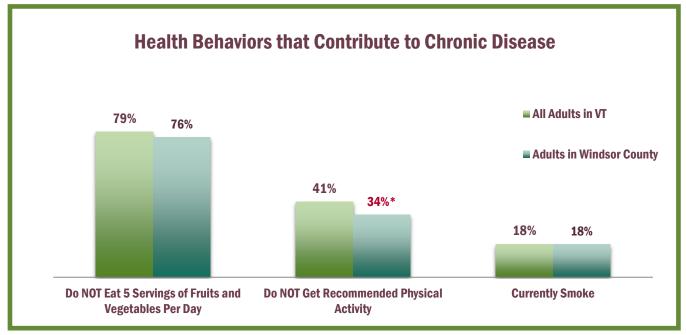
## **Chronic Disease in Windsor County**



3-4-50 is a simple concept to help us grasp the reality that 3 health behaviors contribute to 4 chronic diseases that claim the lives of more than 50 percent of Vermonters. This data brief compares these measures of all Vermont adults to adults living in Windsor County.

## 3 BEHAVIORS

Lack of physical activity, poor nutrition and tobacco use are three behaviors that contribute to the development and severity of chronic disease. Three out of four adults in Windham County do not eat enough fruits or vegetables and one in three adults do not get the recommended amount of physical activity. One in five adults currently smoke. Windham County has a lower proportion of adults who do not get enough physical activity, but is similar to all Vermonters in the other key health behaviors.



(\*) notes statistical difference

Data Source: BRFSS 2011/13 and 2013/14



## LEAD TO 4 CHRONIC **DISEASES**

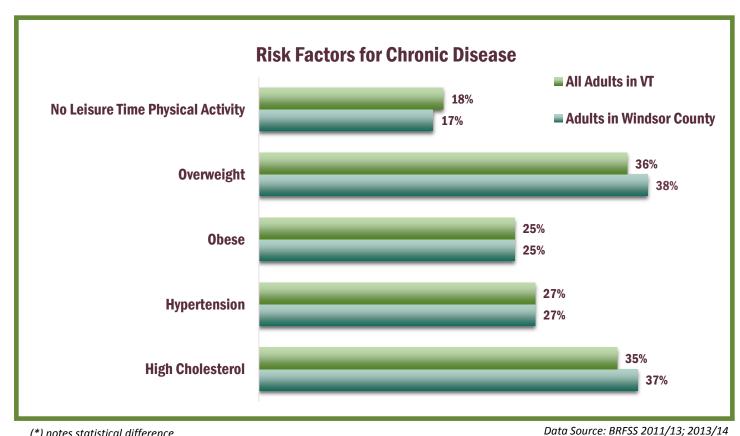
- Nearly one in six Windsor County adult residents have been diagnosed with a lung disease.
- One in eight adults have been diagnosed with diabetes or prediabetes.
- Fewer than one in ten adults have been diagnosed with a cardiovascular disease or cancer.

## **RESULTING IN MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OF DEATHS**

In all, these four diseases account for 58% of Windsor County residents' deaths.

	Vermont		Windsor County	
Chronic Disease	% Adults Diagnosed	% of All Deaths	% Adults Diagnosed	% of All Deaths
Lung Diseases (Asthma/COPD)	15% (11%/6%)	6%	17% (12%/8%)	6%
Diabetes/ Pre-Diabetes	13% (8%/6%)	3%	12% (8%/5%)	2%
Cardiovascular Diseases	7%	22%	8%	19%
Cancer	7%	26%	9%	31%

(\*) notes statistical difference Note: Percentages for combined chronic disease prevalence account for Vermonters with dual diagnosis. Data Source: BRFSS 2013/14 VT Vital Stats 2014



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