

Has cardiovascular mortality increased in Chile? Ha aumentado la mortalidad cardiovascular en Chile?

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From 1975 to 1985 mortality from cardiovascular causes has decreased from 170.6 to 164.5 per 100,000 while its relative participation among all causes has increased from 23.0 to 27.6%. Total cardiovascular and ischemic deaths in the 35 to 74 year age range has also decreased. A lower mortality from ischemic heart disease but a higher one from cerebro vascular disease in all age groups compared to those reported in USA is shown by these data. Differences in the prevalence of risk factors such as diet, hyperlipidemia, hypertension and smoking may underlie this different mortality pattern from cardiovascular disease.