



NHANES to 2007 resident population estimates. The percentage of the population with diabetes aged 60 years or older is this estimated number divided by the estimated 2007 U.S. resident population aged 60 years or older.

Men and women

The 2007 estimated number of men and women aged 20 years or older with diabetes is the sum of the sex-specific numbers derived by applying age-race-sex-specific estimates of total diabetes prevalence (both diagnosed and undiagnosed diabetes) from the 2003–2006 NHANES to 2007 resident population estimates. The percentage of men and women with diabetes are these estimated numbers divided by the sex-specific estimated 2007 U.S. resident population aged 20 years or older.

Non-Hispanic whites and non-Hispanic blacks

The 2007 estimated numbers of non-Hispanic whites and the number of non-Hispanic blacks aged 20 years or older with diabetes are the sums of the non-Hispanic race-specific numbers derived by applying non-Hispanic age-race-sex-specific estimates of total diabetes prevalence (both diagnosed and undiagnosed diabetes) from the 2003–2006 NHANES to 2007 resident population estimates. The percentages of non-Hispanic whites and non-Hispanic blacks with diabetes are these estimated numbers divided by the non-Hispanic race-specific estimates of the 2007 U.S. resident population aged 20 years or older.

Graph of prevalence by age group

The age-specific prevalences of diagnosed and undiagnosed diabetes in people aged 20 years or older were obtained by applying age-race-sex-specific estimates of total diabetes prevalence (both diagnosed and undiagnosed diabetes) from the 2003–2006 NHANES to 2007 resident population estimates. The derived age-specific counts were then divided by the estimated 2007 U.S. resident population to obtain the 2007 age-specific percentages.

Prevalence of diagnosed diabetes in people younger than 20 years of age, United States, 2007

2004–2006 National Health Interview Survey (NHIS), National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Available at <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis.htm>.

U.S. Census Bureau, resident population estimates for 11/1/2007. Available at http://www.census.gov/popest/national/asrh/2006_nat_res.html.

Methods: The number of persons younger than 20 years of age with diagnosed diabetes in 2007 was estimated by applying the 2004–2006 NHIS prevalence estimate of diagnosed diabetes in the civilian, noninstitutionalized population younger than 20 years to the 2007 resident population estimate of this age group. The percentage of persons younger than 20 years of age with diagnosed diabetes in 2007 was assumed to be the same as the 2004–2006 NHIS estimate. Estimates of undiagnosed diabetes for persons younger than 20 years are not available.

Race and ethnic differences in prevalence of diagnosed diabetes

Acton KJ, Burrows NR, Geiss LS, Thompson T. Diabetes prevalence among American Indians and Alaska Natives and the overall population—United States, 1994–2002. *MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep* 52(30):702–704, 2003.

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2004–2006 National Health Interview Survey (NHIS), National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Available at <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhanes.htm>.

Indian Health Service (IHS), 2005 user population database.

Methods: All estimates presented are for persons aged 20 years or older. Rates were age-adjusted by the direct method based on the 2000 U.S. standard population. With the exception of the prevalence among American Indians and Alaska



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Natives (AIANs), race/ethnicity-specific prevalences of diagnosed diabetes were calculated using the 2004–2006 NHIS (available at <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis.htm>). The estimated diagnosed diabetes prevalence for the Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander population was not included because the NHIS estimate for this group is considered unreliable due to a small sample size.

The prevalence of diagnosed diabetes among AIANs was derived from the 2005 user population database of the Indian Health Service (IHS). IHS operates a health-services system delivered directly through IHS facilities, purchased by IHS through contractual agreements with private providers, or delivered through tribally operated programs and urban Indian health programs. Approximately 60% of the nearly 3 million AIANs residing in the United States live in IHS health-care delivery areas, are eligible to receive IHS services, and use IHS medical facilities. Diabetes cases among AIANs aged 20 years or older were identified by using the *International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification* (ICD-9-CM) diagnostic codes 250.0–250.9 from the IHS patient care computerized system for 2005. The patient care database includes unduplicated case reports for persons who attended an IHS service unit one or more times during 2005. Prevalence was calculated by using the AIAN population that received health-care services at IHS, tribal, or urban facilities at least once during the preceding 3 years.

