Cycling, Active Society and Health Promotion: Experiences in Taiwan

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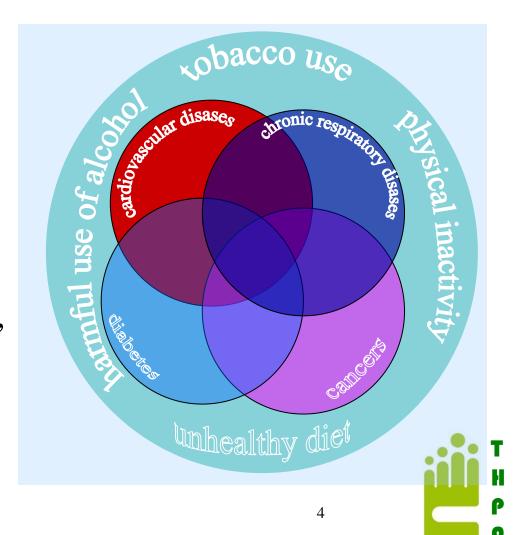


Background

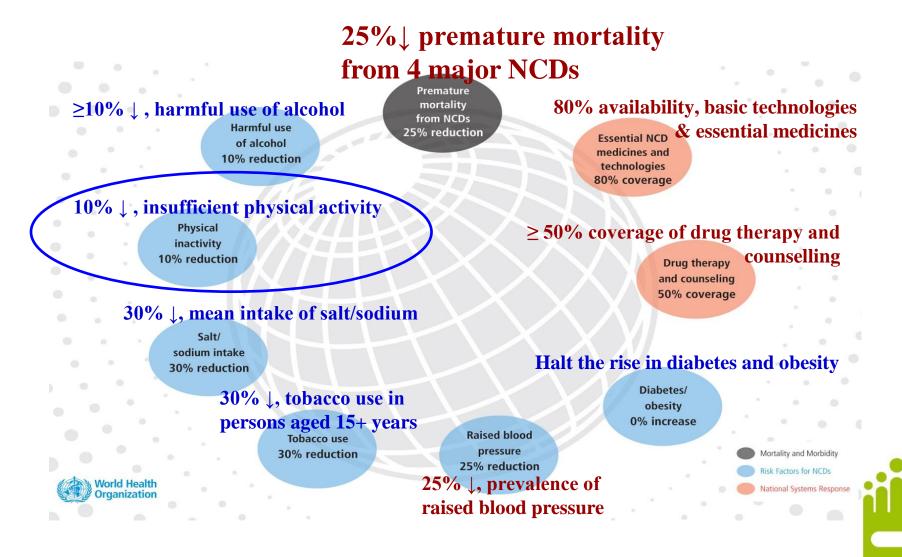


2011 UN High Level Meeting on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases

- NCDs caused 36 million deaths (2/3 of total deaths) in 2008. 1/4 of these happened before the age of 60.
- The 4 major risk factors- tobacco use, harmful use of alcohol, unhealthy diet and physical inactivity.



Set of 9 voluntary global NCD targets for 2025 (WHA, 2013)



UN, Transforming our World- the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

- On 25 September 2015, the 193 countries of the 70th
 Session of the UN General Assembly adopted the 2030
 Development Agenda titled "Transforming our World"
- 17 goals, 169 targets.





3 GOOD HEALTH & WELL-BEING

Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages



- 3.1 By 2030, reduce the global maternal mortality ratio to less than 70 per 100000 livebirths
- 3.2 By 2030, end preventable deaths of newborns and children under 5 years of age, with all countries aiming to reduce neonatal mortality to at least as low as 12 per 1000 livebirths and under-5 mortality to at least as low as 25 per 1000 livebirths
- 3.3 By 2030, end the epidemics of AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and neglected tropical diseases and combat hepatitis, water-borne diseases and other communicable diseases
- 3.4 By 2030, reduce by one third premature mortality from non-communicable diseases through prevention and treatment and promote mental health and well-being
- 3.5 Strengthen the prevention and treatment of substance abuse, including narcotic drug abuse and harmful use of alcohol
- **3.6** By 2020, halve the number of global deaths and injuries from road traffic accidents
- 3.7 By 2030, ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health-care services, including for family planning, information and education, and the integration of reproductive health into national strategies and programmes
- 3.8 Achieve universal health coverage, including financial risk protection, access to quality essential health-care services and access to safe, effective, quality and affordable essential medicines and vaccines for all
- 3.9 By 2030, substantially reduce the number of deaths and illnesses from hazardous chemicals and air, water and soil **pollution** and contamination
- **3a** Strengthen the implementation of the World Health Organization Framework Convention on **Tobacco Control** in all countries, as appropriate
- Support the research and development of vaccines and medicines for the communicable and non-communicable diseases that primarily affect developing countries, provide access to affordable essential medicines and vaccines, in accordance with the Doha Declaration on the TRIPS Agreement and Public Health, which affirms the right of developing countries to use to the full the provisions in the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights regarding flexibilities to protect public health, and, in particular, provide access to medicines for all
- 3c Substantially increase **health financing** and the recruitment, development, training and retention of the health **workforce** in developing countries, especially in least developed countries and small island developing States
- **3d** Strengthen the capacity of all countries, in particular developing countries, for early warning, risk reduction and management of national and global health risks

