

Comparison of Gastric and Duodenal Ulcers

	Gastric Ulcer	Duodenal Ulcer
Lesion		Penetrating (associated with deformity of duodenal bulb from healing of recurrent ulcers)
Location of Lesion	Predominantly antrum, also in body and fundus of stomach	First 1-2 cm of duodenum
Gastric secretion		
Incidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Greater in women •Peak age fifth to sixth decade •More common in persons of lower socioeconomic status and in unskilled laborers •Increased with smoking, drug, and alcohol •Increased with incompetent pyloric sphincter •Increased with stress ulcers after severe burns, head trauma, and major surgery 	
Clinical manifestations		
Recurrence rate	High	High
Complications	Hemorrhage, perforation, outlet obstruction, intractability	