Sufficient data are not available to derive estimates of the total prevalence of diabetes (both diagnosed and undiagnosed diabetes) for many U.S. minority populations. However, national estimates of diagnosed diabetes are available for some but not all minority groups to allow racial and ethnic comparisons. Resources to obtain data for minority groups at the state or local level include the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System <http://www.cdc.gov/brfss/stateinfo.htm> and the California Health Interview Survey www.chis.ucla.edu.

See the Census glossary for the definition of U.S. racial/ethnic minority groups
http://factfinder.census.gov/home/en/epss/glossary_a.html.

Incidence of diagnosed diabetes among people aged 20 years or older, United States, 2007

2004–2006 National Health Interview Survey (NHIS), National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Available at <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis.htm>.

U.S. Census Bureau, resident population estimates for 11/1/2007. Available at http://www.census.gov/popest/national/asrh/2006_nat_res.html.

Methods: Age-specific estimates of the incidence of diagnosed diabetes in the civilian, noninstitutionalized population aged 20 years or older from the 2004–2006 NHIS were applied to 2007 estimates of the U.S. resident population without diabetes diagnosed in the past year to calculate the number of new cases of diabetes. Incidence was calculated from data on respondents' age at diagnosis and age at interview. Adults who reported being diagnosed with diabetes were asked at what age they were diagnosed. We calculated the number of years each person had been diagnosed with diabetes by subtracting the age at which they were diagnosed from their current age. Adults who had a value of zero were identified as having been diagnosed with diabetes within the last year. In addition, we assumed that half of the adults who had a value of one were classified as having been diagnosed with diabetes within the last year.

Incidence of diagnosed diabetes in people younger than 20 years of age, United States, 2002–2003

SEARCH Study Group. SEARCH for Diabetes in Youth: a multicenter study of the prevalence, incidence and classification of diabetes mellitus in youth. *Control Clin Trials* 25(5):458–471, 2004.



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Writing Group for the SEARCH for Diabetes in Youth Study Group, Dabelea D, Bell RA, D'Agostino RB Jr, Imperatore G, Johansen JM, Linder B, Liu LL, Loots B, Marcovina S, Mayer-Davis EJ, Pettitt DJ, Waitzfelder B. Incidence of diabetes in youth in the United States. *JAMA* 297(24):2716–2724, 2007. Available at <http://jama.ama-assn.org/cgi/content/full/297/24/2716>.

Methods: SEARCH for Diabetes in Youth is a multicenter observational study to examine diabetes among children and adolescents in the United States. The youth population being studied in 8 locations throughout the United States—more than 5 million, or 6 percent, of all American children younger than 20 years—is not nationally representative. However, the SEARCH sites were selected for their ability to reach minority populations, making this study group the largest and most racially and geographically diverse group ever involved in a youth diabetes study. It entails conducting population-based ascertainment of cases of physician-diagnosed diabetes in people younger than 20 years of age (see <http://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/pubs/factsheets/search.htm>). New diabetes cases occurring in 2002 and 2003 were identified: a) in geographically defined populations in Ohio, Washington, South Carolina and Colorado; b) among health plan enrollees in Hawaii (Hawaii Medical Service Association, Med-Quest, Kaiser Permanente Hawaii) and California (Kaiser Permanente Southern California excluding San Diego); and c) among American Indian populations in Arizona and New Mexico. The population observed included non-institutionalized, civilian youth younger than 20 years of age in the years 2002 and 2003. The population denominator included 10,031,888 persons. Race/ethnicity-specific estimates were pooled across sites using five categories: non-Hispanic white (NHW), Hispanic (H), African American (AA), Asian-Pacific Islander (API), and American Indian (AI). The annual total number of new cases of diabetes in persons younger than 20 years of age was estimated by applying the age-, sex-, and racial/ethnic group-specific incidence estimates from SEARCH to the age-, sex-, and racial/ethnic group-specific U.S. population using bridged-race postcensal population estimates of the July 1, U.S. resident population. Data used in the bullets and the figure were derived from the *JAMA* publication listed above.

