

What's wrong with what we eat

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KEY VOCABULARY
SO-CALLED – então chamados
DISEASES – doenças
PREVALENT – prevalente, preponderante
DAIRY – laticínio
CANS – lata
DRIVES – conduzir



Health

There's no question, none, that so-called lifestyle diseases - diabetes, heart disease, stroke, some cancers - are diseases that are far more prevalent here than anywhere in the rest of the world.

And that's the direct result of eating a Western diet. Our demand for meat, dairy and refined carbohydrates -- the world consumes one billion cans or bottles of Coke a day -- our demand for these things, not our need, our want, drives us to consume way more calories than are good for us.

And those calories are in foods that cause, not prevent, disease.