# Are our diets getting healthier and more sustainable? Insights from the EPIC-NL cohort.

No registrations found.

**Ethical review** Positive opinion **Status** Recruitment stopped

Health condition type -

**Study type** Observational non invasive

## **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON21234

#### **Source**

Nationaal Trial Register

#### **Health condition**

Overall healthiness of the diet according to an index for adhering to the Dutch dietary guidelines.

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** RIVM and Utrecht University

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** European Commission: Public Health and Consumer Protection Directorate 1993–2004, Dutch Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport, World Cancer Research Fund, Netherlands Cancer Registry (NKR), LK Research Funds, Dutch Prevention Funds, Dutch ZON (Zorg Onderzoek Nederland).

#### Intervention

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

DHD15-index score

#### **Secondary outcome**

GHG emissions of the diet

# **Study description**

#### **Background summary**

Our current study was set up to (1) identify the differences in food consumption and nutritional quality over the course of 20 years in the Netherlands using the European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and Nutrition - Netherlands (EPIC-NL) cohort and (2) to calculate the environmental impact in terms of GHG emissions of the observed differences. We investigated differences in dietary trends between men and women.

#### Study objective

We hypothesise that the diet over time has become healthier and more sustainable. Our current study was set up to (1) identify the differences in food consumption and nutritional quality over the course of 20 years in the Netherlands using the European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and Nutrition - Netherlands (EPIC-NL) cohort and (2) to calculate the environmental impact in terms of GHG emissions of the observed differences. We investigated differences in dietary trends between men and women.

#### Study design

Baseline (1993-1997) Follow-up (2015)

#### Intervention

All analyses were stratified by sex. First, the differences in food group consumption over time were calculated. In order to get insight in the differences in consumption of food groups independently from differences in energy intake over time, consumption was standardized by energy intake (gram per 1000 kcal). Second, the environmental impact of the diet at baseline and follow-up was calculated. We analysed the GHG emissions absolute (total) and per 1000 kcal. Mean and standard deviation values at baseline and follow-up of each indicator (food group consumption (gram/1000 kcal), GHG emissions (kg CO2-eq/1000 kcal) and DHD15-index score) were calculated. A paired sample t-test was used to test the observed differences for significance. A p-value below 0.05 was considered statistically significant and all analyses were performed with SAS 9.4.

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# **Eligibility criteria**

#### **Inclusion criteria**

Participants from EPIC-NL cohort that gave permission for linkage with vital status and registries

### **Exclusion criteria**

For the current study, participants without dietary information at baseline were excluded. Participants with implausible dietary intake at either FFQ, i.e. those with a reported energy intake of less than 500 kcal/day or greater than 3,500 kcal/day, were also excluded.

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Observational non invasive

Intervention model: Other

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: N/A, unknown

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruitment stopped

Start date (anticipated): 01-11-2018

Enrollment: 8000

Type: Actual

# **Ethics review**

Positive opinion

Date: 30-10-2018

Application type: First submission

# **Study registrations**

## Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

## Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

## In other registers

Register ID

NTR-new NL7399 NTR-old NTR7615

Other : MEC-TNO-93/01

# **Study results**