

# **The Diabetes Prevention Program**

**A Randomized Clinical Trial  
to Prevent Type 2 Diabetes  
in Persons at High Risk**

**The DPP Research Group**



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# Feasibility of Preventing Type 2 Diabetes

- **There is a long period of glucose intolerance that precedes the development of diabetes**
- **Screening tests can identify persons at high risk**
- **There are safe, potentially effective interventions that can address modifiable risk factors**



# Modifiable Risk Factors for Type 2 Diabetes

- **Obesity**
- **Body fat distribution**
- **Physical inactivity**
- **Elevated fasting and 2 hr glucose levels**

# DPP Primary Goal

- To prevent or delay the development of type 2 diabetes in persons with impaired glucose tolerance (IGT)



# DPP Secondary Goals

- Reduce cardiovascular disease (CVD) events
- Reduce CVD risk factors
- Reduce atherosclerosis

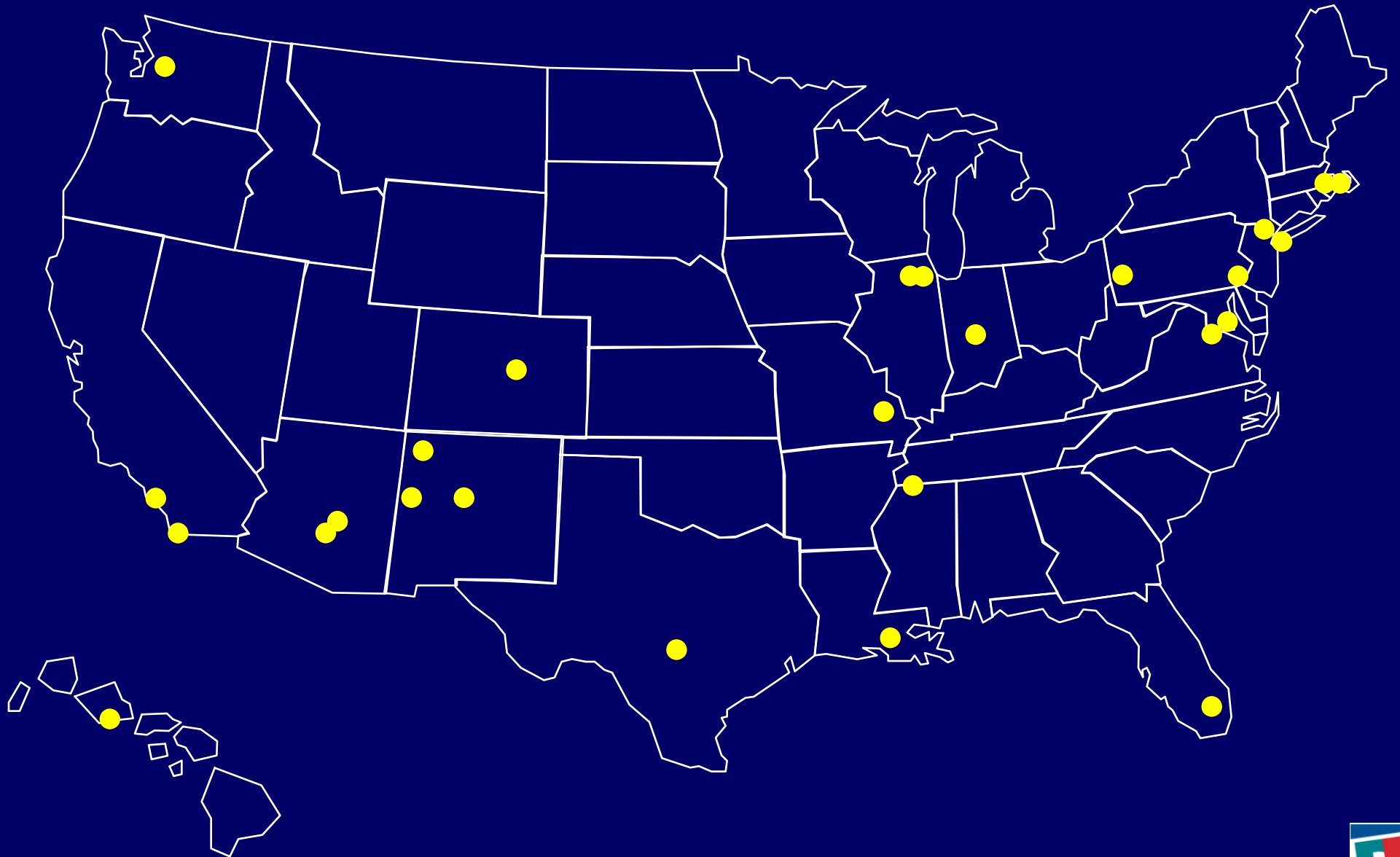


# Study Design

- **3-group randomized clinical trial**
- **27 clinical sites**
- **Standardized across clinics:**
  - **Common protocol and procedures manual**
  - **Staff training**
  - **Data quality control program**



# Diabetes Prevention Program Clinics

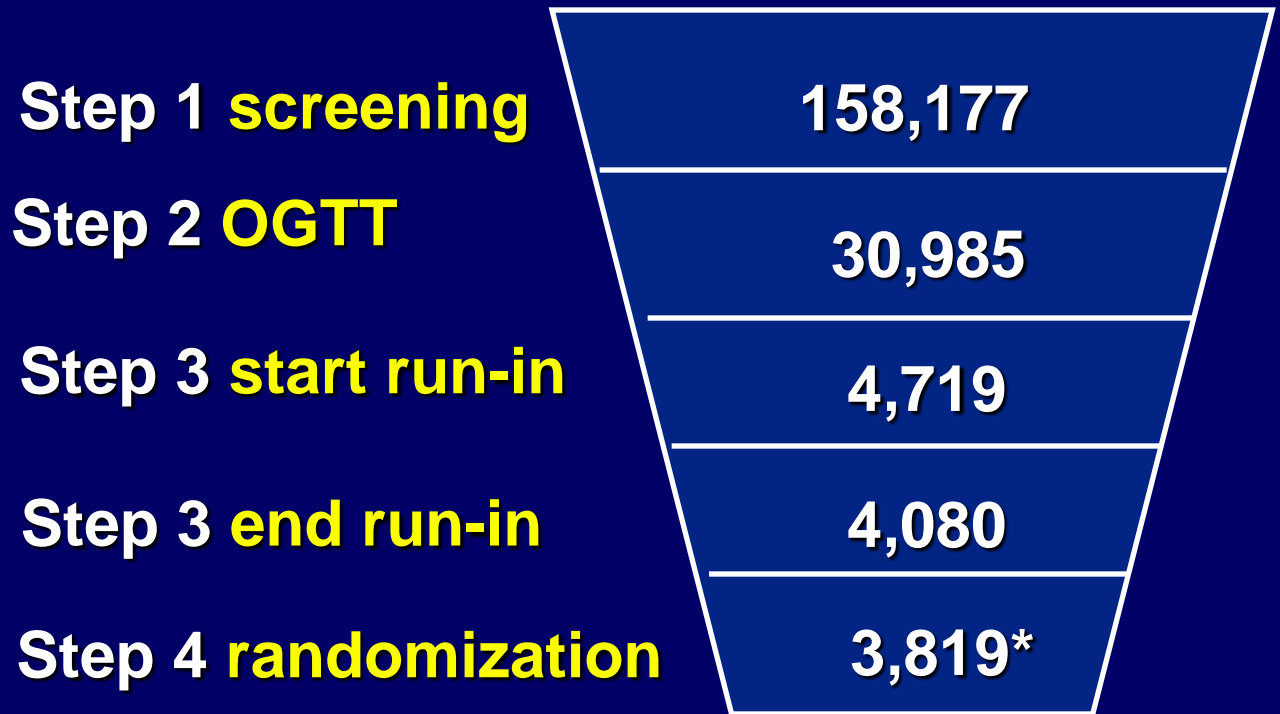


# Eligibility Criteria

- Age  $\geq$  25 years
- Plasma glucose
  - 2 hour glucose 140-199 mg/dl (7.8- <11.1 mmol/L)
  - and
  - Fasting glucose 95-125 mg/dl (5.3- <7.0 mmol/L)
- Body mass index  $\geq$  24 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- All ethnic groups
  - goal of up to 50% from high risk populations

# Screening and Recruitment

Number of participants



\*3,234 in 3 arm study  
(585 in troglitazone arm)

# Study Interventions

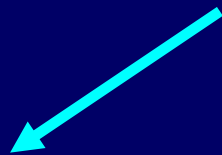
Eligible participants



Randomized



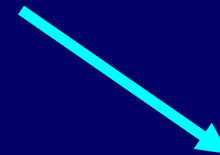
Standard lifestyle recommendations



**Intensive  
Lifestyle**  
(n = 1079)



**Metformin**  
(n = 1073)



**Placebo**  
(n = 1082)



# Primary Outcome: Diabetes

- Annual fasting plasma glucose (FPG) and 75 gm Oral Glucose Tolerance Test
  - FPG  $\geq$  126 mg/dL (7.0 mmol/L) or
  - 2-hr  $\geq$  200 mg/dL (11.0 mmol/L),
  - Either confirmed with repeat test
- Semi-annual FPG
  - $\geq$  126 mg/dL, confirmed

# Lifestyle Intervention

An intensive program with the following specific goals:

- $\geq 7\%$  loss of body weight and maintenance of weight loss
  - Dietary fat goal --  $<25\%$  of calories from fat
  - Calorie intake goal -- 1200-1800 kcal/day
- $\geq 150$  minutes per week of physical activity

# Lifestyle Intervention Structure

- 16 session core curriculum (over 24 weeks)
- Long-term maintenance program
- Supervised by a case manager
- Access to lifestyle support staff
  - Dietitian
  - Behavior counselor
  - Exercise specialist



# The Core Curriculum

- 16 session course conducted over 24 weeks
- Education and training in diet and exercise methods and behavior modification skills
- Emphasis on:
  - Self monitoring techniques
  - Problem solving
  - Individualizing programs
  - Self esteem, empowerment, and social support
  - Frequent contact with case manager and DPP support staff



# Post Core Program

- **Self-monitoring and other behavioral strategies**
- **Monthly visits**
  - Must be seen in person at least every two months
- **Supervised exercise sessions offered**
- **Periodic group classes and motivational campaigns**
- **Tool box strategies**
  - Provide exercise videotapes, pedometers
  - Enroll in health club or cooking class



