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## Cancer Facts

Once a rare disease, cancer is now widespread, affecting as much as one-third of the population.

The rise in cancer in the West has paralleled the rise in factory farming and the use of processed foods containing vegetable oils and additives.

Traditional diets containing animal and plant foods, farmed by nontoxic methods, are rich in factors that protect against cancer.

Many of these protective factors are in the animal fats.

A diet containing these cancer-fighting foods can improve the outcome of those suffering from cancer, whether the patient is using conventional or alternative treatments.

Vegetarianism does not protect against cancer. In fact, vegetarians are particularly prone to cancers of the nervous system and the reproductive organs

(Mills and others. *Am J Clin Nutr* 1994;59S:1136S-1142S).

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# Protect Yourself Against Cancer with Food



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# Nutrients in Whole Foods that Protect Against Cancer

**VITAMIN A** strengthens the immune system, helps detoxify and is essential for mineral metabolism and endocrine function. True vitamin A is found only in animal foods such as cod liver oil; fish and shellfish; and liver, butter and egg yolks from pasture-fed animals. Traditional diets contained ten times more vitamin A than the typical modern American diet.

**VITAMIN C** is an important antioxidant that prevents damage by free radicals. Found in many fruits and vegetables, as well as in certain organ meats valued by primitive peoples.

**VITAMIN B<sub>6</sub>** deficiencies are associated with cancer. B<sub>6</sub> contributes to the function of over 100 enzymes. It is most available from raw animal foods.

**VITAMIN B<sub>12</sub>** deficiencies are associated with cancer. Vitamin B<sub>12</sub> is found only in animal foods.

**VITAMIN B<sub>17</sub>** protects against cancer. It is found in a variety of organically grown grains, legumes, nuts and berries.

**VITAMIN D** is required for mineral absorption. Strongly protective against breast and colon cancer., vitamin D is found only in animal foods such as cod liver oil, lard, shellfish and butterfat, organ meats and egg yolks from grass-fed animals. Traditional diets contained ten times more vitamin D than the typical modern American diet.

**VITAMIN E** works as an antioxidant at the cellular level. It occurs in unprocessed oils as well as in animal fats like butter and egg yolks.

**CONJUGATED LINOLEIC ACID (CLA)** is strongly protective against breast cancer. It occurs in the butter and meat fat of grass-fed ruminant animals.

**CHOLESTEROL** IS A potent antioxidant that protects against free radicals in cell membranes. Cholesterol occurs only in animal foods.

**MINERALS** like zinc, magnesium and selenium are vital components of enzymes that help the body fight carcinogens. The body needs generous amounts of a wide variety of minerals for protection against cancer. Minerals are more easily absorbed from animal foods.

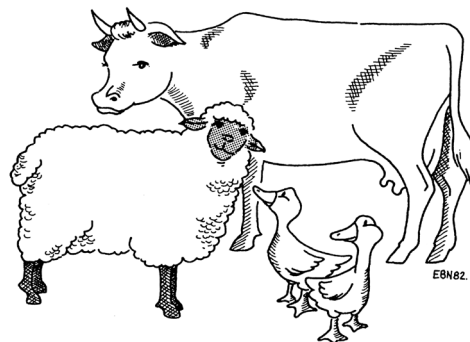
**LACTIC ACID AND FRIENDLY BACTERIA** contribute to the health of the digestive tract. We get these from old fashioned lacto-fermented foods.

**SATURATED FATS** strengthen the immune system and contribute to the proper use of essential fatty acids. The lungs cannot function without saturated fats. They are found mostly in animal foods.

**LONG-CHAIN FATTY ACIDS** include arachidonic acid (AA), eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA) and docosahexaenoic acid (DHA), which help fight cancer on the cellular level. They occur mostly in animal foods such as butter, organ meats, cod liver oil and seafood.

**SHORT- AND MEDIUM-CHAIN FATTY ACIDS** strengthen the immune system and facilitate intercellular communication. They are plentiful in coconut oil and occur in lesser amounts in butter.

**CO-ENZYME Q<sub>10</sub>** is highly protective against cancer. It is found only in animal foods.



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*Foods from healthy animals contain many nutrients that protect against cancer and contribute to good health.*

# Compounds in Processed Food that Can Cause Cancer

**TRANS FATTY ACIDS:** Imitation fats in shortenings, margarines and most commercial baked goods and snack foods are strongly associated with cancer of the lungs and reproductive organs.

**RANCID FATS:** Industrial processing creates cancer-causing free radicals in industrial vegetable oils.

**OMEGA-6 FATTY ACIDS:** Although needed in small amounts, an excess can contribute to cancer. Dangerously high levels of omega-6 fatty acids occur with overuse of vegetable oils in modern diets.

**MSG** is associated with brain cancer. It is found in almost all processed foods, even when "MSG" does not appear on the label. Flavorings, spice mixes and hydrolyzed protein contain MSG.

**ASPARTAME:** This imitation sweetener in diet foods and beverages is associated with brain cancer.

**PESTICIDES** are associated with many types of cancer. They occur in most commercial vegetable oils, fruit juices, vegetables and fruits.

**SYNTHETIC HORMONES** occur in animals raised in confinement on soy and grains. Toxic plant-based hormones are plentiful in soy foods.

**ARTIFICIAL FLAVORINGS AND COLORS** are associated with various types of cancers, especially when consumed in large amounts in a diet of junk food.

**REFINED CARBOHYDRATES:** Sugar, high fructose corn syrup, agave syrup and white flour are devoid of nutrients. The body uses up nutrients from other foods to process refined carbohydrates. Tumor growth is associated with sugar consumption.