RHODE ISLAND
Obesity Fact Sheet

ADULT OBESITY FACTS:

Obesity affects more than 30.0% of Rhode Islanders.

More than 31.9% of male Rhode Islanders are affected by obesity.

More than 28.2% of female Rhode Islanders are affected by obesity.

Rhode Island is ranked 35/51 in states impacted by obesity.

The age group most affected by obesity in Rhode Island is 45-64 (32.7%).

Rhode Island ranks 30th in adults with Type 2 Diabetes (10.4%).

CHILDREN AFFECTED BY OBESITY IN RHODE ISLAND:

Rhode Island IS NOT one of 15 states that receives CDC grant funds for training to help with obesity prevention in Early Childhood Education settings.

CHILDREN AFFECTED BY OBESITY

Ages 2-4

Ages 10-17

17.1%

14.0%

COST OF OBESITY IN RHODE ISLAND:

The total cost of obesity in Rhode Island

$7.33 BILLION

The cost of obesity for Medicare in Rhode Island

$1.49 BILLION

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

$6.17 BILLION

NATIONAL COST OF OBESITY:

$1.7 TRILLION

The total cost of obesity

$1.24 TRILLION

The total indirect cost of obesity

$480 BILLION

The total direct healthcare cost of obesity

$14 BILLION

The direct costs of childhood 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.

Rhode Islanders Affected by Obesity by Race

28.2% Caucasians

36.2% African Americans

35.1% Hispanics

REFERENCES:

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

About The OAC

The Obesity Action Coalition (OAC) exists to serve the needs of and give a voice to the individuals affected by the disease of obesity while helping them along their journey toward better health through education, advocacy and support.

Please visit www.ObesityAction.org to learn more about the disease of obesity, treatment options, weight bias and much more.

If you have any questions regarding the above information or if you would like to receive free educational materials on obesity, please contact the OAC National Office at (800) 717-3117 or info@obesityaction.org.