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References:
- Centers for Disease Control
- Clinical Chemistry
- Milken Institute
- Obesity Action Coalition
- Trust for America's Health

NATIONAL COST OF OBESITY:

- Healthcare costs for individuals affected by obesity is 34% higher
- For people living with obesity, 28.2% of their annual healthcare costs are spent treating obesity-related conditions.

ADULT OBESITY FACTS:

Illinois is ranked 30/51 in states impacted by obesity.

The age group most affected by obesity in Illinois is 45-64 (36.4%).

Illinoisans Affected by Obesity by Race
- 30.9% Caucasians
- 40.5% African Americans
- 34.6% Hispanics

The total direct healthcare cost of obesity in Illinois:

$480 BILLION

The total indirect cost of obesity:

$1.24 TRILLION

The total cost of obesity:

$79.59 BILLION

The cost of employment for the population with obesity is more than the normal weight population.

$54.12 BILLION

Illinois ranks 18th in adults with Type 2 Diabetes (11.3%).

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