

Trends in the incidence, prevalence and YLDs of facial fractures at global, regional and national levels from 1990 to 2017

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44 **Introduction**

45 Injuries places huge burden on all populations worldwide, leading to high morbidity or mortality,
46 regardless of age, gender, or geographical region (Salomon et al. 2015). Approximately 25% of
47 all injuries reported in the National Trauma Data Bank involve the face (Choi et al. 2020). Facial
48 fracture is a predominant cause of morbidity in the United States (VandeGriend et al. 2015),
49 because among the body parts, the face is the most exposed part, and it lacks protection, leading
50 to the fragility of facial bones. Further, facial nerves and muscles responsible for central
51 conduction, sensations, expressions, and eye movements are positioned near the facial bones
52 (Plaisier et al. 2000). Therefore, fracture of face bones can result in death or inconvertible
53 sequelae (Clavijo-Alvarez et al. 2012; Choi et al. 2020). Major facial fractures are recorded in
54 males, especially for those who aged between 16 and 30 years (Haug et al. 1990). The most
55 common causes of face trauma are assault, fall, and motor vehicle collision based on an
56 epidemiology study of facial fractures in the United States (Erdmann et al. 2008). According to
57 different era, geographic, socioeconomic, and cultural factors, the order of these three leading
58 frequent causes may change (Haug et al. 1990; Avansini Marsicano et al. 2019; Simsek et al.
59 2007). Based on numerous literatures about facial fractures, the distribution of the etiology and
60 pattern of facial fractures were mostly investigated. (Fasola et al. 2003; Montovani et al. 2006;
61 Thoren et al. 2009; Alam & RCSED 2019). Though a recent study of facial fractures were based
62 on the global burden of disease 2017 study(Lalloo et al. 2020), they focused on the causes of
63 facial fractures globally and referred briefly to the incidence, prevalence, and years lived with
64 disability (YLDs) of facial fractures. In the present study, we analyzed the incidence, prevalence,
65 and YLDs of facial fractures among 195 countries or territories and 21 regions by calculating the
66 change in cases (CIC) and estimated annual percentage changes (EAPCs) from 1990 to 2017 to
67 evaluate the changing trends of facial fractures and analyze the correlation between age-
68 standardized rates (ASRs) or socio-demographic index (SDI) and EAPC. Furthermore, we

69 discussed the changing trends in the age and gender distribution of facial fractures from 1990 to
70 2017.

71 The Global Burden of Disease (GBD) study contained the data of 354 diseases and injuries in
72 195 countries or territories and regions involving the incidence, prevalence, YLDs, and
73 corresponding ASRs among gender, age, SDI, region, and country. Subsequently, we provided
74 an opportunity for the exhaustive estimation of the distribution, burden, and trends of facial
75 fractures in various countries and regions. Therefore, this study provided reference for policy
76 makers to fully utilize the limited medical resources and formulate relevant policies and thus
77 prevent people from suffering facial fractures.

78 **Results**

79 **Analysis of facial fracture incidence worldwide**

80 From 1990 to 2017, the global incident cases of facial fractures rose from 5,405,814 to
81 7,538,663, increasing by 39.45%. Conversely, the EAPC of ASIR was 0.00 (−0.20 to 0.10),
82 showing a downtrend, and the ASIR of facial fractures decreased from 100.47 per 100,000
83 persons to 98.47 per 100,000 persons over 28 years (Table 1). In addition, the incidence of facial
84 fractures was 5,009,249 (4,113,772–6,093,590) in males, which was twice more than those in
85 females, thus supporting the trend of ASIR.

86 In 2017, a high number of facial fractures incident cases was recorded in India (1,127,438.84),
87 China (1,104,811.30), and USA (432,104.19), whereas a few incident cases were recorded in
88 Northern Mariana Islands (36.68), Dominica (41.64), and American Samoa (43.22). Syria
89 recorded the highest (588.34/100,000 people) ASIR in 2017, whereas Indonesia had the lowest
90 ASIR (30.40/100,000 people) among the 195 countries or territories (Fig. 1A). Moreover, the
91 ASIR of facial fractures was highest in Central Europe (310.03) among 21 regions but lowest in
92 Southeast Asia (49.03, Table 1). Furthermore, the ASIR of facial fractures displayed a specific
93 pattern with the various SDI values of 21 regions in the 2017 data. The regions in which the SDI
94 was approximately 0.5 had low ASIR of facial fractures, while those with SDI near 0.8 presented
95 a high ASIR (Fig. 2).

96 From 1990 to 2017, the incident cases of facial fractures increased in 159 countries or territories,
97 whereas the EAPC was negative in 48 countries. As shown in Table 1, the greatest increase of
98 CIC was observed in Oceania (157.89%), whereas the most prominent decrease of CIC was
99 observed in Central Europe (−12.69%). High-income North America recorded the lowest EAPC
100 of −1.87, whereas Caribbean recorded the highest EAPC of 1.64. In addition, facial fractures
101 showed an average EAPC of less than zero in regions of high and low SDI quintiles (Fig. 3A).
102 The trends of facial fractures over 28 years are presented in Figure 4A. An obvious decline of
103 ASIR was observed between 1995 and 2000 in high SDI quintile, and became stable
104 subsequently. Additionally, a significant correlation was observed between EAPC and ASIR ($\rho=$

105 – 0.3842, $P < 0.0001$, Fig. 5A), while no association was found between EAPC and SDI ($\rho =$
106 0.0036, $P = 0.9603$, Fig. 5B).

107 **Analysis of facial fracture prevalence worldwide**

108 During the last 28 years, global prevalence of facial fractures increased by 54.39% from
109 1,819,732 in 1990 to 1,178,636 in 2017. By contrast, the age-standardized prevalence rate
110 (ASPR) decreased worldwide, with an EAPC of -0.10 (-0.20 to 0.10). Similar to incidence, the
111 fractures of face bones predisposed to occur in males (1,155,326 prevalent numbers), which was
112 twice more than that in females (664,406 prevalent numbers), and it was consistent with the
113 ASPR.

114 Among the countries with various prevalence cases of facial fractures, the lowest ASPRs were
115 recorded in Indonesia (8.7/100,000 people) and Mauritius (11.8/100,000 people, Fig. 6 A). From
116 1990 to 2017, the ASPR of facial fractures decreased in 82 countries, in which Eritrea recorded a
117 maximum decrease of 77.08% (Fig. 6 B). As shown in Table 2, the number of facial fractures
118 increased in most regions and decreased only in Eastern Europe, while the ASPR showed a
119 downward trend in 10 regions, in which high-income North America recorded the most
120 prominent decrease of ASPR (-29.16%) with the lowest EAPC of -1.78 . Otherwise, facial
121 fractures prevalence showed an upward trend in 11 regions, in which Caribbean increased fastest
122 (2.09) followed by East Asia (1.50). In comparison with the 1990 data, the ASPR of facial
123 fractures decreased in high and low SDI quintiles in 2017. The ASPR among five multiple SDI
124 quintiles in the past 28 years are shown in Figure 3B. EAPC showed a negative correlation with
125 the ASPR of facial fractures ($\rho = -0.4418$, $P < 0.0001$, Fig. 5 C) but had no relationship with SDI
126 ($\rho = 0.0150$, $P = 0.8352$, Fig. 5 D).

127 **Analysis of facial fracture YLDs worldwide**

128 As shown in Table 3, the YLDs of facial fractures were 117,402.03 years in 2017, which was
129 1.5-folds higher than that in 1990. Similarly, the age-standardized YLD rate had an average
130 EAPC of -0.07 , indicating a downward trend. YLD and age-standardized YLD rates were both
131 high in males and were twice higher than those in females.