The effects of insufficient physical activity

- WHO has pointed out that insufficient physical activity or inactive lifestyle is one of the ten major causes of global deaths and disability. Over 200 million deaths are attributed by inactive lifestyles.
- Around 60-85% adults live an inactive lifestyle, and 2/3 children have insufficient physical activity globally.
- About 21-25% of breast cancers and colorectal cancers, 27% of diabetes and 30% of ischemic heart diseases are caused by a lack of physical activity.
- Inactive lifestyle also increases the risks of obesity, high blood pressure, osteoporosis, lipid disorders, depression, anxiety, etc.



Physical activity

Holistic health promotion with

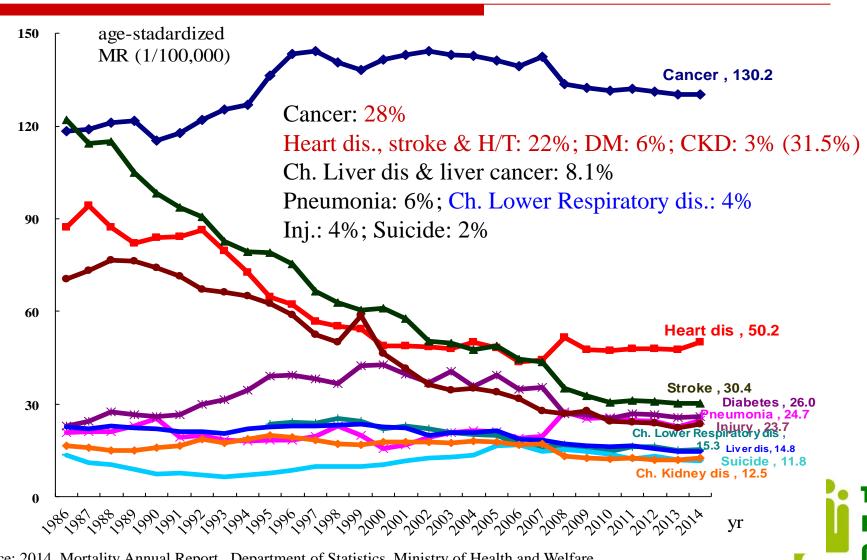
bio-

psycho-

social benefits



Trend of Top 10 Leading Causes of Death in Taiwan: 4 major NCDs account for 57.3% of deaths.

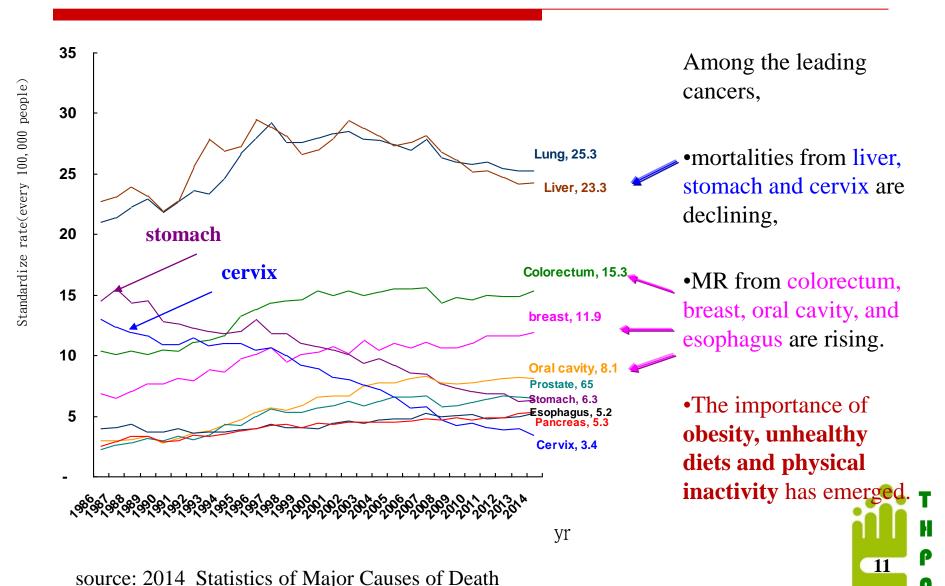


Source: 2014 Mortality Annual Report. Department of Statistics, Ministry of Health and Welfare

Note: 1. Based on W.H.O. 2000 World Standard Population.

