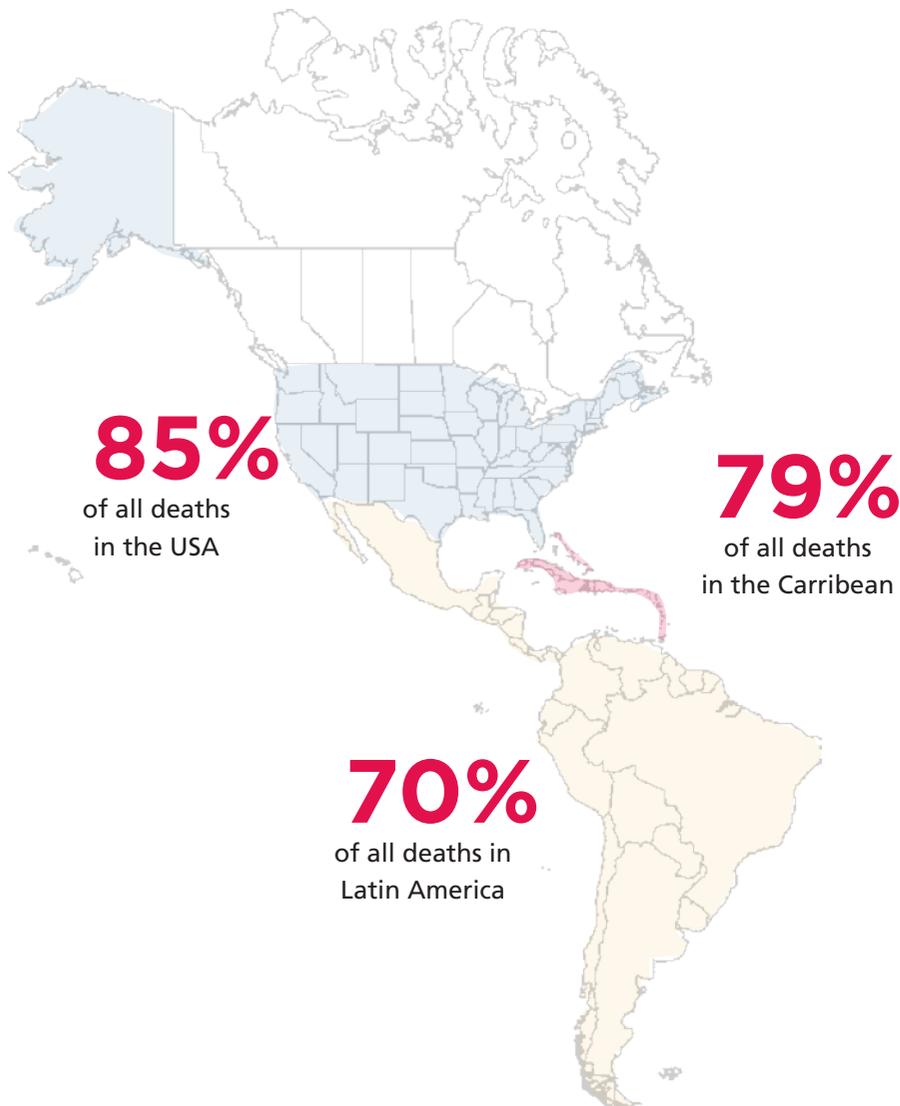
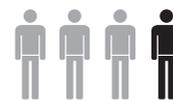


# NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES (NCDs) IN THE AMERICAS: QUICK FACTS AND FIGURES



**NCDS: THE LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH IN ALL COUNTRIES OF THE AMERICAS**

**4.5 million DEATHS IN THE AMERICAS**



**3 OUT OF 4 PEOPLE DIE OF NCDs**

## 4 DISEASES ACCOUNT FOR MOST OF THE DEATHS IN THE AMERICAS



**CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES**  
1.7 million



**CANCER**  
1.1 million



**CHRONIC RESPIRATORY DISEASES**  
380,000

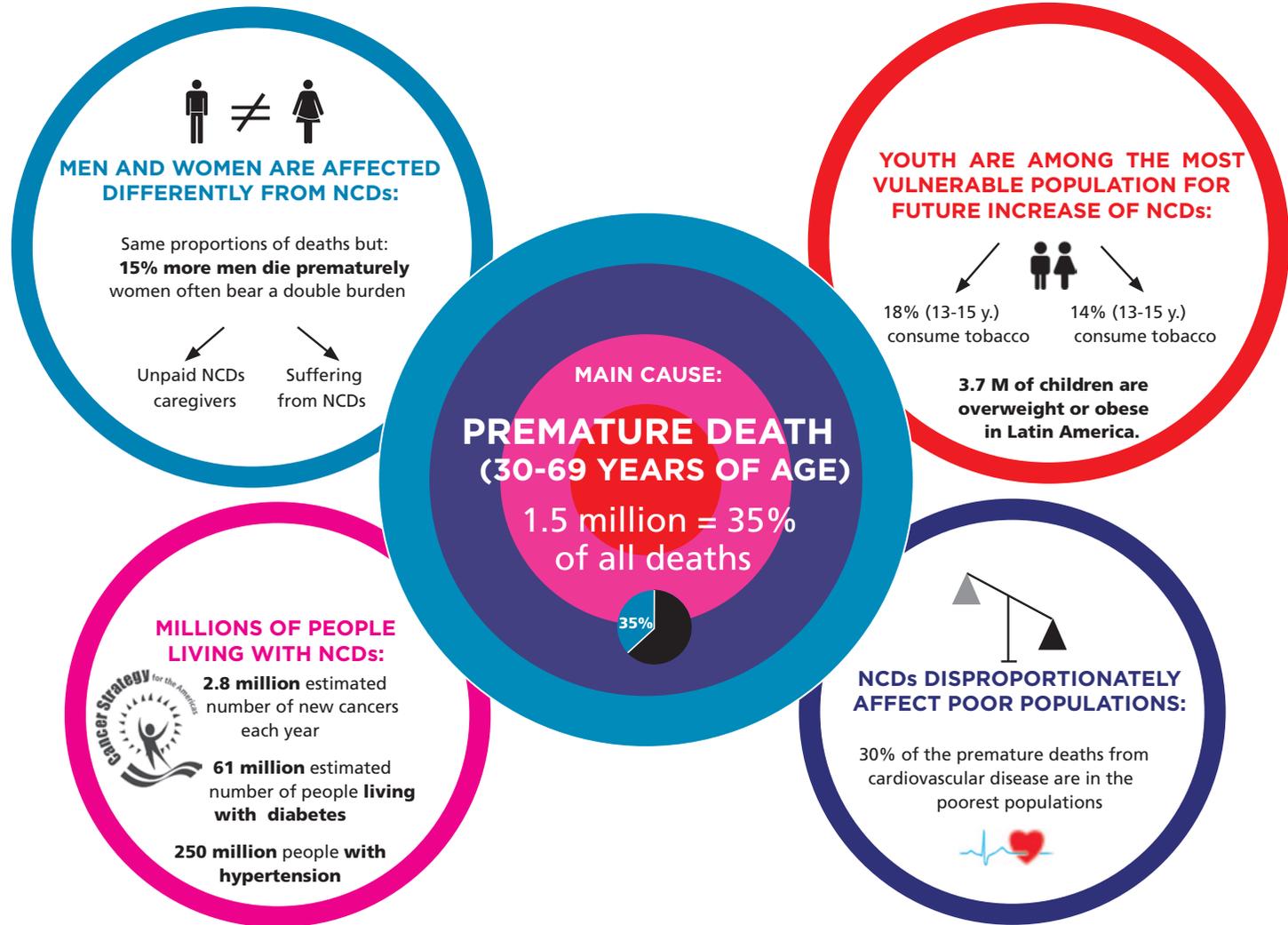


**DIABETES**  
268,000

<http://www.paho.org/factsheet-ncd-americas-2015>



# NCDs IN THE AMERICAS



## MILLIONS MORE ARE AT RISK OF DEVELOPING NCDs, WOMEN ARE AT HIGHER RISK

**145 million (22%) adults smoke in the Americas**  
 The population smoking prevalence varies from 38% in Chile to 6.1% in Panama

**17% women are smokers**  
**27% of men are smokers**

**26% people are obese.** The Americas has the highest rates in the world ranging from:

low of 9% in Haiti / high of 40% in St. Kitts and Nevis

**2 times more women are obese than men** in many countries in the region

**20 - 30% people have high blood pressure**

## DEMOGRAPHIC AND OTHER FACTORS ARE DRIVING THE NCD EPIDEMIC

**73 years in life expectancy in Latin America**

**22 years increase** in life expectancy in Latin America over the last 60 years

**3 times increase** in the population size over the last century

**6 times increase** in the population aged 75+ over the last half-century

**80% population living in urban settings** as compared to 57% in 1950

**\$10,000 gross national income (US\$ per capita)** in Latin America and the Carribeans as compared to **\$46,000 in Northern America**