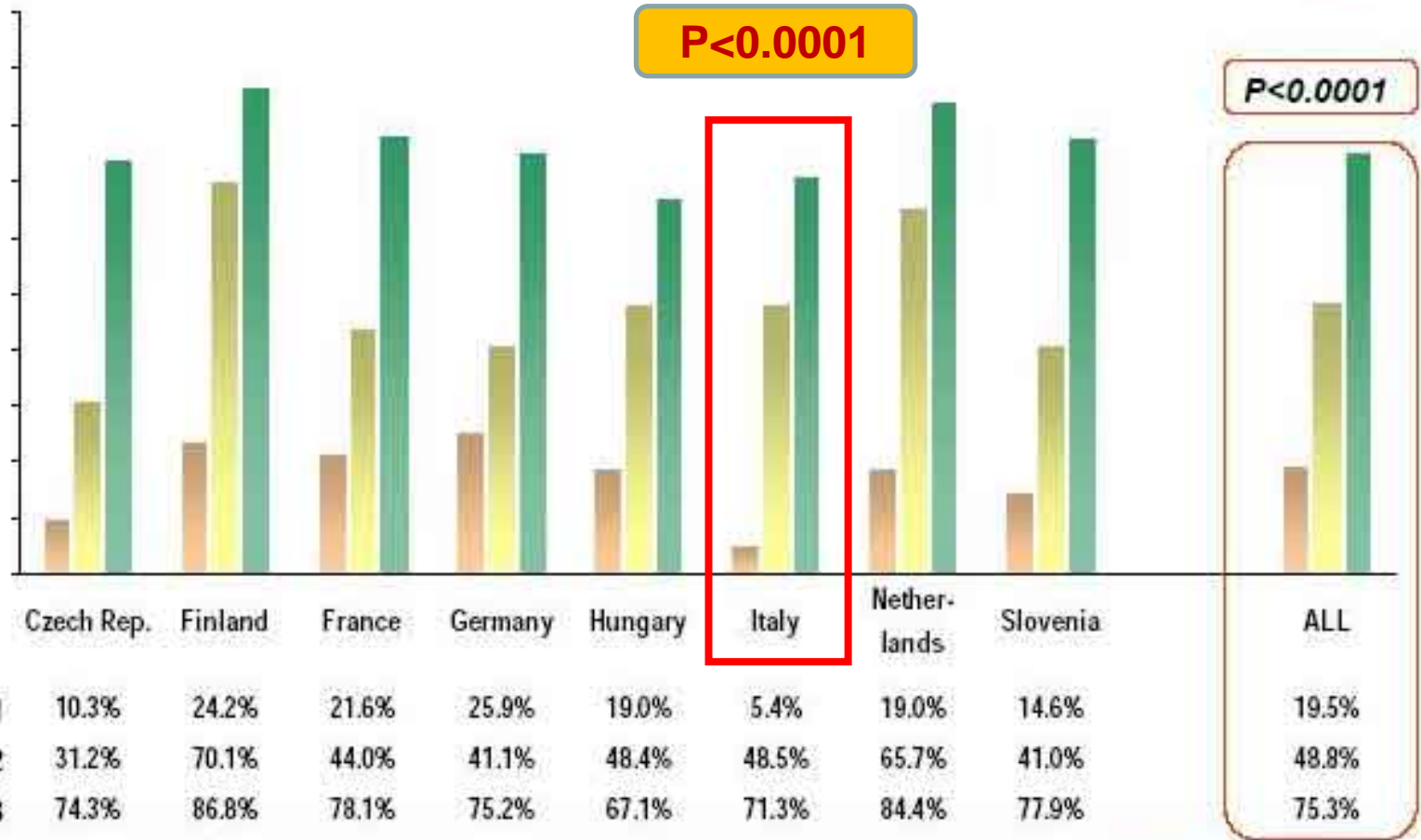
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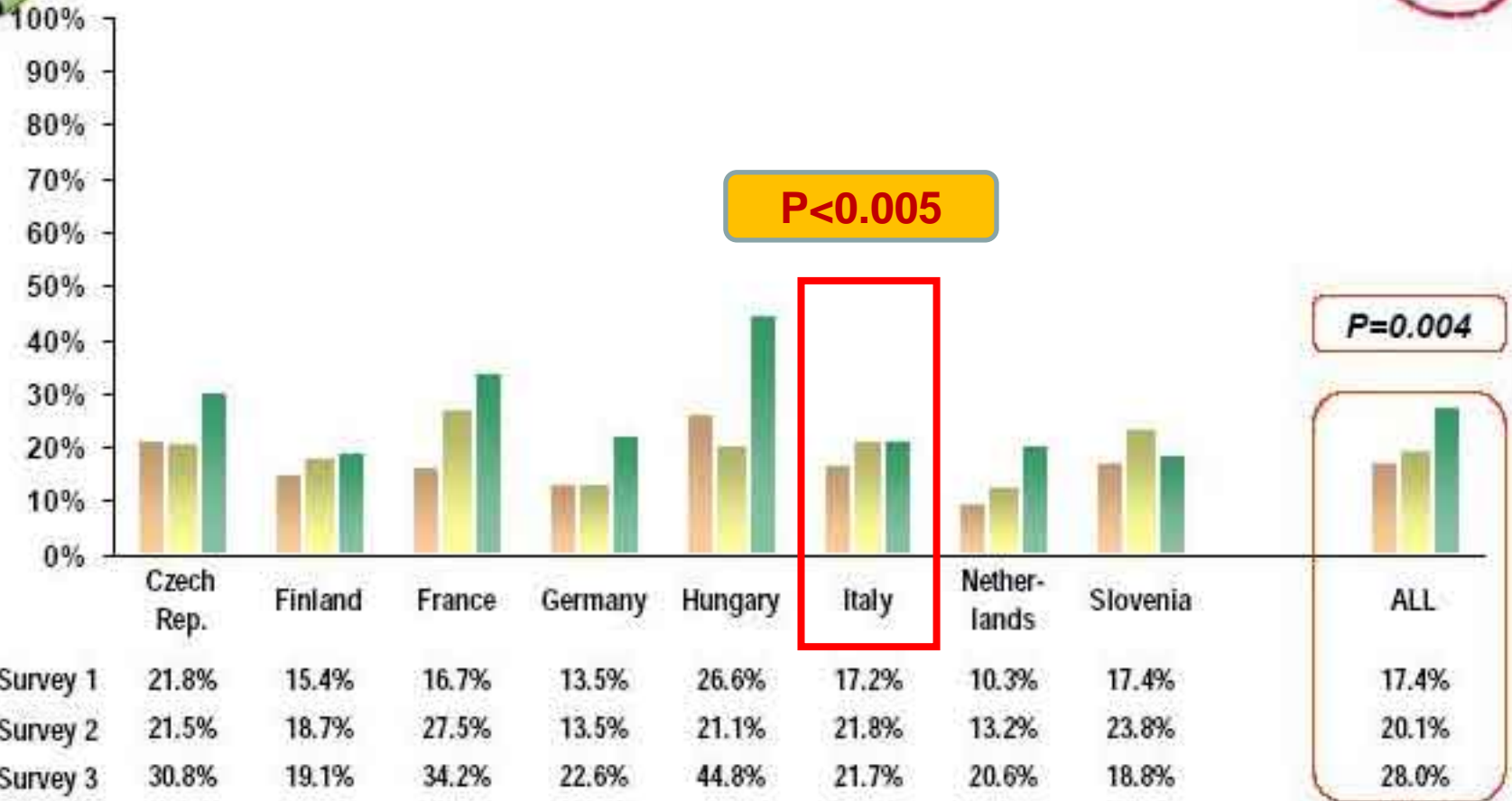
