Indicator: Fruit and Vegetable Consumption (F1a)

Domain: Nutrition and Physical Activity

Sub-domain: Fruit and Vegetable Consumption

Demographic group: Women aged 18–49 years.

Data resource: LACH Survey

http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/ha/hasurveyintro.htm

Data availability: 2005, 2007

Numerator: Women aged 18–49 years from Los Angeles County who

reported eating fruits and vegetables ≥ 5 times per day.

Denominator: All women aged 18–49 years from Los Angeles County

who reported eating fruits and vegetables any number of times per day, including zero (excluding unknowns and

refusals).

Measures of frequency: Weighted estimates of annual prevalence and 95%

confidence interval.

Period of case definition: Current.

Significance: Eating a diet rich in fruit and vegetables is important for

women of reproductive age for weight management, prevention of chronic disease, and intake of essential

vitamins and minerals.^{1,2} Furthermore, maternal nutritional status is an important determinant of placental and fetal

growth, and clinical studies have shown a positive

association between a healthy diet prior to conception and during pregnancy and improved birth outcomes.³⁻⁵ The Clinical Work Group of the Select Panel on Preconception Care recommends that women of reproductive age should be counseled to consume a well-balanced diet including fruits and vegetables, iron and calcium-rich foods, protein-containing foods, as well as 400 µg of folic acid daily.⁶

Limitations of indicator: Respondents were not given a definition of serving size

leading to a possible overestimation or underestimation of persons meeting national fruit and vegetable consumption objectives. Studies have demonstrated a dose-response effect associated with increased consumption of fruits and vegetables, not a threshold effect of 5 servings/day.⁷ The indicator does not convey the average number of daily servings of fruits and vegetables consumed. Although the

retest consistency of participant responses has been validated in multiple populations, estimates of fruit and vegetable intake from abbreviated food questionnaires, such as the BRFSS fruit and vegetable module, are lower than other methods of dietary assessment. Therefore, reliability and validity of the LACHS fruit and vegetable consumption items is considered to be moderate. Also, LACHS is a telephone survey that includes only households that have access to landline phones. Hence, non coverage and non response can be a potential source of bias. However, weighting procedures were used to reduce bias associated with exclusion of households without landline phones.

Related Healthy People

2010 Objective(s):

19–5. Increase the proportion of persons aged 2 years and older who consume at least two daily servings of fruit. Target: 75%.

19-6. Increase the proportion of persons aged 2 years and older who consume at least three daily servings of vegetables, with at least one-third being dark green or orange vegetables. Target: 50%.

2020 Objective(s):

NWS-14 Increase the contribution of fruits to the diets of the population aged 2 years and older

Target: 0.9cup equivalents per 1,000 calories

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Indicator: Obesity (F2a)

Domain: Nutrition and Physical Activity

Sub-domain: Obesity and Overweight

Demographic Group: Women aged 18–49 years.

Data resource: LACH Survey

http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/ha/hasurveyintro.htm

Data availability: 2005, 2007

Numerator: Women aged 18-49 who reported body mass index (BMI)

of 30 kg/m² or greater

Obesity: BMI greater than or equal to 30 kg/m².

Denominator: Women aged 18-49 who reported data on their BMI

(calculated using self-reported weight and height)

excluding unknowns and refusals.

Measures of frequency: Weighted estimates of annual prevalence and 95%

confidence interval.

Period of case definition: Current.

Significance: In the non-parent state, obesity contributes to numerous

adverse health conditions including type II diabetes, hypertension, heart disease, a variety of cancers, and infertility. 1-4 Obesity is also associated with a host of unfavorable perinatal health outcomes including neural tube defects, labor and delivery complications, fetal and neonatal death, and maternal complications such as gestational diabetes and preeclampsia. 5-9 While health risks

are better established for obese persons, overweight is a predictor of subsequent obesity.³ Therefore, several professional health organizations and councils, in addition

to the Clinical Work Group of the Select Panel on Preconception Care workgroup recommends that all women have their BMI calculated at least annually. Furthermore, women with a BMI of 25 kg/m² or greater should be counseled about their own health risks as well as

those that may occur related to pregnancy. And, overweight and obese women should be provided with healthy strategies to achieve a healthier body weight,

especially prior to any future pregnancies.

