Energy Balance at a Crossroads: Translating Science into Action
Consumer Confusion on All Sides of the Calorie Equation

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Objectives

• To communicate the latest science on biological and lifestyle factors that impact energy balance recently reported in the joint publication of “Energy Balance at a Crossroads: Translating the Science into Action” in the *Journal of Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics* as well as *Medicine & Science in Sports & Exercise*.

• To identify and relay the biological, lifestyle, and environmental changes that will most successfully help children and families attain and manage energy balance and tip the scale toward healthier weights.

• To translate the science of energy balance into practical and appropriate recommendations for training current and future professionals in nutrition, exercise/physical activity (PA), health education and pre-K-12 teacher education.
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The Challenge

Improve the Nation’s health by improving the number of young people moving into adulthood without the burden of obesity and its associated chronic diseases.
Background

Expert Panel meeting convened in October 2012, Washington, DC by ACSM, AND, and the USDA/Agriculture Research Service (ARS)

**Desired Outcome:**
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Joint Publications:


*Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (JAND) 2014; 114 (7) 113-9*

*Medicine & Science in Sports & Exercise (MSSE) 2014; 46(7): 1466-73*
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Examining Biological and Lifestyle Factors Influencing the Dynamic Nature of Energy Balance

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Reference: 31-40 year old male, 70 inches in height
If there is a chronic decrease in calorie intake will energy expenditure change?
Experimental Condition:

- **Dietary Intake**
  - 1200-1500 kcal/d
  - Fat intake = 20-30% of total dietary intake
  - Subjects attended weekly behavioral modification sessions

- **Physical Activity**
  - 100 minutes of moderate aerobic exercise per week
Control Condition:

• Dietary Intake
  – Subjects were instructed to:
    • Maintain current eating behaviors
    • Maintain current body weight

• Physical Activity
  – Subjects were instructed to:
    • continue current levels of physical activity
Results

Change in Absolute REE

Change in REE Relative to Body Weight and Lean Body Mass
Does Energy Expenditure Influence Energy Intake?
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- REE
- Physical Activity Energy Expenditure (PAEE)
- TEF
- Non-exercise EE

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Potential Mechanisms through which Energy Expenditure Influences Energy Intake and Body Weight

- Metabolic Parameters
- Hunger & Satiety
- Energy Intake
- Physical Activity
- Energy Expenditure
- Body Weight
Difference in Individual Energy Intake Following Rest and Exercise

Adapted from Unick et al. *Appetite*
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Does One Component of Energy Expenditure Influence Other Components of Energy Expenditure?

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Is Resting Energy Expenditure Stable?
Daily Variability in REE

Ireland L and Jakicic JM. Unpublished
Does Activity Influence Resting Energy Expenditure?
Excess Post-Exercise Oxygen Consumption (EPOC)

- A measure of increased rate of oxygen consumption following periods of activity
  - Most research has focused on moderate to vigorous forms of exercise
- Oxygen used in the processes to restore the body to a resting state following a period of exercise
- The EPOC comprises only 6-15% of the net total oxygen cost of the exercise.
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50 ml/min is equivalent to approximately 15 kcal/hr of energy expenditure (180 kcal over 12 hours)

25 ml/min is equivalent to approximately 7.5 kcal/hr of energy expenditure (90 kcal over 12 hours)

Can the REE and/or EPOC be altered with chronic exercise training?
Effects of 12 weeks of aerobic training on EPOC in men

Effect of chronic exercise of resting energy expenditure

- 17 subjects (7 males, 10 females)
  - Age: 42±5 years
  - Weight: 74±12 kg
  - BMI: 24.6±2.2 kg/m2

- 12 months of exercise training
  - 3 days per week
  - 45 minutes per session
  - Intensity: 60% heart rate reserve (HRR)

Does an Increase in Physical Activity Influence Total Daily Energy Expenditure?
Fig. 2. Theoretical impacts of exercise on daily energy budgets. The effects of the exercise alone (A) are relatively small compared with the pre-exercise daily energy budget. However, exercise may stimulate increases in both the non-exercise activity thermogenesis (NEAT) and resting metabolic rate (RMR) components of the budget, with a resultant, much more marked, total effect (B).

