

40—Noise and Hearing Conservation

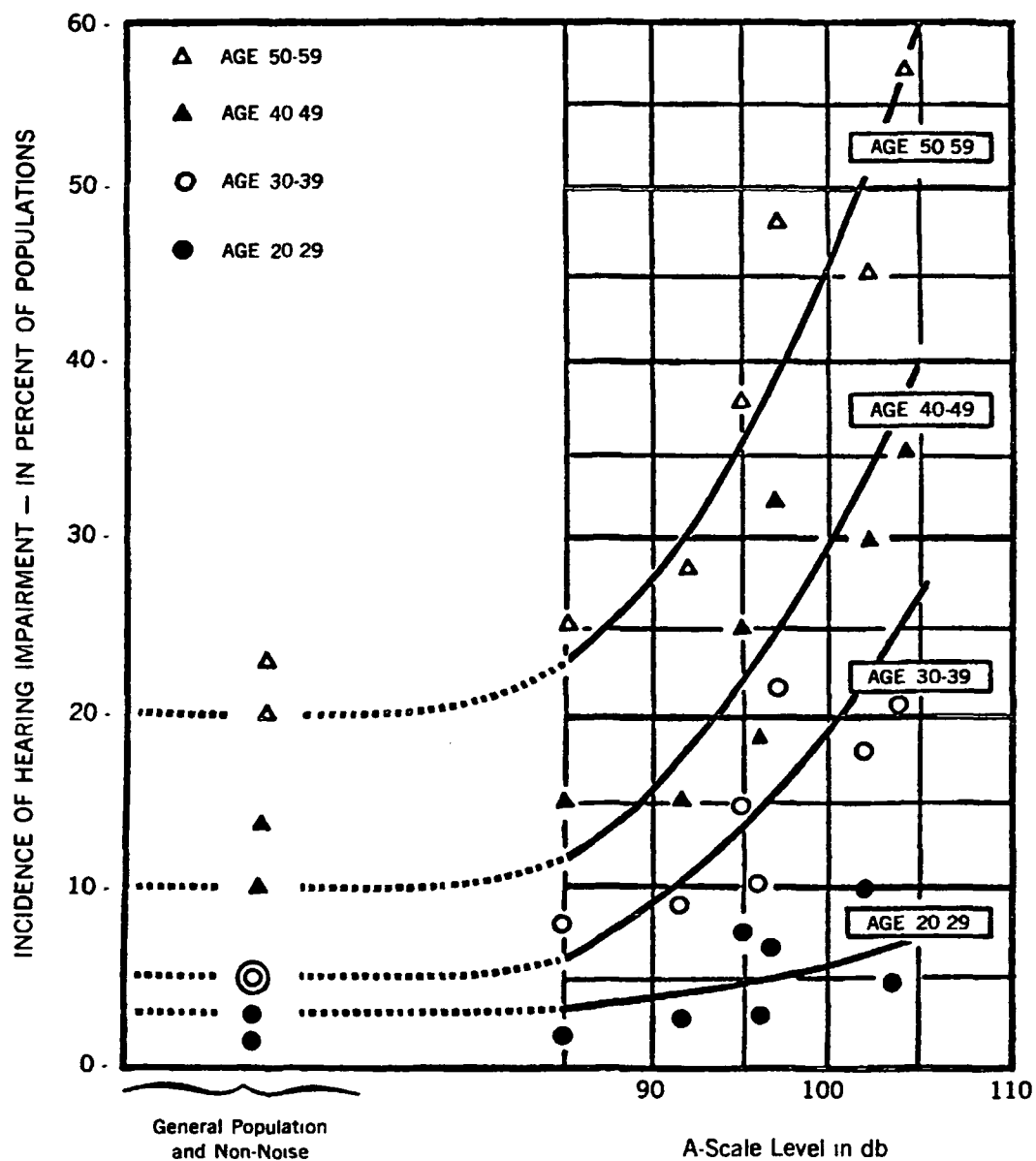


FIG 40-6 —Incidence of hearing impairment in the general population and in selected populations by age groups and by occupational noise exposure. Hearing impairment may be defined as the average hearing threshold level in excess of 15 dB at 500, 1000, and 2000 Hz.

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