Limitations of indicator: Height and w

Height and weight are self-reported by the participant but are not verified using medical records data. Women have been shown to underreport weight, which may lead to an

underestimation of BMI.¹¹

LACHS is a telephone survey that includes only

households that have access to landline phones. Hence, non coverage and non response can be a potential source of bias. However, weighting procedures were used to reduce bias associated with exclusion of households without

landline phones¹².

Related Healthy People 2010 Objective(s):

19-1. Increase the proportion of adults who are at a healthy

weight. Target: 60%.

19-2. Reduce the proportion of adults who are obese.

Target: 15%.

2020 Objective(s):

NWS-8: Increase the proportion of adults with a healthy

weight.

Target: 33.9%

NWS- 9: Reduce the proportion of children and adolescents

who are considered obese

Target: 30.6%.

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Indicator: Pre-pregnancy Overweight and Obesity (F3a)

Domain: Nutrition and Physical Activity

Sub-domain: Overweight and Obesity

Demographic group: Women having a live birth

Data resource: LAMB Survey

http://LALAMB.org

Data availability: 2005, 2007, 2010

Numerator: Women who delivered a live birth in a given year in Los

Angeles County who reported pre-pregnancy body mass

index (BMI) of 25 kg/m² or greater

Overweight: body mass index (BMI) of 25 kg/m² or

greater but less than 30 kg/m².

Obesity: BMI greater than or equal to 30 kg/m².

Denominator: Women who delivered a live birth in a given year in Los

Angeles County who reported data on their BMI (calculated using self-reported weight and height)

excluding unknowns and refusals.

Measures of frequency: Crude annual prevalence and by selected maternal

demographic characteristics, weighted to account for unequal probabilities of selection, and adjust for non-

response and mail/telephone non-coverage.

Period of case definition: Before the pregnancy resulting in the most recent live birth.

Significance: In the non-pregnant state, obesity contributes to numerous

adverse health conditions including type II diabetes, hypertension, heart disease, a variety of cancers, and infertility. Obesity is also associated with a host of unfavorable perinatal health outcomes including neural tube defects, labor and delivery complications, fetal and neonatal death, and maternal complications such as

gestational diabetes and preeclampsia.⁵⁻⁹ While health risks are better established for obese persons, overweight is a

predictor of subsequent obesity.³ In addition to steadily increasing obesity rates in the general U.S. population, a notable increase toward higher pre-pregnancy BMI in the

U.S. has been demonstrated. 10 Therefore, several

professional health organizations and councils, in addition

to the Clinical Work Group of the Select Panel on

Preconception Care workgroup recommends that all women have their BMI calculated at least annually. ¹¹ Furthermore, women with a BMI of 25 kg/m2 or greater should be counseled about their own health risks as well as those that may occur related to pregnancy. And, overweight and obese women should be provided with healthy strategies to achieve a healthier body weight, especially prior to any future pregnancies.

Limitations of indicator: Maternal weight and height from the LAMB are based on

maternal recall.

Related Healthy People

2010 Objective(s): 19-1. Increase the proportion of adults who are at a healthy

weight. Target: 60%.

19-2. Reduce the proportion of adults who are obese.

Target: 15%.

2020 Objective(s): NWS-8: Increase the proportion of adults with a healthy

weight.

Target: 33.9%

NWS- 9: Reduce the proportion of children and adolescents

who are considered obese

Target: 30.6%.

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Indicator: Pre-pregnancy Overweight and Obesity (F3b)

Domain: Nutrition and Physical Activity

Sub-domain: Overweight and Obesity

Demographic group: Women having a fetal/infant death

Data resource: LAHOPE

http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/mch/LAHOPE/LAHOPE.h

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Data availability: 2007- 2009

Numerator: Women having a fetal/infant death in Los Angeles County

in 2007-2009 who reported pre-pregnancy body mass index

(BMI) of 25 kg/m² or greater.

Overweight: Women who reported pre-pregnancy body mass index (BMI) of 25 kg/m² or greater but less than 30

 kg/m^2 .

Obesity: Women who reported pre-pregnancy BMI greater

than or equal to 30 kg/m^2 .

Denominator: Women having a fetal/infant death in Los Angeles County

in 2007-2009 who reported data on their BMI (calculated using self-reported weight and height) excluding unknowns

and refusals.

Measures of frequency: Crude annual prevalence and by selected maternal

demographic characteristics, weighted to account for unequal probabilities of selection, and adjust for non-

response and mail/telephone non-coverage.

Period of case definition: Before the most recent pregnancy.