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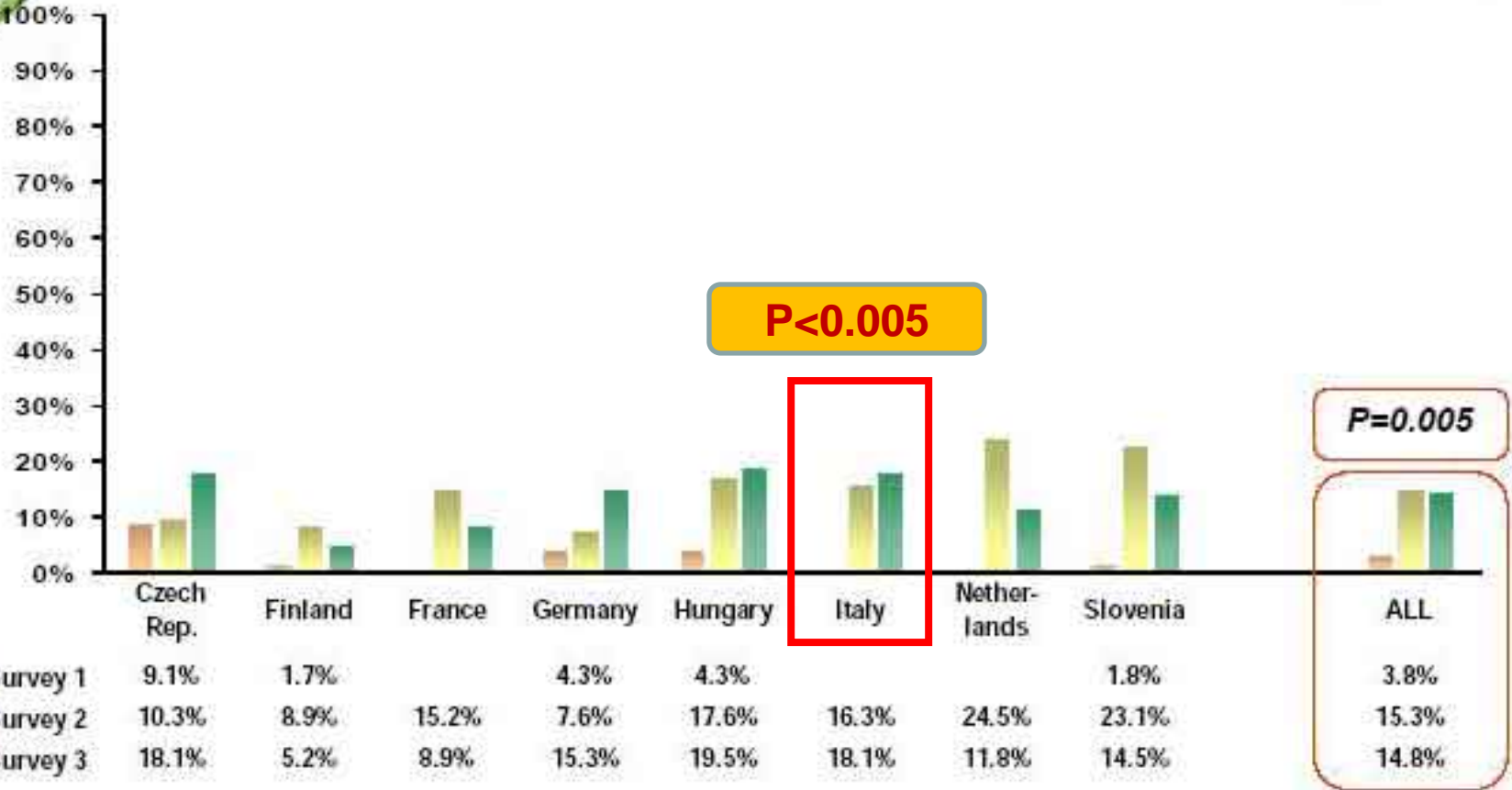