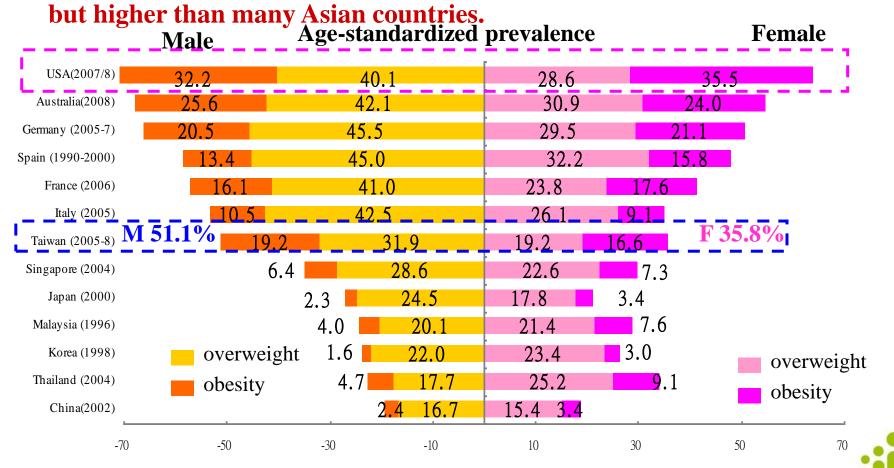
2. Chronic lower respiratory disease mortality rates are available from 1995.

Major fatal cancers and their trends



Overweight and obesity in adults

Our prevalence of overweight and obesity is lower than Western countries,



Data sources: International Obesity Taskforce (IOTF)

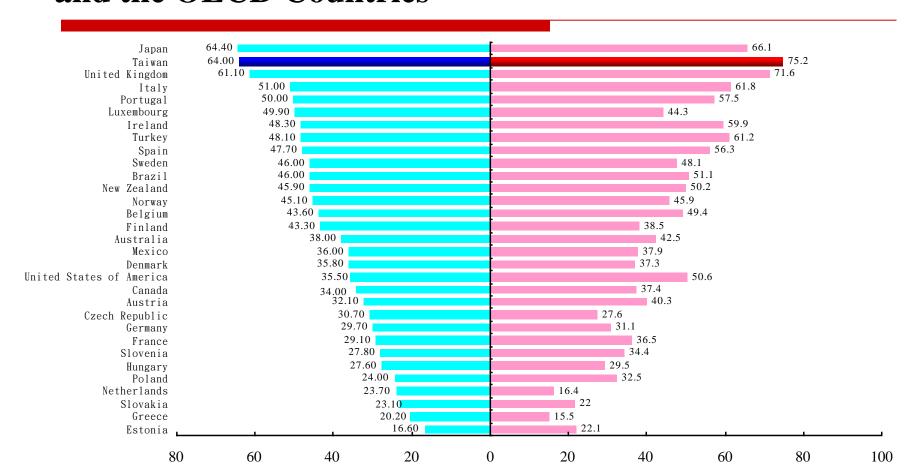
Europe: overweight:25≦BMI<30; obesity:BMI≥30 (2008, 20+ years old)

Asia: depends on each countries' standard

Chinese Taipei: Nutrition and Health Survey in Taiwan (NAHSIT).

overweight: $24 \le BMI < 27$; obesity: $BMI \ge 27$ (2005-2008, 18+ years old)

Insufficient Physical Activity Rates, by Gender, Taiwan and the OECD Countries



Note:

1.Source: WHO 2011 country profile. Insufficient physical activity: defined as people aged 15 or above who are engaged in less than three times per week in less than 30 minutes of moderate activities, or less than 20 minutes of vigorous activities in the past week.

2.Source of Taiwan: 2012 Sports City Survey. Definition of percentage with insufficient physical activity: 100% - Regular physical activity rate (333 Regular physical activity is defined as people aged 13 or above performing activities at least 3 times per week, 30 minutes each time, the intensity of the activity resulting in heart rate reaching 130 bpm or above, sweating or shortness of breaths).

