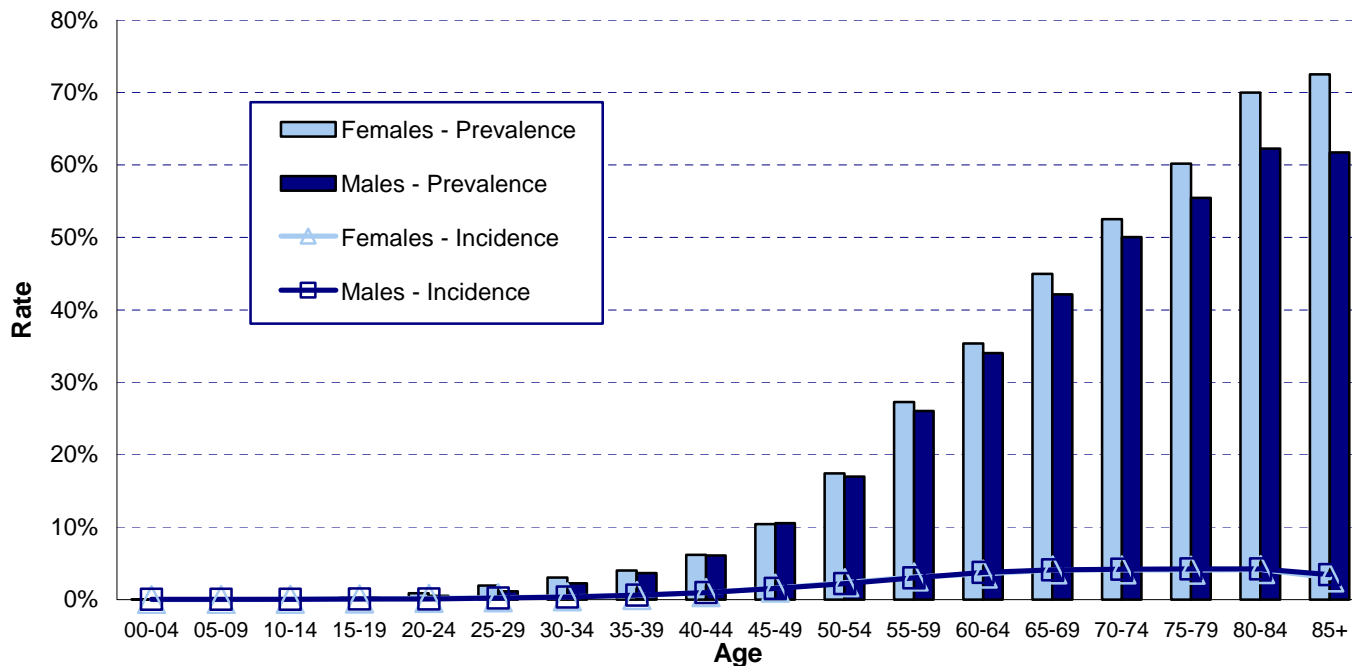


HYPERTENSION

**Hypertension Incidence and Prevalence, Age-Specific Rates,
By Gender, B.C., 2001/2002**



Notes:

1. Incidence is the rate at which new cases are identified in the population.
2. Prevalence is the rate of both newly and previously identified cases living in the population.
3. The case definition is met if the patient received at least:
 - (a) one hypertension-related hospital visit (ICD-9 401 to 405 or ICD-10 I10-I15), as recorded in any of the diagnostic code fields, or
 - (b) two hypertension-related MSP services (ICD-9 401 to 405) within 365 days.
 The ICD-10 coding in the DAD (hospitalization) database is used starting fiscal year 2001/2002.
4. Rates are calculated based on 2001/2002 BC population, PEOPLE 27.

