#### • Last Week:

- Demographic Transition Theories
- Post DTT
  - More Complex Theories of Demographic Change and Response
- Consequences of demographic change
  - Economic development
  - Political change
  - Social evolution
  - Individual life chances
    - Cohort hypotheses

#### Also started last week:

- Mortality
  - Some basic definitions
  - Some basic measures
  - Causes of Death
    - Ultimately only 3 ways to die
      - 1. Communicable and parasitic infections

#### This week:

- Continue Causes of Death
  - General causes 2 and 3
  - Direct, Proximate and Fundamental Causes
  - Intro to the survival curve
  - Changes to causes over time
    - The epidemiological transition (Omran 1971)
    - Post transition:
      - 4<sup>th</sup> stage (Olshansky and Ault 1986)?
      - Rectangularization of the survival curve (Fries 1980)?
- More mortality differentials
  - Sex, marital status, ethnicity, SES etc.

2. Degenerative Diseases

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- In Canada
  - Leading 4 causes of death are degenerative

1. Malignant neoplasms (Cancer)	27.2%
2. Diseases of the Heart	27.1%
3. Cerebrovascular diseases (Strokes)	7.4%
4. Chronic lung disease	
(Emphysema, bronchitis, asthma)	4.3%
5. Accidents	4.2%
6. Pneumonia and influenza	3.5%

- 3. Injuries/Poisoning
  - accidents
  - suicide
  - homicide

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- Homicide

• How do we know what you died of?

- 002.0 Typhoid fever
- 002.1 Paratyphoid fever A
- 002.2 Paratyphoid fever B
- 002.3 Paratyphoid fever C
- 002.9 Paratyphoid fever, unspecified
- 003 Other Salmonella infections
- 003.0 Salmonella gastro-enteritis
- 003.1 Salmonella septicaemia
- 003.2 Localised Salmonella infections

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• Ideally,

• Real life

# Causes of Death Competing Causes

• Ex. Bill

• More common ex: Betty

- So far:
  - Direct causes of death
  - But also Proximate Causes

- Proximate Causes
  - McGinnis and Foege (1993) Epidemiologists
    - First to really try to measure these causes with reasonable success
    - In the U. S. in 1990:

– 1. Smoking	19%
<ul> <li>– 2. Diet and exercise</li> </ul>	14%
<ul> <li>– 3. Alcohol abuse</li> </ul>	5%
<ul> <li>– 4. Infectious disease</li> </ul>	4%
<ul> <li>– 5. Toxic agents</li> </ul>	4%

- 6. Fire arms, accidents, etc...
- NB: More recently with continued obesity epidemic and reduction in smoking, many experts now switch 1 and 2

**Fundamental Causes** 

#### Causes of Death Fundamental Causes

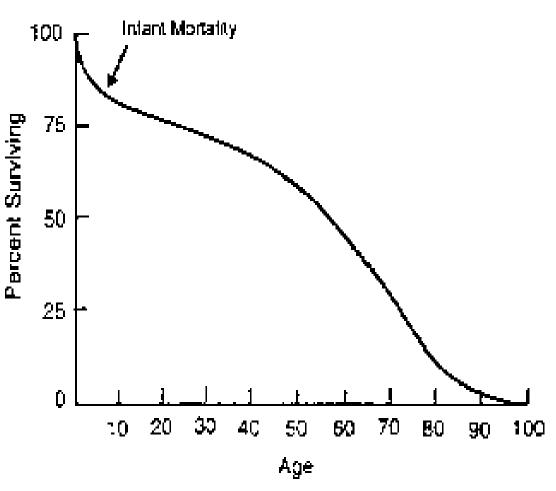
• Social Inequality the prime fundamental cause

 Recommended reading: Link, Bruce and Jo Phelan.
 1995. Social conditions as fundamental causes of disease. *Journal of Health and Social Behaviour*, Special Edition, p80-94.

