

Homework Help – Stroke

Serious Stats

Stroke is the fourth leading cause of death in Canada. Each year, about 15,000 Canadians die from stroke. Each year, more women than men die from stroke.

Strokes are the number one cause of long term adult neurological disability.

6% of all Canadian deaths are attributable to stroke.

There are between 40,000 to 50,000 strokes in Canada each year. For every 10,000 Canadian children under the age of 19, there are 6.7 strokes. More than 300,000 Canadians are living with the effects of stroke.

After age 55, the risk of stroke doubles every 10 years. A stroke survivor has a 20% chance of having another stroke within 2 years.

Stroke costs the Canadian economy \$2.7 billion a year. The average acute care costs is about \$27,500 per stroke.

In 2001, the Heart and Stroke Foundation allocated \$7.6 million for stroke research.

*Source: Stroke Statistics (2/4/2002), Heart & Stroke Foundation
(<http://ww2.heartandstroke.ca/Page.asp?PageID=33&ArticleID=1078&Src=news&From=SubCategory>)*