Hard numbers

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A sampling of U.S. data from the American Heart Association’s 2018 heart disease and stroke statistics report.

1 million
People who will have a heart attack or die from coronary heart disease this year

16.5 million
Americans age 20 and older who are living with coronary heart disease

795,000
People who will have a stroke this year

356,000
Cardiac arrests that occur outside a hospital each year

103 million
Adults with high blood pressure

6.5 million
Americans age 20 and older who are living with heart failure

38 percent
Rise in the number of high blood pressure deaths between 2005 and 2015

23 million
Adults with Type 2 diabetes

15 percent
Adults who smoked in 2015

56 million
People 40 and older who are eligible for cholesterol-lowering statins

38 percent
Adults who were obese as of 2014

Source: “Heart Disease and Stroke Statistics—2018 Update: A Report from the American Heart Association,” Circulation (numbers rounded)

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