3. Countries without data: Chile, Iceland, Israel, South Korea, Switzerland.



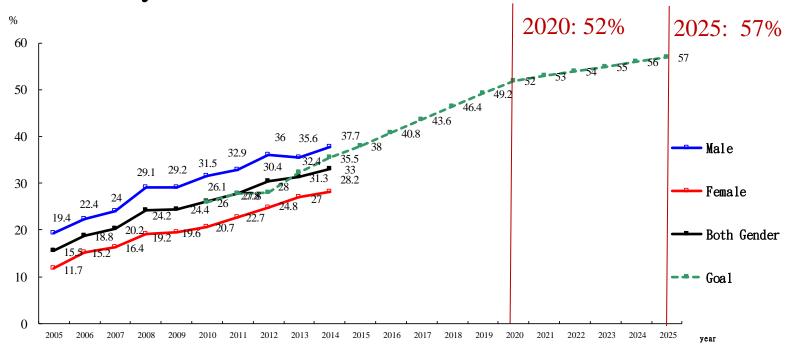
Health-Related National Targets of Taiwan's Golden-Decade Mega-plan (2011-2020)

Golden-Decade Mega-plan (2011-2020)			
	Indicators	Base, 2010	Target, 2020
	Cancer mortality rate	131.6	119.3 by 2016 (10% ↓)
	(1/100,000)		106.0 by 2020 (20% ↓)
	Adult smoking rate	Adults: 19.8	Adults: 10 (50 %↓)
	(%)		
	Adult betel quid chewing rate (%)	Men 12%	Men: 6% (50% ↓)
	Adult physical activity (%) ↓ of insufficient PA: from 74%		Adults: 52% (2 folds ↑) vs. 10% ↓ by 2025 as global target
	Healthy BMI (%)	Men: 46.4	Men : 48.7 (5% ↑)
		Women: 56.8	Women : 59.3 (5% ↑)
		Boys: 59.5	Boys : 65.5 (10% ↑)
		Girls: 66.71	Girls: 73.4 (10% ↑)
	Age-friendly City Initiative	1 among 22 cities	All 22 by 2016 (100%)
		and counties	22 cities/counties participated in

2013

Golden-Decade Mega-plan

■ Doubling the prevalence of adults doing regular exercise within ten years, from 26% in 2010 to 52% in 2020.



Note:

- 1.Data Source: "2014 Sports City Survey" of Sports Administration, Ministry of Education, 2014.
- 2.Regular physical activity rule is defined by people aged 13 or above perform activities at least 3 times/week, 30 minutes each time, reaching 130 heart beats/min.



Personal benefits of cycling

- Health benefits, compared to other exercises,
 - Higher energy consumption than walking
 - More suitable than jogging to people with degenerative arthritis
- Convenient to build into daily lives as a transportation.
- Might be easier to control time
- More affordable (lower cost than cars, doesn't need fuel)



Societal benefits of promoting cycling

- Green economy: industry & tourism benefits
- Environmental protection benefits
 - Lower energy consumption (fossil fuel cost, cars-2.885 NTD/km, motorcycles- 0.776 NTD/km)
 - Reduces greenhouse gas emission (eg. NOx, SOx, CO2 etc.) & carbon footprint
 - Reduces costs of road maintenances



Cycling can also contribute to other UN Sustainable Development Goals



9. Build **resilient infrastructure**, promote inclusive and **sustainable industrialization** and **foster innovation**



11. Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable



12. Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns

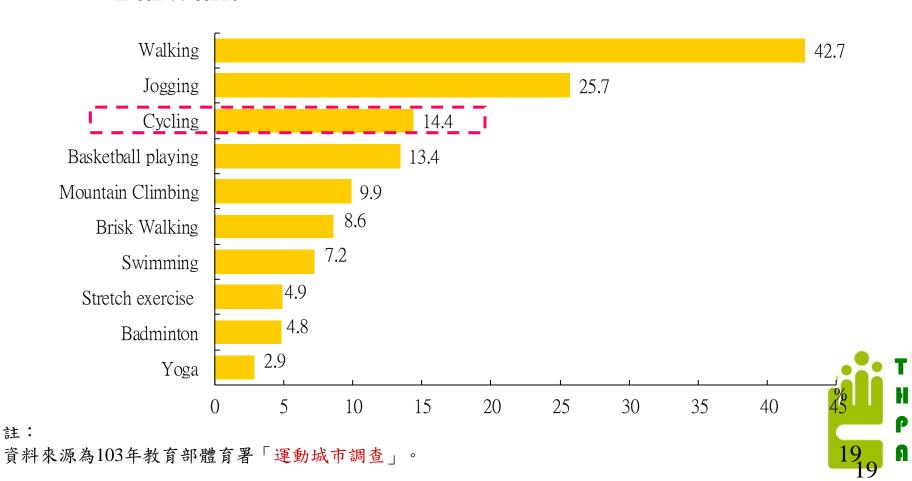


13. Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts



Popular exercises among Taiwanese

Cycling is the 3rd most popular exercise in Taiwan.