# **DPP Study Interventions: Criteria for Drug Treatment**

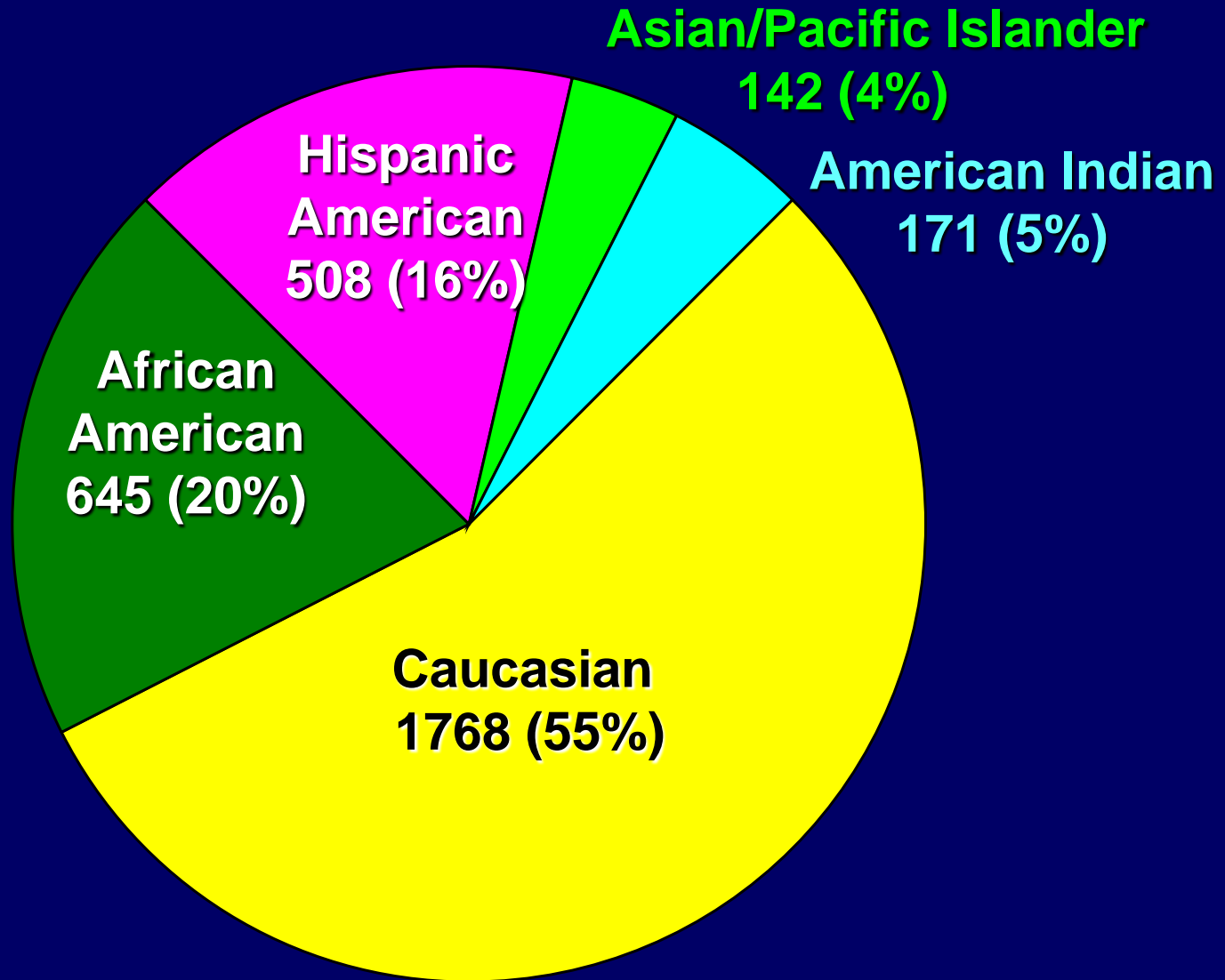
- **Efficacy**
- **Safety**
- **Tolerability - minimal side effects**
- **Acceptability - dose frequency**

# Interventions: Medications

**Metformin-** 850 mg per day escalating after 4 weeks to 850 mg twice per day

**Placebo-** Metformin placebo adjusted in parallel with active drugs

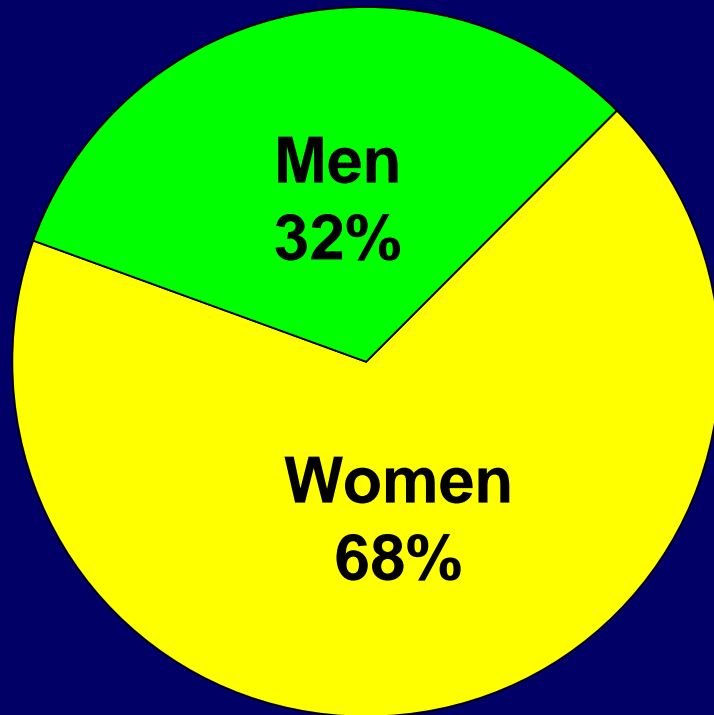
# DPP Population



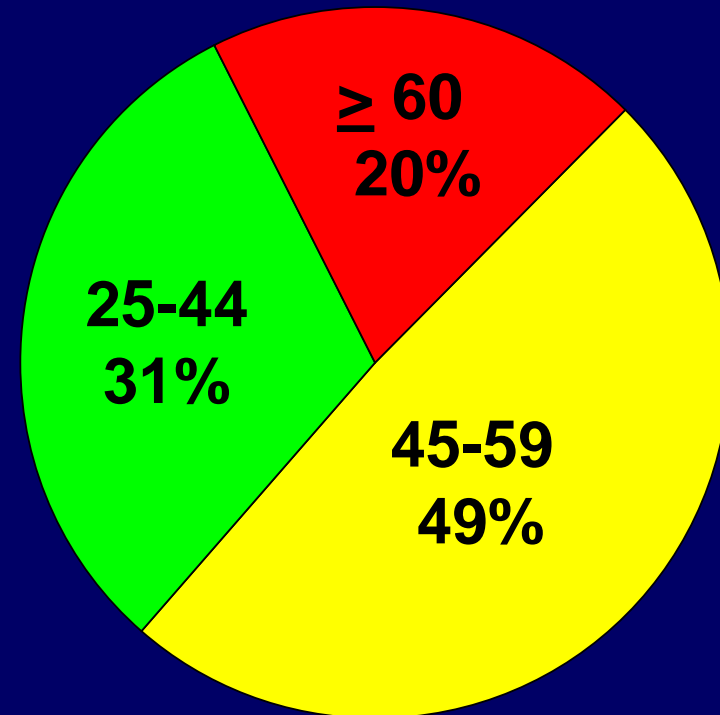


# DPP Population

## Sex Distribution



## Age Distribution



# Retention and Participation

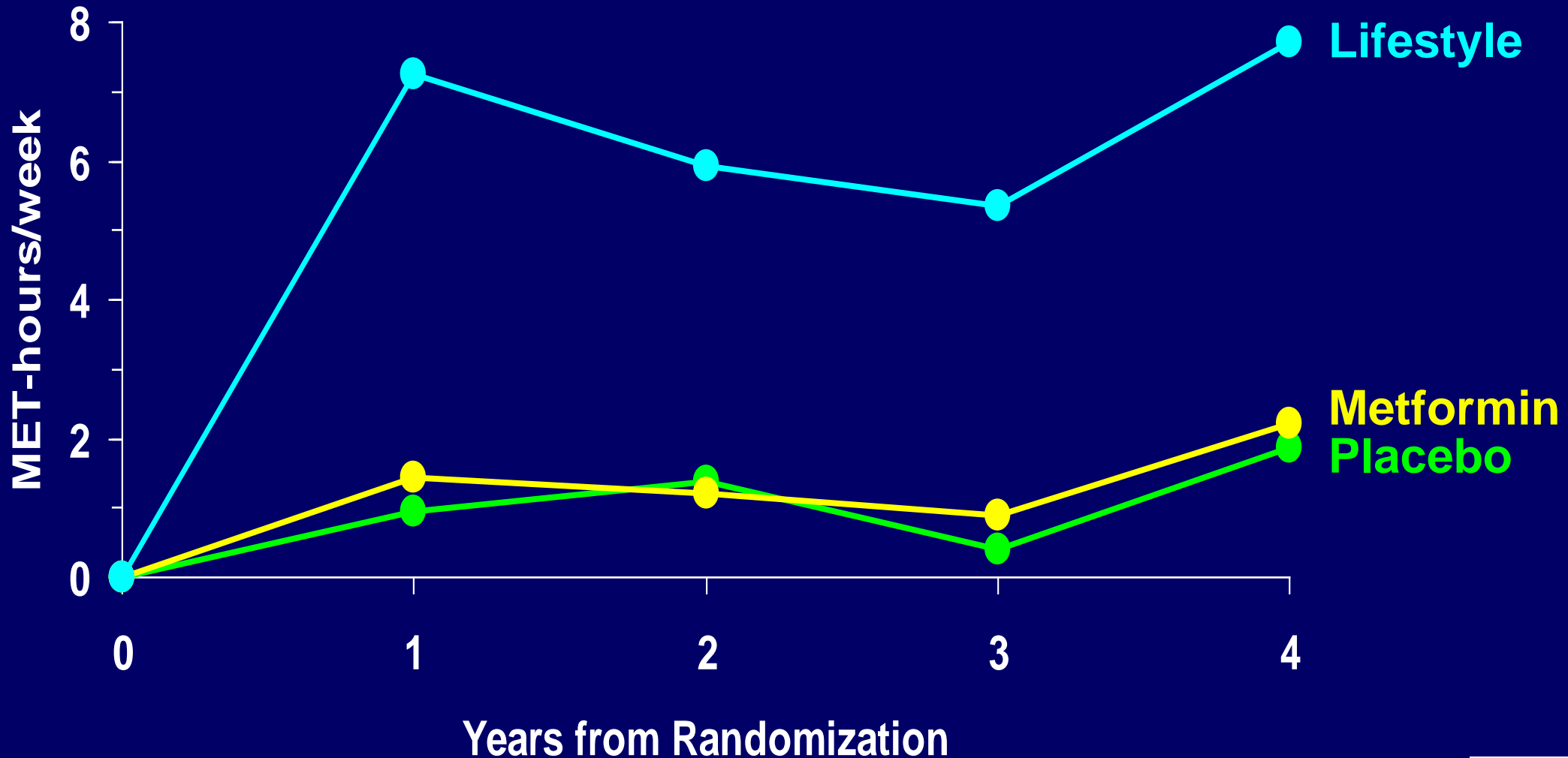
- **99.6% of the study cohort alive at study end**
- **93% completed study**
- **93% of annual visits completed**
- **Average follow-up 2.8 years (range 1.8 - 4.6)**



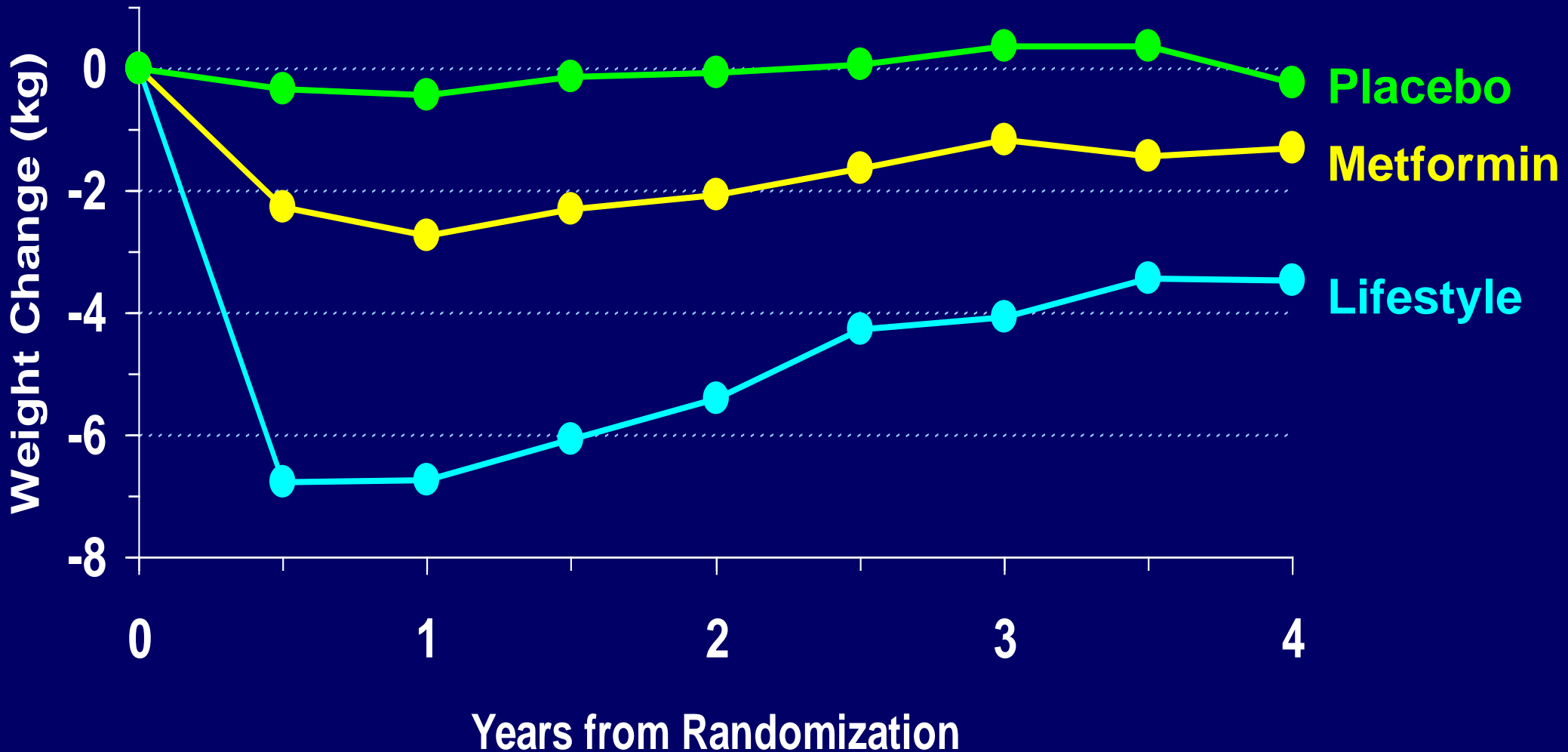
# **Lifestyle Intervention: Physical Activity Results**

