

Colombia

Total population: 48 229 000

Income group: Upper middle

Mortality

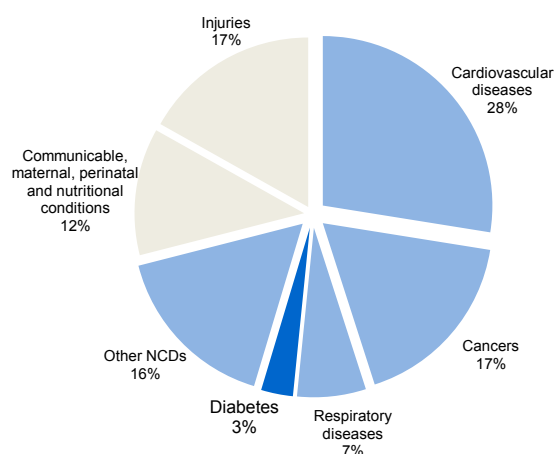
Number of diabetes deaths

	males	females
ages 30–69	1 220	1 450
ages 70+	1 350	2 030

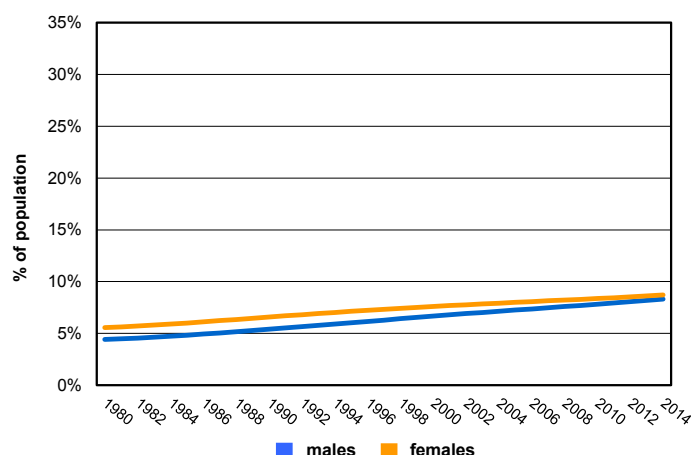
Number of deaths attributable to high blood glucose

	males	females
ages 30–69	2 820	2 450
ages 70+	3 140	4 180

Proportional mortality (% of total deaths, all ages)



Trends in age-standardized prevalence of diabetes



Prevalence of diabetes and related risk factors

	males	females	total
Diabetes	7.6%	8.5%	8.0%
Overweight	53.2%	58.3%	55.8%
Obesity	15.7%	25.5%	20.7%
Physical inactivity	53.4%	72.9%	63.5%

National response to diabetes

Policies, guidelines and monitoring

Operational policy/strategy/action plan for diabetes	Yes
Operational policy/strategy/action plan to reduce overweight and obesity	Yes
Operational policy/strategy/action plan to reduce physical inactivity	Yes
Evidence-based national diabetes guidelines/protocols/standards	Not available
Standard criteria for referral of patients from primary care to higher level of care	Available and partially implemented
Diabetes registry	No
Recent national risk factor survey in which blood glucose was measured	No

Availability of medicines, basic technologies and procedures in the public health sector

Medicines in primary care facilities

Insulin	●
Metformin	●
Sulphonylurea	●

Procedures

Retinal photocoagulation	○
Renal replacement therapy by dialysis	●
Renal replacement therapy by transplantation	●

Basic technologies in primary care facilities

Blood glucose measurement	●
Oral glucose tolerance test	●
HbA1c test	●
Dilated fundus examination	○
Foot vibration perception by tuning fork	○
Foot vascular status by Doppler	○
Urine strips for glucose and ketone measurement	●

○ = not generally available ● = generally available

World Health Organization – Diabetes country profiles, 2016.