

## **FFFECTS** OF **EXCESSIVE SODIUM** ON YOUR *Health* & *Appearance* **9** out of 10 Americans



HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE

is a leading risk factor for death in WOMEN in the United States, contributing to nearly 200,000 female deaths each year.

That's nearly five times the 42,000 annual deaths from breast cancer.

**77.9** million American ADULTS have *high blood pressure*.

KIDS who have a high-sodium diet are *twice as likely to develop high blood pressure* as kids who have low-sodium diets

**VOULT APPEARANCE** Excess levels of sodium/salt

may cause:

INCREASED WATER RETENTION, LEADING TO:

- Puffiness
- Bloating
- Weight gain

**3,400** milligrams the amount of sodium the average American consumes in a day

restaurants

other sources

consume too much sodium.

WHERE DOES IT COME FROM?

**1,500** milligrams or less recommended by the AHA for ideal heart health

## Your HEALTH

Excess levels of sodium/salt may put you at **RISK** for:

STROKE HEART FAILURE OSTEOPOROSIS STOMACH CANCER KIDNEY DISEASE

5%

supermarkets.

convenience stores

KIDNEY STONES ENLARGED HEART MUSCLE HEADACHES

## heart.org/sodium