- **74% of volunteers assigned to intensive lifestyle achieved the study goal of  $\geq 150$  minutes of activity per week at 24 weeks**

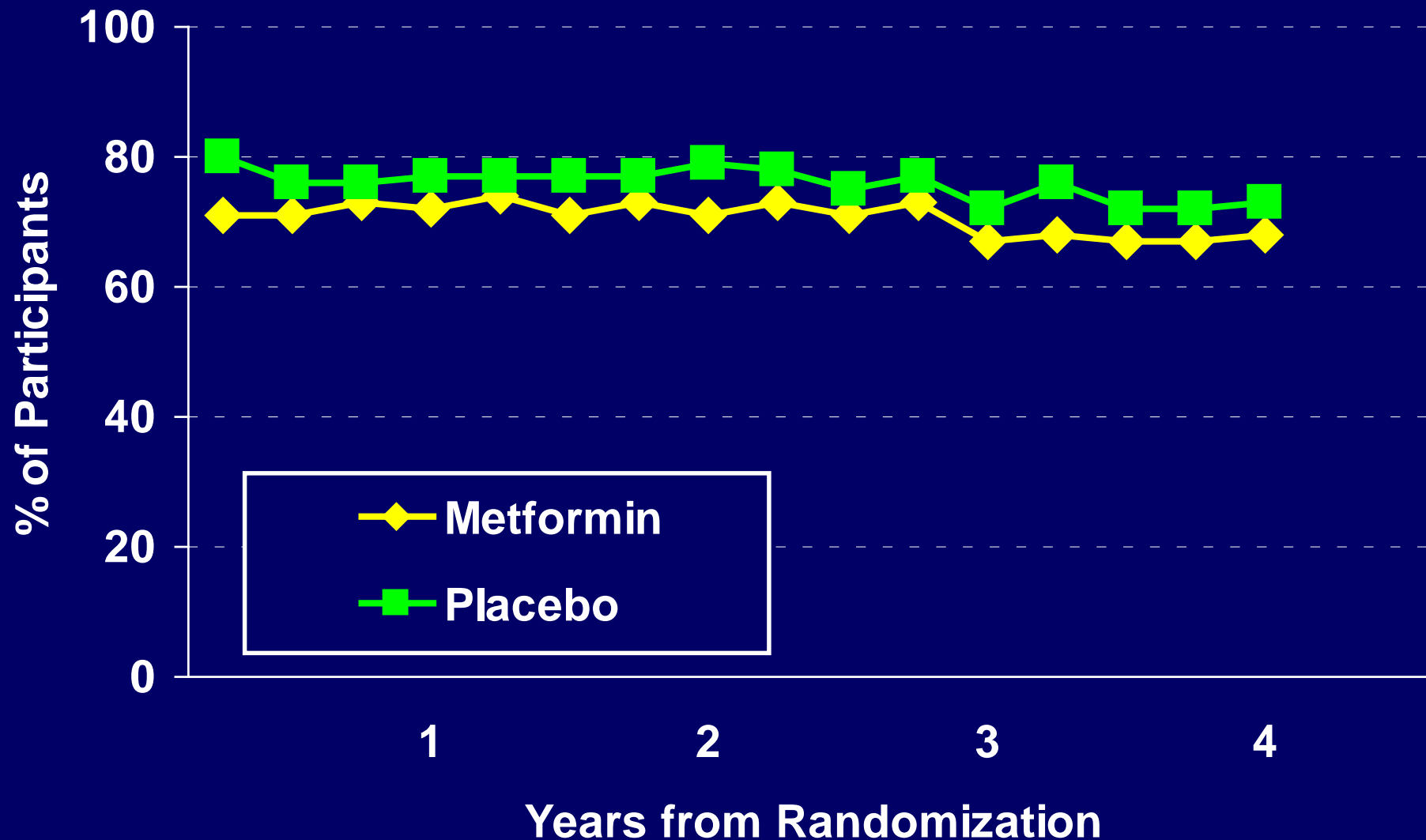
# Mean Change in Leisure Physical Activity



# Mean Weight Change



# Percent Taking $\geq 80\%$ of Prescribed Dose of Coded Medication



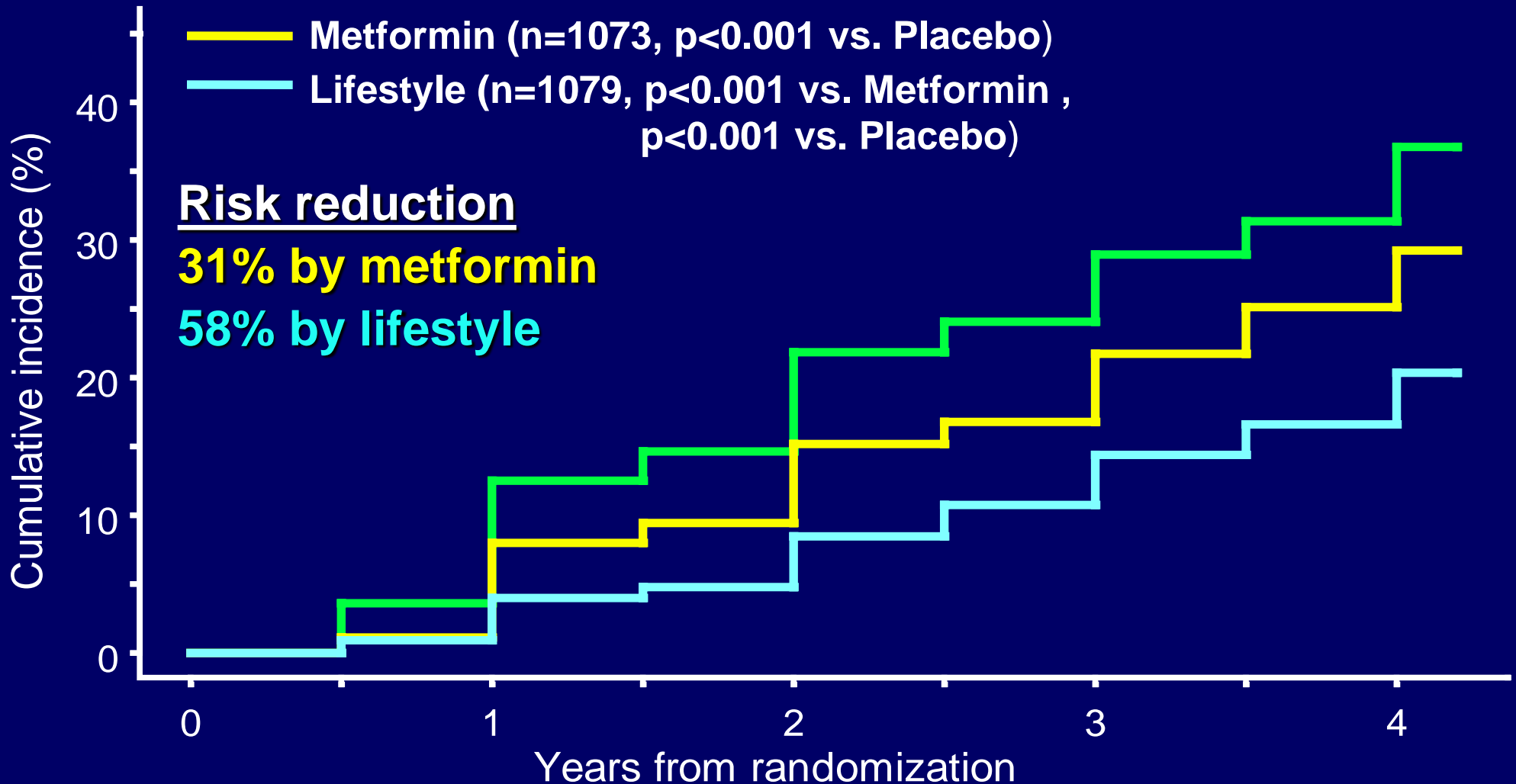
# Incidence of Diabetes

- Placebo (n=1082)
- Metformin (n=1073,  $p < 0.001$  vs. Placebo)
- Lifestyle (n=1079,  $p < 0.001$  vs. Metformin,  $p < 0.001$  vs. Placebo)