# Survival Curves

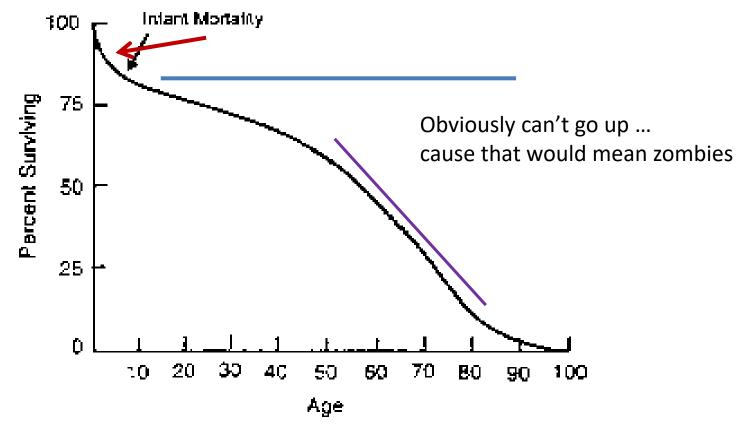
The mortality experience of a cohort

- graphically portrayed as *survival curves*
  - Derived from the same *life tables* as life expectancy
  - represents the proportion of persons born who survive to specific ages

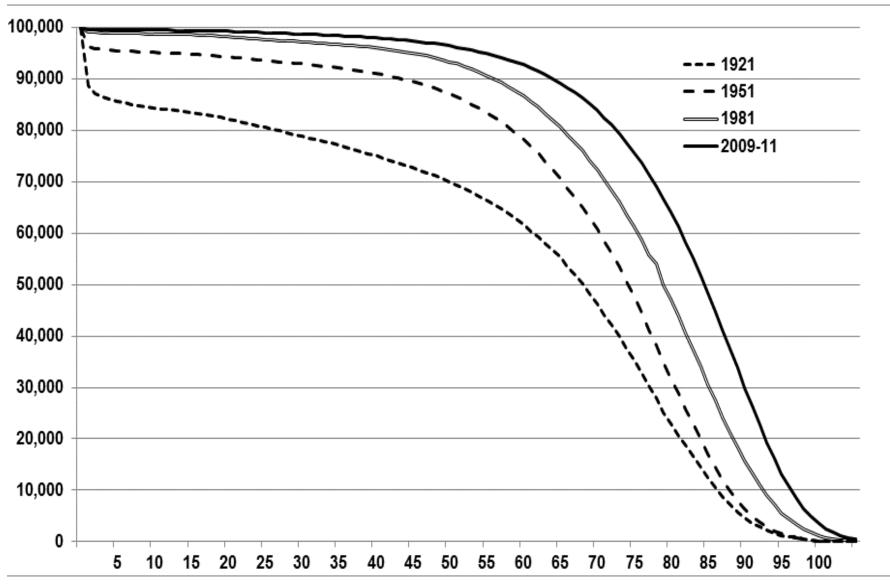


# Survival curves

- Depending upon mortality level
  - shape can differ quite dramatically
- 3 things to look for:
  - 1. Size of drop at the youngest ages
  - 2. How steep the decline is for adults
  - 3. How far the curve gets before significant declines in survival



#### **Survival Curves**



Source: Canadian Human Mortality Data Base, Period Life Tables; Statistics Canada, 2013a

# **Epidemiological Transition**

- Part of *Demographic Transition* 
   Description of change in mortality regimes
- Abdel Omran (1971)
  - History of western Europe as focus
  - 3 basic stages

## **Epidemiological Transition**

• 1. Age of famine and pestilence

• 2. Age of receding pandemics

• 3. Age of man-made and degenerative causes

# **1.** Age of famine and pestilence

- Very high death rates
  - 2 stages:
    - Before agricultural revolution

• After ag rev

# **1.** Age of famine and pestilence

• Death rates high for all ages but especially

# **1.** Age of famine and pestilence

• Ex. Maternal death risk today

# 2. Age of receding pandemics

# 2. Age of receding pandemics

 Reduction in mortality most pronounced among the very young

# 3. Age of man-made and degenerative causes

• Omran

# Currently in Canada

- 99%+ births survive to age 5
- 95%+ complete reproductive years
- Almost 90% make it to age 70
- See life tables link from last week

• So what happens now?

