

**Table 4: Temporal Trends in Stroke Epidemiology**

<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>TRENDS IN STROKE INCIDENCE AND PREVALENCE</b>	<b>TRENDS IN STROKE TYPES/SUBTYPES</b>
<b>JAPAN</b>	Decline in both ischemic and hemorrhagic strokes over past decades	Proportion of ischemic strokes has increased compared to hemorrhagic  Incidence of lacunar strokes has decreased over time, whereas that of large vessel and cardioembolic has remained stable
<b>CHINA</b>	Increase in age standardized incidence of total strokes in both men and women from 1984-2004	Incidence of ischemic strokes has gone up and that of intracranial hemorrhages has declined.  Among ischemic stroke subtypes, there is evidence to suggest a rise in both intracranial atherosclerosis and cardio-embolism
<b>KOREA</b>	Annual incidence expected to increase rapidly over next decade	Ischemic strokes admissions have increased compared to hemorrhagic strokes  Among subtypes, large artery atherosclerosis particularly of intracranial arteries was and still is the predominant subtype  Proportion of small vessel disease

		shows a downward trend whereas cardio-embolism has shown a rise
<b>TAIWAN</b>	No temporal trend data available for stroke incidence as a whole	Ischemic strokes are the predominant subtype and a rising trend in their incidence has been reported  Lacunar strokes are the predominant subtype and have increased in the recent years. Cardioembolic strokes have decreased in proportion
<b>THAILAND</b>	Prevalence has shown an increase over time	Ischemic strokes are the predominant subtype reported in almost 80%  Intracranial atherosclerosis accounts for most of ischemic strokes  Temporal trend data for subtypes not available
<b>MALAYSIA</b>	5th leading cause of mortality  No data on temporal trends	Ischemic strokes were and still are the predominant type  Large artery atherosclerosis is the most common subtype from the National stroke registry. Previously lacunar strokes were reported as the most common subtype
<b>SINGAPORE</b>	No data on temporal trend in prevalence/incidence	No change in relative proportion of stroke type between 2000 and 2005
<b>INDIA</b>	Temporal trends in incidence/prevalence not reported	Ischemic strokes have remained the predominant subtype in the reported

		<p>data</p> <p>Data on subtype temporal trends not available</p>
<b>BANGLADESH</b>	No data available	No data available
<b>PAKISTAN</b>	No data available	<p>Ischemic strokes are the predominant subtype although some evidence to show a temporal rise in hemorrhagic stroke admissions</p> <p>Large artery atherosclerosis is now the predominant subtype. Previously lacunar strokes were more common</p> <p>Proportion of cardioembolic strokes have gone up as well</p>
<b>IRAN</b>	Rise in stroke incidence from 2001 to 2005	No substantial change in stroke type/subtype over time
<b>ISRAEL</b>	No data on temporal trend in incidence/prevalence	<p>Cardioembolism on the rise in elderly</p> <p>Small vessel strokes decreasing</p>