132 The top three countries with high YLDs had the same incidence and prevalence as those in 2017.
133 YLDs were low in Marshall Islands (0.58), Northern Mariana Islands (0.60), and American
134 Samoa (0.62, Fig. 7A). Similar to ASIR and ASPR, the highest age-standardized YLDs was
135 recorded in Syria (5.90), whereas Indonesia had the lowest (0.56). The values of EAPC were
136 negative in 76 countries from 1990 to 2017 (Fig. 7C). Eritrea recorded the lowest EAPC of -2.9
137 (-4.2 to 1.6), while Syria recorded the highest EAPC of 6.7 (4.1 – 9.3). At the regional level, the
138 YLDs of facial fractures were high in East Asia (20.98), South Asia (19.71), and Western Europe
139 (10.64), while age-standardized YLD rate was higher in Central Europe (4.36), Australasia
140 (4.00), and Eastern Europe (3.74, Table 3). Only in high and high-middle SDI quintile, the YLDs

141 of facial fractures increased by less than 50%. Analogously, the greatest increase of facial
142 fractures YLDs was observed in middle SDI quintile (102.8%). The variation tendency of age-
143 standardized YLDs over the past 28 years are presented in Figure 4C. EAPC was negatively
144 correlated with age-standardized YLDs ($\rho = -0.4406$, $P < 0.0001$, Fig. 5 E) but not correlated with
145 SDI ($\rho = -0.0189$, $P = 0.7941$, Fig. 5 F).

146 **Age and gender distribution of incidence, prevalence, and YLDs of facial fractures**

147 From 1990 to 2017, in all regions, the incident, prevalent cases, and YLD numbers of facial
148 fractures were mainly assembled between the age of 15 and 49 years, followed by the age group
149 of 50–69 years. In addition, in both sexes, these indices showed upward trends over time in
150 people aged over 50 years and downward trends in people under 14 years. Notably, a dynamic
151 equilibrium was observed in people aged 15–49 years and over 28 years (Fig. 8).

152 Both in 1990 and 2017, the incidence rate of facial fractures doubled at the age of 20–35 years
153 and in males with age over 80 years (Fig. 9A). The incidence rate in females showed a flat
154 pattern in different age groups except for those over 80 years and presented a sharp increase of
155 incidence rate (Fig. 9A). The prevalence and YLD rate of facial fractures increased gradually
156 with age and reached the peak at age over 80 years in both sexes (Figs. 9B, Figure 9C).

157 In both sexes, the ASIR, ASPR, and age-standardized YLDs showed a relatively stable trend
158 globally from 1990 to 2017 (Fig. 10 A). Notably, the above parameters in males were always
159 twice higher than those in females. In Syria, where the heaviest global burden of facial fractures
160 was observed, these parameters showed an upsurge in 2011, and the gender proportion between
161 females and males remained approximately 1:2, though a sharp increase was observed from 2011
162 (Fig. 10 B).

163 **Discussion**

164 Our analysis based on the GBD study displayed the latest worldwide patterns and the trends in
165 the incidence, prevalence, and YLDs of facial fractures. From 1990 to 2006, the ASIR, ASPR,
166 and age-standardized YLD rate of facial fractures showed a slow downward trend globally.
167 However, since 2007, among both females and males, the facial fracture burden increased
168 slightly. The facial fracture burden was more skewed towards males than females worldwide.
169 These findings will provide basis for policy makers to allocate medical resources reasonably and
170 determine the underlying causes of facial fractures, thus decreasing the incidence rate of facial
171 fractures. In addition, considering the various developing trends of facial fractures in different
172 SDI quintiles, more targeted policy should be applied.

173 As shown in Figure 2, the ASIR, ASPR, and age-standardized YLDs presented a similar and
174 specific pattern according to the different SDIs. Regions with higher SDI showed higher ASRs
175 than those with lower SDI. Motor vehicle collision, fall, and assault are the top three causes of
176 facial fractures (Avansini Marsicano et al. 2019). Therefore, the regions with high SDI index had

177 high motor vehicle numbers and traffic flux, which increased the incidence risk of road accidents
178 and facial fractures indirectly. However, the high and low SDI quintiles showed a negative
179 EAPC, indicating that these regions showed a downward trend annually between 1990 and 2017.
180 The use rates of seat belt in facial fractures increased by 3% (1990–1995), 8% (1996–2000), and
181 15% (2000–2004) (VandeGriend et al. 2015). Cormier et al. also demonstrated the importance of
182 using seat belts in the mitigation of facial injuries (2009). Hence, the increase in the use of seat
183 belts, helmets, and advanced car models and the strict control of road traffic may contribute to
184 the negative EAPC of facial fractures in regions with high SDI quintile (Erdmann et al. 2008;
185 Czerwinski et al. 2008). The development and application of 3D printing technology has also
186 been increasingly mature in the last three decades (Liu et al. 2018), thereby improving the cure
187 rate of facial fractures in developed countries or territories. Regions with low SDI showed low
188 ASIR, ASPR, and age-standardized YLDs, which may be attributed to the hysteretic medical
189 level and insufficient diagnosis ability (Erdmann et al. 2008, VandeGriend et al. 2015).
190 Moreover, the probability of occurrence of motor vehicle collisions, as one of the main causes of
191 facial fractures, is low in regions with low SDI (Alam & RCSED 2019). However, regions
192 with middle and high-middle SDI showed high EAPCs, indicating a potential developing trend
193 of facial fractures in the future. Considering the economic growth in these regions, the numbers
194 of motor vehicles increased, whereas the corresponding road laws and regulations did not keep
195 the path, thus increasing the incidence, prevalence, and YLDs of facial fractures. The economic
196 growth may prompt the advancement of medical equipment to raise the diagnosis numbers of
197 facial fractures.

198 The EAPC of ASIR, ASPR, and age-standardized YLDs had no correlation with SDI, because
199 the fracture mechanisms and risk factors of facial fractures are irrelevant with the SDI or regions.
200 Conversely, EAPC showed negative correlations with the ASR of incidence, prevalence, and
201 YLDs. Facial fractures aggravated the health and financial burden globally. The total
202 hospitalization charges for facial fracture in the United States were reduced by \$1.06 billion in
203 2008 (Nalliah et al. 2013). Accordingly, the government may implement all kinds of effective
204 measures such as punishing the drunk drivers strictly and propagating the use of seat belts and
205 helmets to decrease the health and financial burden of facial fractures. Accordingly, EAPC will
206 be inversely related to ASIR, ASPR, and age-standardized YLDs in 194 countries or territories.
207 As shown in Figure 8, facial fractures were less frequent in children, and the ASPR of patients
208 with facial fractures increased equally with age (Fig. 9), supporting the results of Imahara et al.
209 (2008). Family care, reduced outdoor activities, and increased observations (Montovani et al.
210 2006) on children resulted in the low incidence, prevalence, and YLDs. In addition, the high
211 bone elasticity and thick soft-tissue layer strengthen the resistance of children against facial
212 fractures, especially maxillary and Le Fort fractures, because the frontal, ethmoid, sphenoid, and

213 maxillary sinuses of children tend to be small and lack pneumatization (Thoren et al. 2009; Chan
214 et al. 2004). Over 28 years, the proportion of facial fractures in various age groups was gradually
215 altered, the groups aged under 15 years showed a decline of ASRs from 1990 to 2017, whereas
216 those aged over 50 years showed an upward trend. This change can be linked to the demographic
217 alteration worldwide. The population of the world is aging gradually because of the increase in
218 life expectancy (Liu et al. 2019), which may lead to the ascending tendency of facial fractures
219 incidence, prevalence, and YLDs among senior citizens, while the low fertility rates of many
220 regions (Nogami et al. 2019) and the growing attention to children safety may lead to the
221 downward trends of pediatric facial fractures globally. As shown in Figure 9, both in males and
222 females, the prevalence rate and YLD rate increased with aging in 1990 and 2017. Falls are the
223 most common cause of facial fracture among elderly patients (Atisha et al. 2016; Erdmann et al.
224 2008). The high risk of facial fractures among the elderly patients might have several causes,
225 including the deficiency of the balance and strength while moving or resisting crashing and the
226 tendency to suffer from various age-associated comorbidities, such as osteoarthritis and visual
227 impairment (Atisha et al. 2016). The most commonly injured sites in elderly patients are the
228 mandibular and nasal bones (Wade et al. 2004), and associated injuries from facial fractures
229 occur often and are severe in geriatric patients, leading to a high death rate in (Toivari et al.
230 2016). The elderly individuals will account for 20% of the population in the United States of
231 America in 2030, and a similar figure can be recorded in other developed countries (Vlavanou et
232 al. 2018). Therefore, effective measures should be implemented to immediately prevent elderly
233 people from suffering from facial fractures.