## Risk reduction

**31% by metformin**

**58% by lifestyle**

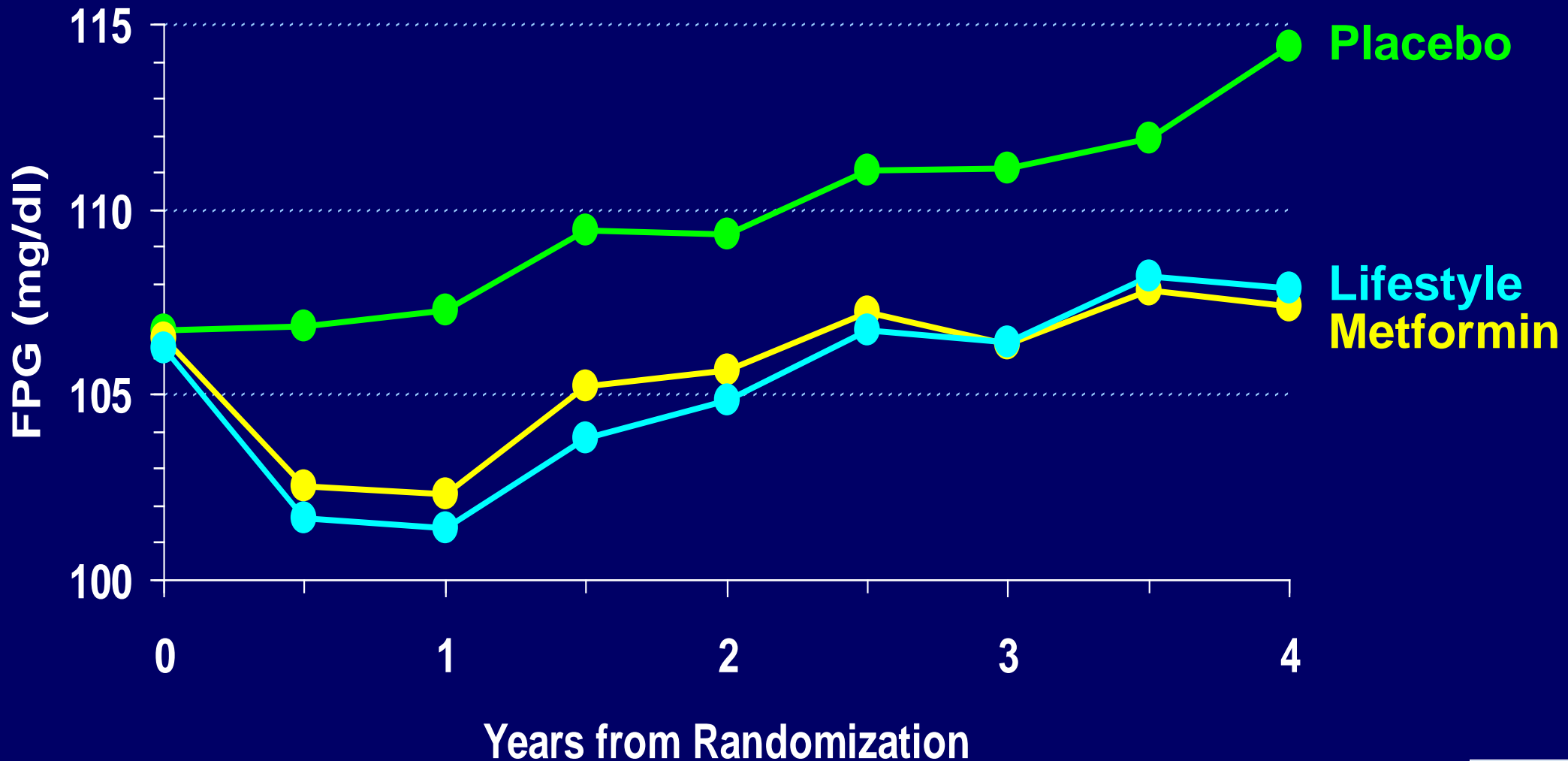


# Effect of Treatment on Incidence of Diabetes

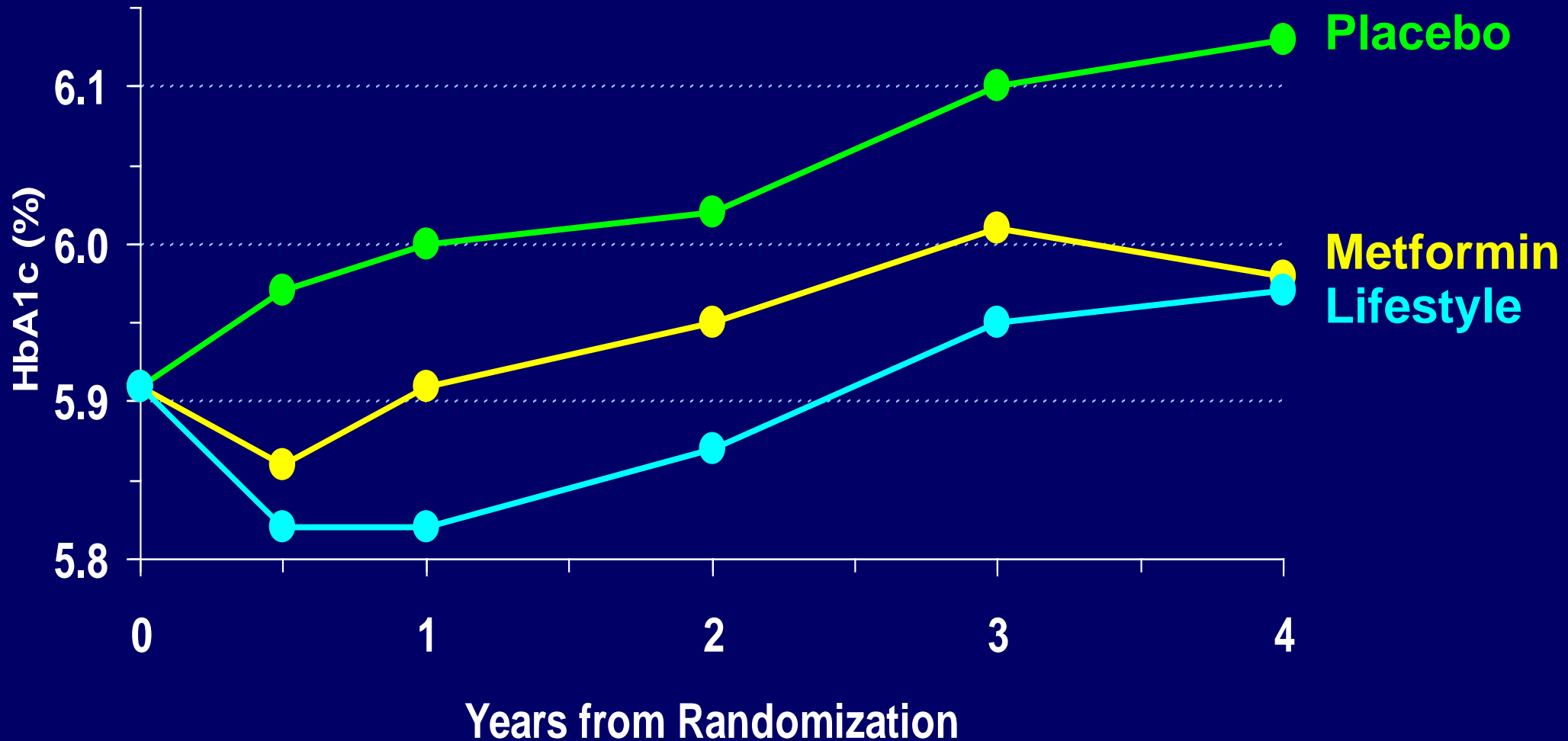
	<u>Placebo</u>	<u>Metformin</u>	<u>Lifestyle</u>
<u>Incidence</u> of diabetes (percent per year)	11.0%	7.8%	4.8%
<u>Reduction</u> in incidence compared with placebo	----	31%	58%
<u>Number needed to treat</u> to prevent 1 case in 3 years	----	13.9	6.9



