

# Obesity's Impact on Alabama's Economy and Workforce in 2022



## REDUCED ECONOMIC ACTIVITY BY \$7.2B

**72%** of adults have obesity or overweight



**\$1.5B** in higher healthcare, absenteeism, and disability costs to employers



**\$767M** detrimental state budget impact



## COST OF OBESITY ON ALABAMIANS



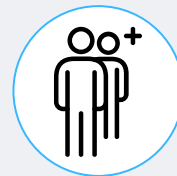
### Reduced Labor Force Participation

68,800 fewer adults with obesity working



### Reduced Earnings for Employed Women

Women with obesity earn 9% less than women with healthy weight



### Obesity-Attributed Early Mortality

9,900 premature deaths occur annually

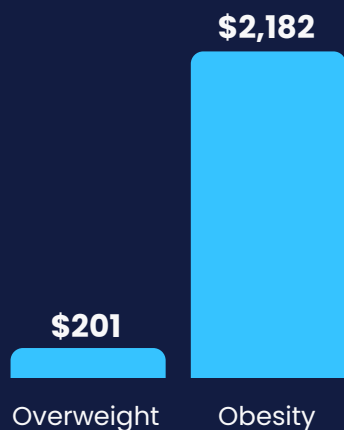


### Higher Medical Costs

\$479M spending by households

## COST OF OBESITY ON EMPLOYERS

HIGHER MEDICAL COSTS



**\$822M** in higher healthcare costs to employers



**\$655M** in health-related lost workdays and disability



**2.6%** reduction in Alabama's Gross Domestic Product (GDP)

**5%-25%** weight loss among adults age **<65 over 10 years** has potential to **save \$3.5B-\$10B** in medical costs

## COST OF OBESITY ON STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

**\$433.2M** reduced tax revenues from lost economic activity

Medicaid	\$137.2M higher Medicaid spending
Healthcare Coverage	\$157.4M for employee healthcare coverage
Public Assistance Program	\$39.1M in public assistance program costs
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$333.7M</b> increased spending

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