

European mortality bulletin, week 34, 2013:

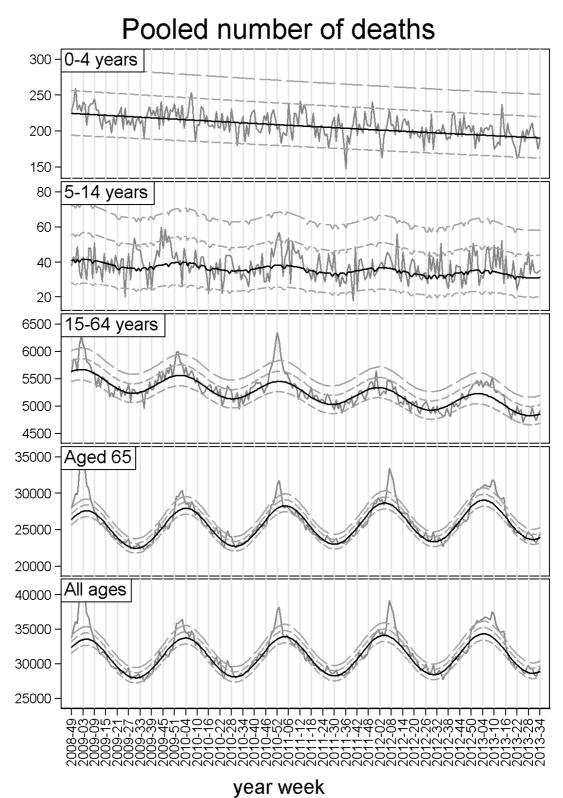
Analysis of pooled data from 13 countries or regions in week 34/2013 showed that overall allcause mortality has been around normal levels since the end of the winter season 2012/2013.

However in single countries there have been excess mortality peaks in recent weeks. In Portugal an excess mortality was observed in the 65+ age group during weeks 26, 27 and 28. This excess mortality was concurrent with a heat wave in Portugal mainland from 26 June to 11 of July. In Spain excess mortality was observed in 65+ age group during weeks 27 and 28. This excess mortality may also have been be related to high temperatures.

Excess mortality levels in most recent weeks are difficult to interpret because adjustment for delayed registrations may be imprecise. Further, results of pooled analysis may vary dependent on which countries are included in the weekly analysis.

Pooled analysis was adjusted for variation between the included countries and for differences in the local delay in reporting. Further details are available on http://www.euromomo.eu/results/pooled.html





Grey line: Observed delay-adjusted. Black line: Stratified baseline. Quick dotted: Normal range (2 zscores). Slow dotted: Substantial increase (4 zscores) EuroMOMO: week 34 year 2013