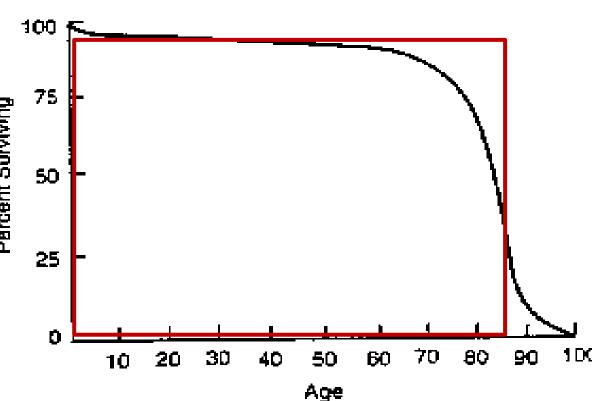
2 Opposite Theories
 – Fries (1980)

- Olshansky and Ault (1986)

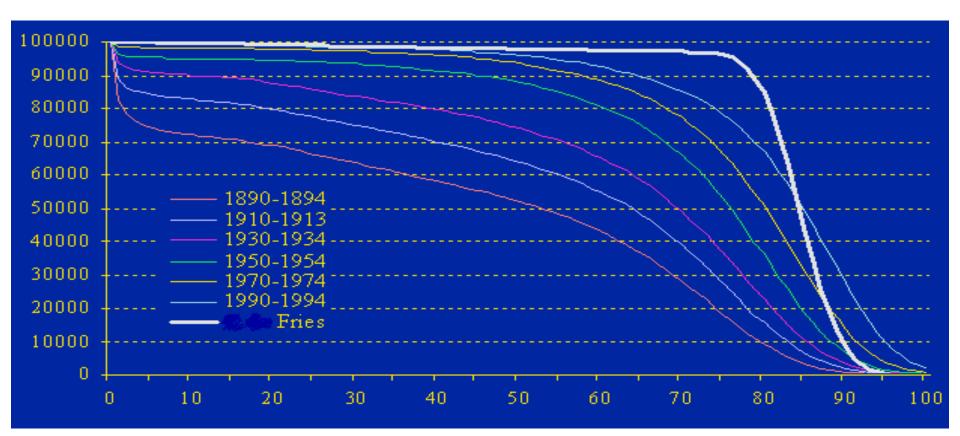
 Also known as the compression of mortality

Fries

- Because most deaths happen together in a short time
   or also 'Fries
   expected
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   expected
   *rectangularization* of the survival curve'
  - For obvious reasons



- Olshansky and Ault
  - Don't really see rectangularization
    - Don't seem to be approaching life span
  - Curve stays the same but moves further to the right
    - Rapid mortality decline in *older population* since 70s or so
      - dying of the same causes just later in life



So 4<sup>th</sup> stage is about declines in mortality moving from younger to older populations

