Diabetes

How to prevent it?

How to cure it?

How to prevent diabetes comorbidities?

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Diabetes, a condition of hyperglycemia and insulin resistance

Gestational diabetes, glucose intolerance with onset or first recognition/diagnosis during pregnancy

Type 1 diabetes, the pancreas does not produce insulin

Type 2 diabetes, insulin resistance

Leading causes of mortality in the United States



Diabetes may be underreported as a cause of death. Studies have found that only about 35% to 40% of people with diabetes who died had diabetes listed anywhere on the death certificate and about 10% to 15% had it listed as the underlying cause of death.

National Diabetes Statistics Report, 2014

FAST FACTS ON DIABETES

29.1 million people or 9.3% of the U.S. population have diabetes.

DIAGNOSED 21.0 million people

UNDIAGNOSED 8.1 million people

(27.8% of people with diabetes are undiagnosed).

All ages, 2012

"Eighty percent of premature heart disease, stroke and type 2 diabetes can be prevented." World Health Organization

What is the

status quo?

Diabetes Prevention Program Research Group Lancet Diabetes Endocrinol 2015

N = 2776

Lifestyle – N = 915

Metformin – N = 926

Control - N = 935

Mean follow-up = 15 years

Diabetes Prevention Program Research Group Lancet Diabetes Endocrinol 2015

"The lifestyle programme included a 16-session curriculum with individual sessions aimed at achieving a 7% weight loss through a healthy, low-fat, low-calorie diet and 150 min per week of moderate-intensity physical activity. After the first 24 weeks, individual and group sessions were used to reinforce the lifestyle modification behaviours."

Diabetes Prevention Program Research Group

		Placebo group (n=780)	Metformin group (n=772)	Lifestyle interventior group (n=79	n 51)
Age (years)		65 (10)	66 (9)*	66 (11)*	
Sex (women)		538 (69%)	525 (68%)	513 (68%)	
Ra	ace or ethnic origin				
	White	411 (53%)	420 (54%)	396 (53%)	
	African-American	162 (21%)	166 (22%)	148 (20%)	
	Hispanic American	119 (15%)	118 (15%)	109 (15%)	
	American Indian	52 (7%)	43 (6%)	50 (7%)	
	Asian American-Pacific Islanders	36 (5%)	25 (3%)	48 (6%)	
Weight (kg)		91 (20)	90 (19)	89 (19)*	
BMI (kg/m²)		33 (7)	32 (7)*	32 (6)*	
HbA _{1c} (%) Total cohort		6·3% (1·2)	6·1% (1·1)*	6·2% (1·2	2)†

Diabetes Prevention Program Research Group



Lifestyle intervention is more effective than metformin in reducing risk of developing type 2

diabetes

Healthy Living Is the Best Revenge

Findings From the European Prospective Investigation Into Cancer and Nutrition–Potsdam Study

Earl S. Ford, MD, MPH; Manuela M. Bergmann, PhD; Janine Kröger; Anja Schienkiewitz, PhD, MPH; Cornelia Weikert, MD, MPH; Heiner Boeing, PhD, MSPH

Participants: N = 23 153 German, Age: 35 to 65 years

Healthy living is the best revenge

Non-smoking



BMI < 30



Physical activity ≥ 3.5 hrs/week

- **Diet composed of**
 - High intake of fruits and vegetables
 - Whole grains
 - Small amounts of meat

HEALTH CARE REFORM

Ford et al., Arch Intern Med. 2009;169(15):1355-1362

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"The message from our analysis of the data from the **EPIC-Potsdam study is clear:** adopting a few healthy behaviors can have a major impact on the risk of morbidity."

