

did we study? The sort of groups that have been used for epidemiological work have been the following: Miners attending hospital. I'm ashamed almost to put that on a slide, but I wouldn't do it except that quite prominent papers have been published on miners attending hospital, and clearly they are -- even a highly selected group, even if the doctor himself doesn't select his patients -- they have been selected for him on a very curious and unpredictable basis.

A lot of papers have been published on applicants or receipts for compensation. All the figures I have shown you so far as we have gone, are based on that sort of population, but again many-fold motives effect a man's application for compensation, and it's difficult to use that type of population for active work.

You then have more carefully selected populations. The ideal population would be all the men who have ever worked in an industry, whatever they're now doing, but clearly, that's impossible. What we can do is take selected cases, all the cases in a mine and selected occupations, all the underground workers, all the underground workers and surface workers, because miners tend to go from underground to surface from time to time, or complete mining communities. We have adopted, at various times, the populations three to six.