**UTAHNS HEALTH PERCEPTIONS** 

# Values-Based Behavior and Communication

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### "A Bear in the Woods"



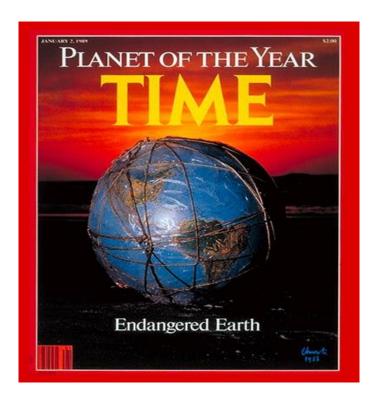


# **American Plastics Council**

It's the late 80's and the planet is drowning in garbage—plastics becomes a symbol for the problem.

Industry had same favorability rating as tobacco.

More than 250 pieces of restrictive legislation at state and local levels.





## Consumer Erosion Undercut Policy-maker Progress

45% - Benefits 63% - Risks

31% - Risks 26% - Benefits

1987 1992

Opinion Survey: Do the benefits of plastic outweigh the risks of plastic, or do the risks of plastic outweigh its benefits?

"Raining Plastic" – Campaign Before Values Strategy





Benefits of plastics that deliver less stress and worry over personal and family health and safety and sense of peace of mind help the public conclude benefits of plastics outweigh environmental risk.

Improved Personal and Family Quality of Life Leading to Greater Peace of Mind

Less Worry Over Personal and Family Health and Safety

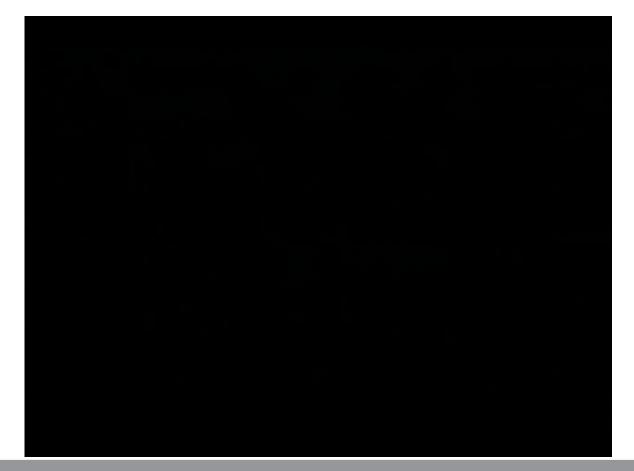
Living Safer, Healthier Lives

Durability
Shatter Resistance
Medical Uses
Food Protection

Consistent execution in support of the strategic framework

**Plastics** 

# "The End" - Final ad







# Steel Feel the Strength: Recycle





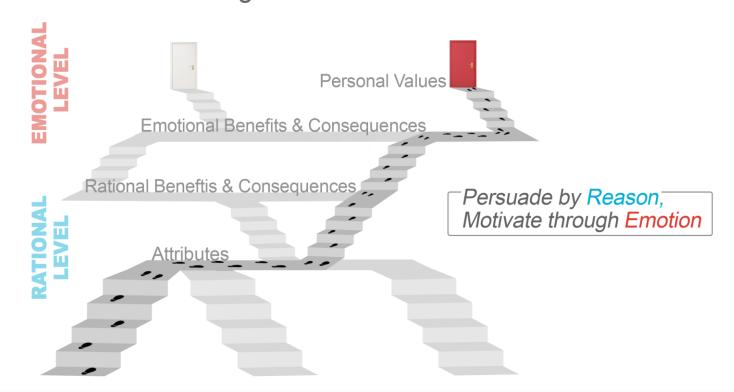
# Steel Feel the Strength: Shark Cage





# How does values-based communication work?

# VALUES BASED RESEARCH: Connecting the Rational and Emotional Elements in Decision-Making





# Values Research by Envision Utah



Envision Utah
Quality Growth Strategy
(1997)





# Values Based Research: The Path to Effective Communications



### **Emotional Level**

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### **Rational Level**



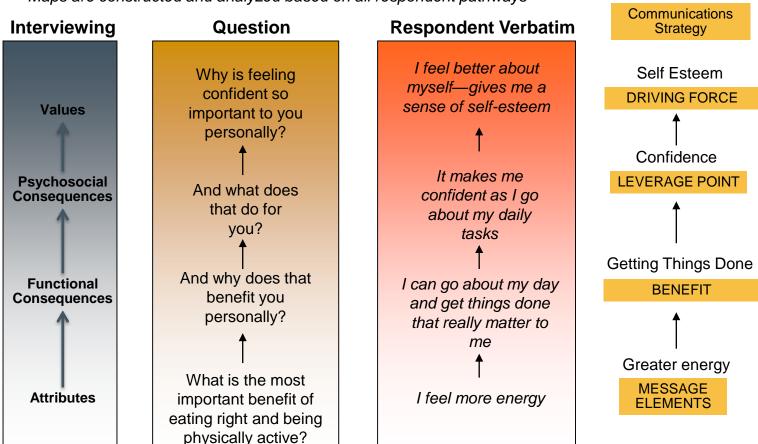
Attributes
(tangible features/attributes)

What matters most to your key stakeholders.



# Hypothetical Example of Thought Pathway

Maps are constructed and analyzed based on all respondent pathways

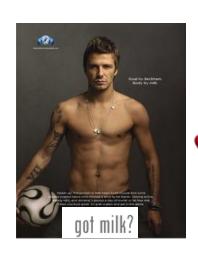




### **HMS Values Research**



## **6 Time David Ogilvy Award Winners:**











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# Utah Health Priorities Research Goals

- What is perception of current situation? Is there a sense of need to change or problem awareness?
- Do people have good information? What do they know or think they know?
- What are the perceived underlying causes/barriers?
- Where are their hearts and minds on these issues? What do they care most about? What do they value? What motivates them?
- What actions and strategies do they recommend?