234 Interestingly, unlike females, the incidence rate of facial fractures in males also peaked at people
235 aged between 25–29 years both in 1990 and 2017. Moreover, as shown in Figure 10, the ASIR,
236 ASPR, and age-standardized YLDs were always twice higher in males than those in females
237 from 1990 to 2017. This finding may be related to the “high risk” recreational activities among
238 young males, such as bicycling and sports (Plawecki et al. 2017) and that men are involved in
239 driving (Montovani et al. 2006). In an Indian survey, the increased incidence of facial injuries
240 and fractures among young men was explained by the reluctance to use helmets, exceeding speed
241 limits, lack of tolerance, and increasing competition (Subhashraj et al. 2007). Syria recorded the
242 highest ASRs of facial fractures worldwide. Therefore, we analyzed the changing trend of ASIR,
243 ASPR, and age-standardized YLDs in males and females since 1990, and the data showed a
244 sharp increase of ASIR, ASPR, and age-standardized YLDs in 2011. We considered an
245 association with the explosion during the Syrian war in 2011 (Hayani et al. 2015). Moreover, the
246 ratio between males and females did not substantially change before and after 2011.

247 **Conclusions**

248 In conclusion, the incident cases, prevalent cases, and YLDs of facial fractures increased

249 worldwide. By contrast, the ASRs showed a downtrend globally. EAPC showed a correlation
250 with the ASRs of facial fractures and was hardly associated with SDI. The ratio between males
251 and females approached 2:1. Besides, the proportion of children and elderly suffering from facial
252 fractures slightly changed with time. Facial fractures occurred more in young men aged between
253 25–29 years and in the elderly aged over 80 years in both sexes.

254 To our best knowledge, this first study was the to systematically investigate the changing trend
255 of incidence, prevalence, and YLDs in facial fractures from 1990 to 2017 at the global, national,
256 and regional levels. However, this study has some limitations. The accuracy of results depended
257 on the quality and quantity of GBD data. For instance, the method utilized in the GBD study
258 cannot provide access to cover all districts worldwide, and the opportunity to be diagnosed with
259 facial fractures was not equal between developed and less developed countries because of
260 differences in specialized medical care and imaging resources. Besides, in this text, we focused
261 solely on the changing tendency of facial fractures in incidence, prevalence, and YLDs and did
262 not analyze the trends of causes leading to facial fractures at the global, national, and regional
263 levels from 1990 to 2017, which could be discussed in future research.

264 Above all, government in various countries or regions should formulate more targeted policies to
265 reduce the incidence of facial fractures, and the enormous health burden of facial fractures
266 caused by warfare should not be neglected. With the increasing pattern of life expectancy
267 globally, elderly people should be more focused on.

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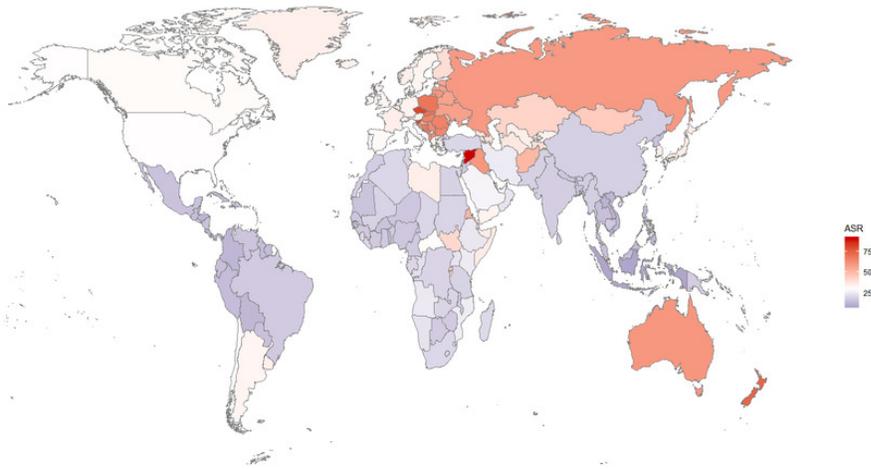
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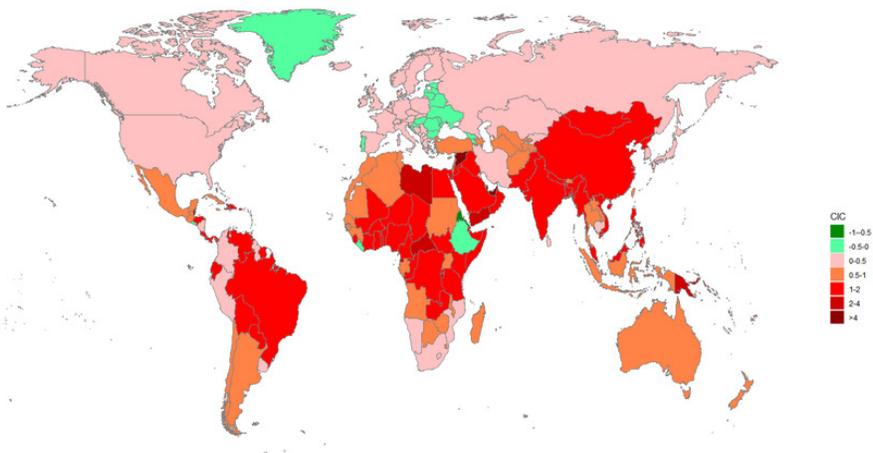
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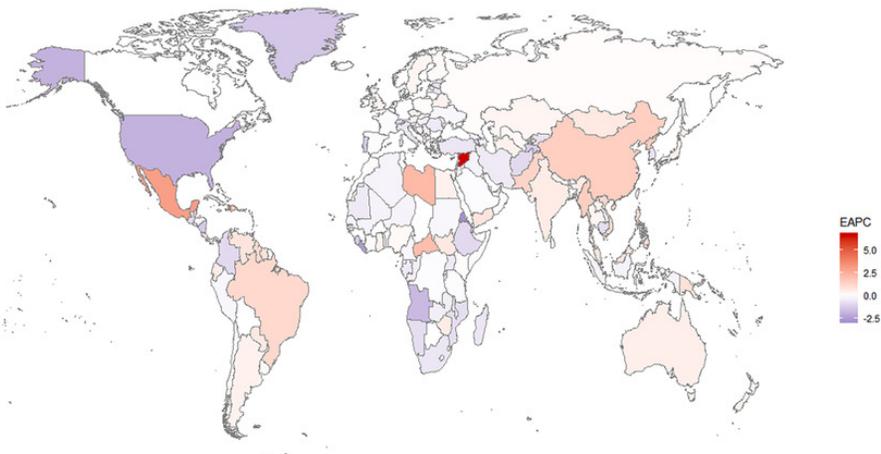


Figure 2

The pattern of ASR according to different SDI in 21 regions in 2017.

(A) ASIR and SDI; **(B)** ASPR and SDI; **(C)** Age-Standardized YLDs and SDI. ASIR, age-standardized incidence rate; ASPR, age-standardized prevalence rate; SDI, socio-demographic index; YLDs, years lived with disability.