Effects of Endurance Training on TDEE in Elderly Persons

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Energy Balance is “Dynamic”
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Energy Balance Education: Preparing the Next Generation of Educators in Nutrition and Dietetics and Exercise Science

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# RDN Practice Areas of Primary Position

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<td>Consultation and business</td>
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## Academy Member Demographics

- 47% hold Master’s degrees
- 4% hold Doctoral degrees
• **93% of physicians refer patients to RDNs**
• **71% of consumers view RDNs as a “very credible” healthcare provider**
• **20.4 million+ clients/patients are counseled by RDNs each year**
• **30 billion media impressions** garnered annually from news coverage featuring Academy Media Spokespeople
Qualifications of a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN)

• Complete a Coordinated Program (CP) in dietetics or a Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) followed by a Dietetic Internship (DI) that is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND).
  – A CP combines classroom and required 1200 hours of supervised practice experience into one program.
  – A DPD program provides only the classroom courses.
  – The DI provides at least 1200 hours of supervised practice experience.
• Pass a national examination to become credentialed as RDNs, registered dietitian nutritionists.
• Complete continuing professional educational requirements to maintain registration.
Key points about dietetics education for registered dietitian nutritionists (RDNs)

- ACEND serves and protects students and the public by assuring the quality and continued improvement of nutrition and dietetics education programs.
- ACEND establishes education standards to ensure proficiency for an entry-level position in the work force.
- Current 2012 Knowledge Requirements and Competencies do not specifically address knowledge or skills in exercise science or physical activity (PA).
- Standards for Dietetic Education Programs reviewed every five years.
Key Points about fitness professional education

• Practitioners assess health and fitness, develop exercise prescriptions, lead exercise sessions and support clients in the behavioral aspects of healthy lifestyle maintenance.

• Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Professionals (CAAHEP)

• Exercise for fitness → PA for health and prevention
Fitness Industry Exercise Professional Certifications

• ACSM certifications that require an earned degree:
  • ACSM Certified Health Fitness Specialist – bachelor’s degree
  • ACSM Certified Exercise Specialist – bachelor’s degree
  • ACSM Registered Clinical Exercise Physiologist – master’s degree

• ACSM offers other best-practice certifications, which do not require a degree. These certifications are accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA).
Dynamic Energy Balance education is needed in the training of future professionals who influence the health and wellness of children in order to prevent childhood obesity and its associated chronic diseases.
#1: Integrate a multidisciplinary approach to the training of exercise science/PA professionals and RDNs in the dynamic nature of energy balance

- Integrate PA competencies into the training of the RDN
- Integrate nutrition knowledge and skills into the training of exercise science/PA professionals
- Integrate behavioral science education/strategies into the training of both
#2 Develop competencies for pre-K-12 school teachers and physical education teachers using the dynamic energy balance approach

- Teachers would have the knowledge and skills to help students make healthy choices
- Teachers would have the foundational knowledge to be advocates for integrating nutrition, PA and behavioral education focused on achieving a healthy body weight.
#3 Develop core standards in both nutrition and PA, for K-12 schools that integrate dynamic energy balance

- Cross-curriculum promotion of energy balance
- School policies should reflect a culture of wellness
- Framework for national nutrition education guidelines for elementary and secondary school children?
Successful school-based nutrition and PA programs

www.eatright.org/foundation/energybalanceforkids/

http://www.togethercounts.com/at-school/teachers

www.fueluptoplay60.com/
#4 Develop dynamic energy balance education and experiential learning opportunities for current health professionals

- Utilize venues like USDA Higher Education Challenge Grant programs or US Department of Education
- Production of education materials by professional organizations
The Opportunity

Nutrition and exercise science professionals need to effectively communicate the importance of both sides of the energy balance equation.
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Understanding the Consumer’s Knowledge of Energy Balance: Are We Connecting?

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2010 DGA Key Recommendations

• Balance calories with physical activity to manage weight.

• Consume more of certain foods such as fruits, vegetables, whole grains, fat-free and low-fat dairy products, and seafood, with nutrients that often come up short.

• Consume fewer foods with sodium (salt), saturated fats, trans fats, cholesterol, added sugars, and refined grains.
2010 Dietary Guidelines
Alliance Consumer Research

Motivating Families to Lead a Healthier Lifestyle in 2011 and Beyond
KEY TAKEAWAYS

• If achieving energy balance is the goal, getting parents to believe that calories are important is a crucial step that cannot be skipped.

• They need to understand what calories are (to a basic extent). Calories are not “good” or “bad,” but paying attention to them can positively impact weight.

• It has to become easier for them to pay attention to calories. Still, calories need to be presented within the context of food and beverage choices.

• Parents understand the benefits of physical activity. In fact, most have been active at some point in their lives and have experienced the benefits firsthand. The problem is staying committed.
Top-Performing Consumer-Tested Messages

Know your number.
• Learning how many calories you should consume in a day is a critical first step in managing your weight.

Calories count.
• Calories are like a budget – you can only eat so many in a day. Spend wisely by choosing lower-calorie, nutrient-rich foods most of the time to help manage your weight.

Fun stuff counts as exercise!
• Get active with the family whether it’s soccer in the backyard, dancing to music or taking a walk in your neighborhood.

Take charge of your weight.
• Balancing the calories you eat and drink with the calories you burn through physical activity puts you in control.

Small steps = big changes.
• Serve smaller portions to help curb calories and keep your weight on the right track.