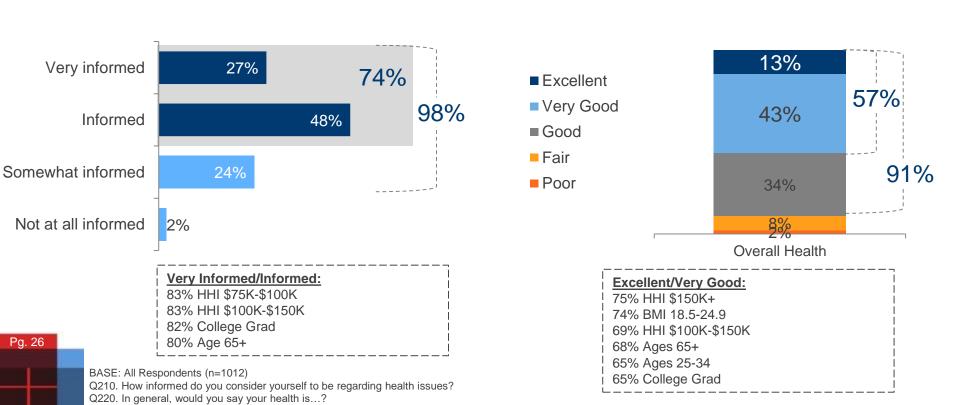




# KEY FINDINGS: UTAHNS AND HEALTH

# Utahns believe they are in good health and well informed about health issues

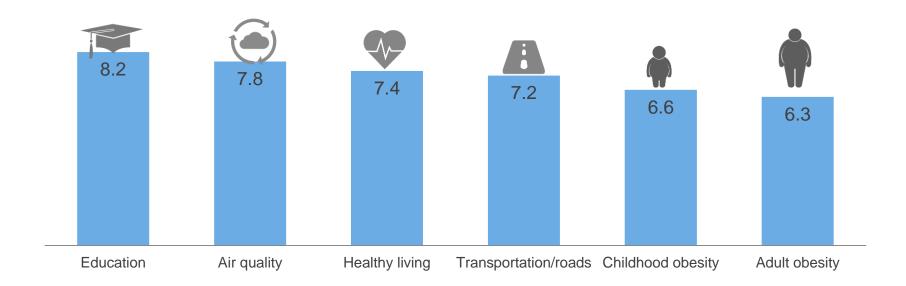
Informed about Health Issues



# Obesity not a priority—healthy living scores higher



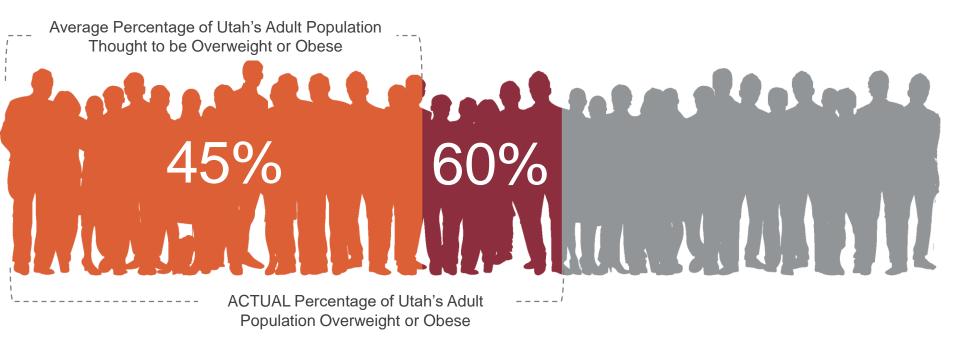
Important for the State of Utah to Focus On Mean Score (out of 10)



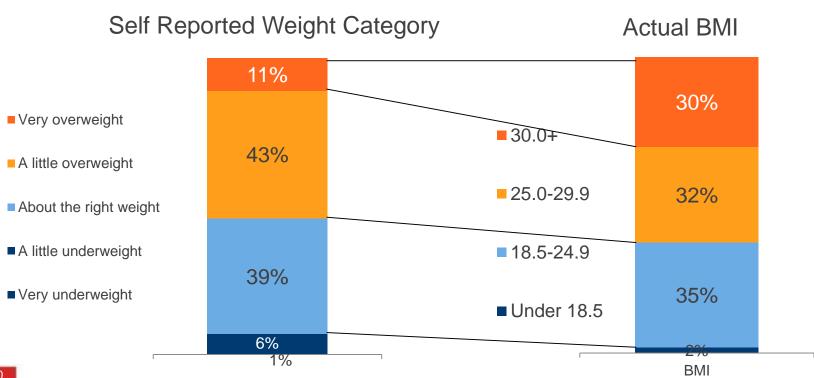
# Two-thirds of Utahns incorrect about at least one health fact. Minorities and less educated Utahns wrong more often.

Statement (Each respondent answered 4)	Correct Answer	% Correc t	Groups More Likely to be Wrong (% Correct)	Number of Correct Responses		ect
Foods and drinks with added sugar increase your risk for being overweight or obese.	TRUE	92%	Hispanics (85%)			
Eating regular family meals leads to better health.	TRUE	92%	Hispanics (84%), Urban (84%), Liberals (83%)	■4 ■3	34%	
It is recommended that individuals consume 5 to 9 servings of fruits and vegetables each day.	TRUE	89%	HS or Less (85%)	<b>2</b>	39%	
Adults need at least 150 minutes of physical activity a week and children need at least 60 minutes each day.	TRUE	88%	35-44 (82%)	■1 ■0		
There is no evidence linking fast food with being overweight or obese.	FALSE	85%	HHI> \$150K (76%) 65+ (79%)		21%	
One of the best ways to lose weight and improve health is to avoid carbohydrates of any kind.	FALSE	68%	45-54 (56%), Urban (57%), Hispanics (62%)	5% 1% Number of Correct Responses		
Organic foods are much healthier than other foods.	FALSE	46%	Hispanics (22%), HS or less (36%), Urban (33%)			
Low-fat diets are good for weight loss.	FALSE	43%	Hispanics (32%), 65+ (33%), HS or less	s, online, and from friends and family. Some		

# Utahns underestimate the state weight problem



# ...And under-report their own weight situation



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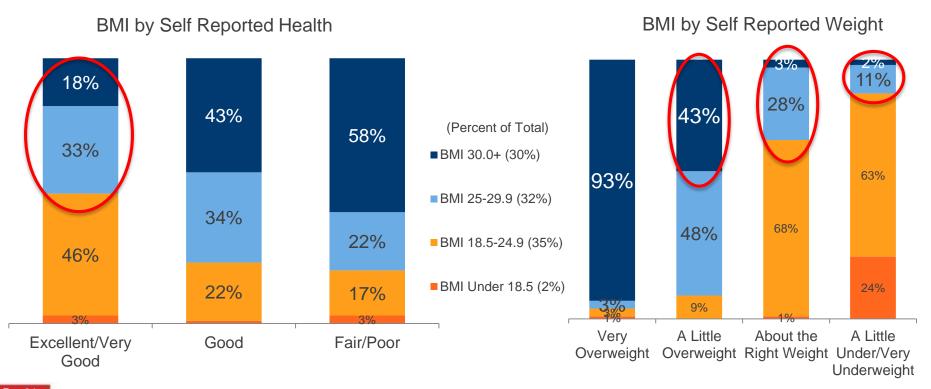
BASE: All Respondents (n=1012)

Q225. Do you consider yourself to be overweight, underweight or about the right weight?