Diet and diabetes

prevention

Foods' association with type 2 diabetes

Increase risk

Meats

Eggs

White rice Refined CHO

Decrease risk Fruits Vegetables Whole grains Legumes/Beens Nuts

Meat intake

and risk of

diabetes

Dietary Intake of Total, Animal, and Vegetable Protein and Risk of Type 2 Diabetes in the European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and Nutrition (EPIC)-NL Study SLUIJS I., et al. Diabetes Care 2010;33:43-48,

- The Prospect-EPIC study
 - N = 17,357
 - Women, aged 49–70 years living in Utrecht and vicinity
- The MORGEN-EPIC
 - N = 22,654
 - Adults, aged 21–64 years

Dietary Intake of Total, Animal, and Vegetable Protein and Risk of Type 2 Diabetes in the European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and Nutrition (EPIC)-NL Study SLUIJS I., et al. Diabetes Care 2010;33:43-48



Red meat consumption and risk of type 2 diabetes: 3 cohorts of US adults and an updated meta-analysis

Pan A., et al. Am J Clin Nutr 2011;94:1088-96



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Egg intake and

risk of diabetes

Egg consumption in relation to risk of cardiovascular disease and diabetes: a systematic review and meta-analysis Shin et al. Am J Clin Nutr 2013;98:146–159

N = 22 independent cohorts from 16 studies

N = participants ranging in number from 1600 to 90,735

Follow-up time from 5.8 to 20.0 years

Egg consumption in relation to risk of cardiovascular disease and diabetes: a systematic review and meta-analysis Shin et al. Am J Clin Nutr 2013;98:146–159

"Comparison of the highest category (>1 egg/d) of egg consumption with the lowest (<1 egg/wk or never) resulted in a pooled HR ... 1.42 (1.09, 1.86) for type 2 diabetes."

Egg consumption and risk of cardiovascular diseases and diabetes: A meta-analysis Li et al., Atherosclerosis, 2013;229:524e530

Study Highest vs. lowest intake RR (95% CI) Weight ID Djousse et al (M) (22) (2009) 1.58 (1.25, 2.01)54.59 Djousse et al (F) (22) (2009) 1.77 (1.28, 2.43)29.97 1.81 (0.77, 4.22)4.26 Djousse et al (M) (32) (2010) Djousse et al (F) (32) (2010) 0.38 (0.10, 1.37)1.80 2.01 (0.73, 5.55)2.99 Shi et al (M) (24) (2011) 2.90 (1.08, 7.84)3.13 Shi et al (F) (24) (2011) Radzeviciene et al (25) (2012) 3.02 (1.14, 7.98)3.25 1.68 1.41, 2.00)100.00 Overall (I-squared = 25.2%, p = 0.236) 5 1.5

"For each 4/week increment in egg intake, the RRs of the risk for ... diabetes was ... 1.29 (95%) CI 1.21-.37).» **Egg consumption and risk of cardiovascular diseases and diabetes: A meta-analysis** Li et al., Atherosclerosis, 2013;229:524e530

"Our study suggests that there is a dose-response positive association between egg consumption and the risk of CVD and diabetes."

Fruits intake and

risk of diabetes

Fruit consumption and risk of type 2 diabetes: results from three prospective longitudinal cohort studies Muraki I. et al. *BMJ* 2013;347:f5001 doi: 10.1136/bmj.f5001

"For every three servings/week, the pooled hazard ratios of risk for type 2 diabetes was 0.74 for blueberries, 0.88 for grapes and raisins, 0.93 for apples and pears, 0.95 for bananas, and 0.95 for grapefruit."

Effect of fruit restriction on glycemic control in patients with type 2 diabetes – a randomized trial

- 63 newly diagnosed men and women
- High-fruit group intake of 125 grams
- Low-fruit group intake of 51 grams

Effect of fruit restriction on glycemic control in patients with type 2 diabetes – a randomized trial

Christensen AS., et al. Nutrition Journal 2013, 12:29

"We recommend that the intake of fruit should not be restricted in patients with type 2 diabetes."

Diet and prevention of diabetes complications

Diabetes complications

More than 60% of nontraumatic lower-limb amputations occur in

people with diabetes.

What is the status quo?