Base your plate on nutrient-rich foods that offer beneficial nutrients and fewer calories.
• Choose fruits and vegetables, whole and enriched grains, lean meats, beans and nuts, and low-fat and fat-free dairy foods more often.
2014 Food & Health Survey

The Pulse of America’s Diet:
From Beliefs to Behaviors
Consistent with previous years, nine out of ten Americans describe themselves as being *(excellent/very good/good)* healthy.

How would you describe your own health in general?

- **Excellent:**
  - 2014: 18%
  - 2013: 19%
  - 2012: 18%

- **Very Good:**
  - 2014: 42%
  - 2013: 43%
  - 2012: 42%

- **Good:**
  - 2014: 31%
  - 2013: 30%
  - 2012: 31%

- **Fair:**
  - 2014: 7%
  - 2013: 7%
  - 2012: 8%

- **Poor:**
  - 2014: 2%
  - 2013: 2%
  - 2012: 2%

Who is more likely to describe their own health as excellent or very good?
- Highest income
- College grads

2014 n=1,005; 2013 n=1,006; 2012 n=1,057
In 2014, half of all Americans have given a lot of thought to the healthfulness of foods and beverages they consume.

Over the past year, how much thought have you given to the healthfulness of the foods and beverages you consume?

- **A lot**
  - 2014: 58%
  - 2013: 56%
  - 2012: 51%

- **A little**
  - 2014: 40%
  - 2013: 40%
  - 2012: 71%

- **None**
  - 2014: 7%
  - 2013: 3%
  - 2012: 6%

- **Not sure**
  - 2014: 2%
  - 2013: 1%
  - 2012: 1%

Nine out of ten Americans have given at least a little thought to the healthfulness of the foods and beverages they consume.

Who is more likely to have given a lot of thought to the healthfulness of what they consume?

- College grads
- Women
- Lower BMI

2014 n=1,005; 2013 n=1,006; 2012 n=1,057
Arrows indicate significant (.95 level) differences vs. prior year(s); color of arrow indicates comparison year.
More than four out of five Americans have made an effort to eat more fruits and vegetables. The least popular action is to cut back on full fat dairy.

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<td>Cut calories by drinking water, low and no calorie beverages</td>
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<td>Compare sodium in foods like soup, bread, and frozen meals, and choose the foods with lower numbers</td>
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Four out of five Americans are trying to lose weight or maintain their current weight. One in five are not doing anything for their weight.

Which of the following best describes what you are currently doing regarding your weight?

2014 | 2013 | 2012
---|---|---
I am trying to lose weight | 54% | 56% | 55%
I am trying to maintain my weight | 25% | 27% | 22%
I am trying to gain weight | 3% | 3% | 3%
I am currently not doing anything regarding my weight | 18% | 15% | 20%

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The majority of Americans report trying to lose or maintain weight. When asked what methods they will use for weight management, four out of five say they would eat smaller portions, and three-quarters would track and increase their physical activity.

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2014 n=1,005

International Food Information Council Foundation 2014 Food & Health Survey
Consumers in general think that tracking and increasing physical activity and eating smaller portions are the most effective weight management strategies for the average person.

In general, which ONE of the following weight management strategies do you believe is the MOST effective for the average person?

- Tracking and increasing the amount of time you are physically active: 27%
- Eating smaller portions of what you now eat: 26%
- Eating smaller, more frequent meals or snacks: 23%
- Tracking and limiting the number of calories in the foods you eat: 18%
- Substituting lower calorie foods for full calorie alternatives: 4%
- Eating meals or snacks less frequently: 3%

2014 n=1,005
Slightly more than two out of five Americans think about calories *often or always*, while a quarter of Americans think about calories *rarely or never*.

How often do you think about the number of calories you consume?

- **Always**
  - **2014**: 12%
  - **2013**: 9%

- **Often**
  - **2014**: 32%
  - **2013**: 29%

- **Sometimes**
  - **2014**: 30%
  - **2013**: 31%

- **Rarely**
  - **2014**: 17%
  - **2013**: 20%

- **Never**
  - **2014**: 8%
  - **2013**: 10%

Who is more likely to think about calories?
- College grads
- Women
- Excellent or good health

2014 n=1,005; 2013 n=1,006
Arrows indicate significant (.95 level) differences vs. 2013.
More than half of all Americans have given *a lot* of thought to the amount of physical activity they get. Compared to 2013, twice as many say they have not thought about physical activity at all in 2014.

Over the past year, how much thought have you given to the amount of physical activity you get?

- **A lot**
  - 2014: 56%
  - 2013: 60%
  - 2012: 61%

- **A little**
  - 2014: 35%
  - 2013: 37%
  - 2012: 33%

- **None**
  - 2014: 8%
  - 2013: 4%
  - 2012: 5%

- **Not sure**
  - 2014: 1%
  - 2013: <.5%
  - 2012: 1%

Who is more likely to have given *a lot* of thought to the amount of physical activity they get?