Q1200. How tall are you without shoes?

Q1205. How much do you weigh without shoes?

# A disconnect between health and weight— Half of Utahns report excellent or good health but are overweight/obese



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Q220. In general, would you say your health is...?

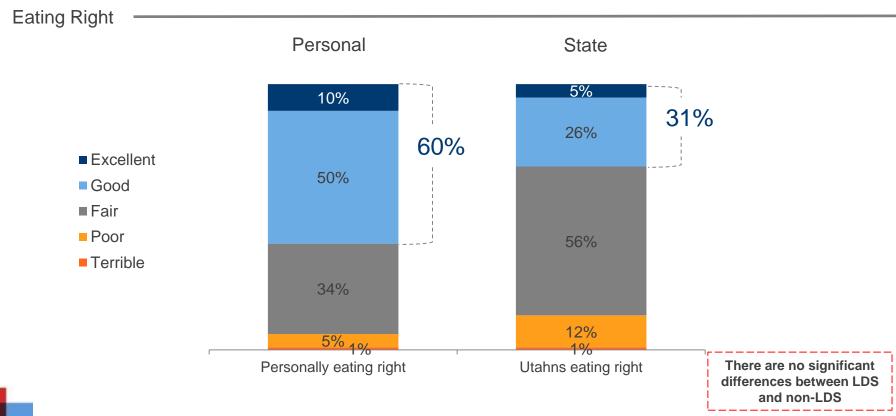
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A majority (69%) of people who self-identify as being "Very Overweight" say they are in Good, Very Good or Excellent

Health

# Its not me...Utahns believe they are doing much better personally than their fellow citizens on eating right



BASE: All Respondents (n=1012)

BASE: Split Sample (n=503)

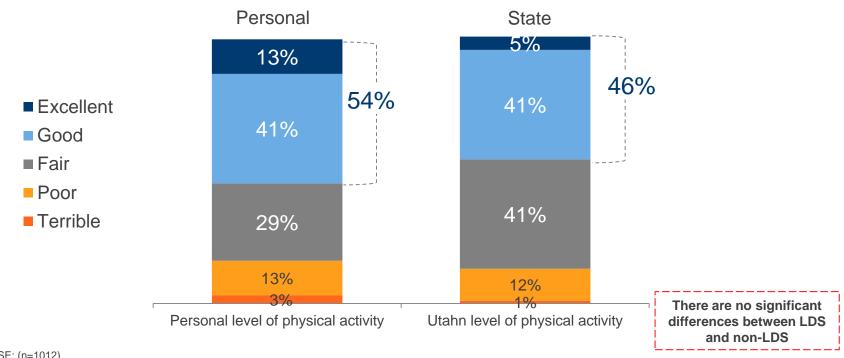
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Q230. When it comes to eating right, which of the following best describes how you feel you are doing personally?

Q240. Now thinking about the health and wellness of people here in the state of Utah, when it comes to eating right, which of the following best describes how we are doing as Utahns?

# Utahns believe they are doing slightly better on exercising than people in the state as a whole





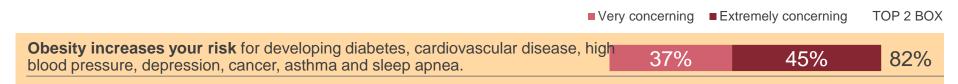
Pg. 33 BASE: (n=1012

Q235. When it comes to the level of physical activity you do to stay healthy, which of the following best describes how you feel you are doing personally?

BASE: Split Sample (n=509)

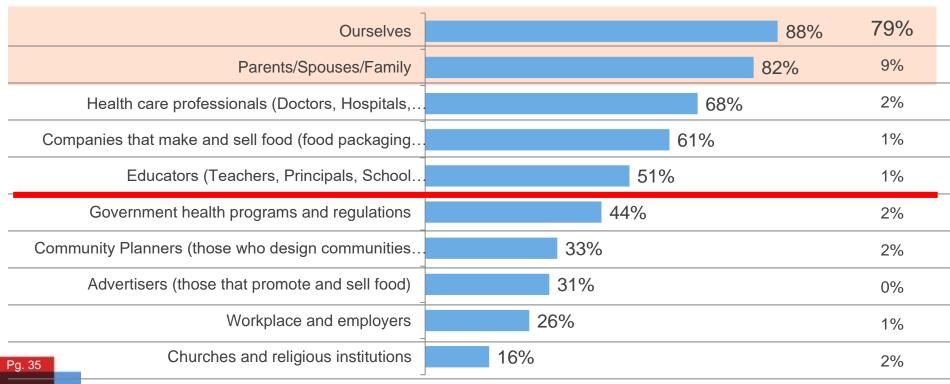
Q245: Now thinking about the health and wellness of people here in the state of Utah, when it comes to the level of physical activity people do here in Utah, which of the following best describes how we are doing as Utahns?

