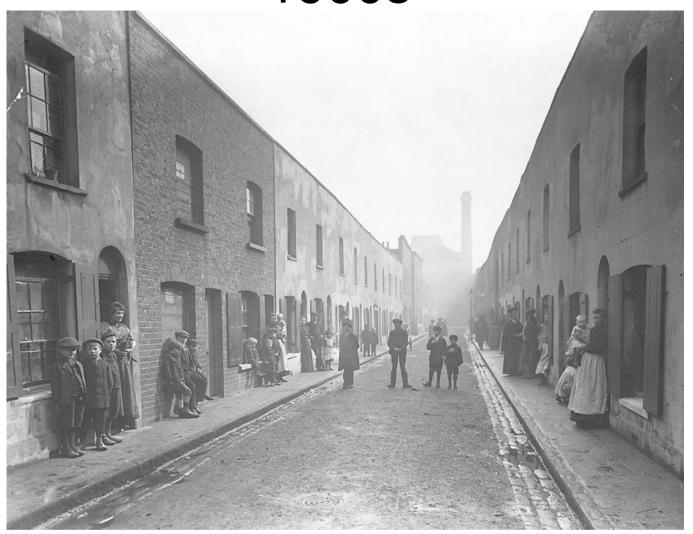
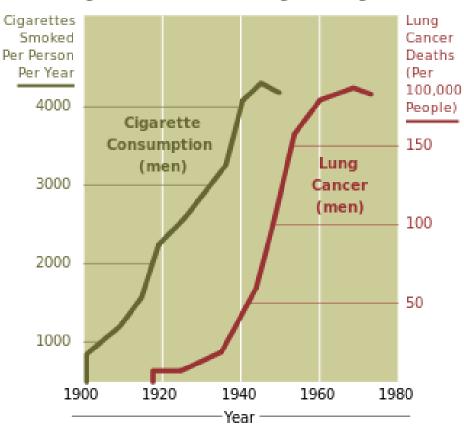
Challenges in Public Health in the 1900s



Challenges in Public Health in the 1950s.

20-Year Lag Time Between Smoking and Lung Cancer



Achievements in 1850 to 1950

The first public health measures were based upon the idea that **miasmas** (bad smells) caused disease. Although the idea was wrong, the measures against the miasmas involved a greater focus on cleanliness, and this improved public health.

- In **1848** the first Public Health Act caused the setting up of a Board of Health, and gave towns the right to appoint a Medical Officer of Health.
- In 1853 vaccination against smallpox was made compulsory.
- In **1854** improvements in hospital hygiene were introduced (thanks in large part to Florence Nightingale).
- In **1875** a Public Health Act enforced laws about slum clearance, provision of sewers and clean water, and the removal of nuisances.
- The benefits of these measures soon became clear, and by the late 19th century local councils were **competing** with each other to provide the best public health.

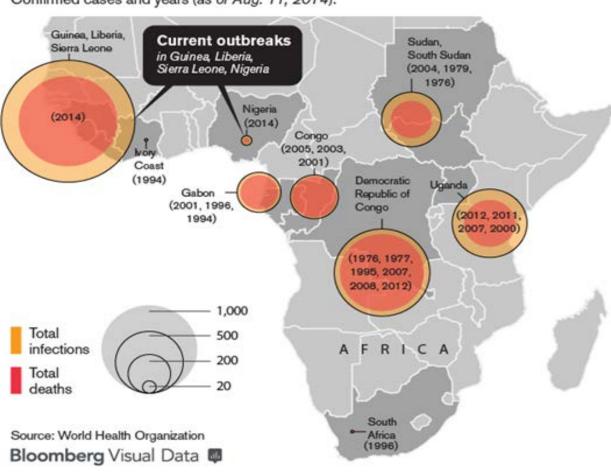
Individual measures

- When the Boer War revealed that half the population were unfit for military service, the government accepted that it had to pass laws to improve the situation of the individual poor:
- In **1906** local councils were told to provide free school meals for poor children.
- In **1907** school medical examinations were ordered for all children (among these examinations were those of the 'nitty nurse').
- In **1908** Old-age pensions were introduced.
- In 1911 National Insurance (free medical treatment for workers who fell ill) was introduced.