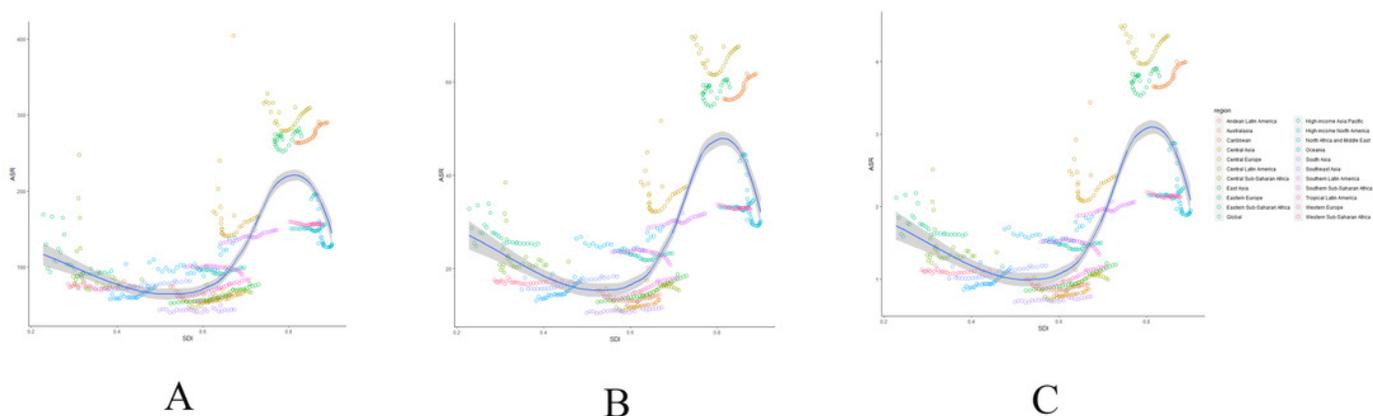


Figure 3

The EAPC of facial fractures ASR from 1990 to 2017, by regions.

(A) The EAPC of ASIR; **(B)** The EAPC of ASPR; **(C)** The EAPC of age-standardized YLDs. EAPC, estimated annual percentage change; ASIR, age-standardized incidence rate; ASPR, age-standardized prevalence rate; YLDs, years lived with disability.

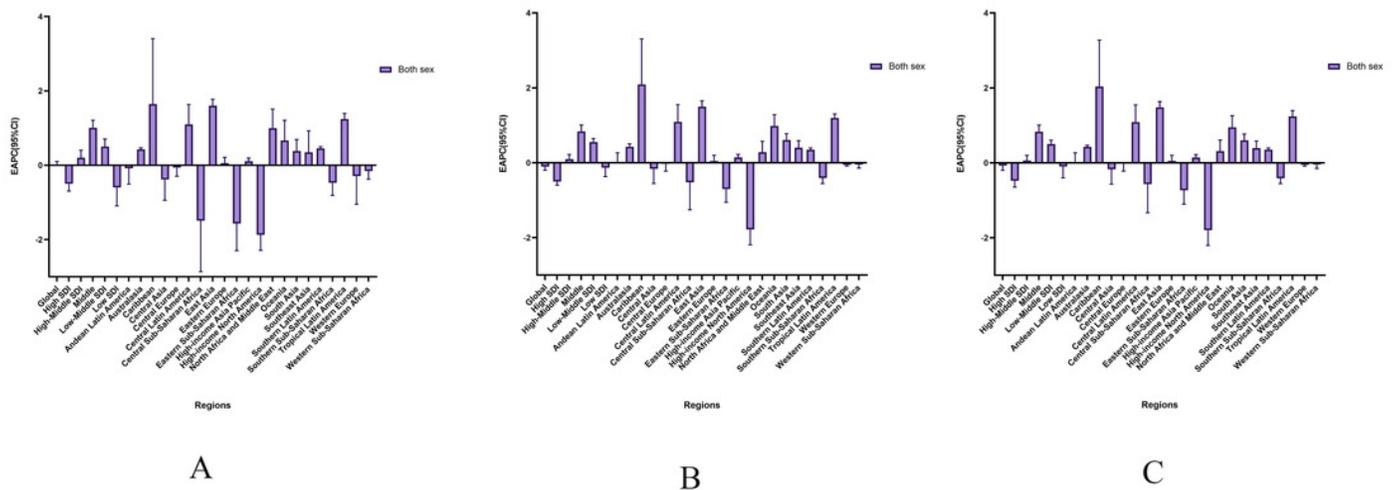


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Figure 4. The change trends of age-standardized rate among different SDI quintiles and gender from 1990 to 2017.

(A)ASIR: age-standardized incidence rate; **(B)**ASPR: age-standardized prevalence rate; **(C)**age-standardized YLDs rate. YLDs: years lived with disability.

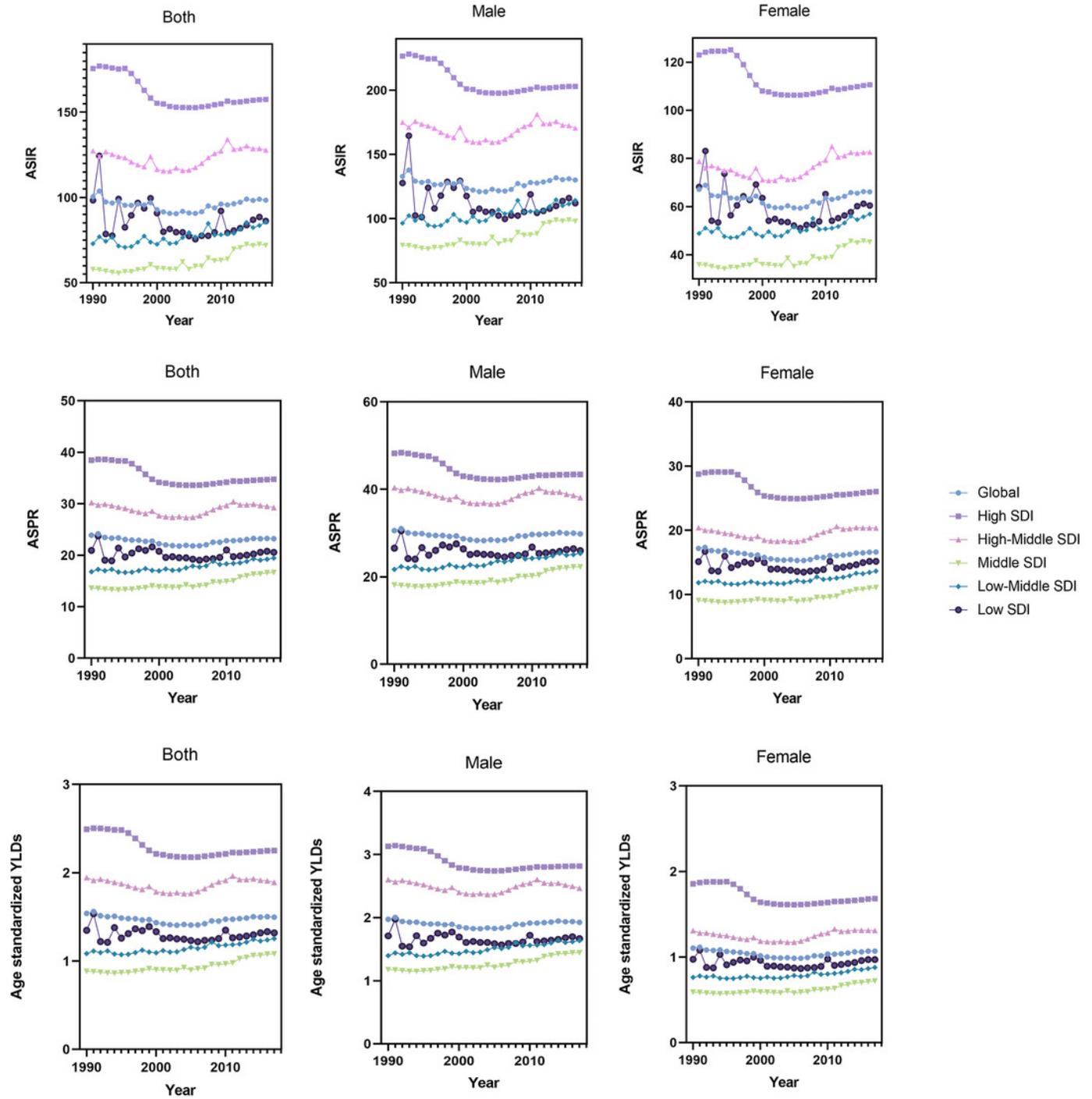
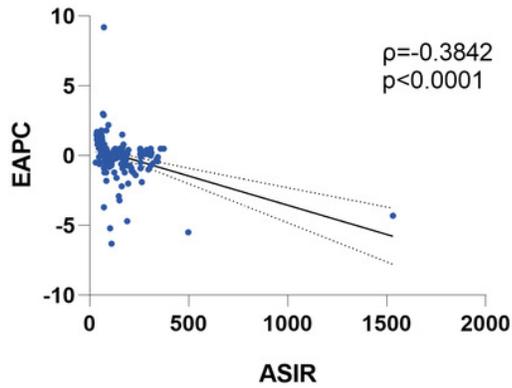


