**DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA**

**RISK OF PREMATURE DEATH DUE TO NCDS (%)**

- **40%** Cardiovascular diseases
- **19%** Cancers
- **14%** Communicable, maternal, perinatal and nutritional conditions
- **9%** Other NCDs
- **7%** Injuries
- **1%** Diabetes

**PROPORTIONAL MORTALITY**

- Total NCD deaths 2016: 94,000
- Risk of premature death between 30-70 years (%) 2016: 34
- Suicide mortality rate (per 100,000 population) 2016: 11

**RISK FACTORS**

- **Harmful use of alcohol**
- **Physical inactivity**
- **Salt/Sodium intake**
- **Tobacco use**
- **Raised blood pressure**
- **Diabetes**
- **Obesity**
- **Ambient air pollution**
- **Household air pollution**

**CURRENT TOBACCO SMOKING**

- **CURRENT TOBACCO SMOKING OBESITY RAISED BLOOD PRESSURE**

**SELECTED ADULT RISK FACTOR TRENDS**

**MORTALITY**

- Premature mortality from NCDs
- Suicide mortality

**NATIONAL TARGET SET**

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**RISK FACTORS**

- Total alcohol per capita consumption, adults aged 15+ (litres of pure alcohol)
- Physical inactivity, adults aged 18+ (%)
- Mean population salt intake, adults aged 20+ (g/day)
- Current tobacco smoking, adults aged 15+ (%)
- Raised blood pressure, adults aged 18+ (%)
- Obesity, adults aged 18+ (%)
- Obesity, adolescents aged 10-19 (%)
- Exceedance of WHO guidelines level for annual PM2.5 concentration (proportion)

**CURRENT TOBACCO SMOKING**

- No data available

**OBESITY**

- No data available

**RAISED BLOOD PRESSURE**

- No data available

**NATIONAL SYSTEMS RESPONSE**

- Drug therapy to prevent heart attacks and strokes
- Essential NCD medicines and basic technologies to treat major NCDs

**2016 TOTAL POPULATION: 25 369 000**

28 400 Lives can be saved by 2025 by implementing all of the WHO “Best Buys”

**World Health Organization - Noncommunicable Diseases (NCD) Country Profiles, 2018.**