Insulin and risk of diabetic retinopathy in patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus: data from a metaanalysis of seven cohort studies Zhao et al. Diagnostic Pathology 2014, 9:130

Study	Year of publication	Study design	Data source	Country	All subjects	DR cases	Study period	Sex	Confounders for adjustment
Gunnlaugsdottir E	2012	Prospective	Population based	lceland	4,995	138	1967-1997	M/F	Age, sex, systolic BP. duration of DM, oral hypoglycaemic, HbA1c, hypertension and microlbuminuria
Geir Bertelsen	2012	Prospective	Population based	Norway	514	110	2007-2008	M/F	Age, sex, systolic BP, oral hypoglycaemic, HbA1c, hypertension and microlbuminuria, BMI, glaucose
Schweitzer K	2009	Prospective	Population based	American	500	175	2004-2007	M/F	NA
Romero-Aroca P	2007	Prospective	Hospital based	Spain	741	205	2005.1-2005.12	M/F	NA
Hove MN	2004	Restropective	Population based	Denmark	10,851	378	2000.1-2000.12	M/F	NA
Henricsson M	1996	Prospective	Hospital based	Sweden	1,378	438	1990-1995	M/F	Age, sex and duration of diabetes
Deng Y	2014	Prospective	Population based	China	128	267	2009-2010	M/F	Age of diabetic onset, duration of diabetes, BMI, microalbuminuria,HbA1c, fasting plasma glucose, creatinine

NA, not applicable; M: male; F: female; BP: blood pressure; BMI: body bass index; DR: diabetic retinopathy.

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(...) "the results of this meta-analysis provide a more complete and systematic picture of the role of insulin use in the development DR risk. Meanwhile, our results are statistically robust and yield important conclusions." **Fruit Intake and Incident Diabetic Retinopathy with Type 2 Diabetes** *Tanaka S. et al. Epidemiology, 2013;24(2):204-211*

Japan Diabetes Complications

Study

- N = 978 (40–70 years of age
- Hemoglobin A1C $\geq 6.5\%$

Fruit Intake and Incident Diabetic Retinopathy with Type 2 Diabetes

Tanaka S. et al. Epidemiology, 2013;24(2):204-211



Increased dietary fruit intake was associated with lower burden of carotid atherosclerosis in Chinese patients with Type 2 diabetes mellitus

Chan HT., et al. Diabet. Med. 2013;30:100-108



Effect of a cooked meat meal on serum creatinine and estimated glomerular filtration rate in diabetes related kidney disease.

Nair. S., et al. Diabetes Care, 2014;37(2):483-487

"Consumption of a standardised cooked meat meal (...) resulted in significant fall in eGFR in all stages of CKD studied; (...)" Mediterranean Diet, Retinopathy, Nephropathy, and Microvascular Diabetes Complications: A Post Hoc Analysis of a Randomized Trial. Diaz-Lopez et al. Diabetes Care 2015;38:2134–2141

- N = 3,614 ndividuals with type 2 diabetes who were free of microvascular complications, aged 55–80 years
 - MedDiet supplemented with extra virgin olive oil (MedDiet+EVOO),
 - MedDiet supplemented with mixed nuts (MedDiet+Nuts),
 - A low-fat control diet.
- A median follow-up of 6.0 years
- N = 74 cases of retinopathy and N = 168 cases of nephropathy

Mediterranean Diet, Retinopathy, Nephropathy, and Microvascular Diabetes Complications: A Post Hoc Analysis of a Randomized Trial. Diaz-Lopez et al. Diabetes Care 2015;38:2134–2141

"Compared with the control diet, multivariable-adjusted HRs" for diabetic retinopathy were 0.56 (95% CI 0.32–0.97) for the MedDiet+EV00 and 0.63 (0.35–1.11) for the MedDiet+Nuts. (...) When the yearly updated information on adherence to the MedDiet was considered, the HR for retinopathy in the highest versus the lowest quintile was 0.34 (0.13-0.89; P = 0.001 for trend)."

Diabetes -Vitamin B12 connection

Metformin increases risk of

vitamin B12 deficiency and

hyperhomocysteinemia

The role of metformin on vitamin B12 deficiency: a meta-analysis review Niafar et al. Intern Emerg Med 2015;10:93–102

"We conclude that metformin treatment is significantly associated with an increase in incidence of VB12 deficiency and reduced serum VB12 levels."