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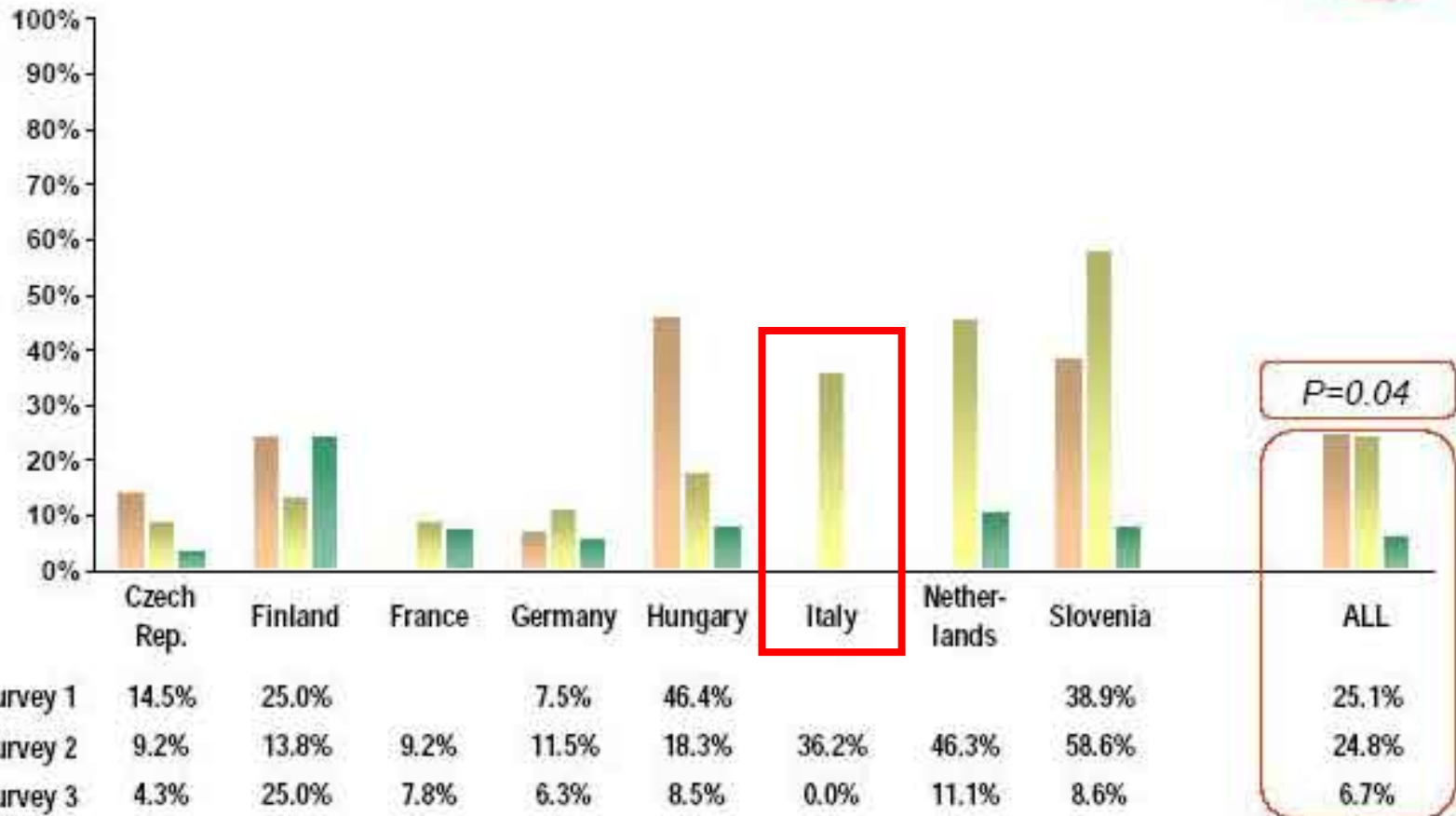
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Table 1. Health Status of the United States and Rank among the 29 Other OECD Member Countries.