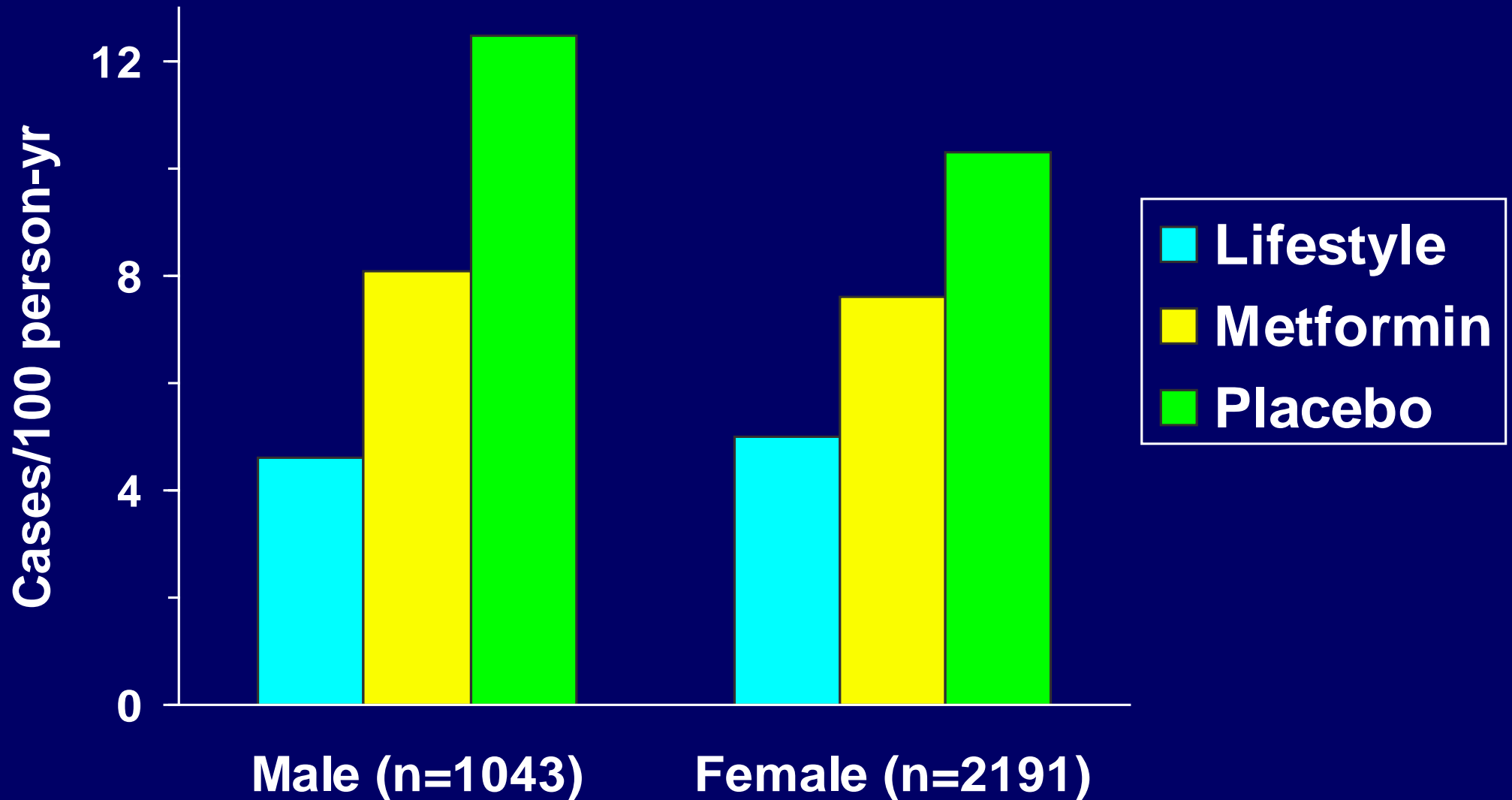
# Mean Change in Fasting Plasma Glucose



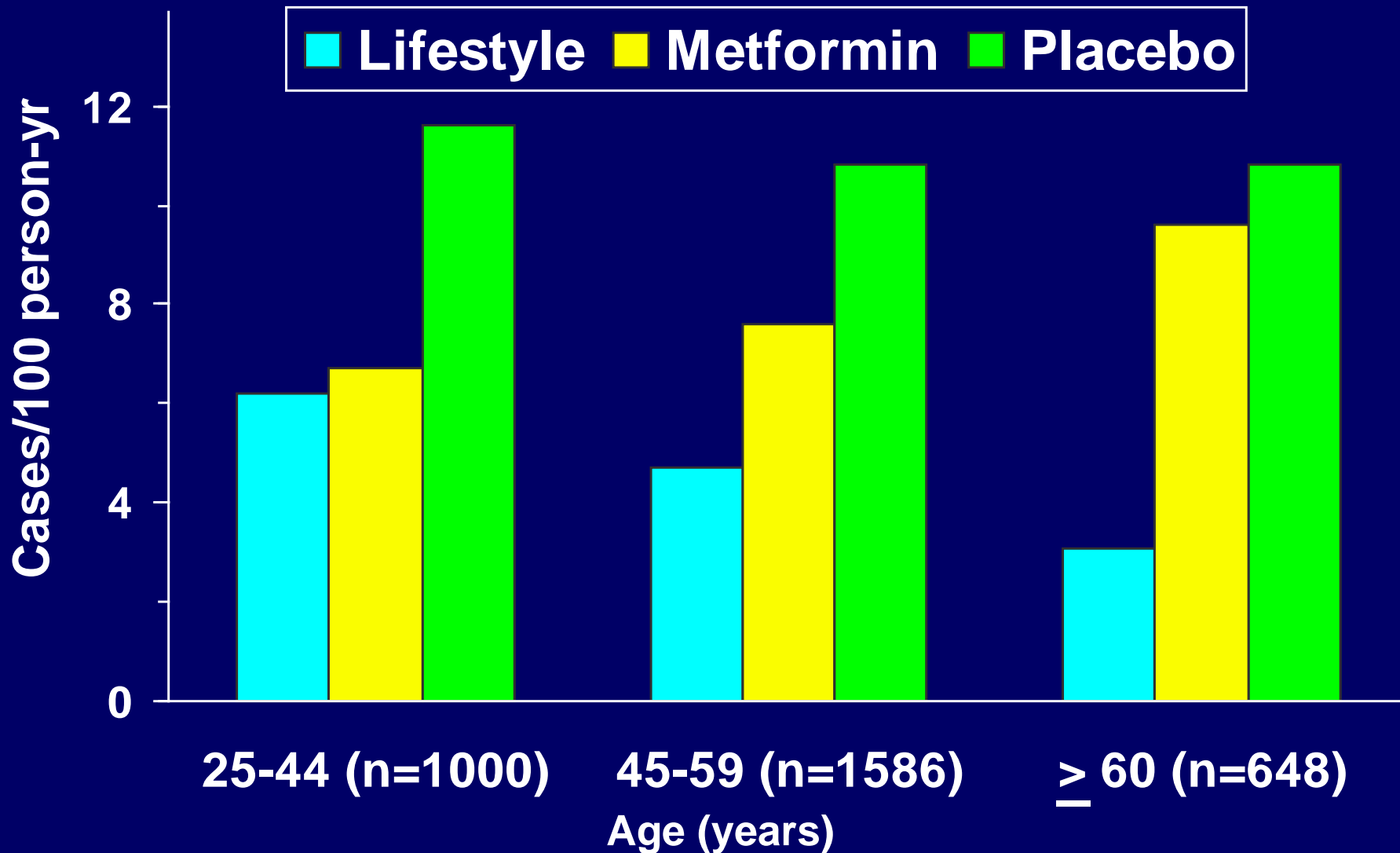
# Mean Change in HbA<sub>1c</sub>



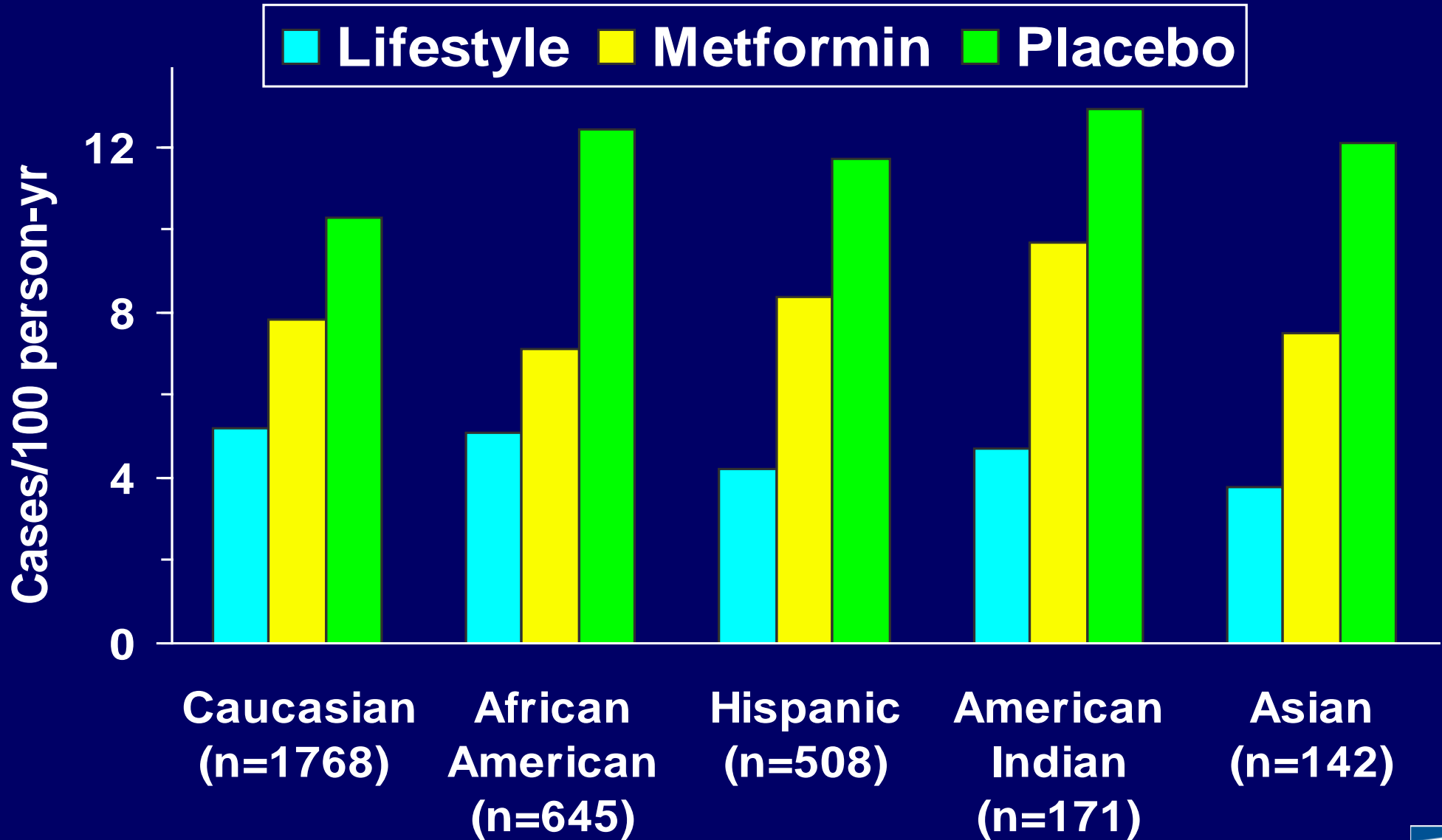
# Diabetes Incidence Rates by Sex



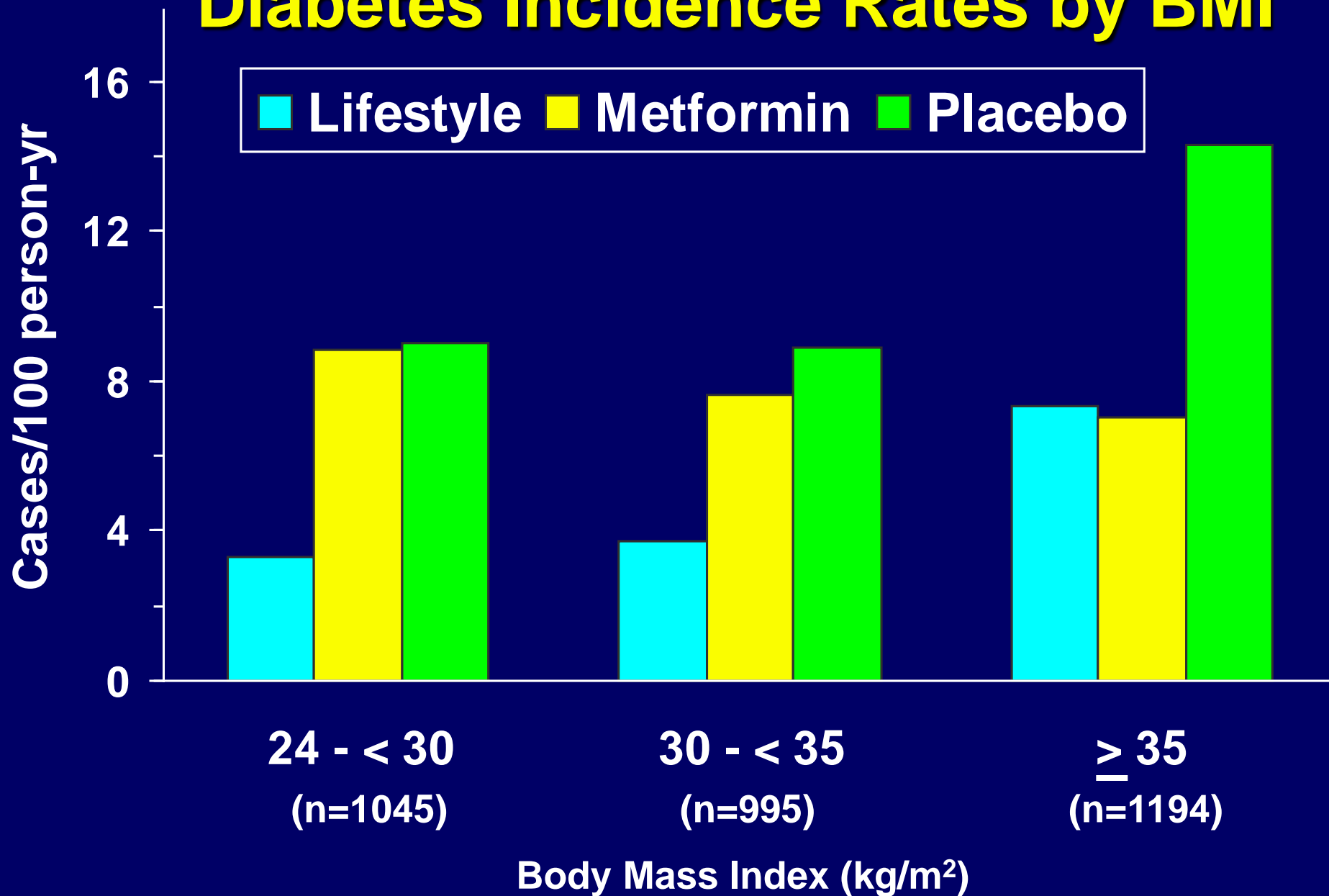
# Diabetes Incidence Rates by Age



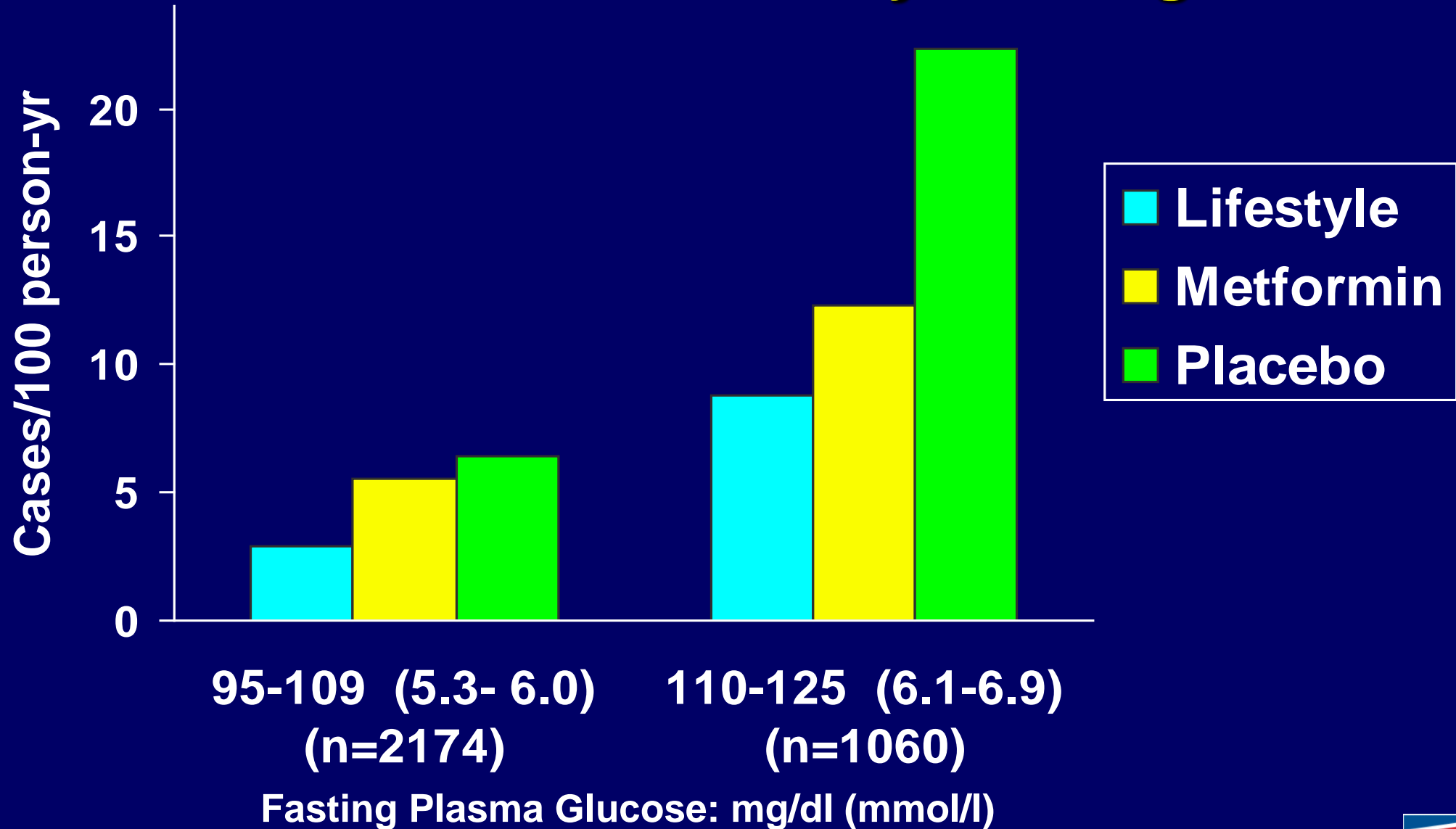
# Diabetes Incidence Rates by Ethnicity



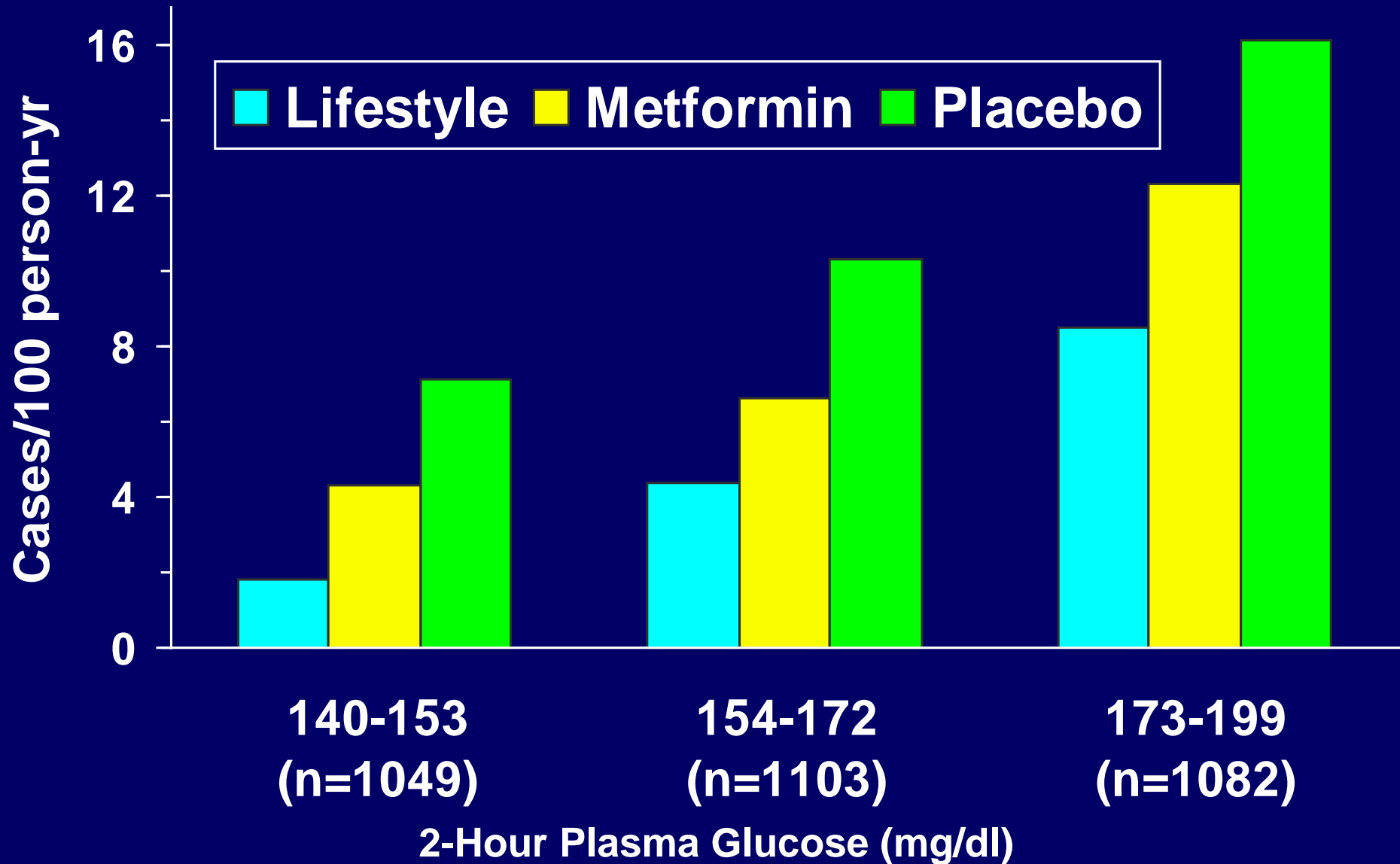
