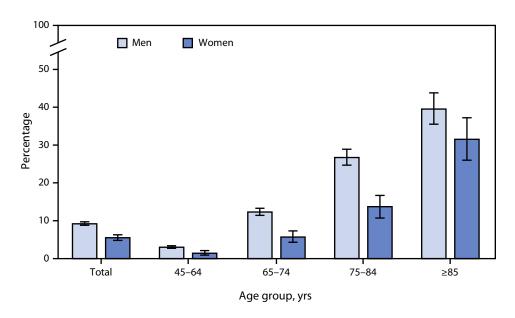
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Percentage* of Adults Aged ≥45 Years Who Use a Hearing Aid,† by Sex and Age Group — National Health Interview Survey, United States, 2021[§]



^{*} With 95% CIs indicated by error bars.

In 2021, among adults aged \geq 45 years, men were more likely to use a hearing aid than were women (9.2% versus 5.5%). This pattern was found in all age groups: 3.0% of men versus 1.4% of women among those aged 45–64 years, 12.3% versus 5.7% among those aged 65–74 years, 26.7% versus 13.7% among those aged 75–84 years, and 39.5% versus 31.5% among those aged \geq 85 years. Among both men and women, the percentage who use a hearing aid increased with age.

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics, National Health Interview Survey, 2021 (https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis.htm); NCHS data brief, no. 414, 2021. https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/products/databriefs/db414.htm

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[†] Based on a positive response to the question, "Do you use a hearing aid?"

[§] Estimates are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian, noninstitutionalized U.S. population.