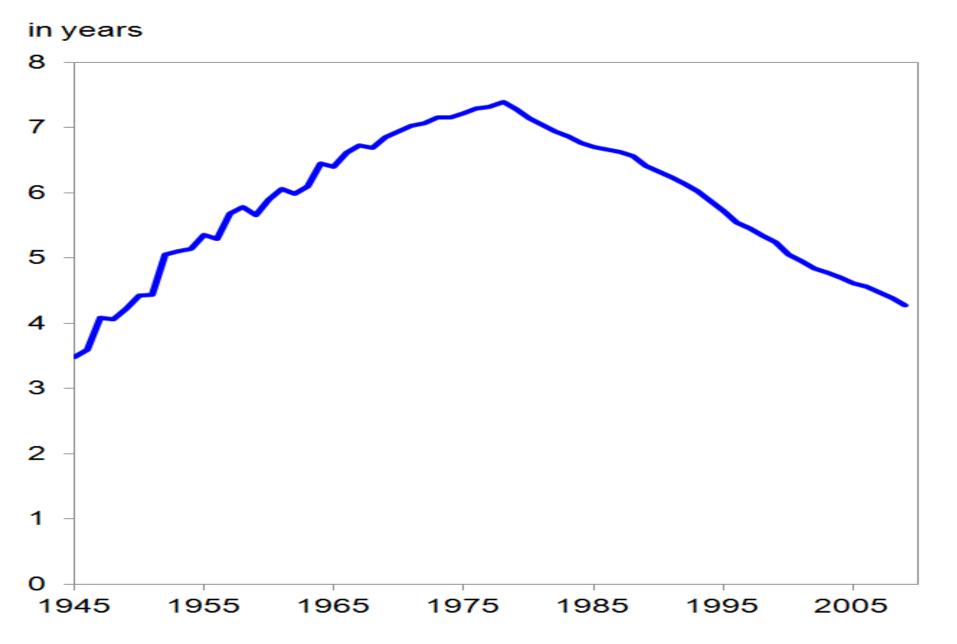
Factors contributing to this

 Mortality varies by biologically and especially socially relevant characteristics

- Age (already covered)
- Sex
- Social integration (Marital Status)
- SES
- Race/Ethnicity

Sex

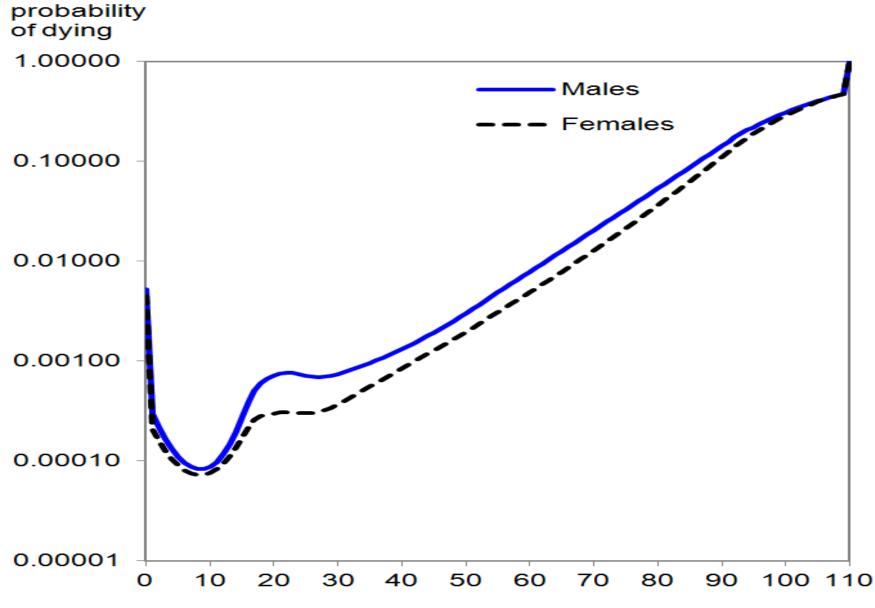
#### Difference (in years) between female and male life expectancy at birth, Canada, 1945 to 2009



• Sex

• Sex

#### Probabilities of dying by age and sex, Canada, 2009/2011



• Sex

Marital Status

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• Social Inequality

- Social Inequality
  - Income

Remaining life expectancy at age 25, by sex and selected socioeconomic and demographic variables