- College grads
- Women
- High income
- Consumers impacted by healthfulness and sustainability

2014 n=1,005; 2013 n=1,006; 2012 n=1,057

Arrows indicate significant (.95 level) differences vs. prior year(s); color of arrow indicates comparison year.

*International Food Information Council Foundation 2014 Food & Health Survey*
Roughly one in four Americans meet U.S. Department of Health and Human Services’ physical activity guidelines.

### Percentages Meeting HHS Physical Activity Guidelines

All except outliers (n=1,053)

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To meet the Department of Health and Human Services’ 2008 physical activity guidelines:

- If moderately active: 150 or more minutes per week, with strength training at least two times per week
- If vigorously active: 75 or more minutes per week, with strength training at least two times per week

Analysis excludes outliers with less than 1 minute or more than 500 minutes of activity per active day.
Almost half of Americans have increased their physical activity in the past two years. Among those who did increase activity, the most reported reasons include seeing a change in the way clothes fit, a change in weight, and a change in health.

In the past two years, have you increased the amount of physical activity you get?

- Yes: 48%
- No: 47%
- Not sure: 5%

Did you increase the amount of physical activity you get because of any of the following?

Increased physical activity 2014 (n=506)

- You saw a change in the way your clothes fit: 75%
- You saw a change in your weight: 75%
- You saw a change in your overall health and well-being: 74%
- You received encouragement from friends, family or coworkers: 47%
- You received encouragement from a health professional: 39%
- You started using a mobile app or personal tracker: 19%

2014 n=1,005

International Food Information Council Foundation 2014 Food & Health Survey
The vast majority of Americans do not know how to correctly estimate daily calorie needs.

**How Close Estimates of Daily Calorie Needs Compare to EER—Estimated Energy Requirements**

- **Unable to estimate calorie needs**: 29%
- **Under estimated (within 10% of EER)**: 15%
- **Estimated correctly (within 10% of EER)**: 15%
- **Over estimated**: 7%
- **Unable to estimate calorie needs**: 29%

64% responded but estimated incorrectly

Formulas used for EER:

- **Men**: $662 - ((9.53 \times \text{age}) + \text{PA} \times (15.91 \times \text{weight in kilos} + 539.6 \times \text{height in meters}))$. PA (physical activity) = 1.00 for sedentary, 1.11 moderate, 1.25 vigorous.
- **Women**: $354 - ((6.91 \times \text{age}) + \text{PA} \times (9.36 \times \text{weight in kilos} + 726 \times \text{height in meters}))$. PA (physical activity) = 1.00 for sedentary, 1.12 moderate, 1.27 vigorous.

Analysis excludes outliers estimating they need fewer than 500 calories per day to maintain their weight.
Many Americans are unsure about how many calories they consume and burn.

As far as you know, how many calories should you consume per day to maintain your current weight, given your age, height, and physical activity?

On average, how many calories do you think you “burn”/use per day?

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Analysis excludes outliers (below 500 calories or greater than 5,000).
Daily Effort to Balance Calories Consumed and Burned

A majority of Americans make no attempt to consciously monitor the balance of calories they consume and expend in a day. The number of Americans doing this “not at all” has increased significantly since 2010.

To what extent, if at all, do you make a conscious effort to monitor the balance between how many calories you consume and how many calories you “burn”/use per day?* [Select one] (n=1000)

*Question added in 2010.

▲ / ▼ Significant increase/decrease from year indicated
Americans are evenly split in whether they believe it is more difficult to consistently eat well or exercise.

Men are far more likely to be challenged by consistently eating healthfully (60%) than remaining active (40%). The opposite is true for women (44%, 56%).

*Which do you think is harder to do well?*

All (n=1,057)

Consistently being active for at least 30 minutes a day five days/week 48%

Consistently eating a healthful diet 52%

**Groups More Likely to Say Eating a Healthful Diet Is Harder**

- *Men* (60%, vs. 44% of women)
- *No college degree* (54%) compared to 46% of college grads
Energy Balance at a Crossroads: Call to Action

Make Energy Balance Messages relevant and realistic to the specific populations and communities
Energy Balance at a Crossroads

Recommendations

1) Communicate energy balance messages that are tested and relevant to the intended audience.
2) Develop consistent messages across the spectrum of audiences.
3) Create partnerships for delivery of message and practice of energy balance.
4) Map integrated nutrition and physical activity programs currently being provided.
Information is not knowledge.

- Albert Einstein
Call to action

Nutrition and exercise science professionals need to:

• **Effectively communicate the importance of both sides of the energy balance equation and its dynamic nature.**

• **Emphasize both energy intake and expenditure and their effect one has upon the other.**
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