## Connecting obesity and chronic illness creates the most concern



# Utahns overwhelmingly believe individuals have the most responsibly for their health

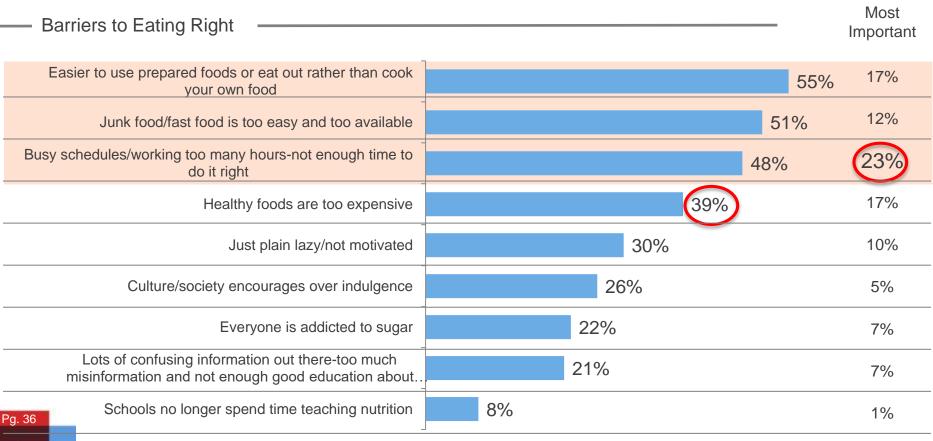
Most Responsibility



BASE: n=502

Q400. Let's focus now on who has the responsibility to make sure we are all eating right and being physically active. From the list below, please select the five you feel have the most responsibility to make sure we are all eating right and being physically active.

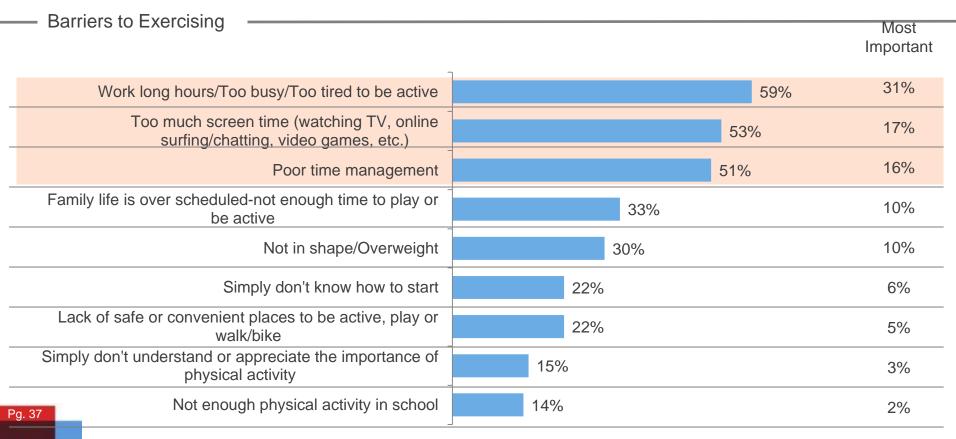
# Time and convenience lead Utahns away from preparing their own food



BASE: n=510

Q900. There are a number of things that get in the way or make it harder for you and your family to **eat right.** From the list below, please select the three you feel are the biggest barriers to you and your family **eating right or following a healthy diet.** 

### A lack of time and energy is the top reason Utahns do not exercise more



BASE: n=502

Q920. Let's change focus now and get your thoughts about the things that get in the way or make it harder for you and your family to get the physical activity you need. From the list below, please select the three you feel are the biggest barriers to you and your family getting the physical activity you need.

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### **Rational Level**

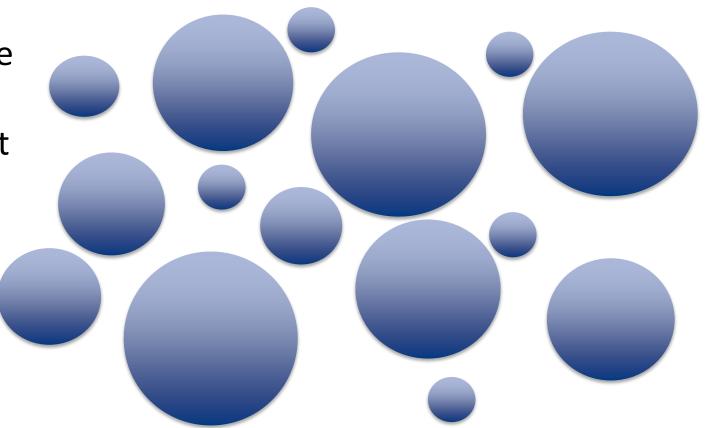


Attributes (tangible features/attributes)

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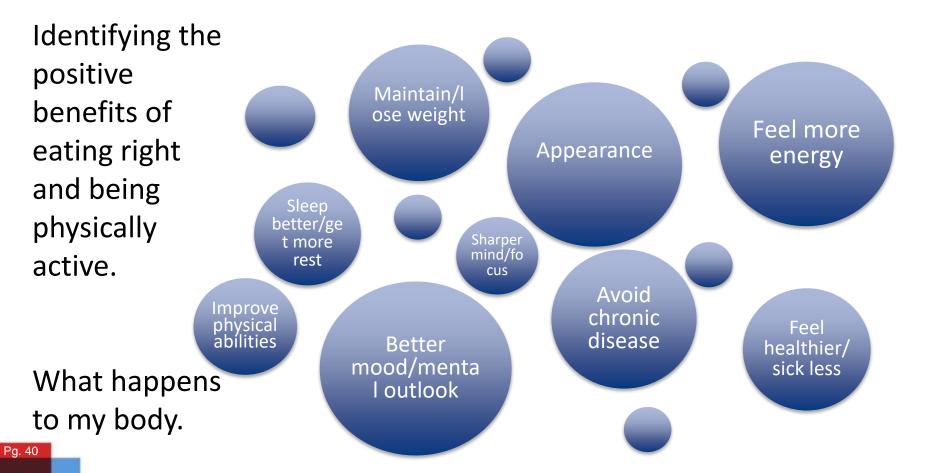


