

#### Migraine

# Epidemiology and burden

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# **Migraine epidemiology**

- In 2017, it was estimated that 1.3 billion people worldwide suffered from migraines.<sup>1</sup>
- According to the WHO's Global Burden of Disease study, "headache disorders" are consistently the second most prevalent disease worldwide.<sup>1</sup>
- Migraine is almost three times as common in women than in men.<sup>2</sup>
- Migraine is the most prevalent cause of disability among those under 50 years old.<sup>3</sup>
- High levels of disability and comorbidity, such as an elevated risk of anxiety, depression, and insomnia, are associated with migraine.<sup>4</sup>

### Migraine is a highly prevalent and burdensome condition

WHO=World Health Organization

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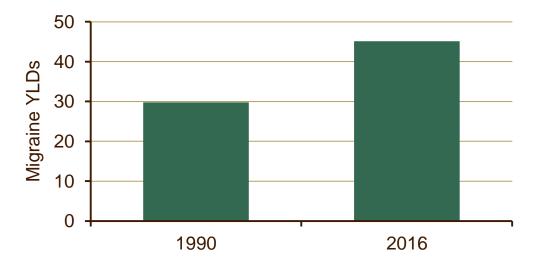
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# **Prevalence of migraine**

# Migraine and headache in the WHO GBD study

- In 2017, it was estimated that 1.3 billion people worldwide suffered from migraines.<sup>1</sup>
- In a detailed, migraine-focused analysis of the GBD 2016 study, the global age-standardized prevalence of migraine was 14.4% (18.9% for women, and 9.8% for men)<sup>2</sup>
- In the same analysis, the global age-standardized prevalence of tension-type headache was 26.1% (30.8% for women, and 21.4% for men)<sup>2</sup>

The estimated years lived with disability (YLDs) associated with migraine increased by 51.2%, from 29.8 million to 45.1 million, between 1990 and 2016.<sup>2</sup>

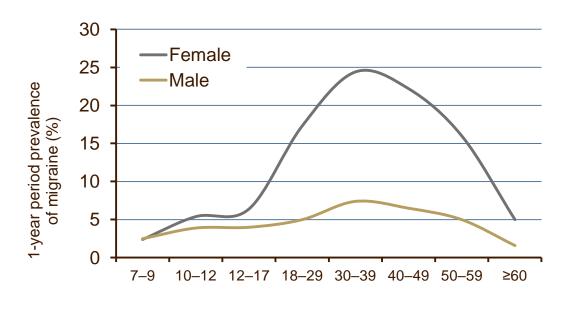


GBD=Global Burden of Disease; WHO=World Health Organization; YLD=years lived with disability

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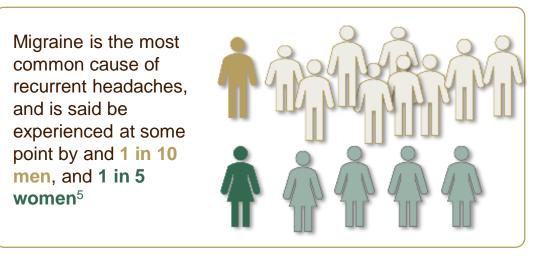
## Prevalence of migraine by age and sex

**Prevalence of migraine**<sup>1</sup>



#### Age range (years)

- The prevalence of migraine attacks often rises with age, reaching a peak between the ages of 30-40 years.<sup>1-3</sup>
- Migraine is more common among women than among men



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#### Migraine as a global health crisis – the top cause of disability in the under 50s<sup>1</sup>

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Globally, migraines have a negative impact on public health and are a major cause of disability in both high- and lowincome countries.<sup>1,4</sup>

An estimated **68.5 million individuals** were affected by migraine in the USA in 2017<sup>2,3</sup>



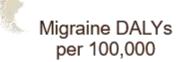


Among people aged <50 years old, migraine is the most common neurological disorder<sup>1</sup>

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# **Global burden of migraine**





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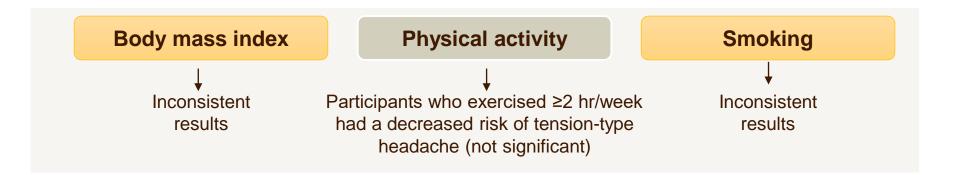
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# Risk factors for the onset of migraine

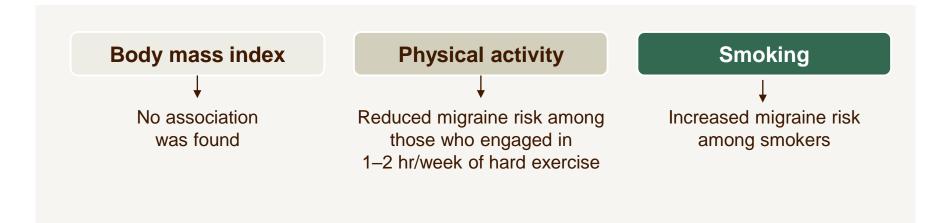
# Lifestyle factors and migraine risk

 The German DMKG study used data from 7,417 participants to analyze the effect of 3 lifestyle factors on headache and migraine risk:<sup>1</sup>



DMKG=German Migraine and Headache Society; HUNT=Nord-Trøndelag Health Surveys; OR=odds ratio; RR=risk ratio

• The HUNT study evaluated the effect of these same lifestyle factors at baseline on the risk of headache 11 years later in 15,276 participants without headache at baseline:<sup>2</sup>



#### Migraine attack triggers

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- some trigger factors relate to changes in those conditions<sup>1-4</sup>

Emotional Stress	Excessive sleep Sleep deprivation Physical Fatigue Hormonal changes in women
Over eating	Weather
Caffeine	Sunlight
Dietary	<b>Environmental</b>
Fasting Smoking	Noise
Alcohol	Odours

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