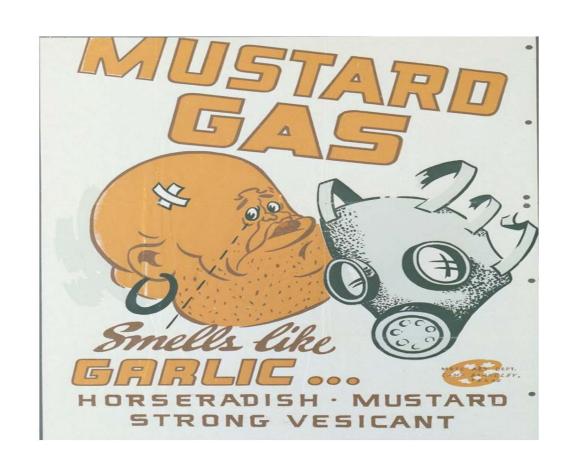
Future Challenges in Public health : Protecting Health Ebola

Major Ebola Outbreaks

Confirmed cases and years (as of Aug. 11, 2014).



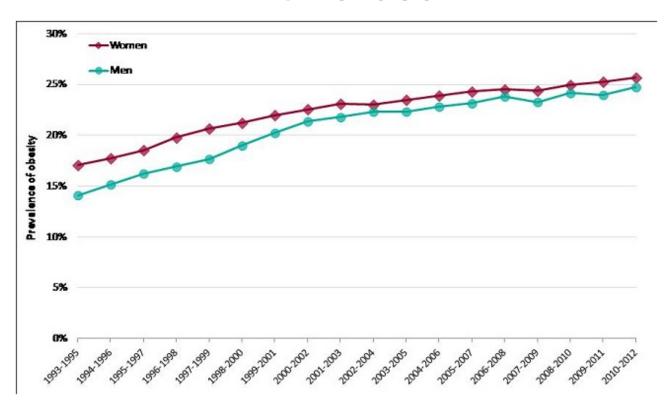
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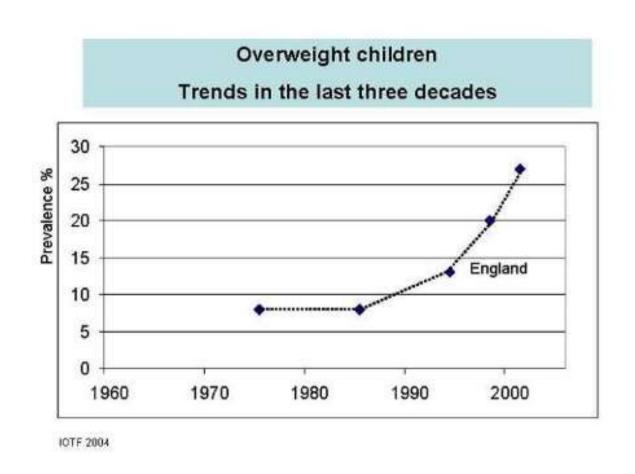


Public Health Challenges: Lifestyle Choices



Adult (aged 16+) obesity: BMI ≥ 30kg/m2. Three year average of published prevalence figures. Data source: Health Survey for England 1993-2012

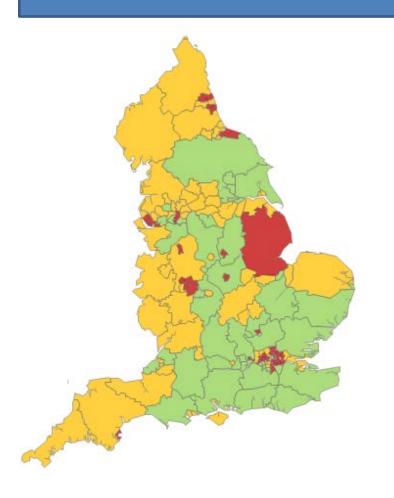
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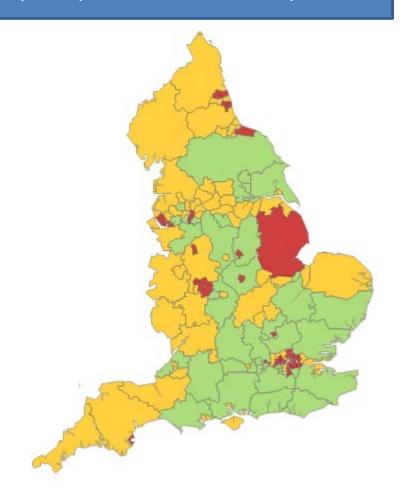