Identifying the positive benefits of eating right and being physically active



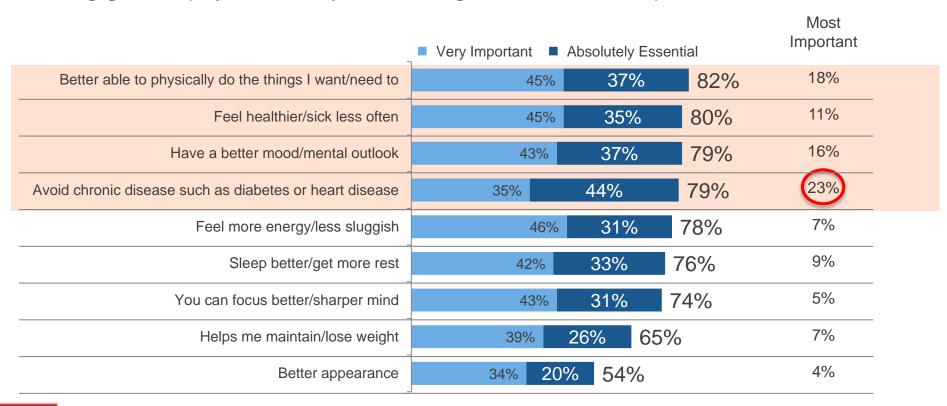








# Avoiding chronic disease is the most important reason to eat well and exercise; having greater physical ability and feeling better are also top reasons



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Base: All Respondents (n=1012)

Q600. There are different benefits or consequences that are connected to eating right and being physically active. Thinking about your own personal situation, for each of the following, please rate how important it is to you personally using the five response options:

Q601. You rated each of the items below as ...". Please select the one item that you think is most important for you personally."

### What happens to my body...

Appearance Maintain/los e weight 4%

Feel more Improve Feel healthier/si energy physical abilities ck less 18% often 11%

Sleep better/get more rest 9%

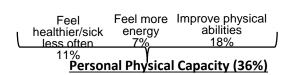
Better mood/ mental outlook 16%

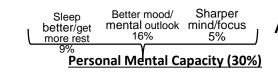
Sharper mind/focu S

**Avoid chronic** disease 23%

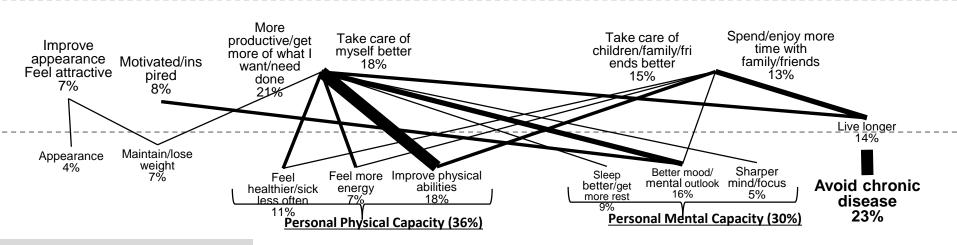
### What happens to my body...

Appearance Maintain/lose 4% weight 7%

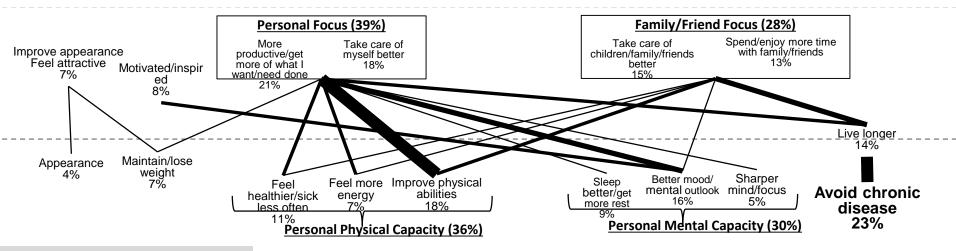




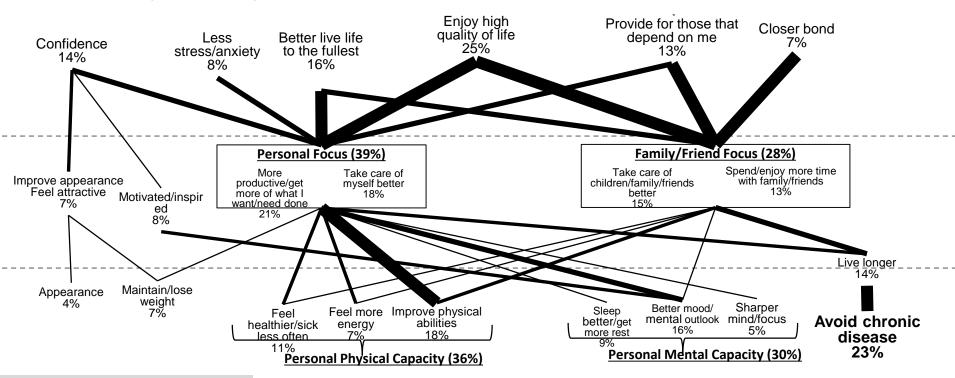
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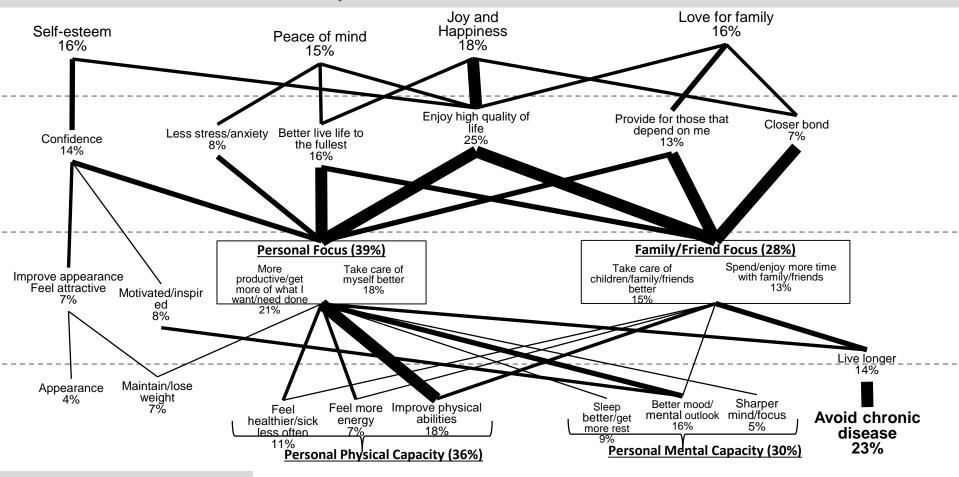


