

INCOME AND CHRONIC DISEASE IN PEI

Health is largely shaped by the social, economic, and environmental conditions in which we live, work and play – **the social determinants of health.**

Income is an important social determinant of health. Level of income can influence many aspects of a person's life, such as where they live, the education they receive, their stress levels, and health-related behaviours such as diet quality, physical activity and substance use.

Low-Income Islanders* are more likely to have...



Cardiovascular Disease (CVD)

3.1X AS LIKELY



Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disorder (COPD)

3.6X AS LIKELY

♂ MALES ARE **4.4X AS LIKELY**

♀ FEMALES ARE **3X AS LIKELY**

Hypertension



1.5X AS LIKELY

♂ MALES ARE **1.4X AS LIKELY**

♀ FEMALES ARE **1.6X AS LIKELY**

Diabetes



2X AS LIKELY



Asthma

1.8X AS LIKELY



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*As compared to high-income Islanders.

Data sources: Canadian Community Health Survey (2000-01, 2003, 2005, 2007 to 2014); Canadian Chronic Disease Surveillance System.