

HEART DISEASE

A GLOBAL EPIDEMIC



About 610,000 people die of heart disease in the United States every year— that's **1 in every 4 deaths.**

370,000 PER YEAR

Coronary heart disease (CHD) is the most common type of heart disease, killing over **370,000** people annually.

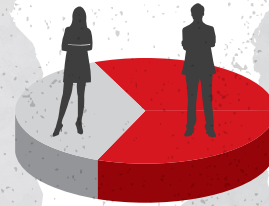
INSIDE HOSPITAL



OUTSIDE HOSPITAL



About 47% of sudden cardiac deaths occur outside a hospital. This suggests that many people with heart disease don't act on early warning signs.



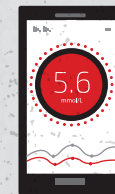
DEATHS FROM
HEART DISEASE

Heart disease is the leading cause of death for both men and women.

More than half of the deaths due to heart disease in 2009 were in men.



Every year about 735,000 Americans have a heart attack. Of these, **525,000** are a first heart attack and **210,000** happen in people who have already had a heart attack.



High blood pressure, high cholesterol, and smoking are key risk factors for heart disease. About half of Americans (47%) have at least one of these three risk factors.