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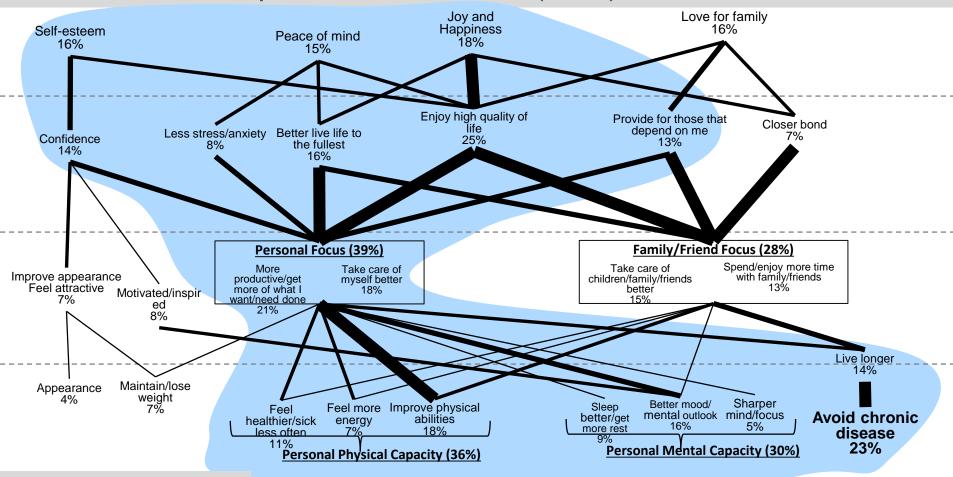


#### How it impacts my life...





## Health Values Map: Personal Focus (39%)



# Personal Focus (39%)

By eating right and being physically active I will not only avoid debilitating diseases, but I will improve **my** physical abilities and mental outlook so I can do the things that help **me** live a high quality of life—living life to the fullest—helping **me** to enjoy greater peace of mind and a sense of joy and happiness.

**Utah Values** 

Joy/Happiness
Peace of Mind

High Quality of Life Live Life to Fullest

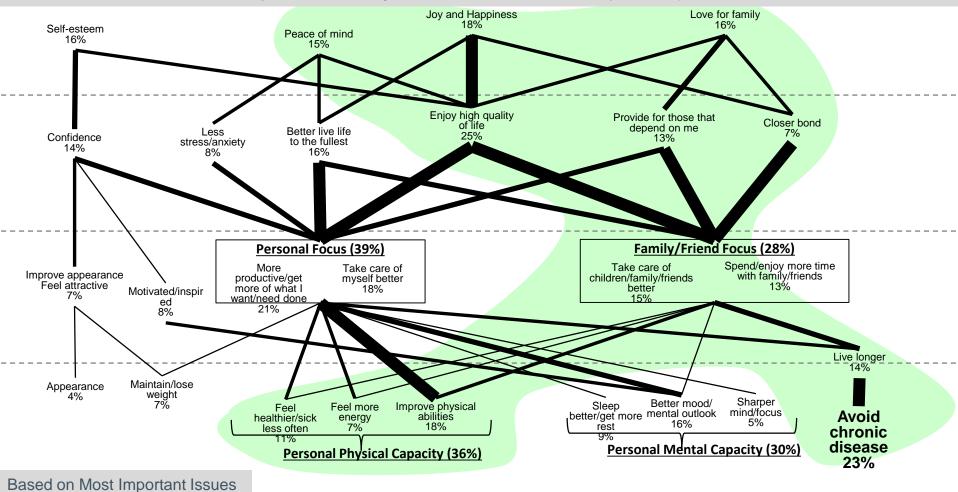
Be more productive/ Get more done Better Care of Myself

Avoid Disease Improve Physical Abilities

Focus among Younger and Older

**Health Priorities** 

# Health Values Map: Family/Friend Focus (28%)



# Family/Friend Focus 28%)

will avoid disease, live longer and improve my physical abilities so I can spend more time with family/friends and provide for their needs. This leads to a higher quality of life and a chance to deepen my bonds and love with those I care about giving me a sense of joy and peace of mind.

**Utah Values** 

Joy/Happiness Family Love Peace of Mind

High Quality of Life Providing for and strengthening bonds with those I

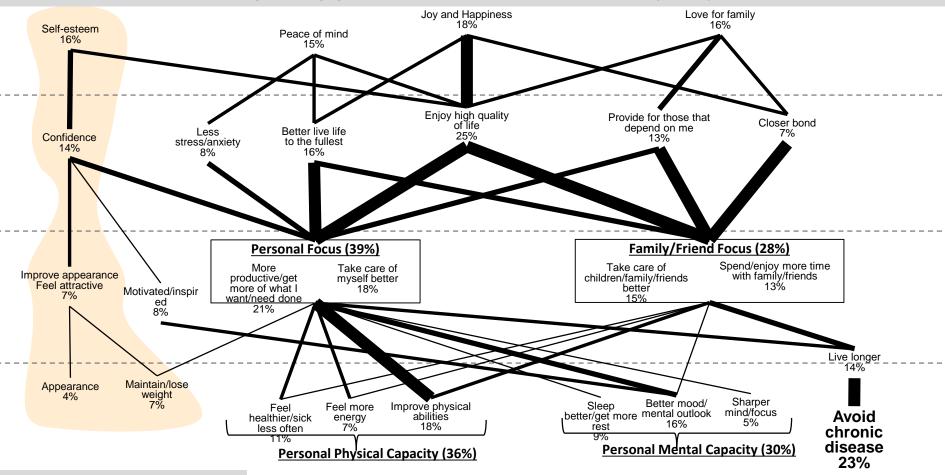
Taking care of/
Spending more time with children/family/friends

Avoid Disease Improve Physical Abilities

Focus among Middle Aged

**Health Priorities** 

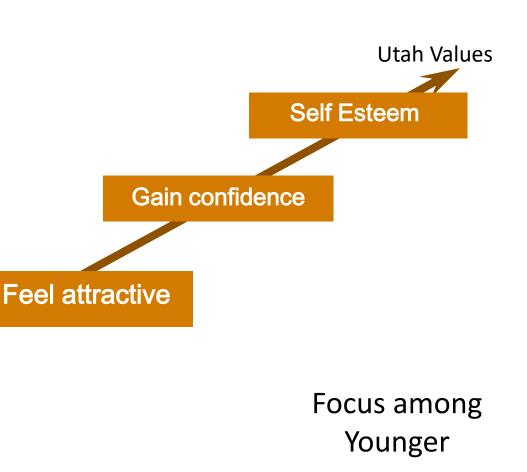
# Health Values Map: Appearance/Confidence (7%)



### **Personal Appearance 7%**

By eating right and being physically active I can maintain or lose weight and look better so I feel attractive.