Barriers to promotion of cycling

- Popular use of motorcycles;
- Low gasoline price
- Low taxi price
- Inadequate awareness
- Inadequate infrastructure



Methodsthe whole-of-society and health-in-allpolicies approach in Taiwan



The whole-of-society and health-inall-policies approach

- Not just a matter of transportation;
- We worked in collaboration with local governments, academia, media, civil society and industries
 - to develop
 - 1. healthy policies,
 - 2. supportive environments and
 - 3. social mobilization
 - at different levels and types of settings where people live, work and learn.



1. Healthy policies

- The President declared the importance of developing environments conducive to the promotion of cycling and related industries
 - Cycling path connection project
 - Legislation on road safety
 - Legislation to support sport and sport-related industries



Taiwan-wide Cycling Path Network

- Construction:
- By:
 the Sports Administration,
 Ministry of Transportation and
 Communication,
 CPAMI (營建署), and
 local governments
- □ The cycling path connection project was initiated in 2012, and completed in 2015.



全台自行車環島路網將於年底建置完成,將配合台鐵、高鐵 轉運站規畫86處補給站,建立友善自行車環境。(photo by 交通86運輸研空所)



Ministry of Transportation and Communication

- Regulation for Cycling Transportation and Road Safety
- Website that provides information on cycling routes and sightseeing spots



http://itaiwanbike.iot.gov.tw/



Website information



教育部體育署-自行車道網站

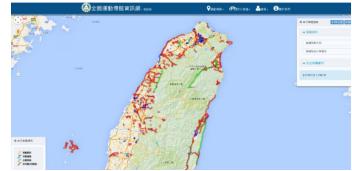


交通部觀光局-臺灣騎跡



註: 資料來源

- 縣市運動地圖-新北市運動達人
- 1. 教育部體育署 臺灣i運動資訊平台http://isports. sa. gov. tw/Home. php
- 2. 教育部體育署 自行車道地圖http://www.sa.gov.tw/wSite/1p?ctNode=468&mp=11
- 3. 交通部觀光局臺灣騎跡http://taiwanbike.tw/
- 4. 新北市運動達人 http://www.sportmaps.ntpc.edu.tw/
- 5. 教育部體育署全國運動場館資訊網http://iplay. sa. gov. tw/



教育部體育署

-全國運動場館資訊網-自行車道地圖



Environmental Protection Administration

- Part of President Ma's environment policies green and low carbon transportation
- Green transportation include walking, cycling, bus, rapid transit, train and high speed rail
- National Cycling route GIS system integrated information over 4,300km of cycling routes in Taiwan





National Police Agency

- Anti-theft tags for bicycles
- Bike Service Station provided by police stations – services such as water replenishment, resting and emergency repair

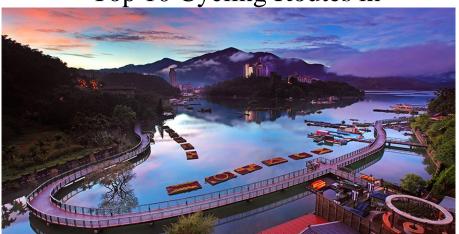






Sports related legislations

- Ministry of Education,
- Sports related legislations
 - □ National Sports Act
 - □ Sports Lottery Issuance Act
 - □ Sports Industry Development Regulation
 - □ School Health Act
- Top 10 Cycling Routes in