B12 deficiency/high homocysteine increase risk of diabetes eve problems

Vitamin Status as a Determinant of Serum Homocysteine Concentration in Type 2 Diabetic Retinopathy Fotiou et al. Journal of Diabetes Research 2014; http://dx.doi.org/10.1155/2014/807209

'Multiple logistic regression analysis also showed that variables that independently affect DR risk were diabetes duration (OR: 1.18, P < 0.001), HbA1C (DR: 2.30, P < 0.001), and homocysteine concentrations (OR: 1.66, P = 0.001)."

Vitamin Status as a Determinant of Serum Homocysteine Concentration in Type 2 Diabetic Retinopathy

Fotiou et al. Journal of Diabetes Research 2014; http://dx.doi.org/10.1155/2014/807209

10 -5 -3015 25 Homocysteine (pmol/L)

DR of dietetic retinopathy

"There is a threshold in the association of homocysteine with DR (turning point: 13.7, standard error: 1.4). For every increase of serum homocysteine by 1 μ mol/L above the threshold, there is an increased risk of about 66% for the development of DR."

Homocysteine is linked to macular edema in type 2 diabetes Li et al. Curr Eye Res 2014;39(7):730-735 'Plasma homocysteine levels were higher in subjects with diabetic macular edema than without $((11.4 \pm 2.7))$ versus (8.5 ± 1.9) (µmol/l), p = 0.000). The association of homocysteine with diabetic macular edema was independent of major risk factors for diabetic macular edema (OR: 1.63 (1.02-2.14), p = 0.018). Furthermore, per increase of 5.0 µmol/l plasma homocysteine was related to macular edema, after controlling for per unit increase of other factors (DR: 1.64 (1.04-2.16), p = 0.019)."

B12 deficiency/high homocysteine increase rísk of diabetes nephropathy

Total homocysteine levels relation with chronic complications of diabetes, body composition, and other cardiovascular risk factors in a population of patients with diabetes mellitus type 2 de Luis et al. J Diab Comp 2005;19:42–46

N = 155 diabetic patients

Mean age = 64.6 years



B12 therapy more effective in neuropathy treatment than a drug

therapy

Vitamin B12 may be more effective than nortriptyline in improving painful diabetic neuropathy Talaei et al., Int J Food Sci Nutr 2009;60(S5): 71-76

N = 50 diabetic patients from Arak, Iran

Age: mean age = 35 year; (range 18-53)

Group 1 - 2,000 Mg intramuscularly twice

WEEKLY FOR A 3-MONTH PERIOD

Group 2 - 10 mg/day of oral nortriptyline

Diabetes management was not changed during the treatment period



Vitamin B12 may be more effective than nortriptyline in improving painful diabetic neuropathy Talaei et al., Int J Food Sci Nutr 2009;60(S5): 71-76

"Vitamin B12 is more effective than nortriptyline for the treatment of symptomatic painful diabetic neuropathy."

Summary





Healthy lifestyle is more effective than metformin for patients with pre-diabetes



Meat intake should be limited or eliminated in diabetes prevention

Summary



Fruit intake should not be limited in diabetes prevention and/or management



Fruit intake is associated with a lower risk of diabetes retinopathy



Metformin use increases risk of vitamin B12 deficiency





Vitamin B12 deficiency is a cause of hyperhomocysteinemia



Vitamin B12 deficiency and high homocysteine increase risk of retinopathy, nephropathy and neuropathy Recommendations





Maintain normal weight



Stay physically active



Eat plant-based diet



Use vitamin B12 supplements



In Defense of Vegetarianism

Roman Pawlak, Ph.D, RD

Prenatal exposure to compounds found in grilled meat is hazardous for fetal development. Meat intake during pregnancy is associated with childhood brain cancer and allergies.

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Children born to vegan/vegetarian mothers have a higher birth weight, they are breastfed longer, attain a comparable growth pattern and have a lower risk of obesity compared to non-vegetarian children. Roman Pawlak, Ph.D, RD

Vegan/vegetarian mother &

her baby

Pregnant vegan/vegetarian women should be aware of a high risk of vitamin B12 and D, iron, calcium, and omega-3 fatty acids deficiency.

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Nutrition Evidence Analysis Project and the Vegetarian toolkit for the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.