When I feel attractive, I feel more confident which builds my self esteem.



Improve appearance

**Health Priorities** 

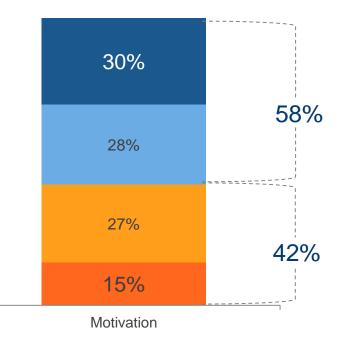
# Utahns are slightly more motivated by positive consequences of eating right and exercising

There are no meaningful demographic differences

#### Positive vs. Negative Motivation



- Somewhat more motivated by positive
- Somewhat more motivated to avoid negative
- Much more motivated to avoid negative





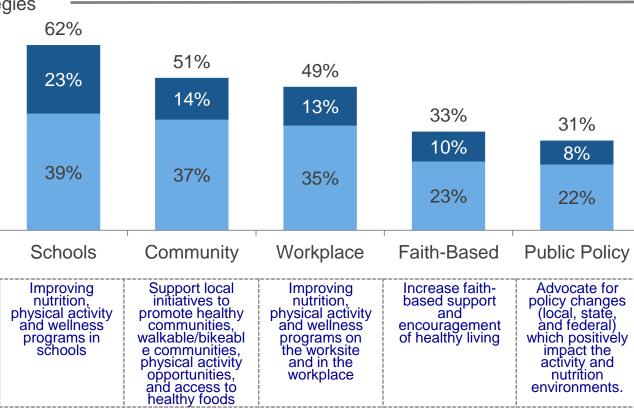
# KEY FINDINGS: HEALTH COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGIES

# Schools are seen as the key to reducing obesity; public policy is seen as the least impactful avenue

Most Influential Health Strategies

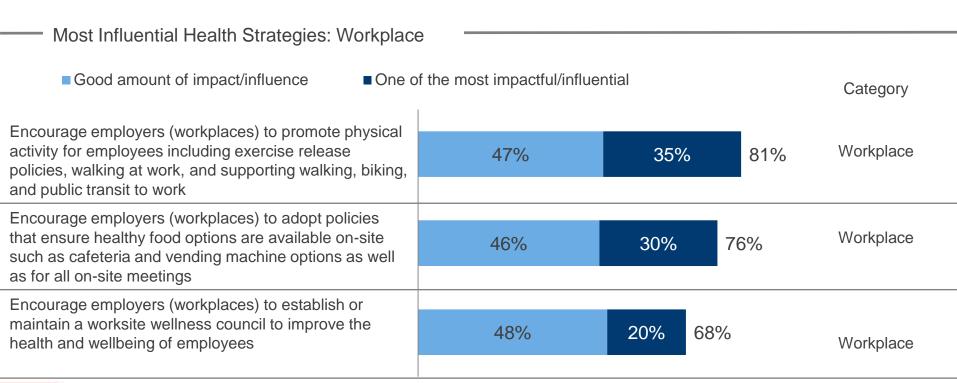


- One of most impactful/influential
- Good amount of impact/influence



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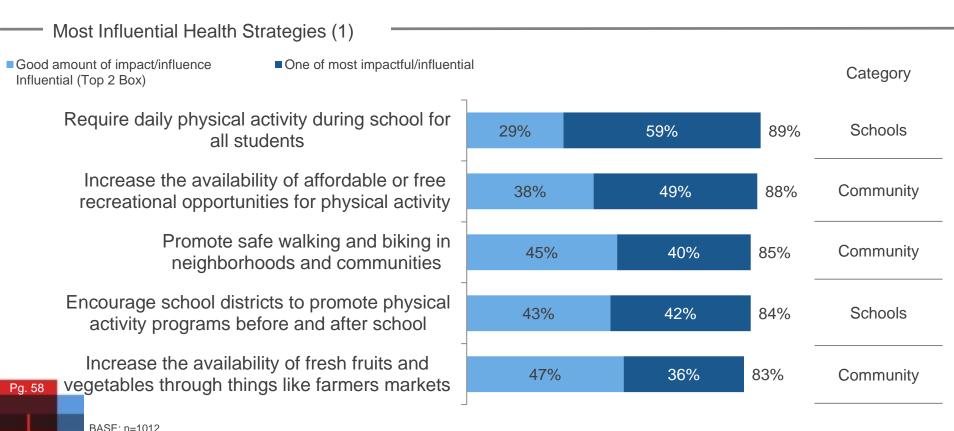
# Workplace Strategies



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BASE: n=1012

# The most impactful initiatives <u>increase opportunity</u> for exercise and healthy eating



Q1005 – Q1025. Thinking about some of the things that can be done in the **<strategy>**, how important and influential do you think each of the following strategies is?

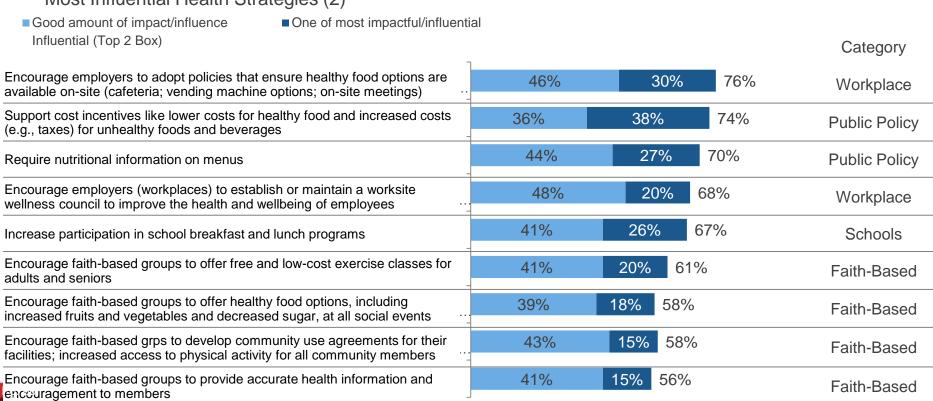
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Most Influential Health Strategies (1) ■ Good amount of impact/influence ■ One of most impactful/influential Category Influential (Top 2 Box) 29% 59% 89% Schools Require daily physical activity during school for all students Increase the availability of affordable or free recreational 88% Community 38% 49% opportunities for physical activity Promote safe walking and biking in neighborhoods and Community 45% 40% 85% communities Encourage school districts to promote physical activity Schools 43% 42% 84% programs before and after school Increase the availability of fresh fruits and vegetables through 83% Community 47% 36% things like farmers markets Encourage employers to promote physical activity for employees 47% 35% 81% Workplace (exercise release policies; walking at work; walking, biking, public transit to work) Support land use development policies that preserve and promote 45% 32% 77% **Public Policy** open spaces for recreation, physical activity, and community gardens

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Q1005 – Q1025. Thinking about some of the things that can be done in the **<strategy>**, how important and influential do you think each of the following strategies is?

