The Human Ear

Leading Causes of Hearing Loss

Adults
- Excessive noise exposure
- Presbycusis (aging process)
- Tumors and other space occupying lesions
- Vascular and circulatory disorders
- Heredity

Children
- Middle Ear Problems
  - Before age six, 80% of all children in the United Kingdom will suffer from Otitis Media.
  - Congenital
    - Craniofacial Anomalies
    - Family history of hearing loss
    - Congenital infections

Other
- Bacterial Meningitis
- Head trauma
- Ototoxic medications
- Childhood infectious diseases (mumps, measles)

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