

TABLE 1**Summary of Autism Prevalence Studies**

Author	Year published	Country	Time period studied	Age range studied (years)	Number of children in population	Criteria used	Methodology used	Prevalence rate (per 10,000 children) for autism/other ASD	IQ < 70 (%)
Lotter	1966	England	1964	8 to 10	78,000	Kanner	Case enumeration and direct exam	4.5/-	84
Brask	1970	Denmark	1962	2 to 14	46,500	Kanner	Case enumeration	4.3/-	NR
Treffert	1970	US	1962–1967	3 to 12	899,750	Kanner	Case enumeration	0.7/2.4	
Wing & Gould	1979	England	1970	0 to 14	35,000	Kanner	Case enumeration and direct exam	4.6/15.7	70
Hoshino et al. ¹	1982	Japan	1977	0 to 17	234,039	Kanner	Case enumeration and direct exam	5.0/-	NR
Ishii & Takahashi	1983	Japan	1981	6 to 12	35,000	Rutter	Case enumeration and direct exam	16.0/-	NR
Bohman et al.	1983	Sweden	1979	0 to 20	69,000	Rutter	Case enumeration and direct exam	3.0/2.6	NR
McCarthy et al.	1984	Ireland	1978	8 to 10	65,000	Kanner	Case enumeration and direct exam	4.3/-	NR
Gillberg	1984	Sweden	1980	4 to 18	128,584	DSM-III	Case enumeration and direct exam	2.0/1.9	80, 77
Steinhausen et al.	1986	Germany	1982	0 to 14	279,616	Rutter	Case enumeration and direct exam	1.9/-	44
Steffenberg & Gillberg	1986	Sweden	1984	<10	78,413	DSM-III	Case enumeration and direct exam	4.5/2.2	88
Matsuishi et al.	1987	Japan	1983	4 to 12	32,834	DSM-III	Case enumeration and direct exam	15.5/-	NR
Burd et al.	1987	US	1985	2 to 18	180,986	DSM-III	Case enumeration and direct exam	1.2/2.1	NR
Bryson et al.	1988	Canada	1985	6 to 14	20,800	DSM-III	Case enumeration and direct exam	10.1/-	76
Tanoue et al.	1988	Japan	1977–1985	3 to 7	95,394	DSM-III	Case enumeration	13.8/-	NR
Cialdella & Mameille	1989	France	1986	3 to 9	135,180	DSM-III	Case enumeration	5.1/5.2	NR
Sugiyama & Abe	1989	Japan	1979–1984	2 to 5	12,263	DSM-III	Population screen and direct exam	13.0/-	38
Ritvo et al.	1989	US	1984–1988	8 to 12	184,822	DSM-III	Case enumeration and direct exam	4.0/-	NR
Gillberg et al.	1991	Sweden	1988	4 to 13	78,106	DSM-III-R	Case enumeration and direct exam	7.0/2.4	82, 80
Fombonne & Mazaubrun ¹	1992	France	1985	9 to 13	274,816	ICD-10	Case enumeration and direct exam	4.9/-	87

Honda et al.	1996	Japan	1994	1.5 to 6	8,537	ICD-10	Population screen and direct exam	21.1/-	50
Fombonne et al.	1997	France	1992–1993	16-Aug	325,347	ICD-10	Case enumeration and direct exam	5.4/10.9	88
Arvidsson et al.	1997	Sweden	1994	3 to 6	1,941	ICD-10	Population screen and direct exam	31.0/15.0	100
Webb et al.	1997	Wales	1992	3 to 15	73,300	DSM-III-R	Case enumeration and direct exam	7.2/-	NR
Sponheim & Skjeldae	1998	Norway	1992	3 to 14	65,688	ICD-10	Case enumeration and direct exam	3.8/1.4	64
Kadesjo et al.	1999	Sweden	1992	6.7 to 7.7	826	ICD-10	Case enumeration and direct exam	60.0/60.0	60
Baird et al.	2000	England	1998	1.5 to 8	16,235	ICD-10 DSM-III-R or DSM-IV	Population screen and direct exam	30.8/27.1	40
Powell et al.	2000	England	1995	1 to 4	29,200	DSM-IV	Case enumeration	9.6/10.6	NR
Kielinen et al.	2000	Finland	1996	18-Mar	152,732	DSM-IV	Case enumeration	12.2/1.2	73
Magnusson & Saemundsen	2000	Iceland	1997	5 to 14	43,153	ICD-10	Population screen and direct exam	8.6/4.6	95, 65
Chakrabarti & Fombonne	2001	England	1998	2.5 to 6.5	15,500	DSM-IV	Population screen and direct exam	16.8/45.8	24, 70
Fombonne et al. ²	2001	UK	1999	5 to 15	12,529	DSM-IV	Population screen and direct exam	26.1	44
Bertrand et al.	2001	US	1998	3 to 10	8,996	DSM-IV DSM-III-R or DSM-IV	Case enumeration and direct exam	40.0/67.0	49, 58
Croen et al.	2001	US	1987–1999	0 to 21	4,600,000	DSM-IV	Case enumeration	11.0/-	NR
Yeargin-Alsopp et al. ²	2003	US	1996	3 to 10	290,000	DSM-IV	Case enumeration	34	64, 68
Gurney et al. ²	2003	US	1981–1982, 2001–2002	6 to 17	-	DSM-IV	Case enumeration	3.0-44.0	NR
Lingam et al.	2003	UK	2000	5 to 14	186,206	ICD-10	Case enumeration	14.9/15.5	NR
Icasiano et al.	2004	Australia	2002	2 to 17	45,153	DSM-IV	Case enumeration	39.2	42
Lauritsen et al.	2004	Denmark	2001	0 to 9	682,397	ICD-10	Case enumeration	11.8/22.6	NR
Fombonne et al.	2006	Canada	1987–1998	5 to 21	27,749	DSM-IV	Case enumeration	21.6/43.3	NR
Baird et al.	2006	UK	1990–1991	9 to 10	56,946	ICD-10	Case enumeration, screen, and direct exam	38.9/77.2	56

¹ The prevalence rate provided represents an average prevalence rate.

² The prevalence study provided an overall rate only.

³ 64% had MR based on IQ data, and 68% had cognitive impairment based on IQ and developmental tests.