Health-Status Measure	United States	U.S. Rank in OECD	Top-Ranked Country in OECD*
Infant mortality (first year of life), 2001			
All races	6.8 deaths/ 1000 live births	25	Iceland (2.7 deaths/ 1000 live births)
Whites only	5.7 deaths/ 1000 live births	22	
Maternal mortality, 2001†			
All races	9.9 deaths/ 100,000 births	22	Switzerland (1.4 deaths/ 100,000 births)
Whites only	7.2 deaths/ 100,000 births	19	
Life expectancy from birth, 2003			
All women	80.1 yr	23	Japan (85.3 yr)
White women	80.5 yr	22	
All men	74.8 yr	22	Iceland (79.7 yr)
White men	75.3 yr	19	
Life expectancy from age 65, 2003‡			
All women	19.8 yr	10	Japan (23.0 yr)
White women	19.8 yr	10	
All men	16.8 yr	9	Iceland (18.1 yr)
White men	16.9 yr	9	

* The number in parentheses is the value for the indicated health-status measure.

† OECD data for five countries are missing.

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Proportional Contribution to Premature Death

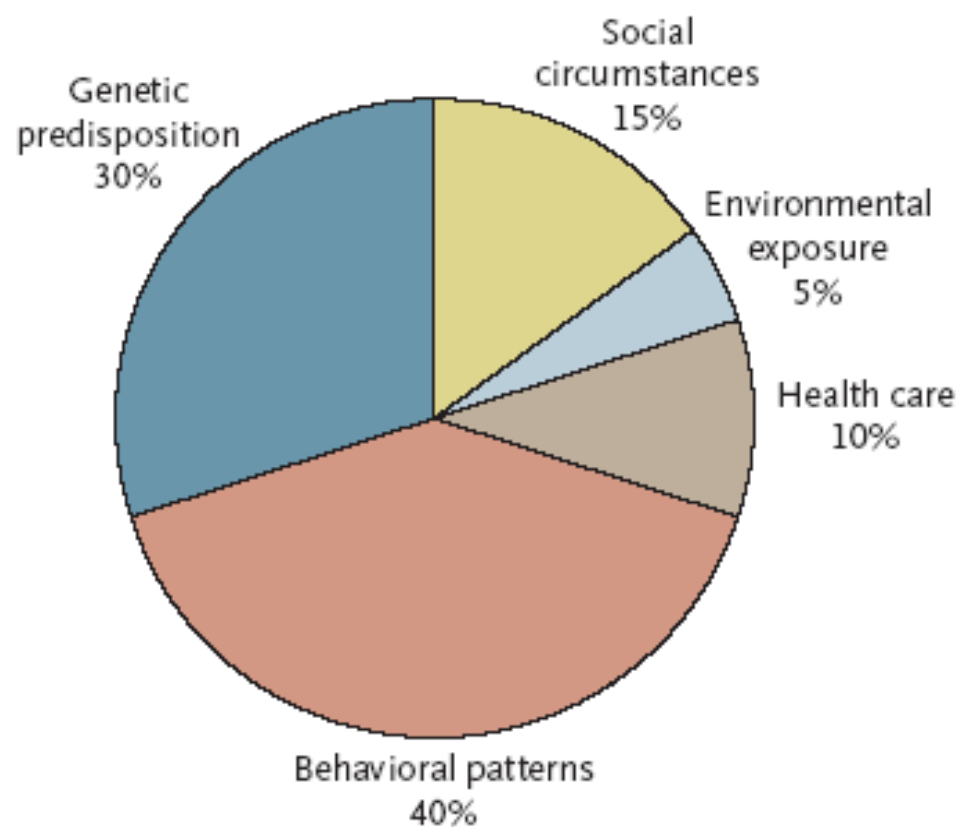


Figure 1. Determinants of Health and Their Contribution to Premature Death.