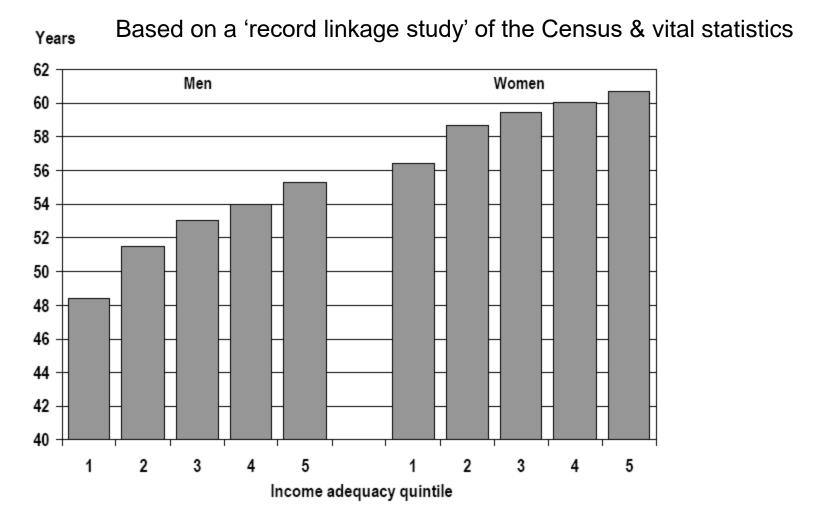
Category	Total			Men			Women			
	Years	95% confidence interval		Years	95% confidence interval		Years	95% confidence interval		
		From	То		From	То		From	То	
Income adequacy quintile (area)										
5 (highest)	58.9	58.8	59	57.4	57.2	57.5	60.8	60.6	60.9	
4	57.9	57.8	58	55.9	55.8	56	60.2	60	60.3	
3	57.1	57	57.2	55	54.9	55.1	59.5	59.4	59.6	
2	56	55.9	56.1	53.4	53.3	53.5	58.6	58.4	58.7	
1 (lowest)	53.8	53.7	53.8	50.5	50.4	50.6	56.2	56.1	56.3	
Difference = quintile 5 minus quintile 1	5.2	5.2	5.2	6.8	6.8	6.8	4.5	4.5	4.6	

**Sources:** Statistics Canada, 2001 Canadian census–tax–mortality cohort, derived from the 2001 Census of Population and the 2014 Amalgamated Mortality Database.

Figure 2

Life expectancy at age 25, by sex and income adequacy quintile, non-institutionalized population aged 25 or older at baseline, Canada, 1991 to 2001

Standard symbols



Source: Census mortality follow-up study, 1991 to 2001. Figure source: Statistics Canada, 2008, "The Canadian census mortality follow-up study, 1991 through 2001", *Health Reports, September 2008*, Catalogue number 82-003-X

- Social Inequality
  - Education

#### Remaining life expectancy at age 25, by sex and selected socioeconomic and demographic variables

	Total			Men			Women			
Category	Years	95% confidence interval		Years	95% co interval	nfidence	Years	95% confidence interval		
		From	То		From	То		From	То	
Educational attainment										
University degree	59.8	59.7	59.9	58.6	58.5	58.8	61.8	61.6	62.1	
Postsecondary non- university certificate or diploma	59.3	59.2	2 59.4	56.7	56.5	5 56.8	60.8	60.7	61	
High school with or without trades certificate	57.1	. 57	7 57.1	54.8	<b>5</b> 4.7	7 54.9	59.5	59.4	59.6	
Less than secondary school graduation	54.4	54.3	54.4	51.9	51.8	3 52	56.8	56.7	7 56.9	
Difference = university minus less than secondary school	5.4	5.4	5.5	6.7	6.7	6.8	5	<b>4</b> .9	9 5.1	

**Sources:** Statistics Canada, 2001 Canadian census–tax–mortality cohort, derived from the 2001 Census of Population and the 2014 Amalgamated Mortality Database.

- Social Inequality
  - Occupation

Age-standardized mortality rate per 100,000 person-years at risk, rate ratios and rate differences, for men aged 20 to 100 years at baseline, by selected socioeconomic characteristics, Canada, 2001 to 2011

			mortalit y rate	95% CI		Rate ratio	95% C	1	Rate differ ences	95% C	I
	number	Deaths	rate	From	То	ratio	From	То	rate	From	То
Occupation											
Professional	190,930	6,290	886.4	835.3	940.7	1	NA	NA	0	NA	NA
Managerial	176,510	6,990	921.6	869	977.4	1.04	0.96	1.13	35.2	-40.4	110.7
Skilled, technical,											
supervisory	434,065	18,825	1,051.2	1,017.5	1,085.9	1.19	1.11	1.27	164.7	102	227.5
Semi-skilled	372,780	16,085	1,065.1	1,017.8	1,114.7	1.2	1.11	1.29	178.7	107.1	250.3
Unskilled	138,390	7,015	1,158.7	1,084.7	1,237.8	1.31	1.2	1.43	272.3	179.4	365.2
No occupation	374,980	131,025	1,802.2	1,787.1	1,817.4	2.03	1.91	2.16	915.8	861	970.5
Sources: Statistics Canada, 2001 Canadian census-tax-mortality cohort, derived from the 2001 Census of Population and the 2014 Amalgamated											

Mortality Database.