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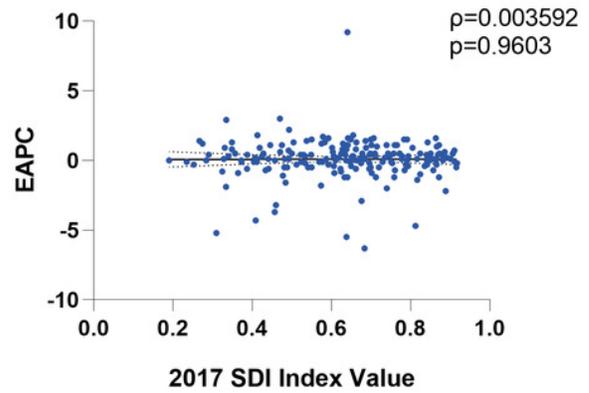
The correlation between EAPC and facial fractures ASR in 1990 as well as SDI in 2017.

The dots represent countries that were available on SDI data. The ρ indices and p values presented were obtained from Pearson correlation analysis. **(A)** EAPC and ASIR; **(B)** EAPC and SDI in incidence; **(C)** EAPC and ASPR; **(D)** EAPC and SDI in prevalence; **(E)** EAPC and age-standardized YLDs rate; **(F)** EAPC and SDI in YLDs. EAPC, estimated annual percentage change; ASIR, age-standardized incidence rate; ASPR, age-standardized prevalence rate; YLDs, years lived with disability.

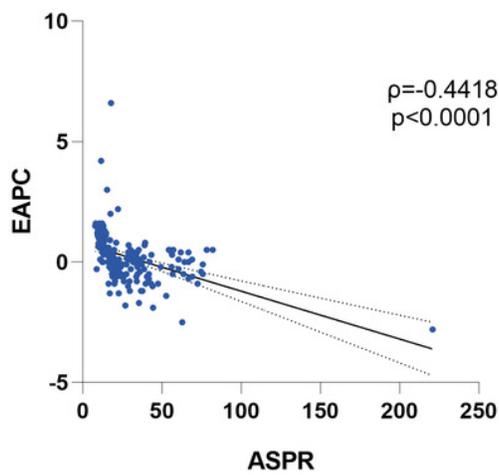
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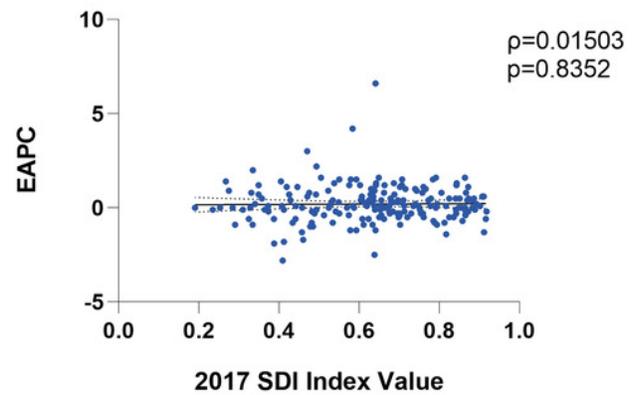
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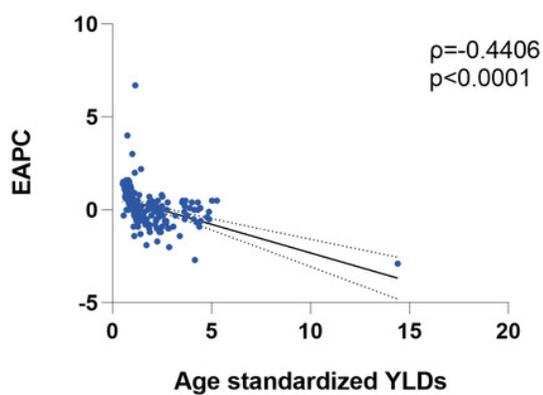
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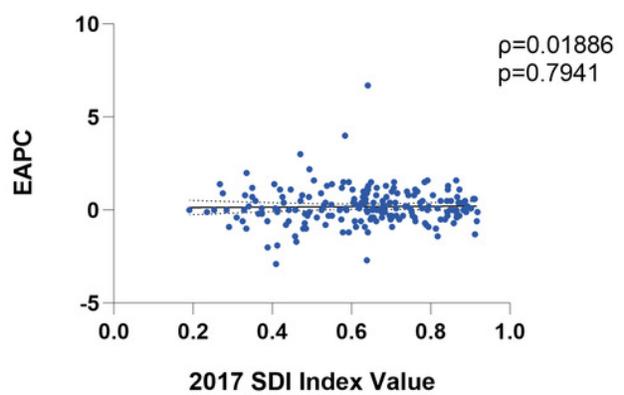
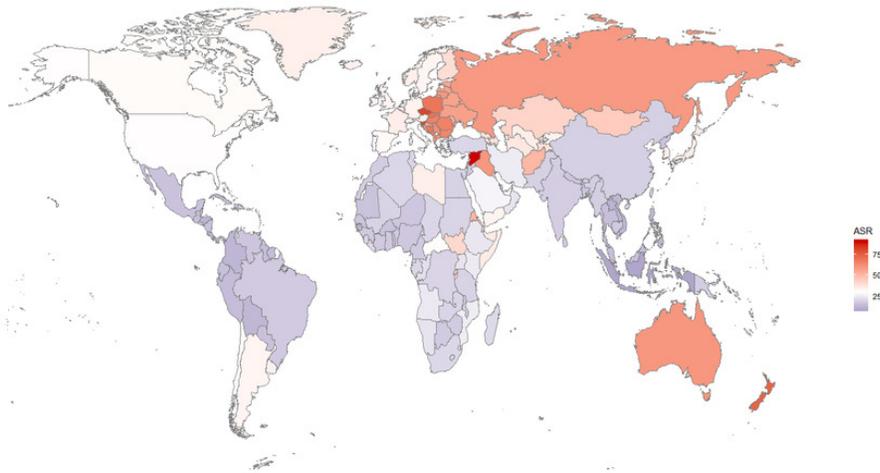