# Specific faith-based policies are seen as having the least potential impact



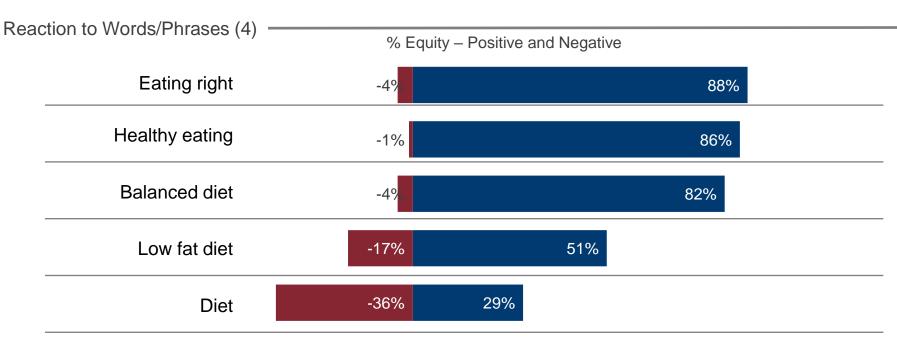


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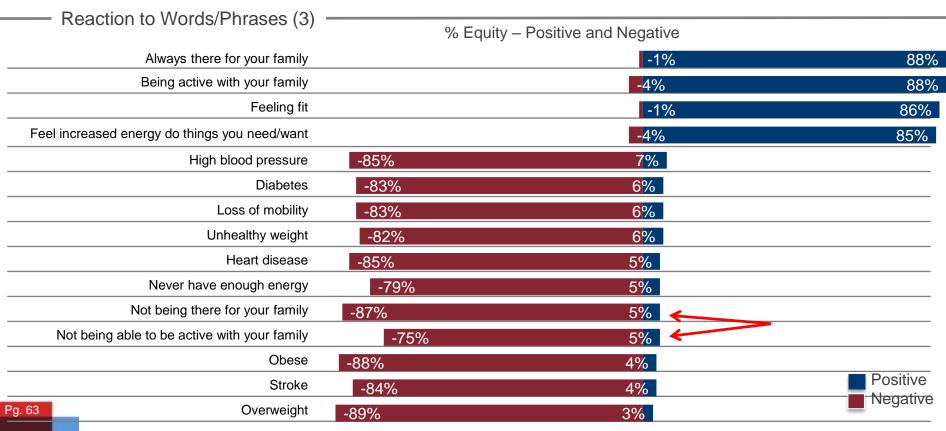
# KEY FINDINGS: WORDS AND PHRASES TO USE

#### The Language of Diet





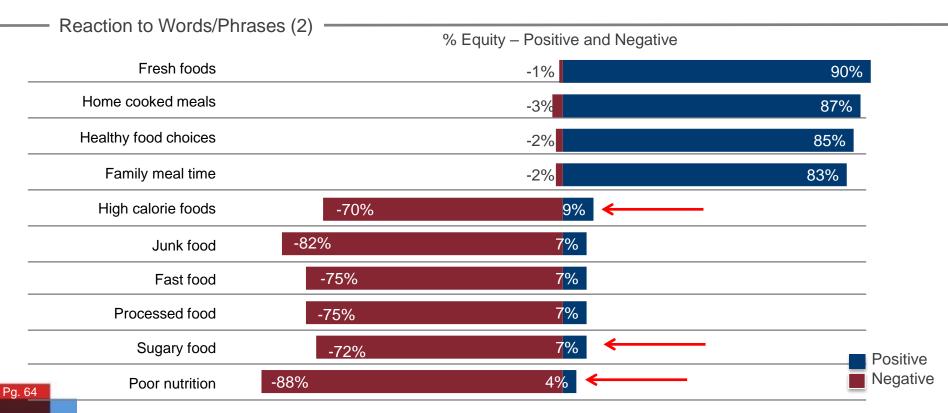
### The Language of Consequences



BASE: All Respondents (n=varies)

Q300. In this next section, please think about the words and phrases that are sometimes used when people talk about health issues. Please indicate whether each of the following has a positive, negative or neutral connotation.

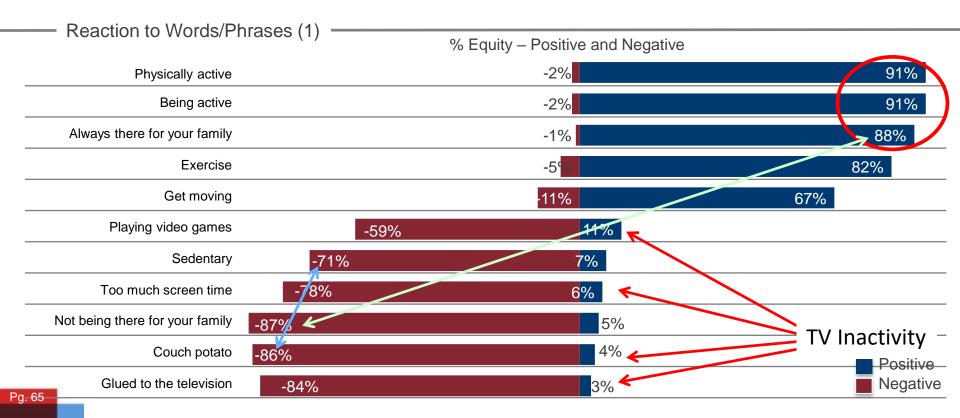
#### The Language of Food



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#### The Language of Activity



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