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In his book "Healthy diet without secrets" Dr. Pawlak described sound dietary principles supported by solid scientific evidence. These principles are consistent with dietary guidelines issued by many professional organizations and governmental agencies. Adherence to these principles will improve health and increase life expectancy.

Sylvia Escott-Stump

Past President, Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics

In the sea of conflicting with each other dietary information this book is an island of refuge. Presented dietary principles are based on solid scientific evidence and are consistent with the most current dietary recommendations.

Dr. Kathryn M. Kolasa Professor Emeritus Brody School of Medicine Healthy diet without secret



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without secrets



Age is a risk factor for heart disease, hypertension, osteoporosis, arthritis and other rheumatic diseases, age-related eye diseases, Alzheimer's disease, dementia, cognitive decline, several gastrointestinal conditions such as acid reflux and constipation, and other health problems.

Many of the health conditions experienced by elderly individuals are completely preventable. Thus, aging does not have to be associated with an increased prevalence of detrimental health conditions.

Reaching 100 years of age is in your hands. The quest begins right now with every meal, snack and even every bite and every step.

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Forever Young

Young

Secrets of delaying aging and living disease-free

Dr. Roman Pavolak

Vitamin B12 is a fascinating nutrient. Its status has a profound impact on our well being. A deficiency may be the cause of heart disease, Alzheimer's, dementia, bone fractures, paralysis, schizophrenia, hallucinations, neuropathy, retinopathy, skin and tongue problems, Neural Tube Defects, hypospadias, chronic fatigue, depression spontaneous abortion, infertility and many other health problems.

Vitamin B12 deficiency is a world-wide problem that has been ignored for many years. Patients with a deficiency of this nutrient are routinely misdiagnosed. Often, proper diagnosis takes months and even years, time, during which progression of symptoms occurs and patients are subject to needless suffering.

This book describes a number of patients who developed milk or severe health problems resulted from vitamin B12 deficiency. Information regarding diagnoses, symptoms, and treatment options are also described.



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Grains intake and

risk of diabetes

Whole grain and refined grain consumption and the risk of type 2 diabetes: a systematic review and dose-response meta-analysis of cohort studies Aune et al., Eur J Epidemiol. 2013;28:845–858

- \bullet N = 16 cohort studies
 - •7 from US,
 - 6 from Europe
 - 2 from Asia
 - 1 from Australia

 \bullet N = 385,868 participants and 19,829 cases

Whole grain and refined grain consumption and the risk of type 2 diabetes: a systematic review and dose-response meta-analysis of cohort studies Aune et al. Eur J Epidemiol. 2013;28:845-858





Refined grains and type 2 diabetes, dose - response, per 3 servings/d

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Whole grain and refined grain consumption and the risk of type 2 diabetes: a systematic review and dose-response meta-analysis of cohort studies Aune et al. Eur J Epidemiol. 2013;28:845–858 Type of grain High versus low comparison Dose-response analysis RR (95 % CI) I^2 I^2 N RR (95 % CI) N P_{heterogeneity} P_{heterogeneity} Dose Whole grain bread 0.81 (0.74-0.89) 0.60 Per 3 serv/day 0.74 (0.56-0.98) 44.1 0.17 3 4 0 Whole grain breakfast cereal 0.72 (0.55-0.93) Per 1 serv/day 0.73 (0.59–0.91) 77.8 0.01 3 80.3 0.006 3 Brown rice 3 0.89 (0.81–0.97) 0.11 Per 0.5 serv/day 0.87 (0.78–0.97) 50 3 26.1 0.26 0.79 (0.72–0.87) 0.76 (0.69–0.84) 30 Per 10 g/day 3 Wheat bran 3 0.24 49.1 0.14 Wheat germ 0.97 (0.86-1.10) Per 2 g/day 0.98 (0.87-1.11) 3 59 0.09 3 50.1 0.14 White rice 1.17 (0.93–1.47) 78.1 1.23 (1.15–1.31) < 0.0001 Per 1 serv/day 21.4 0.27 6

White rice consumption and risk of type 2 diabetes: meta-analysis and systematic review Hu et al. *BMJ* 2012;344:e1454

