WHAT FACTORS AFFECT BREAST CANCER RISK?

DECREASE RISK

INCREASE RISK



Maintaining healthy weight

Exercising regularly, on average three to four hours a week





One or more full-term pregnancies

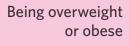
First full-term pregnancy before age 25



Breast feeding for more than 15 months (total months across all children)

Menopause before age 50









Sedentary lifestyle

Drinking more than one alcoholic drink a day



Exposure to high-dose radiation, particularly before age 40







Family history of breast cancer

Inherited genetic mutations (e.g., BRCA1)





Using hormone therapy after menopause

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