SAFETY

While being physically active is overwhelmingly safe for most people, there are risks. Injury does occur, and in very rare circumstances medical conditions can be exacerbated.

It is recommended you seek further advice if any of the below are relevant to you:

- Have high blood pressure or a heart condition.
- Experience chest pain at rest or during activity.
- Lose balance due to dizziness, or lost consciousness in the last year.
- Other chronic medical conditions, or medication for a chronic condition
- Current bone, joint, or soft tissue problem that worsens with activity

ACTIVE RESILIENCE

BUILD A HABIT OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

FOR ADULTS AGED 18-64



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BENEFITS

CARDIOVASCULAR

STRENGTHENING

Most adults would benefit from increasing their levels of physical activity.

People who are regularly active live longer and happier lives by:

Improving sleep

Reducing cancer risk

Increasing physical capacities

Reducing blood pressure

Building stronger muscles and bones

Improving brain function

Reducing excess bodyweight

Increasing independence

Controlling blood sugar levels

Improving mental health

If you're not currently regularly active, simply getting started has positive health benefits.

If you can, **each week** aim to complete:

150-300 minutes of moderate cardiovascular activity OR

75-150 minutes of vigorous cardiovascular activity OR

An equivalent combination of moderate and vigorous cardiovascular activity

MODERATE

VIGOROUS

Walking 4-7km/h
Cycling 9-16km/h
Gardening
Surfing
Playing Golf
Skateboarding
Sunning >7km/h
Cycling > 16km/h
Skipping
Football
Dance Aerobics
Basketball

Also, aim to complete muscle strengthening activities involving all major muscle groups at least twice a week.

Strengthening activity should be completed at a **moderate intensity or higher**.

An example beginner workout is outlined below.

SIT TO STAND





BRIDGE



BENT KNEE LEG RAISE





Complete **3 sets of 8-16 repetitions** of each exercise.