Records identified through PubMed, EMBASE and Web of Science searching (n = 539)

Additional records identified through other sources (n = 2602)

Records screened (n = 3441)

Records excluded (n = 3065)
Main reasons: studies did not concern burden of disease measurement presenting DALY estimates

Full-text articles excluded, with reasons (n = 50)
Main reasons: papers did not pertain general burden of disease studies

Full-text articles assessed for eligibility (n = 77)

Studies included in qualitative synthesis (n = 27)