Significance: In the non-pregnant state, obesity contributes to numerous

adverse health conditions including type II diabetes, hypertension, heart disease, a variety of cancers, and infertility. ¹⁻⁴ Obesity is also associated with a host of unfavorable perinatal health outcomes including neural tube defects, labor and delivery complications, fetal and neonatal death, and maternal complications such as

gestational diabetes and preeclampsia.⁵⁻⁹ While health risks are better established for obese persons, overweight is a

predictor of subsequent obesity.³ In addition to steadily increasing obesity rates in the general U.S. population, a notable increase toward higher pre-pregnancy BMI in the U.S. has been demonstrated.¹⁰ Therefore, several professional health organizations and councils, in addition to the Clinical Work Group of the Select Panel on Preconception Care workgroup recommends that all women have their BMI calculated at least annually.¹¹ Furthermore, women with a BMI of 25 kg/m2 or greater should be counseled about their own health risks as well as those that may occur related to pregnancy. And, overweight and obese women should be provided with healthy strategies to achieve a healthier body weight, especially prior to any future pregnancies.

Limitations of indicator:

Maternal weight and height from the LAHOPE are based on maternal recall.

Related Healthy People 2010 Objective(s):

19-1. Increase the proportion of adults who are at a healthy

weight. Target: 60%.

19-2. Reduce the proportion of adults who are obese.

Target: 15%.

2020 Objective(s):

NWS-8: Increase the proportion of adults with a healthy

weight.

Target: 33.9%

NWS- 9: Reduce the proportion of children and adolescents

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Indicator: Folic Acid Supplementation (F4a)

Domain: Nutrition and Physical Activity

Sub-domain: Folic Acid Supplementation

Demographic Group: Women having a live birth.

Data resource: LAMB

http://lalamb.org

Data Availability: 2005, 2007, 2010

Numerator: Women who delivered a live birth in a given year in Los

Angeles County and reported that they did not take a multivitamin, prenatal vitamin or folic acid vitamin during

the month prior to pregnancy.

Denominator: Women who delivered a live birth in a given year in Los

Angeles County and reported that they did or did not take multivitamin, prenatal vitamin or folic acid vitamin during the month prior to pregnancy (excluding unknowns and

refusals).

Measures of frequency: Crude annual prevalence and by selected maternal

demographic characteristics, weighted to account for unequal probabilities of selection, and adjust for non-

response and mail/telephone non-coverage.

Period of case definition: Within a month prior to the pregnancy resulted in recent

live birth.

Significance: Neural tube defects (NTDs) affect 3,000 pregnancies in the

US each year¹. Up to 70% of all NTDs can be prevented when women capable of becoming pregnant consume the recommended amount of folic acid prior to conception².

The Clinical Work Group of the Select Panel on

Preconception Care and other organizations recommend

that all women of reproductive age take a folic acid

containing multivitamin (400 µg daily)^{3,4}. These guidelines are particularly important since half of all pregnancies are unplanned. Data from the annual survey conducted for the March of Dimes by the Gallup organization indicate that only 40% of all US women aged 18-45 consumed folic acid supplements daily in 2007 (March of Dimes, unpublished

data, 2007).

Limitations of indicator: Data are self-reported and may be subject to recall bias.

However, studies assessing the validity of self-reported supplement intake show good correlation to the amount of supplements reported and measures of nutrients found in

blood samples.⁵-

Related Healthy People

2010 objective(s) 16-16a. Consumption of at least 400µg of folic acid each

day from fortified foods or dietary supplements by nonpregnant women aged 15 to 44 years. Target: 80%.

2020 objective(s): MICH-14 Increase the proportion of women of

childbearing potential with intake of at least 400 ug of folic

acid from fortified foods or dietary supplements.

Target: 26.2%

MICH-16.2 Took multivitamins/folic acid prior to

pregnancy Target: 33.1%

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Indicator: Folic Acid Supplementation (F4b)

Domain: Nutrition and Physical Activity

Sub-domain: Folic Acid Supplementation

Demographic Group: Women who had fetal/infant death.

Data resource: LAHOPE

http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/mch/LAHOPE/LAHOPE.html

Data availability: 2007- 2009

Numerator: Women having a fetal/infant death in Los Angeles County

within 2007-2009 who reported that they did not take a multivitamin, prenatal vitamin or folic acid vitamin during

the month prior to pregnancy

Denominator: Women having a fetal/infant death in Los Angeles County

within 2007-2009 who reported that they did or did not take a multivitamin, prenatal vitamin or folic acid vitamin during the month prior to pregnancy (excluding unknowns

and refusals).