Sun Moon Lake



Taitung County



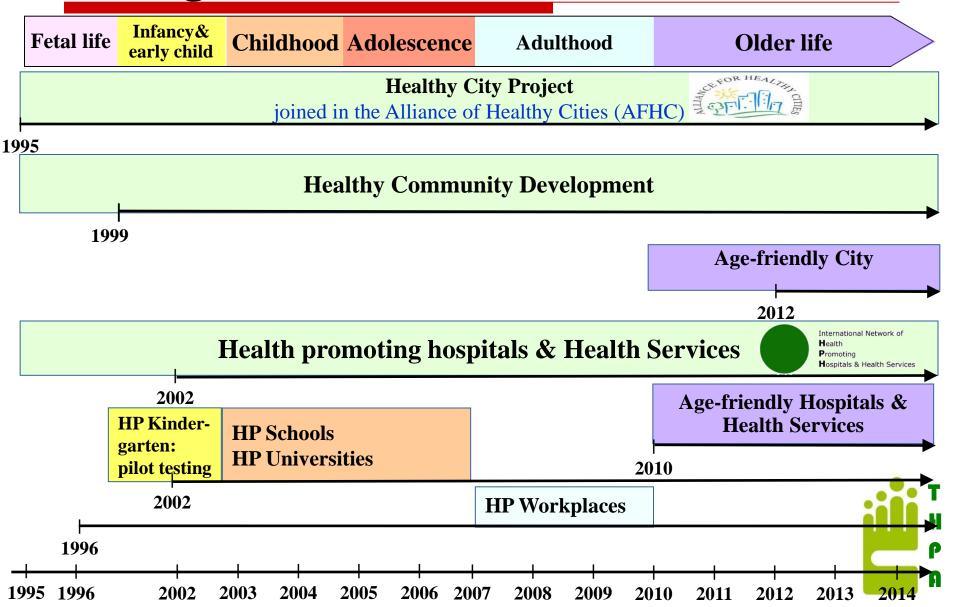
Taipei City Riverside

2. Supportive environments

- "5A's" strategies to make healthier choices easier
 - Available: vehicles & paths,
 - Accessible: built into the bigger transportation and tourism system,
 - □ Affordable: at low price,
 - Adorable: a preferred choice, and
 - Adoptable: make it a daily activity.



Setting-Based Health Promotion



Cycling paths & signals in Cities and Counties



Walk path and cycling path in Taipei



Ride bike with MRT in Taipei



Taipei City Cycling Path



Cycling signal



Cycling all the way to scenery spots



Keelung City



Taitung County



Pingtung County



Penghu County



Cycling app, map, & information



Cycling map and street view in Kaohsiung City



Cycling information in Yilan County



Bicycle App, Kaohsiung City



Cycling map in Yilan County



Make it simple and accessible



Simplified U-bike member application



Bike renting in Kaohsiung



Unified bike renting service between Taipei and New Taipei City



Pbike renting in Pingtung County



3. Social mobilization

- Politicians led by example
- Nationwide promotion of weight-management campaign
- National promotion of physical activity as a health-promoting symbol for people and for patients



Politicians led by example



Taipei City



Taichung City



Coming-of-Age Bike Event in Hsinchu



Taichung City



Cycling in national promotion of physical activity



健康生活動起來-身體活動小手冊



身體活動建議



健康生活動起來手冊

體重	消耗熱量 (大卡/公斤體重/小時)	運動30分鐘所消耗的熱量 單位:大卡			
運動項目		40公斤	50公斤	60公斤	70公斤
騎腳踏車					
騎腳踏車(一般速度,10公里/小時)	4	80	100	120	140
騎腳踏車(快,20公里/小時)	8.4	168	210	252	294
騎腳踏車(很快,30公里/小時)	12.6	252	315	378	441

自行車熱量消耗



600 Tons weight loss campaign-It's happening everywhere! Have you joined?



■ The CEO of TSMC in annual company sporting events



Community folk-dance groups



Healthcare system as role models

- St. Martin de Porres Hospital in Chia Yi outreach to community
- Weight loss program in DOH Keelung hospital





■ Pins with "On diet, don't feed me!" texts and BMI calculator in Kaohsiung Municipal United Hospital





Active transportation-BBMW

Decoration of stairway and reminding

in front of elevators



pedestrian spaces

BBMW:

New Brand of transportation:

B-bus

B-bike

M-metro

W-walk



Hospitals Promote Green Transportations

In order to reduce greenhouse gas emission from vehicles, and to increase staff and citizens' physical activity, the strategies hospitals taken to promote cycling are:

- Plan outdoor cycling paths and offer free bike rental services
- Set up MRT bike stops within hospital area
- Organize staff cycling events



Dalin Tzu Chi Hospital offers free bikes for staff



Kaohsiung Municipal Hsiaokang Hospital sets up MRT bike stops within hospital area for the conveniences of hospital comers.

Fangliao General Hospitals organize cycling events for staff.

Cycling & weight loss



Calorie labeling on Taichung
City's cycling path



Calorie labeling on Taitung County's cycling path



Cycling information in Yilan County



Calorie labeling on Taitung County's cycling path



And the winner is...