Race/ethnicity

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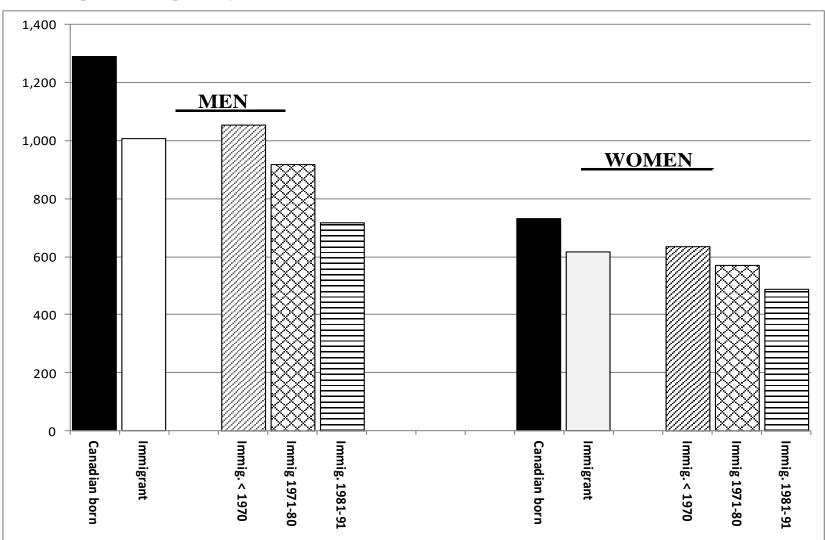
Remaining life expectancy at age 25, by sex and selected socioeconomic and demographic variables

Total			Men				Women				
Category	Years	95% confidence interval		e Years	95% co interva	nfidence I	e Years	95% confidence interval			
		From	То		From	То		From	То		
Visible minority											
status											
Not a visible minority	56.8	56.8	56.9	54.6	54.5	54.6	59	59	59.1		
Visible minority	60.8	60.6	60.9	<b>58.9</b>	58.7	59.1	62.5	62.3	62.7		
Chinese	61.9	61.6	62.1	<b>59.9</b>	59.6	60.3	63.6	63.2	64		
South Asian	60	59.7	60.4	<b>58.9</b>	58.3	59.4	61.4	60.9	62		
Black	59.6	59.2	60.1	57.2	56.7	57.8	<b>61.3</b>	60.7	61.9		
Filipino	<b>60.1</b>	59.6	60.6	57.4	56.7	58.2	61.9	61.2	62.6		
Latin American	60.4	59.5	61.4	57.1	56.1	58.1	<b>62.6</b>	61.3	63.9		
Southeast Asian	61.8	60.5	63.1	<b>59.4</b>	58.3	60.5	63.3	61.3	65.3		
Arab	<b>59.5</b>	58.6	60.4	57.7	56.7	58.8	<b>62.9</b>	61.1	64.7		
Difference = visible	2										
minority minus not visible minority	<b>3.</b> 9	3.8	4	4.3	4.2	4.5	3.5	3.3	3.6		

**Sources:** Statistics Canada, 2001 Canadian census–tax–mortality cohort, derived from the 2001 Census of Population and the 2014 Amalgamated Mortality Database.

Race/ethnicity

Figure 3.8. Age-Standardized Mortality Rates for Immigrants, by Sex and Period of Immigration, Compared with Canadian-Born Cohort Members, Persons Aged 25 or Older at Baseline, Canada, 1991-2001



Deaths per 100,000 person-years at risk

Source: Ng (2011)