

**Data table for Figure 16. High serum total cholesterol (240 mg/dL or higher) among adults 20 years of age and over, by sex and age: United States, 1988–1994, 1999–2002, and 2005–2008**

Sex and age	1988–1994		1999–2002		2005–2008	
	Percent	SE	Percent	SE	Percent	SE
Total						
20 years and over, age-adjusted . . . . .	20.8	0.6	17.3	0.6	14.9	0.6
20 years and over, crude . . . . .	19.6	0.6	17.3	0.7	15.2	0.6
20–44 years. . . . .	10.9	0.6	12.3	0.8	11.3	0.7
45–64 years. . . . .	30.4	1.2	22.6	1.1	20.3	1.1
65–74 years. . . . .	32.3	1.8	24.0	1.6	15.6	1.1
75 years and over . . . . .	31.6	1.7	20.2	1.2	14.9	1.6
Men						
20 years and over, age-adjusted . . . . .	19.0	0.7	16.4	0.9	13.4	0.7
20 years and over, crude . . . . .	17.7	0.7	16.5	0.9	13.8	0.7
20–44 years. . . . .	12.5	0.7	14.2	1.0	12.0	1.0
45–64 years. . . . .	27.2	1.6	22.2	1.7	18.5	1.4
65–74 years. . . . .	21.9	2.2	13.7	1.8	7.9	1.3
75 years and over . . . . .	20.4	1.8	10.2	1.3	8.6	1.2
Women						
20 years and over, age-adjusted . . . . .	22.0	0.8	17.8	0.7	16.0	0.7
20 years and over, crude . . . . .	21.3	0.9	18.0	0.8	16.6	0.7
20–44 years. . . . .	9.4	0.8	10.4	0.9	10.7	0.9
45–64 years. . . . .	33.4	1.6	23.0	1.5	22.1	1.5
65–74 years. . . . .	41.3	2.4	32.3	2.3	21.8	1.6
75 years and over . . . . .	38.2	2.2	26.5	1.8	19.4	2.3

SE is standard error.

NOTES: Estimates are age-adjusted to the year 2000 standard population using five age groups: 20–34 years, 35–44 years, 45–64 years, 55–64 years, and 65 years and over. See Appendix II, Cholesterol. Two measures of high cholesterol are presented in *Health, United States*: high serum total cholesterol (presented here) and high cholesterol, which includes both those with high serum total cholesterol and those taking medication to control their cholesterol levels. Also see Table 68 for data on the prevalence of high cholesterol.

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey.