Presentation for Parliament Hearings on Sugar Tax

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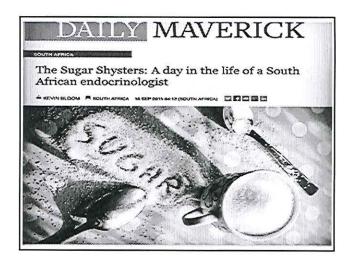
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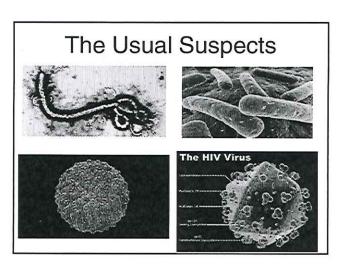
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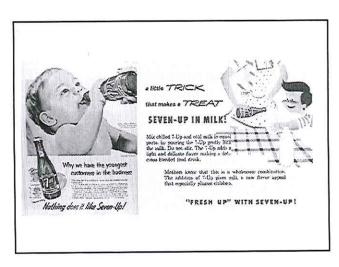
Diabetes of South Africa (SEMDSA)

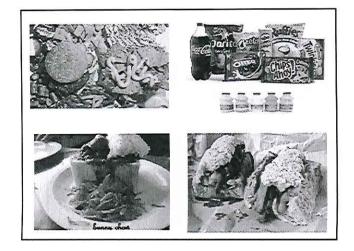


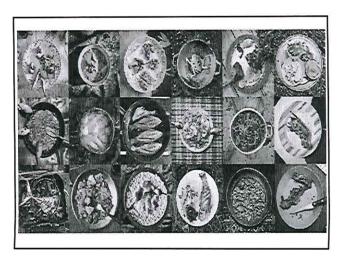






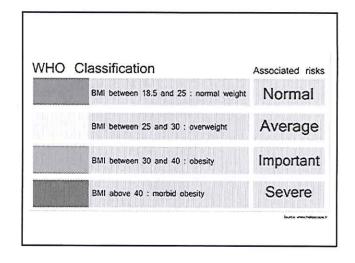


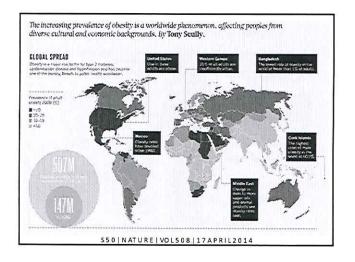


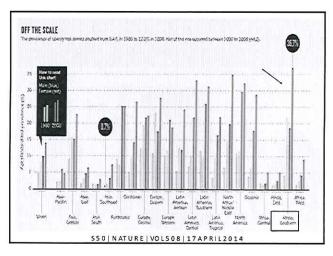


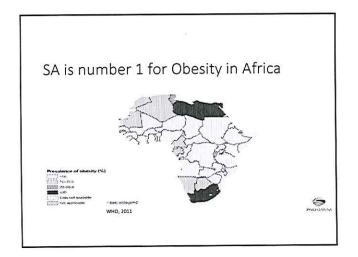
The Problem

- Obesity
- · Type II Diabetes
- · Tooth Decay
- · Heart disease (independent of weight gain)
- · Impact on growing bones









South Africa

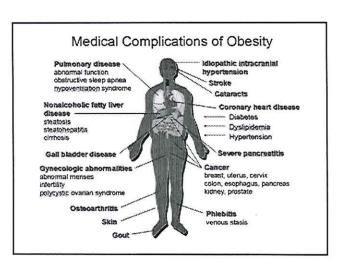
Highest overweight and obesity rate in sub-Saharan Africa

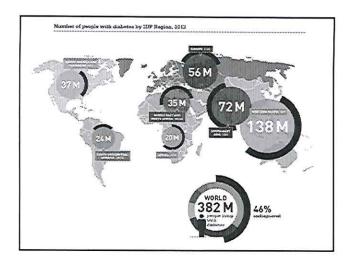
70% of women

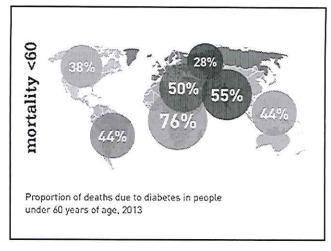
40 % of men

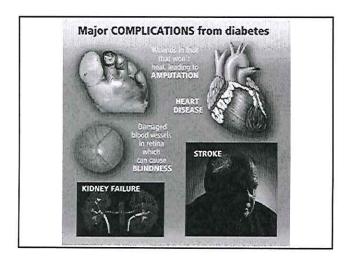
1 in 4 girls & 1 in 5 boys between the ages of 2 and 14 years

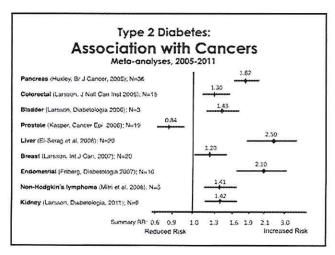


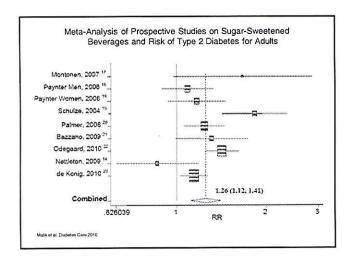


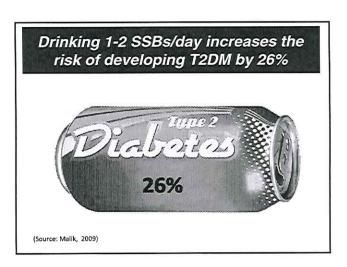








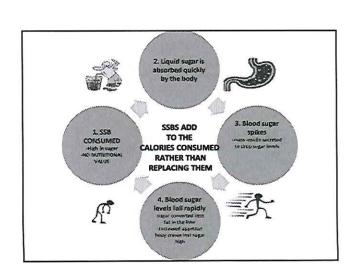


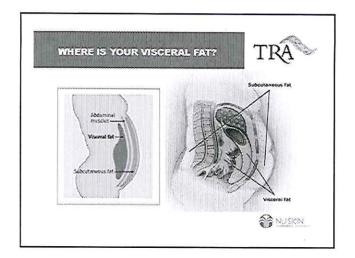


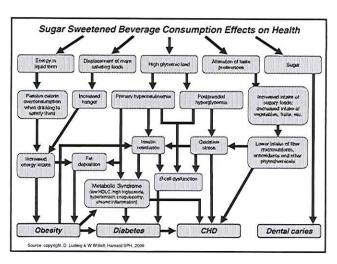
Empty Calories

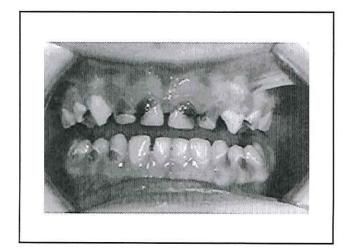
- . Sugary drinks are the top calorie source in teens' diets
- From 1989 to 2008, calories consumed in the form of sugary beverages increased by 60% in children ages 6 to 11, and the percentage of children consuming them rose from 79% to 91%
- Reducing intake of soft drinks is associated with less weight gain and metabolic improvement.

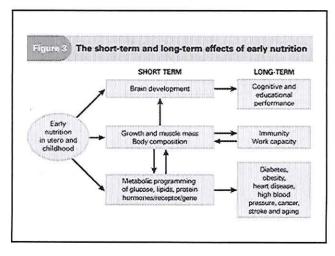
https://www.hsph.harvard.edu/nutritionsov/ce/healthy-drinks/sugary-drinks/#el21

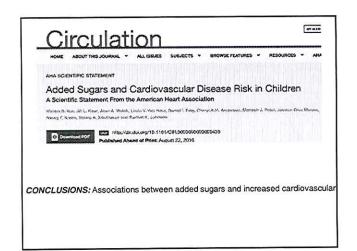
















WHO Recommends Limiting Sugar Intake

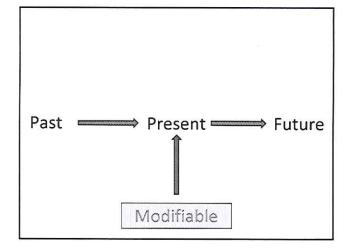
- Based on systematic reviews, WHO recommends limits for "free sugar" intake
- Free sugars are: "monosaccharides and disaccharides added to foods by the manufacturer, cook or consumer, and sugars naturally present in honey, syrups, fruit juices and fruit juice concentrates" (WHO, 2013)
- WHO strongly recommends LIMITING free sugar intake to Less than 10% of Caloric Intake approximately 12 teaspoons/day



Obesity Epidemic Effects

- longevity
- disability-free life-years(DALY)
- quality-of-life
- productivity
- high and middle-to-low income countries
- poses a threat to population health
- substantial burden to many health systems

Y Claire Wang et al, Lancet 2011; 378: 815-25



"There comes a time in the history of a nation, when we must do what is correct rather than what is pleasant "

UBUNTU

'A person is a person through other people'

A philosophy of African origin