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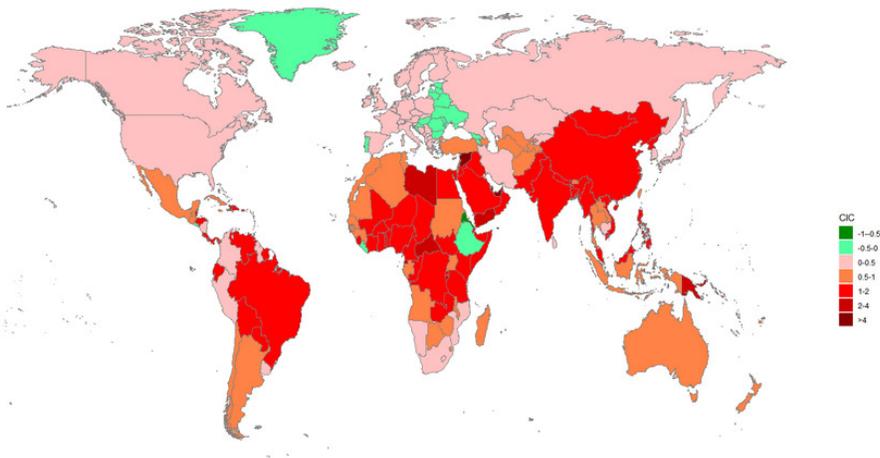
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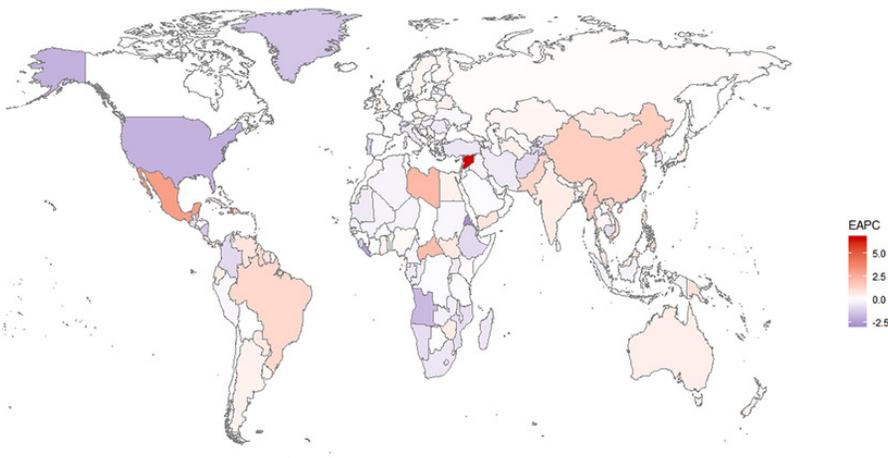
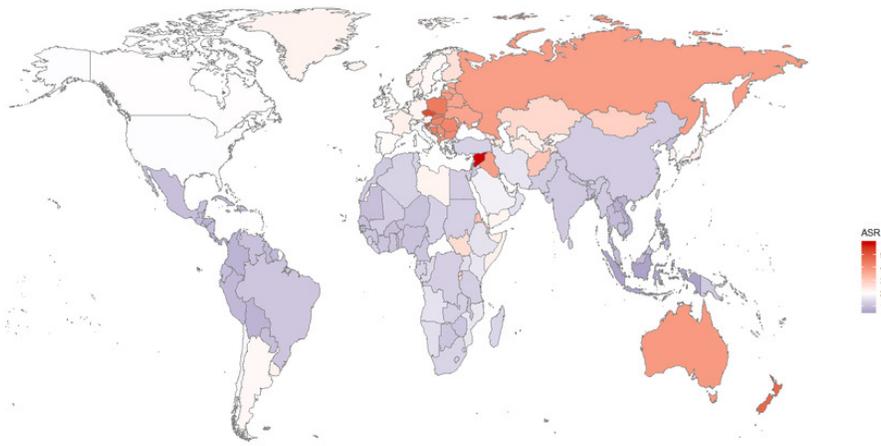


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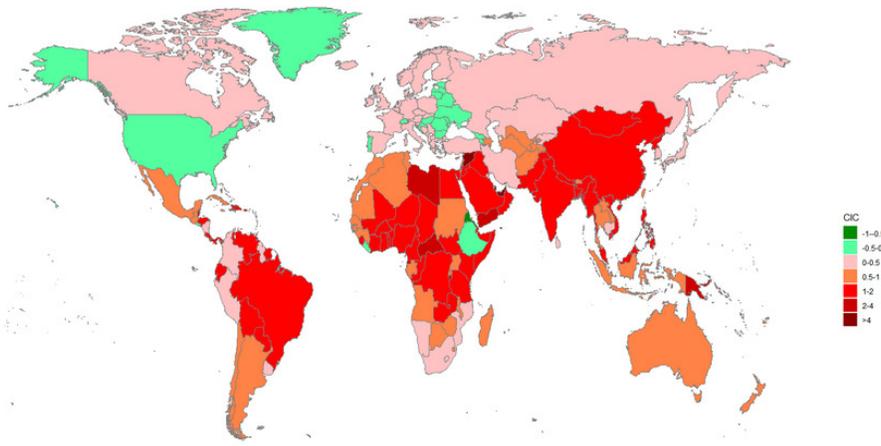
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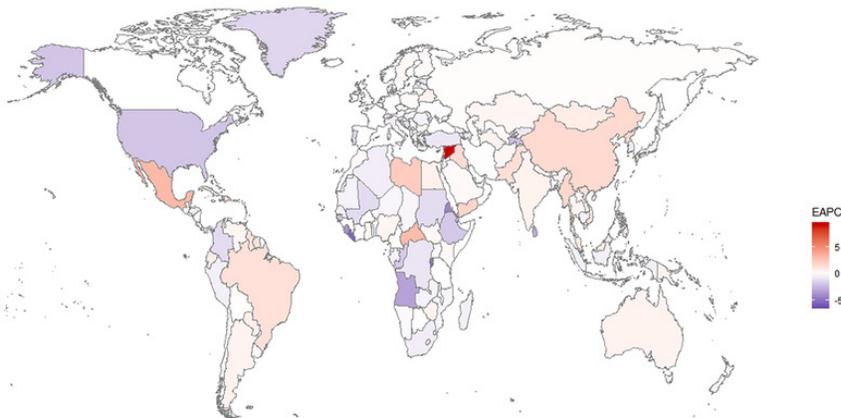


Figure 8

The proportion of different age groups in facial fractures by years.

(A) incidence, **(B)** prevalence, **(C)** YLDs. YLDs: years lived with disability.

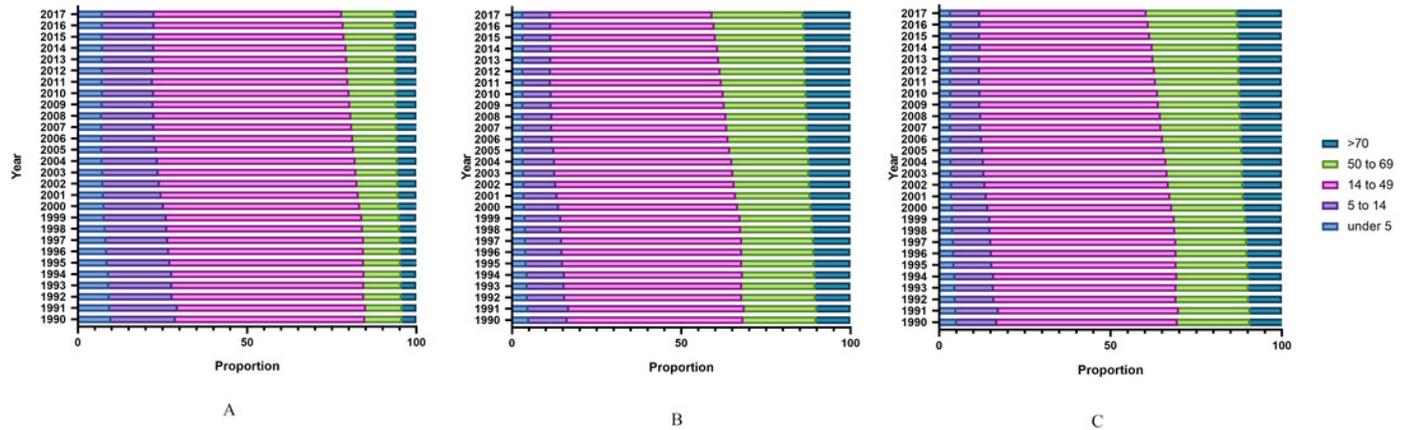
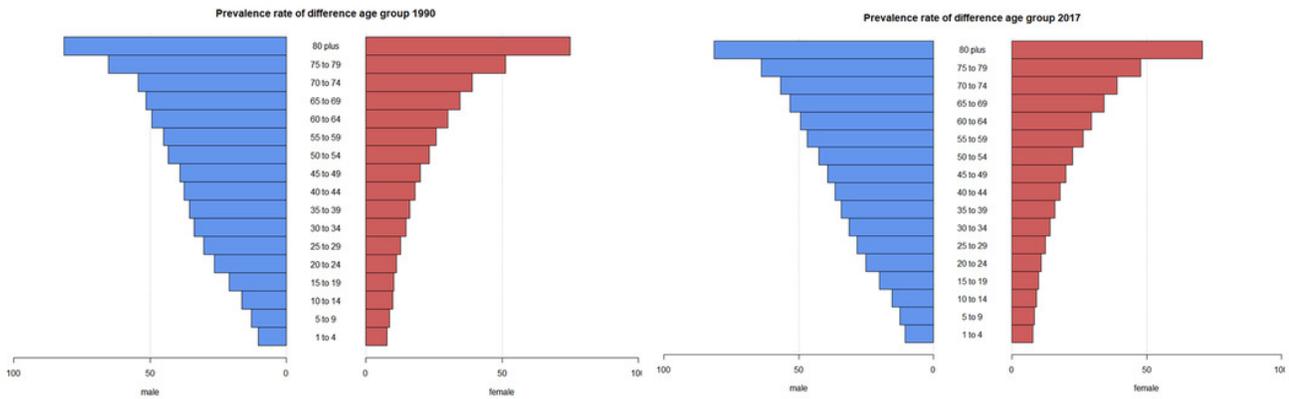