Adapted from McGinnis et al.¹⁰

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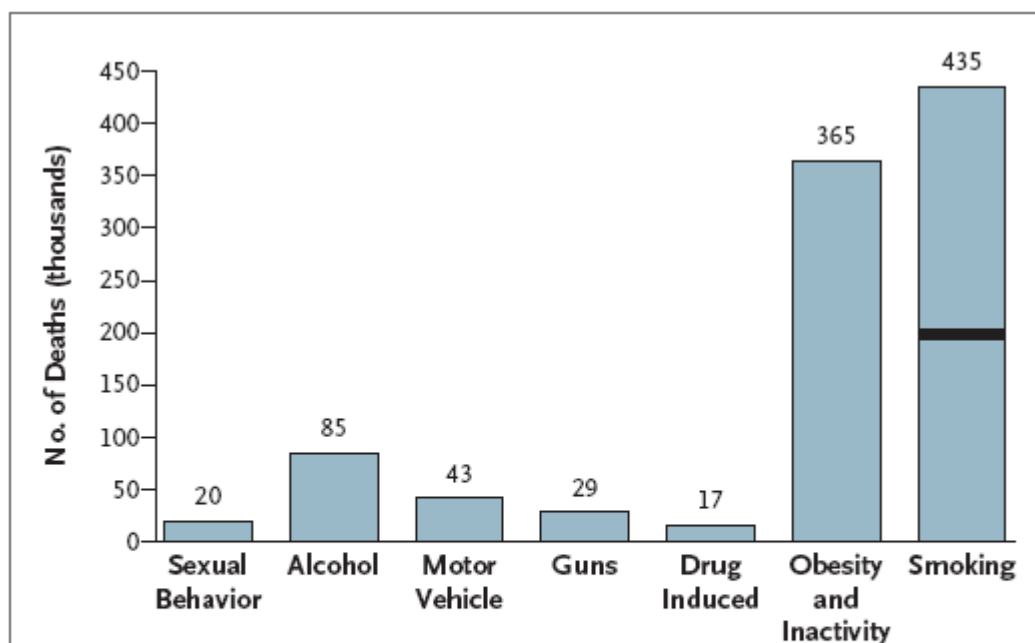


Figure 2. Numbers of U.S. Deaths from Behavioral Causes, 2000.

Among the deaths from smoking, the horizontal bar indicates the approximately 200,000 people who had mental illness or a problem with substance abuse. Adapted from Mokdad et al.¹²

Table 2. Similarities and Differences between Tobacco Use and Obesity.

Characteristic	Tobacco	Obesity
High prevalence	Yes	Yes
Begins in youth	Yes	Yes
20th-century phenomenon	Yes	Yes
Major health implications	Yes	Yes
Heavy and influential industry promotion	Yes	Yes
Inverse relationship to socioeconomic class	Yes	Yes
Major regional variations	Yes	Yes
Stigma	Yes	Yes
Difficult to treat	Yes	Yes
Clinician antipathy	Yes	Yes
Relative and debatable definition	No	Yes
Cessation not an option	No	Yes
Chemical addictive component	Yes	No
Harmful at low doses	Yes	No
Harmful to others	Yes	No
Extensively documented industry duplicity	Yes	No
History of successful litigation	Yes	No
Large cash settlements by industry	Yes	No
Strong evidence base for treatment	Yes	No
Economic incentives available	Yes	Yes
Economic incentives in place	Yes	No
Successful counter-marketing campaigns	Yes	No

The largest potential for further improvement in population health lies in behavioral risk factors, especially smoking and obesity. We already have tools at hand to make progress in tobacco control, and some of these tools are applicable to obesity.

Americans take great pride in asserting that we are number one in terms of wealth, number of Nobel Prizes, and military strength. Why don't we try to become number one in health?