# Diabetes Incidence Rates by BMI



# Diabetes Incidence Rates by Fasting Glucose



# Diabetes Incidence Rates by 2-hr Glucose

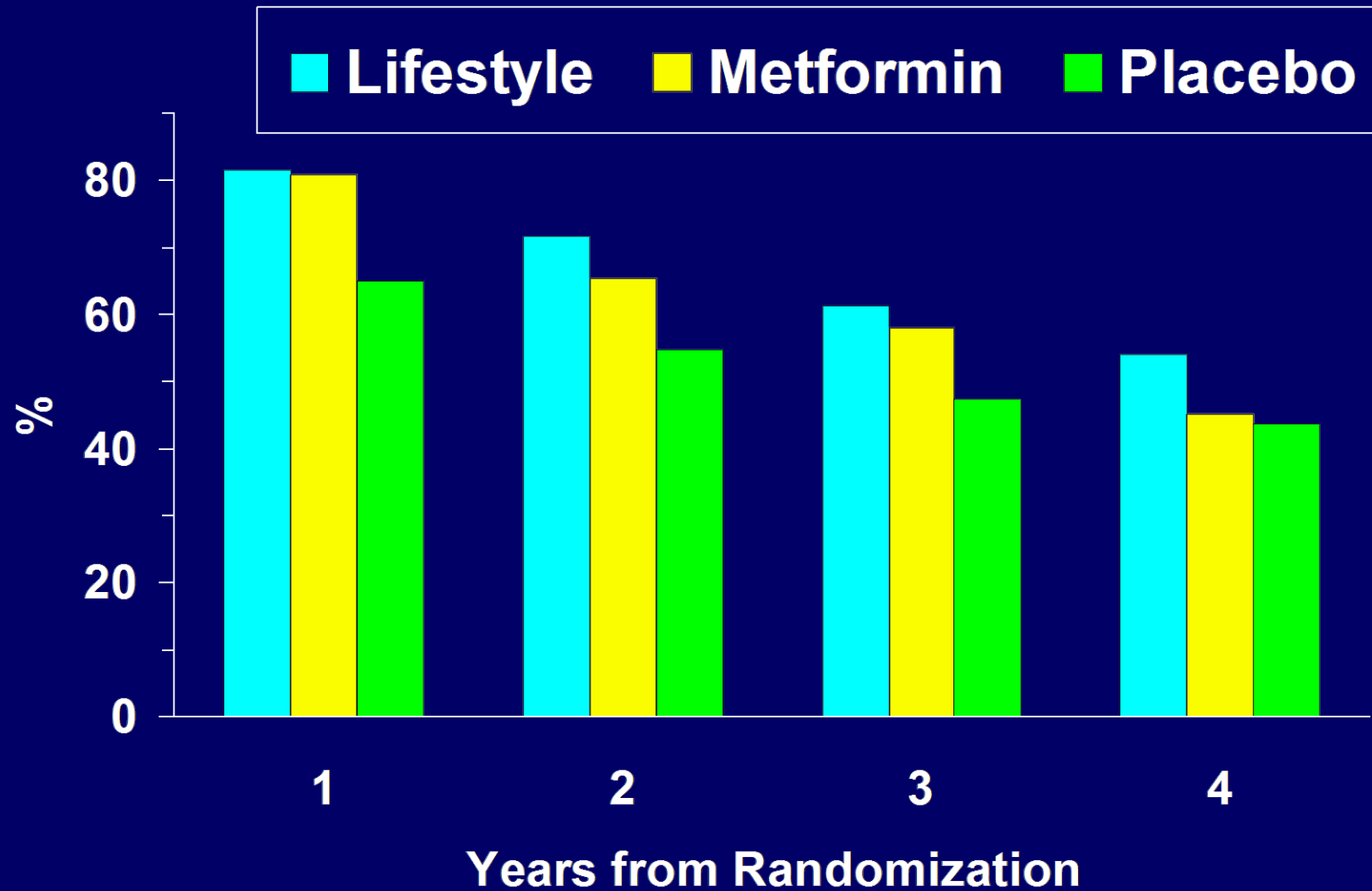




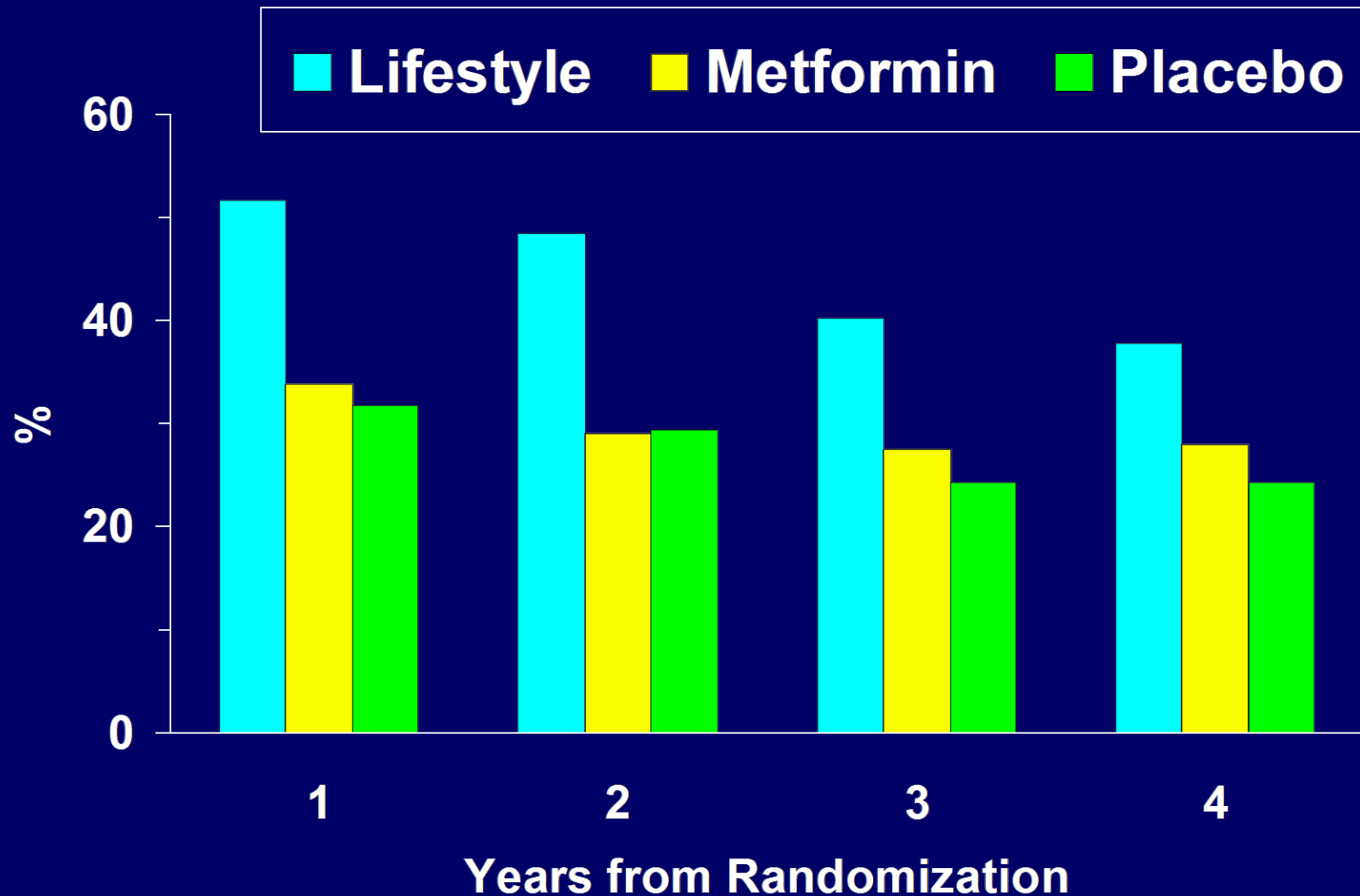
# Consistency of Treatment Effects

- Lifestyle intervention was beneficial regardless of ethnicity, age, BMI, or sex
- The efficacy of lifestyle relative to metformin was greater in older persons and in those with lower BMI
- The efficacy of metformin relative to placebo was greater in those with higher baseline fasting glucose and BMI