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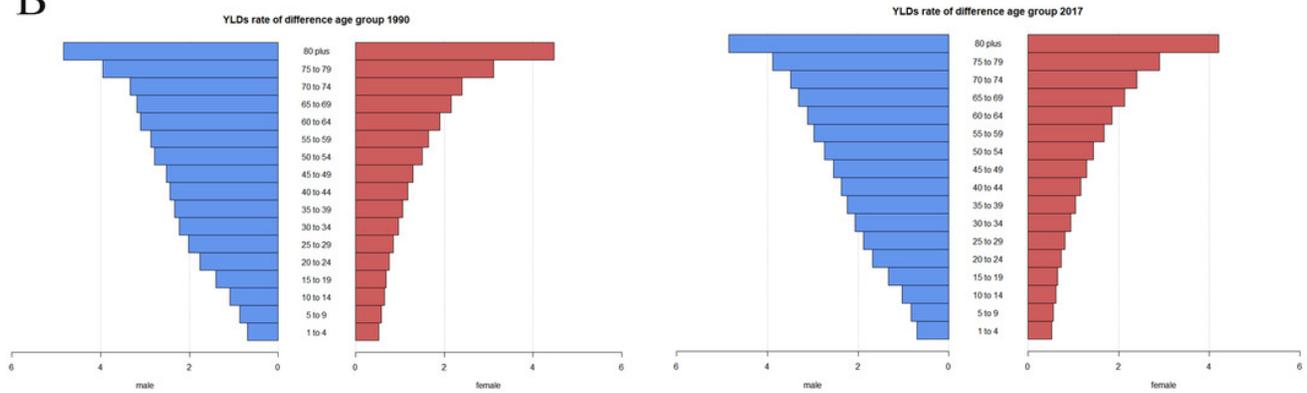
The rate of facial fractures between males and females among different age groups in 1990 and 2017.

(A) incidence rate; **(B)** prevalence rate; **(C)** YLDs rate. YLDs: years lived with disability.

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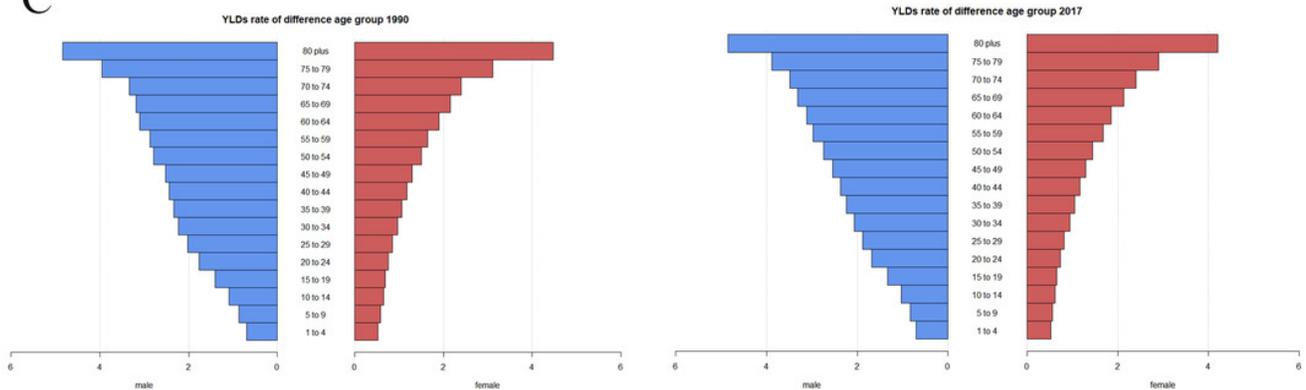


Figure 10

The trends of age-standardized rate of facial fractures among gender from 1990 to 2017.

(A) Global; **(B)** Syria

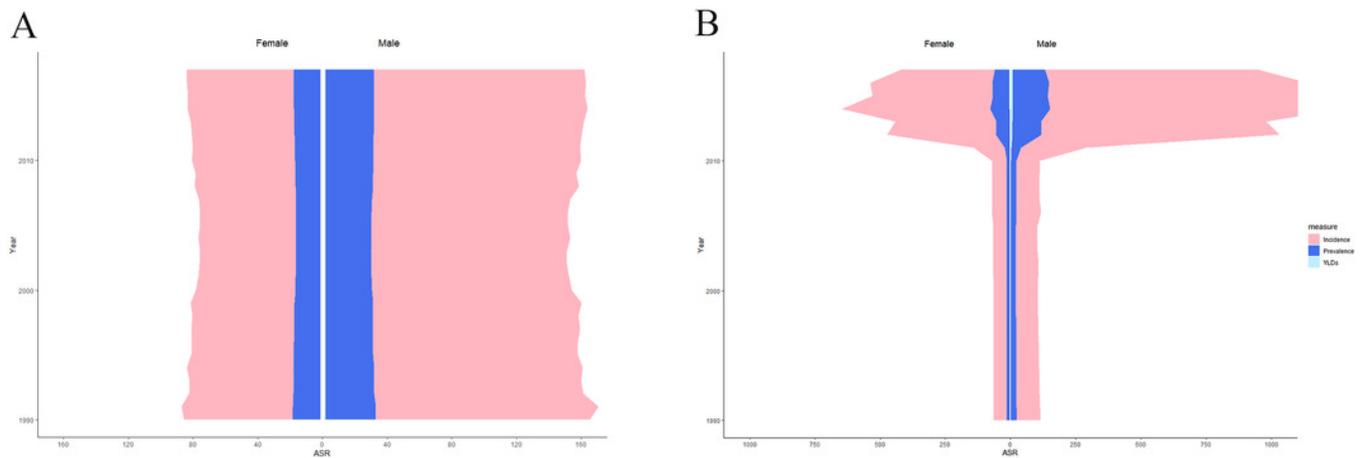


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The incidence of facial fractures, and its temporal trends from 1990 to 2017.

ASIR: age-standardized incidence rate; SDI: socio-demographic index; YLDs: years lived with disability; EAPC: estimated annual percentage change.