Measures of frequency: Crude annual prevalence and by selected maternal

demographic characteristics, weighted to account for unequal probabilities of selection, and adjust for non-

response and mail/telephone non-coverage.

Period of case definition: Within a month prior to the recent pregnancy.

Significance: Neural tube defects (NTDs) affect 3,000 pregnancies in the

US each year¹. Up to 70% of all NTDs can be prevented when women capable of becoming pregnant consume the recommended amount of folic acid prior to conception².

The Clinical Work Group of the Select Panel on

Preconception Care and other organizations recommend

that all women of reproductive age take a folic acid

containing multivitamin (400 µg daily)^{3,4}. These guidelines are particularly important since half of all pregnancies are unplanned. Data from the annual survey conducted for the March of Dimes by the Gallup organization indicate that only 40% of all US women aged 18-45 consumed folic acid supplements daily in 2007 (March of Dimes, unpublished

data, 2007).

Limitations of indicator: Data are self-reported and may be subject to recall bias.

However, studies assessing the validity of self-reported supplement intake show good correlation to the amount of supplements reported and measures of nutrients found in

blood samples. 5-

Related Healthy People

2010 objective(s) 16-16a. Consumption of at least 400µg of folic acid each

day from fortified foods or dietary supplements by nonpregnant women aged 15 to 44 years. Target: 80%.

2020 objective(s): MICH-14 Increase the proportion of women of

childbearing potential with intake of at least 400 ug of folic

acid from fortified foods or dietary supplements.

Target: 26.2%

MICH-16.2 Took multivitamins/folic acid prior to

pregnancy Target: 33.1%

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Indicator Physical Activity (F5a)

Domain: Nutrition and Physical Activity

Sub-domain: Adequate Physical Activity

Demographic group: Women aged 18-49 years.

Data resource: Los Angeles County Health Survey (LACHS)

http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/ha/hasurveyintro.htm

Data availability: 2005, 2007

Numerator: Women aged 18-49 years who reported doing enough

moderate and/or vigorous physical activity in a usual week

to meet the recommended levels of physical activity.

To meet Physical Activity Guidelines¹ at least one of the

following criteria must be fulfilled:

i) Vigorous Activity - hard physical activity causing heavy

sweating, large increases in breathing and heart rate for 20+

minutes, at least 3 days/wk,

ii) Moderate Activity - cause light sweating, slight

increases in breathing and heart rate for 30+ minutes, at

least 5 days/wk.

iii) A combination of Vigorous and Moderate Activity

meeting the time criteria for at least 5 days/wk.

Denominator: Women aged 18-49 years who reported doing or not doing

enough moderate and/or vigorous physical activity in a usual week to meet the recommended levels of physical

activity (excluding unknowns and refusals).

Measures of frequency: Weighted estimates of annual prevalence and 95%

confidence interval.

Period of case definition: Current.

Significance: Physical inactivity and unhealthy eating contribute to

obesity and a number of chronic diseases, including some cancers, cardiovascular disease, and diabetes. Adequate physical activity and maintaining a healthy weight are important for women of reproductive age due to adverse perinatal outcomes associated with maternal obesity which include neural tube defects, stillbirth, preterm delivery, gestational diabetes, hypertension, thromboembolic

disorders, macrosomia, low Apgar scores, postpartum anemia, and cesarean delivery. The Clinical Work Group of the Select Panel on Preconception Care recommends that all women should be assessed for participation in weight-bearing and aerobic exercise, and offered recommendations for participating in physical activities that are appropriate to their physical abilities. ²

Limitations of indicator:

The LACHS physical activity items elicit self-reported data and are subject to recall bias. The indicator assesses moderate and vigorous leisure time, household, and transportation activities, but does not capture information on occupational activities that may qualify as moderate or vigorous activities. At present, little is known about the reliability and validity of the LACHS items used to assess adequate physical activity.

Also, LACHS is a telephone survey that includes only households that have access to landline phones. Hence, non coverage and non response can be a potential source of bias. However, weighting procedures were used to reduce bias associated with exclusion of households without landline phones³.

Related Healthy 2010 Objective(s):

- 22-1. Reduce the proportion of adults who engage in no leisure-time physical activity. Target: 20%.
- 22-2. Increase the proportion of adults who engage regularly, preferably daily, in moderate physical activity for at least 30 minutes per day. Target: 30%.

