

Table 13.4: Percent Prevalence of Abnormal Peripheral Sensation^{1,2}

Symptom	Total (N=1002)	Age Group			Disability Level		
		65-74 (N=388)	75-84 (N=311)	85+ (N=303)	Moderate ³ (N=343)	ADL Difficulty	
						Receives No Help (N=478)	Receives Help (N=181)
Abnormal peripheral sensation ⁴	9.6	10.7	9.4	6.9	3.6	11.4	16.7
Is your abnormal sensation found in your . . . ?							
A. Legs or feet							
Yes	6.7	8.1	6.1	4.3	2.6	8.6	10.0
B. Arms or hands							
Yes	8.2	9.6	7.8	4.9	3.2	9.6	14.5
If yes to both A and B	5.4	7.0	4.5	2.9	2.2	6.8	8.2
Have you ever burned yourself without feeling pain?							
Yes	1.7	2.1	1.6	0.8	1.1	1.2	4.4

(Women's Health and Aging Study, baseline interview, 1992-1995)

¹ All variables have less than 1% missing data. Results are based on non-missing data.

² Descriptive statistics are based on weighted data.

³ No ADL difficulty; disabled in two or more domains (see Chapter 1).

⁴ Includes positive response to any of the items below.