- N = 4 publications, 7 prospective cohorts
- N = 352,384 participants
- N = 13,284 incident cases of type 2 diabetes
- Asian and Western populations
- Follow-up periods ranging from 4 to 22 years
White rice consumption and risk of type 2 diabetes: meta-analysis and systematic review Hu et al. *BMJ* 2012;344:e1454

Intake levels **Relative risk** Relative risk Study (95% CI) (95% CI) (g/day) Western population ≥112.9 v <5.3 1.11 (0.87 to 1.43) Nurses' Health Study Nurses' Health Study II 1.40 (1.09 to 1.80) ≥112.9 v <5.3 Health Professionals Follow-Up Study 1.02 (0.77 to 1.34) ≥112.9 v <5.3 ≥56.0 v <23.0 Melbourne Collaborative Cohort Study 0.93 (0.68 to 1.27) Subtotal: |2=40.0%, P=0.172 1.12 (0.94 to 1.33) Asian population Japan Public Health Center-based Prospective Study (Men) 1.19 (0.85 to 1.67) >560.0 v ≤315.0 Japan Public Health Center-based Prospective Study (Women) 1.65 (1.06 to 2.57) ≥437.0 v ≤278.0 1.78 (1.48 to 2.15) ≥750.0 v <500.0 Shanghai Women's Health Study Subtotal: |2=51.6%, P=0.127 1.55 (1.20 to 2.01) Overall: I²=72.2%, P=0.001 1.27 (1.04 to 1.54) 0.5 2 3

White rice consumption and risk of type 2 diabetes: meta-analysis and systematic review Hu et al. *BMJ* 2012;344:e1454



Nuts intake

and risk of

diabetes

Nut Consumption and Diabetes Risk 1 0.91 0.81 **Relative Risk of Diabetes** -57% **0.8** 0.71 0.6 0.43 0.4 0.2

1-4/wk

Number of 1 oz Servings/Week

5+/wk

5 plus w/grains

Rui Jang et al. *JAMA*, 2002; 288 (Nov. 17):2554-2560.

<1/wk

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Never

"The researches also looked at peanut butter separate from other nuts. Women who ate peanut butter at least 5 or more times per week (serving size 1T) had a 21 percent reduction in diabetes."

Consumption of nuts and legumes and risk of incident ischemic heart disease, stroke, and diabetes: a systematic review and meta-analysis Afshin et al. Am J Clin Nutr 2014;100:278–288

N = 25 observational studies (23)

prospective and 2 retrospective studies)

N = 501,791 individuals

N = 14,449 diabetes cases

Consumption of nuts and legumes and risk of incident ischemic heart disease, stroke, and diabetes: a systematic review and meta-analysis Afshin et al. Am J Clin Nutr 2014;100:278–288



RR for diabetes per 4 servings (28.4 g)/wk of nuts

Intake of

beans and risk

of diabetes

Intake of legumes (beans) and risk for type 2 diabetes



Intake of legumes in grams per day

Villegas R. AJCN, 2008;87:162–167.



Top 10 countries/territories of number of people with diabetes (20-79 years), 2013



Top 10 countries/territories for prevalence* (%) of diabetes (20-79 years), 2013

* comparative prevalence



80% of people with diabetes live in low- and middleincome countries



Top 10 countries with highest percentage of population with diabetes (20-79), International Diabetes Federation

COUNTRY/ TERRITORY	2013 (%)	COUNTRY/ TERRITORY	2035 (%)	
Tokelau	37.5	Tokelau	37.9	
Federated States of Micronesia	35.0	Federated States of Micronesia	35.1	
Marshall Islands	34.9	Marshall Islands	35.0	
Kiribati	28.8	Kiribati	28.9	
Cook Islands	25.7	Cook Islands	25.7	
Vanuatu	24.0	Saudi Arabia	24.5	
Saudi Arabia	24.0	Vanuatu	24.2	
Nauru	23.3	Nauru	23.3	
Kuwait	23.1	Kuwait	23.2	
Qatar	22.9	Qatar	22.8	

http://www.idf.org/sites/default/files/EN_6E_Atlas_Full_o.pdf

"The fat and protein intake decreased with the introduction of rice and bread instead of coconuts, with fish and fresh leafy vegetables being consumed less. There was a marked increase in the intake of carbohydrates, processed food, salt and sugar additives; leading to a decrease in fiber, vitamins and minerals." World Health Organization Tokelau NCD rísk factors. STEPS report. Fíji 2007

