

Let's all EAT HEALTHY. BE HEALTHY. SAVE.

The Dietary Guidelines for Americans can help.

We're in the red.

117 MILLION U.S. adults have 1+ chronic diseases.¹



BILLIONS Spent in medical cost of diet-related chronic diseases.²

\$147B
Obesity

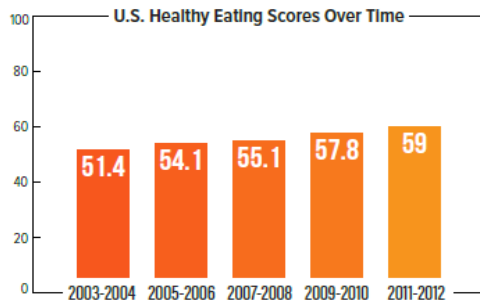
\$245B
Type 2 Diabetes

\$316B
Heart Disease

8 in 10 Americans think advice about what to eat is conflicting.³



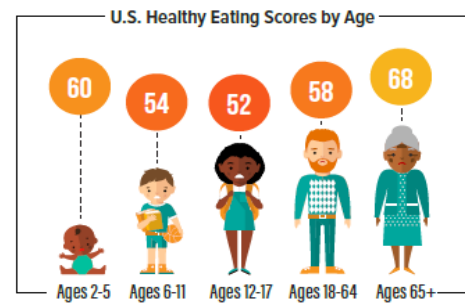
Healthy eating can help... but first, we need to do it.



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The Healthy Eating Index Score

shows that Americans do not align their eating choices with the Dietary Guidelines. (on a scale from 0-100)



What's the return on our investment?

Each step closer to eating a diet that aligns with the **DIETARY GUIDELINES** can help reduce risk of: ⁴



Heart Disease



Type 2 Diabetes



Cancer



If we invest **\$10/person** each year toward improving nutrition, increasing physical activity, and preventing tobacco use —

THAT COULD SAVE THE UNITED STATES \$16,000,000,000

annually within five years!⁵

That equals a **\$5.60 return** on investment for every \$1

3 reasons why the Dietary Guidelines matter.

PRACTICAL TOOL

[USDA and HHS] took the science and brought it into the real world of how we eat... the Academy encourages everyone to follow the Dietary Guidelines recommendations because as dietitians we stand by science-based recommendations and realize that healthy eating is one of the most powerful tools we have to reduce the onset of disease.

ACADEMY of NUTRITION & DIETETICS

DATA-DRIVEN

With confusing and often-conflicting information in the media, it is more important than ever that Americans have a clear source of science-based information about diet. We would like to see the 2020 Dietary Guidelines continue to provide Americans with science-based guidelines...

AMERICAN COLLEGE of CARDIOLOGY

FOR ALL AGES

Pediatricians routinely look to the Dietary Guidelines to provide advice to our patients... We look forward to the inclusion of science-based Dietary Guidelines for children birth to 24 months in the 2020 Dietary Guidelines for Americans... Early nutrition sets the course for preventing many diseases, even those that would occur in adulthood...

AMERICAN ACADEMY of PEDIATRICS

Released jointly by USDA and HHS every 5 years, the *Dietary Guidelines for Americans* is the cornerstone for Federal nutrition programs and a go-to resource for health professionals nationwide. For more information, go to www.DietaryGuidelines.gov.