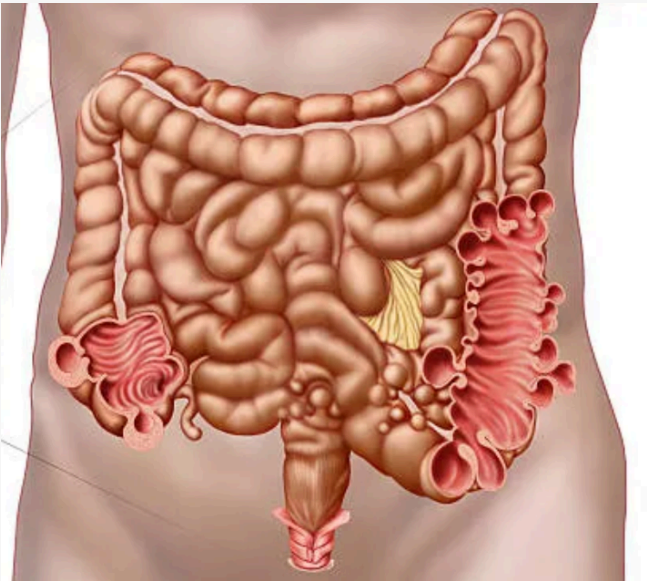


DIVERTICULITIS



MORTALITY RATES:

Low overall, twice as high in complicated cases; women account for 68% deaths

INCIDENCE:

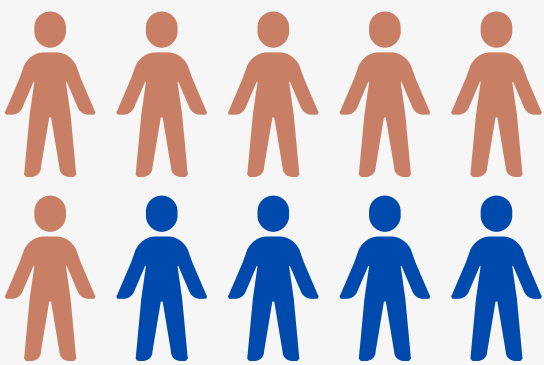
115–188 per 100,000/year, rising among younger adults

PREVALENCE:

~4% of patients with diverticulosis develop diverticulitis

RECURRENCE (5 yrs):

17% after 1st episode, 44% after 2nd, 80% after 3+ episodes

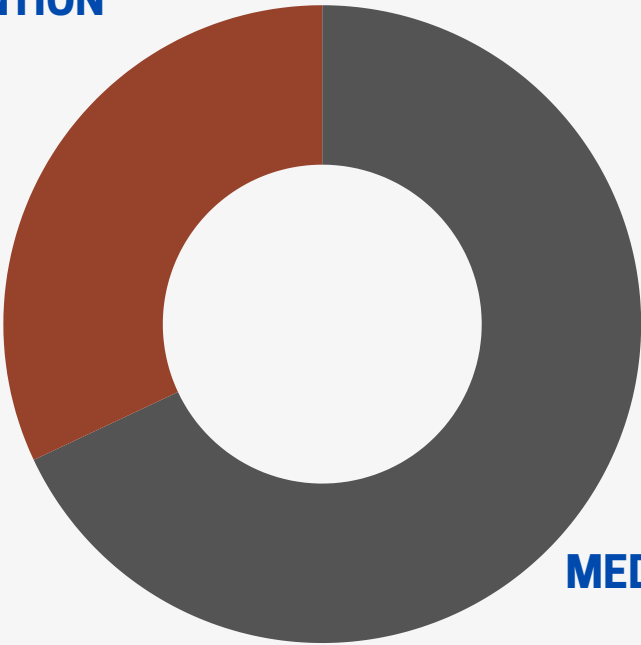


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Patients with clinical diverticulitis are women

COMMON TREATMENTS FOR DIVERTICULITIS

SURGICAL INTERVENTION
32%



MEDICAL THERAPY
68%

MEDICAL THERAPY:

- Antibiotics may not be given
- Pain relief
- Dietary management (clear liquid diet)
- Hydration
- Rest

SURGICAL INTERVENTION:

- Emergency surgery for patients with complications
- After medical therapy 15% to 30% of patients need elective colon resection for recurrent disease

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