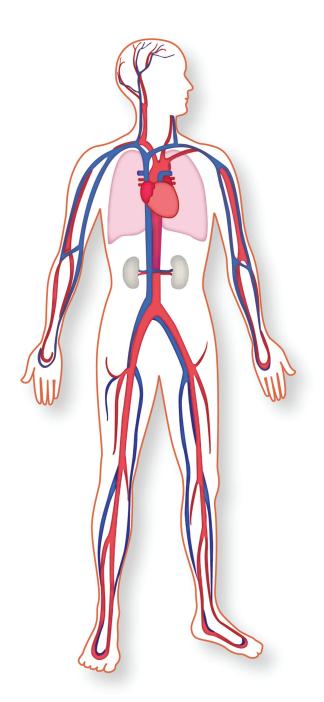




CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM



Your heart and circulatory system make up your cardiovascular system. Your heart works as a pump that pushes blood to the organs, tissues, and cells of your body. If all the vessels of this network in your body were laid end to end, they would extend for about 60,000 miles (more than 96,500 kilometers), which is far enough to circle the Earth more than twice!

In this diagram, the vessels that carry oxygen-rich blood are colored **red**, and the vessels that carry oxygen-poor blood are colored **blue**.

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