2020 objective(s):

PA-2.11Increase the proportion of adults who engage in aerobic physical activity of at least moderate intensity for at least 150 minutes/weeks, or 75 minutes/week of vigorous intensity, or an equivalent combination.

Target: 47.92%

PA-2.2 Increase the proportion of adults who engage in aerobic physical activity of at least moderate intensity for more than 300 minutes/week, or more than 150 minutes/week of vigorous intensity, or an equivalent combination.

Target: 31.3%.

PA–2.4 Increase the proportion of adults who meet the objectives for aerobic physical activity and for muscle-strengthening activity. Target: 20.1%.

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Indicator: Recommended Physical Activity (F5b)

Domain: Nutrition and Physical Activity

Sub-domain: Adequate Physical Activity

Demographic group: Women having a live birth.

Data resource: LAMB Survey

http://LALAMB.org

Data availability: 2005, 2007, 2009

Numerator: Women who delivered a live birth in a given year in Los

Angeles County who reported that they did not exercise for 30 minutes or more (For example, walking for excising, swimming, gardening, etc) during the last three months of

pregnancy

Denominator: Women who delivered a live birth in a given year in Los

Angeles County reporting who reported that they did or did not exercise for 30 minutes or more (excluding unknowns and refusals) during the last three months of pregnancy

Measures of frequency: Crude annual prevalence and by selected maternal

demographic characteristics, weighted to account for unequal probabilities of selection, and adjust for non-

response and mail/telephone non-coverage.

Period of case definition: During the last 3 months of the pregnancy that resulted in

the most recent live birth.

Significance: Physical inactivity and unhealthy eating contribute to

obesity and a number of chronic diseases, including some cancers, cardiovascular disease, and diabetes. Adequate physical activity and maintaining a healthy weight are important for women of reproductive age due to adverse perinatal outcomes associated with maternal obesity which include neural tube defects, stillbirth, preterm delivery, gestational diabetes, hypertension, thromboembolic disorders, macrosomia, low Apgar scores, postpartum anemia, and cesarean delivery. The Clinical Work Group of the Select Panel on Preconception Care recommends that all women should be assessed for participation in weight-bearing and aerobic exercise, and offered recommendations

for participating in physical activities that are appropriate to

their physical abilities.²

Limitations of indicator: LAMB data are self-reported and are subject to

misinterpretations of the response options. Data are also

subject to non-response bias.

Related Healthy 2010 Objective(s):

22-1. Reduce the proportion of adults who engage in no

leisure-time physical activity. Target: 20%.

22-2. Increase the proportion of adults who engage

regularly, preferably daily, in moderate physical activity for

at least 30 minutes per day. Target: 30%.

2020 objective(s): PA-2.11Increase the proportion of adults who engage in

aerobic physical activity of at least moderate intensity for at least 150 minutes/weeks, or 75 minutes/week of vigorous

intensity, or an equivalent combination.

Target: 47.92%

PA-2.2 Increase the proportion of adults who engage in aerobic physical activity of at least moderate intensity for

more than 300 minutes/week, or more than 150 minutes/week of vigorous intensity, or an equivalent

combination. Target: 31.3%.

PA-2.4 Increase the proportion of adults who meet the objectives for aerobic physical activity and for muscle-

strengthening activity. Target: 20.1%.

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Indicator: Recommended Physical Activity (F5c)

Domain: Nutrition and Physical Activity

Sub-domain: Adequate Physical Activity

Demographic group: Women having a fetal/infant death

Data resource: LAHOPE

http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/mch/LAHOPE/LAHOPE.h

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Data availability: 2007- 2009

Numerator: Women having a fetal/infant death in Los Angeles County

within 2007-2009 who reported that they did not exercise for 30 minutes or more (For example, walking for excising, swimming, gardening, etc) during the last three months of

pregnancy.

Denominator: Women having a fetal/infant death in Los Angeles County

within 2007-2009 who reported that they had or did not exercise for 30 minutes or more (excluding unknowns and

refusals) during the last three months of pregnancy.

Measures of frequency: Crude annual prevalence and by selected maternal

demographic characteristics, weighted to account for unequal probabilities of selection, and adjust for non-

response and mail/telephone non-coverage.

Period of case definition: During the last 3 months of the most recent pregnancy.

Significance: Physical inactivity and unhealthy eating contribute to

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