SCHULZ et al. Diabetes Care 2006;29:1866–1871

Age (years)	Non-Pima Mexican	Mexican Pima	U.S. Pima	
Men				
20–24	18 (0)	18(0)	53 (7.5)	
25–34	19 (0)	35 (2.9)	136 (18.4)	
35-44	20 (0)	14 (14.3)	77 (37.7)	
45-54	14 (0)	20 (5.0)	54 (68.5)	
≥55	21 (0)	20 (10.0)	43 (67.4)	
Total	92 (0)	107 (5.6)	363 (34.2)	
Women				
20–24	13 (0)	29(0)	79 (5.1)	
25–34	37 (0)	35 (0)	169 (24.9)	
35–44	19 (5.3)	19 (5.3)	134 (42.5)	
45-54	10 (10.0)	22 (36.4)	53 (69.8)	
≥55	22 (13.6)	12 (8.3)	90 (82.2)	
Total	101 (5.0)	117 (8.5)	525 (40.8)	

Data are *n* examined (% with diabetes).

SCHULZ et al. Diabetes Care 2006;29:1866–1871



"The age- and sexadjusted prevalence in the U.S. Pima Indians was 5.5 times higher than that in the Mexican Pima Indians (*P* < 0.01) and **16** times higher than that in the non-Pima Mexicans (*P* 0.01)."

SCHULZ et al. Diabetes Care 2006;29:1866–1871

	Non-Pima Mexican		Mexican Pima		U.S. Pima	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Obesity						
n	92	101	107	117	362	515
Weight (kg)	72 ± 12	66 ± 13	66 ± 11	63 ± 13	98 ± 25	91 ± 23
Height (cm)	172 ± 6.0	156 ± 5.7	166 ± 6.0	154 ± 5.8	171 ± 5.8	160 ± 6.1
BMI (kg/m ²)	24.3 ± 3.7	27.1 ± 5.0	23.8 ± 3.4	26.3 ± 4.8	33.3 ± 7.6	35.5 ± 8.1
Waist (cm)	86 ± 10	84 ± 11	83 ± 9	86 ± 14	107 ± 18	113 ± 18
Hip (cm)	96 ± 8	101 ± 11	94 ± 7	98 ± 11	112 ± 14	122 ± 17
Waist-to-hip ratio	0.90 ± 0.10	0.83 ± 0.07	0.89 ± 0.07	0.87 ± 0.08	0.96 ± 0.09	0.93 ± 0.07
Percent fat	21 ± 7	37 ± 7	19 ± 8	36 ± 7	34 ± 8	47 ± 5
Overweight (%)	33.7	35.6	25.2	38.8	24.8	17.2
Obese (%)	8.7	26.7	6.5	19.8	63.8	74.8
Dietary intake						
n	107	117	93	101		
Fnergy (kcal/day)	2,747 + 688	$2,453 \pm 507$	$2,610 \pm 581$	$2,370 \pm 546$		
Protein (% of energy)	12.3 ± 2.5	12.2 ± 2.0	11.2 ± 2.0	11.5 ± 1.9		
Carbohydrate (% of	62.3 ± 7.4	61.9 ± 5.4	61.9 ± 6.6	62.3 ± 5.7		
energy)						
Fat (% of energy)	24.6 ± 6.6	26.1 ± 4.9	26.6 ± 6.9	26.1 ± 5.6		
Dietary fiber (g/day)	56.3 ± 20.1	50.9 ± 14.3	55.4 ± 17.0	50.7 ± 15.2		
Physical activity						
n	89	99	105	116	316	412
Activity (h/week)	30.4 (26.9–32.0)	23.8 (22.0–27.3)	32.9 (27.7–36.5)	22.0 (19.5–24.0)	12.1 (9.7–15.6)	3.1 (2.4–3.8)

Data are means \pm SD or median (95% CI) unless otherwise indicated.

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