"Honor" as the reward

■ "1 kg rice in exchange of 1 kg weight loss"











Bicycles are widely used as a healthy gift or reward in lottery and contests





仁德護理之家、廷松護理之家、保康長期照顧中心、忠孝護理之家

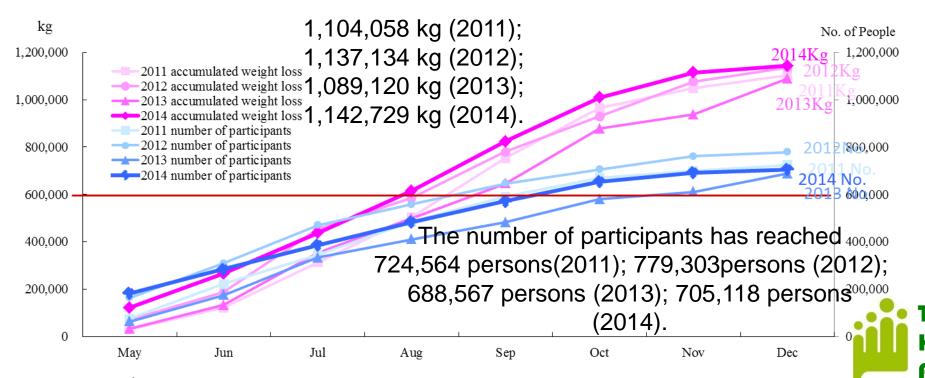
私立嘉義仁受之家、嘉榮附設護理之家、瑞泰長期照顧中心



廣告經費由關健署菸金挹注

The Impact on Health Progress of Campaign 2011-2014

- Anyone aged 6 to 64 who was overweight or had excessive body fat levels could form a team and join this weight management campaign.
- The target of weight loss has been achieved 1,104,058.4 kilograms(2011); 1,137,134.2 kilograms(2012); 1,089,120.5 kilograms (2013); 1,142,729 kilograms (2014).
- And each participant lost an average of **1.5** kilograms.



Aug. 27^{th} , 2014 - 600 tons weightloss achieved Oct. 8^{th} , 2014 - 600,000 achieved total participants

Nov. 28th, 2014 - 22 cities/counties have achieved the goals set by HPA

A health-promoting symbol for people and for patients

Long-distance cycling & active aging



"Love Moves Us Forward", the third time, brings the aged cycling around Taiwan 100 k.m. to realize the ideal of active aging. Dec.25th,2015

Taiwanese Anti-Cancer Association



The cycling trip, titled "Unbeatable rider, 1,000km challenge," is held each year to encourage cancer patients to exercise more often, and the will to go ahead in fulfilling their dreams, as well as to fight cancer bravely.



Bicycle Events by Civil Groups

Ching Guang Cultural & Educational Foundation





"2014 Happy Deer Journey, Thousands Bike Riding, Anti-smoking Anti-drug propaganda" campaign - August 24, 2014

Ching Guang Cultural & Educational Foundation





"2013 Energy Saving, Carbon Reduction, and Love Our Earth, Healthy Bike Riding for Anti-smoking Anti-day propaganda" campaign - October 6, 2013



這樣騎鐵馬,安全又時尚



騎自行車是國人第三大喜好的運動項目,其實, 騎自行車時機,不限於休閒或運動,它更是復古又 時尚的交通工具,不論是上下班、上下學、購物, 都是環保又健身、男女老少皆宜的「動態交通」 (active transportation) 與綠色交通方式。

在全球抗暖化行動中,騎自行車節能減碳、省油 錢、不污染環境;而在全球抗老化的健康風潮中, 更因爲交通是日常生活必要的一環,把交通與運動結合,有利於養成習慣,再也不能拿「沒時間」 做藉口,難怪先進國家要積極將自行車納入交通 系統規劃中。

騎自行車不僅與其他運動一樣,可以增進心肺耐力,預防或改善慢性病,包括心血管疾病、糖尿病、高血壓、肥胖、大腸癌與乳癌、憂鬱症、失智症等風險,延長壽命並提高生活品質,而且,它的強度比走路高;對於想控制體重或增強心肺功能的人而言,也能消耗更高熱量、達到更佳效果,能增強腿部與背部肌肉強度;與跑步相比,則是對於下肢關節的體重負荷輕得多,比慢跑更適合退化性關節炎患者。

避險,先從自己做起

讓兒童從小騎自行車上下學或休閒,可增加戶

外活動時間,預防近視、肥胖,並養成運動習慣、 增加自信。

自行車好處多多,但也有風險。一是空氣汙染, 二是道路事故。改善這兩者最有效的方法,是增加 使用自行車的人數以及建構友善的自行車系統,所 以,政府角色很重要。然而,個人也必須採取一些 有效的避險措施,才能安全健康的享受騎乘樂趣:

- 一、基本檢查:應檢查自行車之煞車握把開合是 否正常運作,手把、踏板、鏈條無異常鬆動、座墊 高度是否合宜、輪胎胎面花紋是否完整,紋溝深度 是否足夠及胎壓是否正常。
- 二、保持人車被看見、聽見的配備:鈴號、前 燈、車尾燈、反光板,穿戴螢光衣物,可以提醒其 他各類用路者注意,並增加夜間能見度,是國人常 忽略,但非常重要的防護配備。
- 三、配戴安全帽:雖沒立法要求,但非常重要!
- 四、不要因車擠而太靠近路邊。路邊危險障礙 多,又不易被看見。