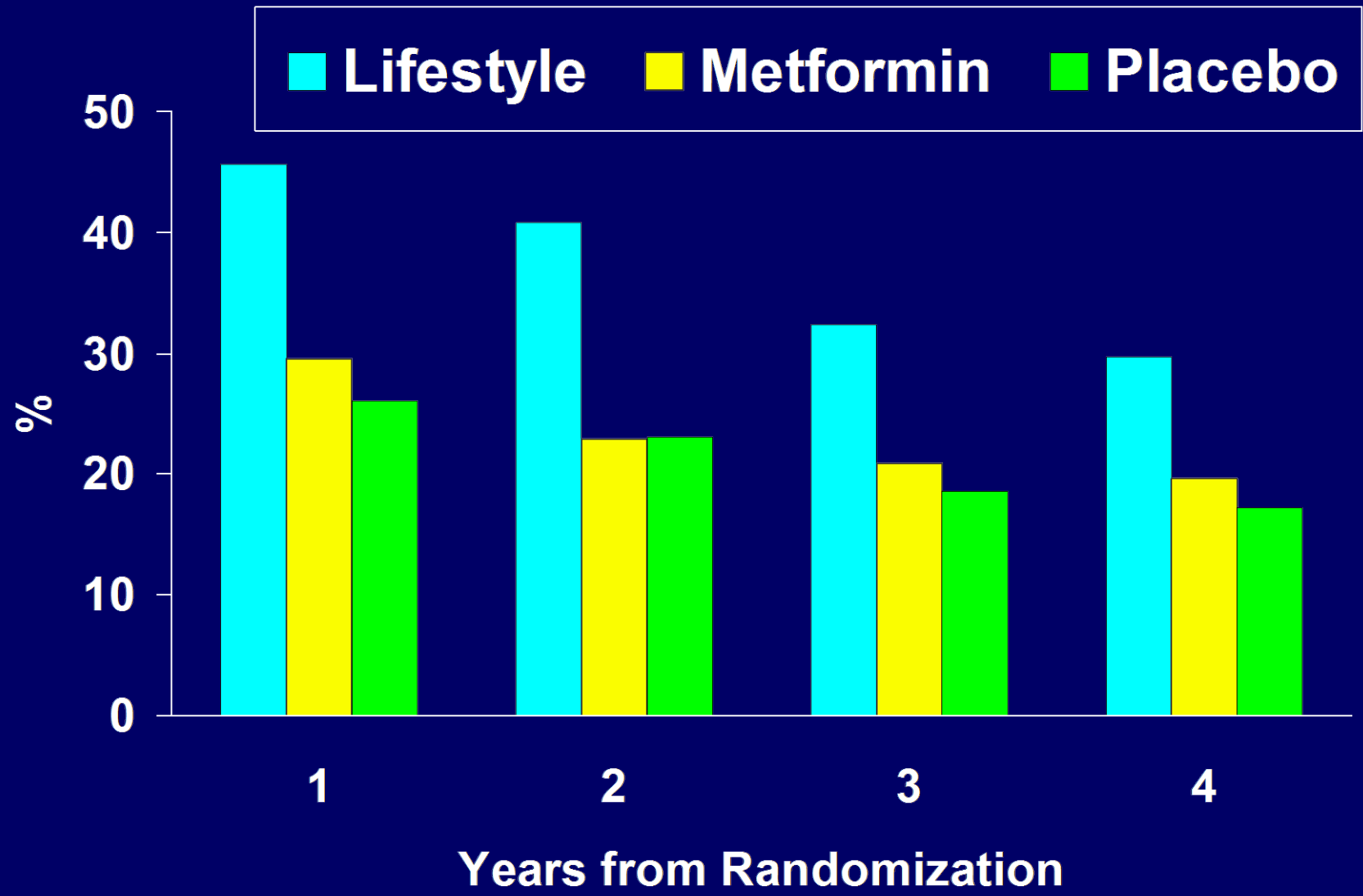
# Normal Fasting Glucose at Annual Visits



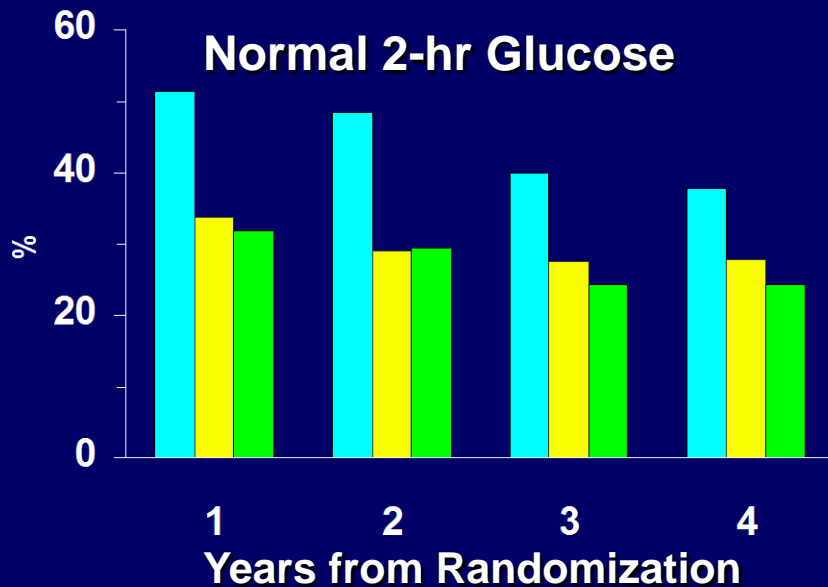
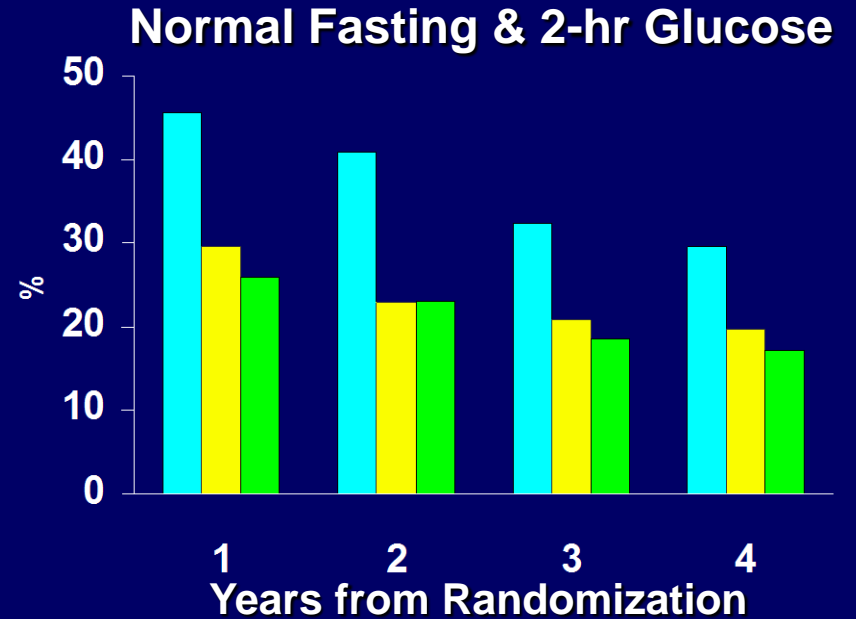
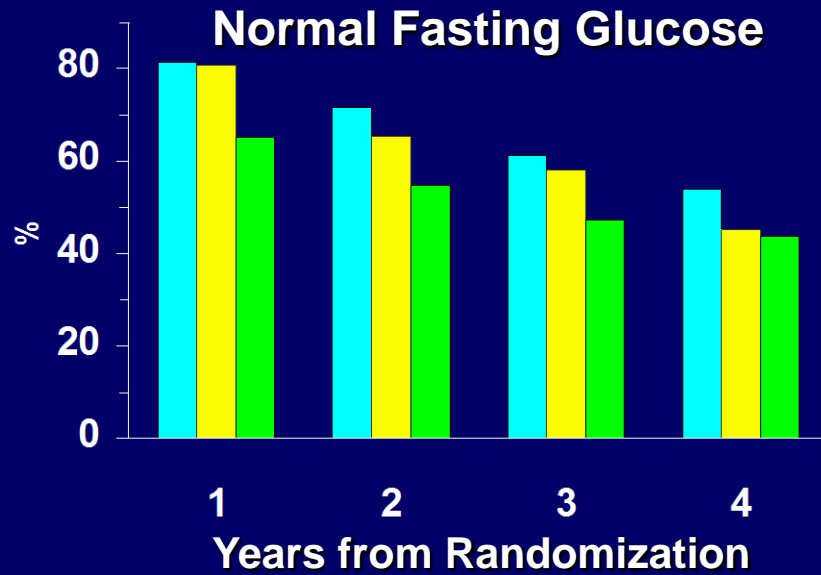
# Normal 2-hr Glucose at Annual Visits



# Normal Fasting & 2-hr Glucose at Annual Visits



# Normal Glucose at Annual Visits



# Adverse Events

(rates per 100 person years)

	<u>Placebo</u>	<u>Metformin</u>	<u>Lifestyle</u>
Death	0.16	0.20	0.10
Hospitalization	7.9	8.4	8.0
GI Symptoms	30.7	77.8*	12.9*
Musculoskeletal Symptoms	21.1	20.0	24.1*

\* significantly different from placebo

# Summary-1

- **Both interventions were well accepted and safe**
- **Intensive lifestyle resulted in weight loss and increased activity level for the duration of the study**

## Summary-2

- Both interventions were effective in men and women and all ethnic groups
- Intensive lifestyle intervention was effective in all age groups, including those  $\geq 60$  years of age



# Summary-3

- Intensive lifestyle intervention reduced the development of diabetes by 58%
- Metformin reduced the development of diabetes by 31%
- Lifestyle was more effective than metformin



*THANK YOU*

# Diabetes Prevention Program

## Baseline Characteristics



# Participant Characteristics by Treatment Group Assignment (1)

	<u>Overall</u>	<u>ILS</u>	<u>Metformin</u>	<u>Placebo</u>
<b><i>n</i></b>	3,234	1,079	1,073	1,082
<b>Age (years)*</b>	50.6 ± 10.7	50.6 ± 11.3	50.9 ± 10.3	50.3 ± 10.4
<b>Sex**</b>				
<b>Male</b>	1043 (32%)	345 (32%)	363 (34%)	335 (31%)
<b>Female</b>	2191 (68%)	734 (68%)	710 (66%)	747 (69%)
<b>Ethnicity</b>				
<b>Caucasian</b>	1768 (55%)	580 (54%)	602 (56%)	586 (54%)
<b>African-American</b>	645 (20%)	204 (19%)	221 (21%)	220 (20%)
<b>Hispanic</b>	508 (16%)	178 (17%)	162 (15%)	168 (16%)
<b>American Indian</b>	171 (5%)	60 (6%)	52 (5%)	59 (6%)
<b>Asian-American</b>	142 (4%)	57 (5%)	36 (3%)	49 (4%)

# Participant Characteristics by Treatment Group Assignment (2)

	<u>Overall</u>	<u>ILS</u>	<u>Metformin</u>	<u>Placebo</u>
<i>n</i>	3,234	1,079	1,073	1,082
FPG (mmol/L) *	5.9 ± 0.5	5.9 ± 0.4	5.9 ± 0.5	5.9 ± 0.5
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	34.0 ± 6.7	33.9 ± 6.8	33.9 ± 6.6	34.2 ± 6.8
BP (mm Hg)				
Systolic	124 ± 15	124 ± 15	124 ± 15	124 ± 14
Diastolic	78 ± 9	79 ± 9	78 ± 10	78 ± 9

# Demographic and Socioeconomic Characteristics by Sex (1)

	<u>Overall</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
<i>n</i>	3,234	1,043	2,191
<b>Age (years) *</b>			
25 to <40	505 (16%)	113 (11%)	392 (18%)
40 to <50	1137 (35%)	286 (27%)	851 (39%)
50 to <60	945 (29%)	325 (31%)	620 (28%)
≥60	647 (20%)	319 (31%)	328 (15%)
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>			
Caucasian	1768 (55%)	608 (58%)	1160 (53%)
African-American	645 (20%)	165 (16%)	480 (22%)
Hispanic	508 (16%)	167 (16%)	341 (16%)
American Indian	171 (5%)	20 (2%)	151 (7%)
Asian American	142 (4%)	83 (8%)	59 (3%)



