

# Noise and hearing.

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### What Noises Cause Hearing Loss?

NIHL can be permanent or temporary; it can affect both ears or only one ear. Summary of Average Hearing-Threshold Data for the 1970s, 1980s, and 1990s For the most part, large-scale studies of hearing loss from multiple branches of the military using reliable and valid measurement procedures and conditions were not available until the 1970s.

### Noise and Hearing Loss Prevention

Even for personnel assigned to a specific occupational specialty, it is reasonable to assume that the typical activities for an individual vary over time and that the activities at any given time vary among personnel at different military installations. An upturn at 8000 Hz, a characteristic of the noise notch, could be seen in the Navy data, but Air Force personnel were not tested at that frequency.

### Noise and hearing loss

What Are the Directions for Future Research? When significant hearing loss is found, for ethical reasons, exposures must be reduced, interfering with the relationships under study.

### Noise and Hearing Conservation

SOURCES: Glorig and Roberts 1965 ; Robertson et al. However, hand-arm vibration alone will not affect TTS2. SOURCES: Glorig and Roberts 1965 ; Goldenberg 1977.

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In general, to measure loudness, a sound must be increased by 10 dB to be perceived as twice as loud.

### The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Consensus Development Program: Noise and Hearing Loss

The statistical analysis controlled for age, race, and gender. Studying Noise-Induced Hearing Loss Among Military Personnel Potentially damaging noise exists in the military environment, but assessing its effects on the hearing of military personnel is not straightforward.

### **Occupational Noise Exposure**

Differences in susceptibility of the cochlear structures to NIHL may exist, but no practical approach to predicting them is yet available. Assistant Director Army Audiology and Speech Center Walter Reed Army Medical Center Washington, D. Temporary hearing loss induced by noise and vibration.

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