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Characteristics	1990		2017		1990-2017	
	Incident cases No.×10 ³	ASIR per 100,000 No.	Incident cases No.×10 ³	ASIR per 100,000 No.	CIC No.(%)	EAPC No.
Global	5405.81	100.47	7538.66	98.47	39.45	0.00
Sex						
Male	3627.63	132.86	5009.25	130.14	38.09	-0.03
Female	1778.19	67.15	2529.41	66.16	42.25	-0.14
Socio-demographic index						
High SDI	1630.33	175.66	1709.50	157.54	4.86	-0.50
High-middle SDI	1428.97	127.38	1749.21	127.83	22.41	0.20
Middle SDI	909.18	57.87	1511.64	71.92	66.26	1.01
Low-middle SDI	749.74	72.96	1456.72	85.58	94.30	0.50
Low SDI	674.05	98.35	1089.16	86.27	61.59	-0.60
Region						
Andean Latin America	28.20	73.69	38.20	62.54	35.47	-0.08
Australasia	51.20	264.17	77.13	290.95	50.62	0.42
Caribbean	18.52	52.95	33.50	72.16	80.84	1.64
Central Asia	122.39	173.15	154.20	167.19	25.99	-0.39
Central Europe	387.03	315.87	337.91	310.03	-12.69	-0.06
Central Latin America	103.47	67.07	164.81	65.28	59.28	1.10
Central Sub-Saharan Africa	46.46	87.26	99.55	83.74	114.29	-1.49
East Asia	684.58	52.12	1157.96	77.53	69.15	1.60
Eastern Europe	607.99	274.19	532.37	267.97	-12.44	0.05
Eastern Sub-Saharan Africa	317.55	169.01	368.28	97.68	15.98	-1.57
High-income Asia Pacific	247.26	150.69	259.95	157.77	5.13	0.11
High-income North America	515.19	189.25	481.47	131.42	-6.55	-1.87
North Africa and Middle East	368.77	105.86	783.03	126.96	112.33	1.00
Oceania	3.73	57.65	9.61	75.33	157.89	0.66
South Asia	762.17	71.09	1443.65	81.63	89.41	0.38
Southeast Asia	206.85	43.37	329.18	49.03	59.14	0.34
Southern Latin America	65.11	130.99	95.91	149.05	47.31	0.45
Southern Sub-Saharan Africa	52.07	99.70	67.96	87.02	30.53	-0.47
Tropical Latin America	90.47	62.10	172.31	77.30	90.45	1.24
Western Europe	581.33	159.71	616.04	155.02	5.97	-0.29
Western Sub-Saharan Africa	145.48	77.52	315.65	74.96	116.97	-0.16

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The prevalence of facial fractures, and its temporal trends from 1990 to 2017.

ASPR: age-standardized prevalence rate; SDI: socio-demographic index; CIC: change in cases; EAPC: estimated annual percentage change.

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Characteristics	1990		2017		1990-2017	
	Prevalent cases	ASPR per 100,000	Prevalent cases	ASPR per 100,000	CIC	EAPC No.
	No.×10 ³	No.	No.×10 ³	No.	No.(%)	
Global	1178.64	23.87	1819.73	23.20	54.39	-0.10
sex						
Male	754.57	30.56	1155.33	29.83	53.11	-0.03
Female	424.07	17.18	664.41	16.62	56.67	-0.15
Socio-demographic index						
High SDI	397.01	38.45	475.20	34.75	19.69	-0.50
High-middle SDI	323.55	30.21	453.56	29.27	40.18	0.10
Middle SDI	187.35	13.61	364.25	16.66	94.42	0.84
Low-middle SDI	147.76	16.82	300.83	19.45	103.59	0.55
Low SDI	119.94	20.93	219.79	20.56	83.24	-0.13
Region						
Andean Latin America	5.10	15.29	8.46	14.31	66.08	0.02
Australasia	11.73	56.38	19.52	61.75	66.47	0.43
Caribbean	3.76	11.64	8.43	17.53	124.18	2.09
Central Asia	24.35	38.58	33.55	37.62	37.78	-0.16
Central Europe	91.50	69.67	92.39	67.62	0.97	-0.02
Central Latin America	20.90	15.72	37.30	14.99	78.48	1.09
Central Sub-Saharan Africa	8.89	20.88	20.30	21.52	128.18	-0.52
East Asia	153.80	12.87	324.20	18.72	110.79	1.50
Eastern Europe	143.33	59.29	139.75	57.94	-2.50	0.05
Eastern Sub-Saharan Africa	51.18	32.89	75.00	25.62	46.54	-0.70
High-income Asia Pacific	59.84	33.18	80.15	35.04	33.92	0.14
High-income North America	127.98	43.03	132.60	30.48	3.61	-1.78
North Africa and Middle East	77.94	26.47	159.84	27.80	105.07	0.28
Oceania	0.69	13.17	1.96	18.24	182.88	0.98
South Asia	143.12	15.57	303.06	18.38	111.76	0.61
Southeast Asia	43.10	10.56	81.65	12.31	89.45	0.40
Southern Latin America	14.02	28.77	22.10	31.85	57.59	0.35
Southern Sub-Saharan Africa	10.38	23.55	14.51	20.21	39.83	-0.41
Tropical Latin America	18.26	14.04	40.08	17.40	119.45	1.19
Western Europe	142.03	33.77	166.36	32.65	17.13	-0.06
Western Sub-Saharan Africa	26.73	17.55	58.52	17.31	118.95	-0.04

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The YLDs of facial fractures, and its temporal trends from 1990 to 2017.

YLDs: years lived with disability; SDI: socio-demographic index; CIC: change in cases; EAPC: estimated annual percentage change.

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Characteristics	1990		2017		1990-2017	
	Age-standardized		Age-standardized		CIC No.(%)	EAPC No.
	YLDs No.×10 ³	YLDs rate (per 100,000) No.	YLDs No.×10 ³	YLDs rate (per 100,000) No.		
Global	76.51	1.54	117.4	1.50	53.44	-0.07
Sex						
Male	49.10	1.97	74.73	1.93	52.2	-0.02
Female	27.41	1.10	42.67	1.07	55.67	-0.05
Socio-demographic index						
High SDI	25.59	2.49	30.33	2.25	18.52	-0.48
High-middle SDI	20.93	1.95	29.16	1.89	39.32	0.06
Middle SDI	12.30	0.88	23.65	1.08	92.28	0.83
Low-middle SDI	9.65	1.08	19.57	1.25	102.8	0.50
Low SDI	7.84	1.35	14.29	1.32	82.27	-0.10
Region						
Andean Latin America	0.33	1.00	0.55	0.93	66.67	0.02
Australasia	0.76	3.66	1.25	4.00	64.47	0.42
Caribbean	0.25	0.76	0.54	1.13	116	2.04
Central Asia	1.58	2.49	2.18	2.43	37.97	-0.17
Central Europe	5.86	4.48	5.86	4.36	0	-0.02
Central Latin America	1.37	1.02	2.42	0.97	76.64	1.09
Central Sub-Saharan Africa	0.58	1.33	1.32	1.37	127.59	-0.57
East Asia	10.09	0.84	20.98	1.22	107.93	1.48
Eastern Europe	9.21	3.83	8.91	3.74	-3.26	0.05
Eastern Sub-Saharan Africa	3.36	2.12	4.87	1.63	44.94	-0.73
High-income Asia Pacific	3.88	2.16	5.11	2.28	31.7	0.14
High-income North America	8.24	2.78	8.45	1.97	2.55	-1.80
North Africa and Middle East	5.05	1.69	10.34	1.79	104.75	0.31
Oceania	0.05	0.85	0.13	1.17	160	0.95
South Asia	9.38	1.01	19.71	1.19	110.13	0.60
Southeast Asia	2.83	0.69	5.31	0.80	87.63	0.39
Southern Latin America	0.91	1.87	1.43	2.07	57.14	0.35
Southern Sub-Saharan Africa	0.68	1.52	0.94	1.30	38.24	-0.41
Tropical Latin America	1.20	0.91	2.60	1.13	116.67	1.24
Western Europe	9.15	2.19	10.64	2.12	16.28	-0.06
Western Sub-Saharan Africa	1.75	1.13	3.84	1.12	53.44	-0.05

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