	Denominator	Type 1		Type 2		Other/Unknown		All Types	
		Rate	95% CI	Rate	95% CI	Rate	95% CI	Rate	95% CI
Age 0 – 9 Years									
NHW	2,821,150	23.4	(21.7 – 25.3)	0.1	(0.0 – 0.3)	0.4	(0.3 – 0.8)	24.0	(22.2 – 25.9)
AA	691,390	13.0	(10.6 – 16.0)	0.8	(0.4 – 1.9)	0.3	(0.1 – 1.1)	14.1	(11.6 – 17.2)
H	829,310	12.4	(10.2 – 15.0)	0.6	(0.3 – 1.5)	0.4	(0.1 – 1.1)	13.4	(11.1 – 16.1)
API	376,650	7.1	(4.9 – 10.3)	1.1	(0.5 – 2.8)	0.0	(0.0 – 1.1)	8.3	(5.8 – 11.7)
AI	133,598	4.9	(2.3 – 10.3)	0.0	(0.0 – 2.9)	0.2	(0.0 – 3.2)	5.1	(2.4 – 10.6)
All groups	4,852,098	18.3	(17.1 – 19.5)	0.4	(0.3 – 0.6)	0.4	(0.2-0.6)	19.0	(17.8 – 20.3)
Age 10 – 19 Years									
NHW	3,107,250	24.1	(22.4 – 25.9)	4.3	(3.6 – 5.1)	1.7	(1.3 – 2.2)	30.1	(28.2 – 32.1)
AA	743,360	15.3	(12.8 – 18.4)	20.9	(17.9 – 24.5)	3.8	(2.6 – 5.5)	40.0	(35.7 – 44.8)
H	774,192	15.1	(12.6 – 18.1)	12.7	(10.4 – 15.5)	2.7	(1.8 – 4.1)	30.5	(26.8 – 34.6)
API	403,460	7.6	(5.3 – 10.8)	17.1	(13.5 – 21.6)	1.3	(0.6 – 3.0)	26.0	(21.5 – 31.5)
AI	151,528	6.0	(3.2 – 11.4)	36.7	(28.3 – 47.7)	0.2	(0.0 – 2.9)	42.9	(33.7 – 54.7)
All groups	5,179,790	19.7	(18.5 – 20.9)	9.9	(9.1 – 10.8)	2.1	(1.7– 2.5)	31.6	(30.1 – 33.2)



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Deaths among people with diabetes, United States, 2006

Heron MP, Hoyert DL, Xu J, Scott C, Tejada-Vera B. Deaths: Preliminary data for 2006. National vital statistics reports; vol 56 no 16. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics. 2008.

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Methods: The number of deaths with diabetes as any listed cause of death among U.S. residents was obtained from the multiple cause-of-death dataset, National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Complications of diabetes in the United States

Heart disease and stroke

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Methods: Tables 1–2 in the above reference provide the data for the bullets on heart disease and stroke. A total of 174,130 death certificates in 2004 mentioned diabetes as a cause of death among people aged 65 years or older (Table 1). Among these 174,130 deaths, 117,810 (68%) also mentioned heart disease as a cause of death and 27,874 (16%) mentioned stroke (Table 2).

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Nervous system disease

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Estimated diabetes costs in the United States in 2007

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The estimated costs of diabetes in the United States were based on a study by the Lewin Group, Inc., for the American Diabetes Association and are 2007 estimates of both the direct (cost of medical care and services) and indirect costs (costs of short-term and permanent disability and of premature death) attributable to diabetes. This study used a specific cost-of-disease methodology to estimate the health care costs due to diabetes.



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