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

### Cost of Obesity in New Mexico:
- The total cost of obesity in New Mexico: $8.89 BILLION
- The cost of obesity for Medicare in New Mexico: $1.09 BILLION
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