五、要做任何動作時(例如起動、轉彎、停止),要看著用路者、注意後方來車,讓用路者看得出來你的意圖;可以比手勢顯示右轉或左轉。

- 六、遵守交通號誌及規則。
- 七、經過停下的車子時要與其車門保持寬距,避免其突然開門。
- 八、避免騎於卡車或公車等大型車輛旁。
- 九、避免與其他腳踏車並騎或緊接。
- 十、勿使用耳機、手機。
- 十一、選擇車輛較不擁擠的時段,或避開塞車 路線,可以減少空氣污染暴露。 5

(作者自國確學署長,家庭醫學專科體師、流行病學博士)

Riding bicycle this way is safe & fashionable!

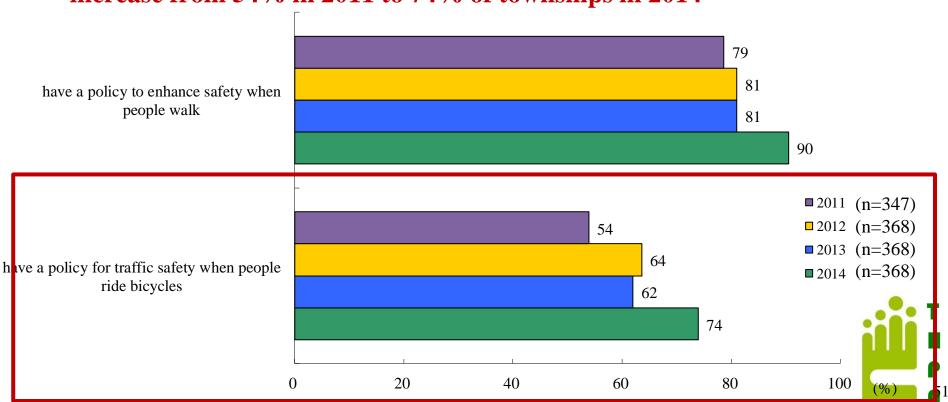


Results



Strategy 18: Enhance traffic safety in areas where people walk or ride bicycles

- Does your local government have a policy to enhance safety when people walk (such as pedestrian crosswalk and proper green light time) or a policy for traffic safety when people ride bicycles?
- => Presence of traffic interventions to support cycling in townships has increase from 54% in 2011 to 74% of townships in 2014



International Comparison

- Indicator: length of cycling routes shared by ten thousand population: low

Country	Total Length of Cycling Routes (km)	Population(ten thousand)	Indicator (km/ten thousand population)	
Netherland	19,000	1640	11.59	
Japan	78,638	12,805	6.14	
UK	21,000	6,094 Taiwa	an, 2016, 3.45	
Denmark	12,405	5,626	2.67 2.20	
Germany	7,500	8,200 Taiwa	n, 2014 , 1.9 ^{0.91}	
Taiwan (2007)	709	2,295	0.31	
Taiwan (2008)	846	2,303	0.37	
Taiwan (2009)	1,300	2,311	0.56	
Taiwan (2010)	1,636	2,316	0.71	
Taiwan (2011)	2,272	2,322	0.98	
Taiwan (2012)	2,272	2,331	0.97	
Taiwan (2013)	2,847.2	2,337	1.22	
Taiwan (2014)	4486	2,343	1.9	
Taiwan (2016 Goal)	6,282.4	2,350	2.67	

Source:

Taiwan's data: 2013 National Council for Sustainable Development Network

Other country: Sports Administration, Ministry of Educationhttp://bike.sac.gov.tw/option.php?mid=4&pid=34



Comments



Cycling is an example to offer total solution towards UN 2030 Development Agenda

- Promotion of cycling has co-benefits on health for all, protection of environments & economic growth.
- However, it is still more for sports and tourism, less for daily transportation.



Promotion strategies

- Clear concept and positioning: cycling is not just another vehicle; it must be taken seriously
- Leadership and advocacy
- Reinforcing policy: health benefits/price of gasoline
- Whole package of knowledge on vehicles and users: diversity on price & function, comfort, equipment for people and vehicles (helmets, headlight, reflective stripe...).
- Supportive environment: tracks in downtown, parking in workplaces & buildings.
- **Promotion:** schools, workplaces, communities.

Evidence, love & collaboration.



Promotion.
Prevention.
Protection.
Participation!

Taiwan Health Promotion Administration

Ministry of Health & Welfare