# Demographic and Socioeconomic Characteristics by Sex (2)

<i>n</i>	<u>Overall</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
	3,234	1,043	2,191
<b>Employment Status *</b>			
Employed	2401 (74.2%)	771 (73.9%)	1630 (74.4%)
Retired	420 (13.0%)	217 (20.8%)	203 (9.3%)
Homemaker	204 (6.3%)	1 (0.1%)	203 (9.3%)
Not employed	121 (3.7%)	33 (3.2%)	88 (4.0%)
Seasonally employed	25 (0.8%)	8 (0.8%)	17 (0.8%)
Student	21 (0.6%)	2 (0.2%)	19 (0.9%)
Other	37 (1.1%)	11 (1.1%)	26 (1.2%)
Never worked	5 (0.2%)	0 (0.0%)	5 (0.2%)

# Demographic and Socioeconomic Characteristics by Sex (3)

	<u>Overall</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
<i>n</i>	3,234	1,043	2,191
<b>Education in years *</b>			
<13	834 (26%)	221 (21%)	613 (28%)
13 to 16	1556 (48%)	488 (47%)	1068 (49%)
17 or more	844 (26%)	334 (32%)	510 (23%)
<b>Annual family income</b>			
< \$20,000	446 (14%)	110 (11%)	336 (15%)
\$20,000 to <\$35,000	561 (17%)	146 (14%)	415 (19%)
\$35,000 to <\$50,000	641 (20%)	207 (20%)	434 (20%)
\$50,000 to <\$75,000	646 (20%)	218 (21%)	428 (20%)
> \$75,000	682 (21%)	281 (27%)	401 (18%)
Refused	257 (8%)	81 (8%)	176 (8%)





# Demographic and Socioeconomic Characteristics by Sex (4)

<i>n</i>	<u>Overall</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
	3,234	1,043	2,191
<b>Marital status *</b>			
Married	1999 (62%)	765 (73%)	1234 (56%)
Divorced	448 (14%)	75 (7%)	373 (17%)
Never married	420 (13%)	115 (11%)	305 (14%)
Widowed	151 (5%)	31 (3%)	120 (6%)
Living together	125 (4%)	31 (3%)	94 (4%)
Separated	91 (3%)	26 (3%)	65 (3%)
<b>Smoking</b>			
Never	1897 (59%)	497 (48%)	1400 (64%)
Former	1111 (34%)	471 (45%)	640 (29%)
Current	226 (7%)	75 (7%)	151 (7%)

# Self-reported Characteristics by Sex and Ethnicity

	<u>Overall</u>	<u>Caucasian</u>	<u>African American</u>	<u>Hispanic</u>	<u>American Indian</u>	<u>Asian American</u>
<b>No. of MEN</b>	1,043	608	165	167	20	83
Fam hx type 2 diabetes *	690 (66%)	390 (64%)	117 (71%)	112 (67%)	13 (65%)	58 (70%)
Hx of high cholesterol	389 (37%)	234 (39%)	65 (39%)	53 (32%)	3 (15%)	34 (41%)
Hx of hypertension	302 (29%)	171 (28%)	58 (35%)	49 (29%)	5 (25%)	19 (23%)
<b>No. of WOMEN</b>	2,191	1,160	480	341	151	59
Fam hx type 2 diabetes	1553 (71%)	799 (69%)	360 (75%)	243 (71%)	116 (77%)	35 (60%)
Hx of gest. diabetes	353 (16%)	191 (17%)	63 (13%)	55 (16%)	36 (24%)	8 (14%)
Hx of high cholesterol	730 (33%)	429 (37%)	147 (31%)	114 (33%)	22 (15%)	17 (29%)
Hx of hypertension	569 (26%)	303 (26%)	144 (30%)	68 (20%)	40 (27%)	15 (26%)

# Body Mass Index by Sex and Ethnicity

	<u>Overall</u>	<u>Caucasian</u>	<u>African American</u>	<u>Hispanic</u>	<u>American Indian</u>	<u>Asian American</u>
<b>No. of MEN</b>	1,043	608	165	167	20	83
<b>BMI (kg/m<sup>2</sup>) *</b>	32.0 ± 5.7	32.5 ± 5.8	32.5 ± 6.0	31.7 ± 5.0	31.2 ± 4.1	28.3 ± 3.7
<b>range</b>	22.7 - 70.9	24.0 - 70.9	24.4 - 64.9	24.4 - 54.4	24.3 - 40.1	22.7 - 44.0
<b>&lt;30 **</b>	453 (43%)	246 (41%)	66 (40%)	72 (43%)	8 (40%)	61 (74%)
<b>30 to &lt;40</b>	505 (48%)	305 (50%)	84 (51%)	84 (50%)	11 (55%)	21 (25%)
<b>≥40</b>	85 (8%)	57 (9%)	15 (9%)	11 (7%)	1 (5%)	1 (1%)
<b>No. of WOMEN</b>	2,191	1,160	480	341	151	59
<b>BMI (kg/m<sup>2</sup>)</b>	34.9 ± 7.0	35.0 ± 7.1	36.3 ± 7.1	34.0 ± 6.0	33.9 ± 6.3	30.7 ± 6.5
<b>range</b>	22.1 - 71.5	23.9 - 71.5	24.1 - 65.1	22.6 - 64.9	24.0 - 55.4	22.1 - 50.4
<b>&lt;30</b>	593 (27%)	325 (28%)	101 (21%)	94 (28%)	38 (25%)	35 (59%)
<b>30 to &lt;40</b>	1134 (52%)	585 (50%)	248 (52%)	194 (57%)	90 (60%)	16 (29%)
<b>≥40</b>	464 (21%)	250 (22%)	131 (27%)	53 (16%)	23 (15%)	7 (12%)

# Glycemia by Sex and Ethnicity

	<u>Overall</u>	<u>Caucasian</u>	<u>African American</u>	<u>Hispanic</u>	<u>American Indian</u>	<u>Asian American</u>
<b>No. of MEN</b>	1,043	608	165	167	20	83
<b>FPG (mmol/L) *</b>	6.0 ± 0.5	6.0 ± 0.5	6.0 ± 0.4	6.0 ± 0.5	5.8 ± 0.4	6.0 ± 0.4
<b>range</b>	5.2 - 7.7	5.3 - 7.7	5.3 - 7.3	5.3 - 7.7	5.2 - 6.6	5.3 - 7.5
<b>2-hr PG (mmol/L)</b>	9.1 ± 0.9	9.2 ± 0.9	9.1 ± 1.0	9.1 ± 1.0	9.1 ± 0.9	9.1 ± 0.9
<b>range</b>	7.8 - 11.0	7.8 - 11.0	7.8 - 11.0	7.8 - 11.0	7.9 - 10.5	7.8 - 11.0
<b>HbA<sub>1c</sub> (%)</b>	5.9 ± 0.5	5.8 ± 0.4	6.2 ± 0.7	5.9 ± 0.5	5.8 ± 0.5	6.0 ± 0.4
<b>range</b>	4.0 - 7.7	4.0 - 7.2	4.2 - 7.7	4.4 - 7.2	4.5 - 6.7	4.8 - 6.8
<b>&gt; 6.1% **</b>	316 (30%)	133 (22%)	105 (64%)	47 (28%)	5 (25%)	26 (31%)
<b>No. of WOMEN</b>	2,191	1,160	480	341	151	59
<b>FPG (mmol/L)</b>	5.9 ± 0.4	5.9 ± 0.4	6.0 ± 0.5	5.8 ± 0.4	5.5 ± 0.5	5.9 ± 0.4
<b>range</b>	4.2 - 7.7	5.3 - 7.7	5.3 - 7.5	5.3 - 7.3	4.2 - 6.8	5.3 - 6.8
<b>2-hr PG (mmol/L)</b>	9.1 ± 0.9	9.2 ± 0.9	9.1 ± 1.0	9.1 ± 0.9	9.1 ± 1.0	9.4 ± 0.9
<b>range</b>	7.8 - 11.0	7.8 - 11.0	7.8 - 11.0	7.8 - 11.0	7.8 - 11.0	7.8 - 11.0
<b>HbA<sub>1c</sub> (%)</b>	5.9 ± 0.5	5.8 ± 0.4	6.2 ± 0.6	5.9 ± 0.5	6 ± 0.4	5.9 ± 0.4
<b>range</b>	3.2 - 8.5	3.6 - 7.4	3.2 - 8.5	4.4 - 7.5	5.0 - 7.6	4.5 - 7.1
<b>&gt; 6.1%</b>	616 (28%)	215 (19%)	259 (54%)	76 (22%)	52 (34%)	15 (25%)



# Insulinemia by Sex and Ethnicity

<b>INSULIN</b> (pmol/L)	<u>Overall</u>	<u>Caucasian</u>	<u>African</u> <u>American</u>	<u>Hispanic</u>	<u>American</u> <u>Indian</u>	<u>Asian</u> <u>American</u>
<b>No. of MEN</b>	1,043	608	165	167	20	83
<b>Fasting *</b>	158 ± 99	157 ± 101	148 ± 74	178 ± 118	151 ± 70	155 ± 88
<b>range</b>	26 - 1104	27 - 684	26 - 510	43 - 1104	48 - 288	36 - 480
<b>30-min</b>	590 ± 423	555 ± 424	527 ± 317	711 ± 414	820 ± 760	661 ± 441
<b>range</b>	27 - 4854	31 - 4854	66 - 1812	27 - 2190	294 - 3480	78 - 2280
<b>No. of WOMEN</b>	2,191	1,160	480	341	151	59
<b>Fasting</b>	158 ± 86	151 ± 80	167 ± 91	168 ± 91	170 ± 89	148 ± 103
<b>range</b>	14 - 720	14 - 552	18 - 576	32 - 720	34 - 534	36 - 576
<b>30-min</b>	607 ± 368	557 ± 323	617 ± 416	681 ± 378	810 ± 444	569 ± 276
<b>range</b>	18 - 3600	36 - 3600	18 - 3024	52 - 2100	78 - 2436	132 - 1248



# Lipids by Sex and Ethnicity

<i>Lipids (mmol/L)</i>	<u>Overall</u>	<u>Caucasian</u>	<u>African American</u>	<u>Hispanic</u>	<u>American Indian</u>	<u>Asian American</u>
<b><i>No. of MEN</i></b>	1,043	608	165	167	20	83
<b>Total cholesterol *</b>	5.2 ± 0.9	5.2 ± 0.9	5.2 ± 0.9	5.2 ± 0.9	4.9 ± 1.0	5.4 ± 1.0
<b>HDL cholesterol</b>	1.0 ± 0.2	1.0 ± 0.2	1.1 ± 0.2	1.0 ± 0.2	1.0 ± 0.1	1.1 ± 0.2
<b>LDL cholesterol</b>	3.3 ± 0.8	3.2 ± 0.8	3.4 ± 0.9	3.2 ± 0.9	2.9 ± 1.0	3.4 ± 0.8
<b>Triglycerides</b>	2.0 ± 1.1	2.1 ± 1.1	1.5 ± 0.9	2.2 ± 1.2	2.1 ± 1.1	2.0 ± 1.1
<b><i>No. of WOMEN</i></b>	2,191	1,160	480	341	151	59
<b>Total cholesterol</b>	5.3 ± 1.0	5.4 ± 0.9	5.2 ± 1.0	5.2 ± 0.9	4.8 ± 1.0	5.4 ± 0.9
<b>HDL cholesterol</b>	1.2 ± 0.3	1.2 ± 0.3	1.3 ± 0.3	1.2 ± 0.3	1.2 ± 0.3	1.3 ± 0.3
<b>LDL cholesterol</b>	3.2 ± 0.9	3.2 ± 0.8	3.3 ± 0.9	3.2 ± 0.9	2.8 ± 0.8	3.2 ± 0.9
<b>Triglycerides</b>	1.7 ± 0.9	1.9 ± 1.0	1.2 ± 0.6	1.8 ± 0.9	1.7 ± 0.8	2.0 ± 1.2

\*Mean ± SD