Challenges in Public Health: Lifestyle Choices Childhood obesity National Map showing prevalence

Year 6 childhood obesity levels

Reception year childhood obesity levels

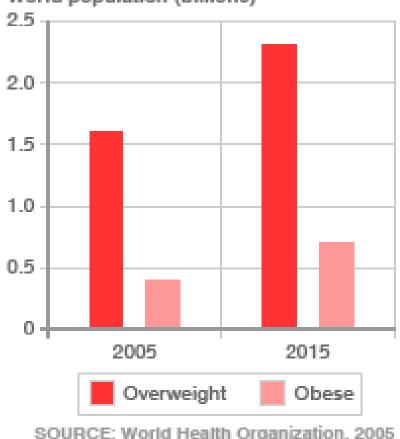




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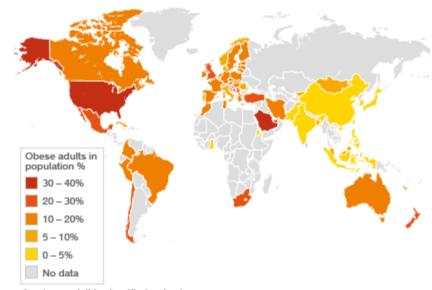
GLOBAL OBESITY FORECAST

World population (billions)



SOURCE: World Health Organization, 2005

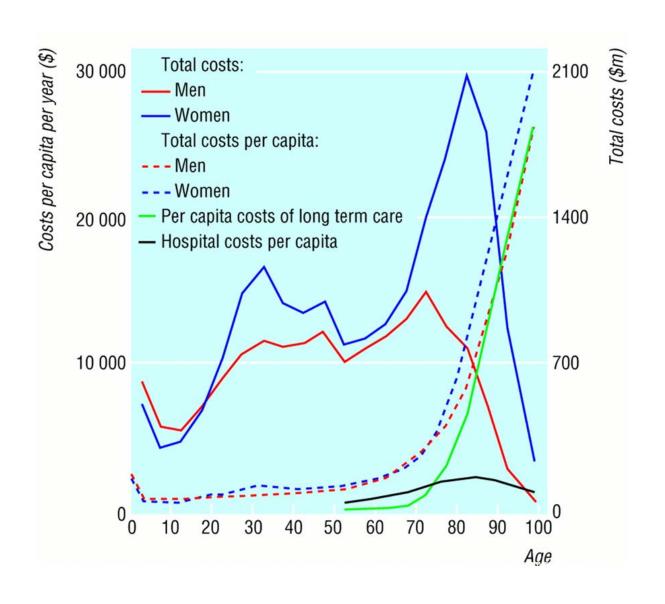




An obese adult is classified as having a Body Mass Index equal to or greater than 30

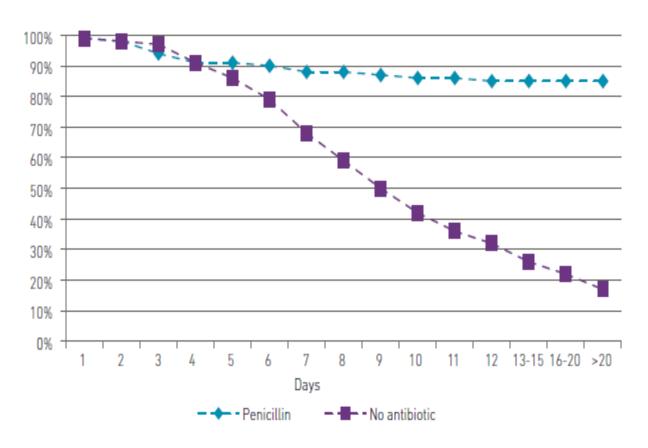
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Challenges in Public Health: Healthcare Public Health Dementia



Challenges in Public Health: Health care Anti-microbial resistance

Survival after Pneumonia with Blood Stream Infection Before and After Penicillin Treatment became Available



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