

Obesity's Impact on District of Columbia's Economy and Workforce in 2025



\$1.1B



TOTAL REDUCED ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

0.6% Reduction in DC's Gross Domestic Product (GDP)



58%

Adults have obesity or overweight



\$0.5B

Higher Healthcare, Absenteeism, & Disability Costs to Employers



\$121M

Detrimental State Budget Impact

IMPACT ON RESIDENTS



800

Reduced Labor Force

Reduced workforce participation + premature mortality



3%

Reduced Earnings for Employed Women

Women with obesity earn 3% less than women with healthy weight



200

Obesity-Related Premature Mortality

Premature deaths occur annually



\$68M

Higher Medical Costs

Households out-of-pocket spending on obesity-related care

COST OF OBESITY ON EMPLOYERS

Higher Medical Cost Per Employee

Overweight

\$490

Obesity

\$1,960



\$151M

Higher Healthcare Costs



\$0.2B

Health-related lost workdays



\$101M

Workers' Compensation and Disability

TOTAL FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Increased Government Spending



Medicaid

Higher Medicaid Spending

\$44M



Healthcare

Employee healthcare coverage

\$34M

Lost Government Revenue



Tax Revenue

Reduced receipts from lost economic activity

\$43M

TOTAL STATE & LOCAL FISCAL IMPACT

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District of Columbia's Case for Action: The Health & Economic Value of Weight Loss



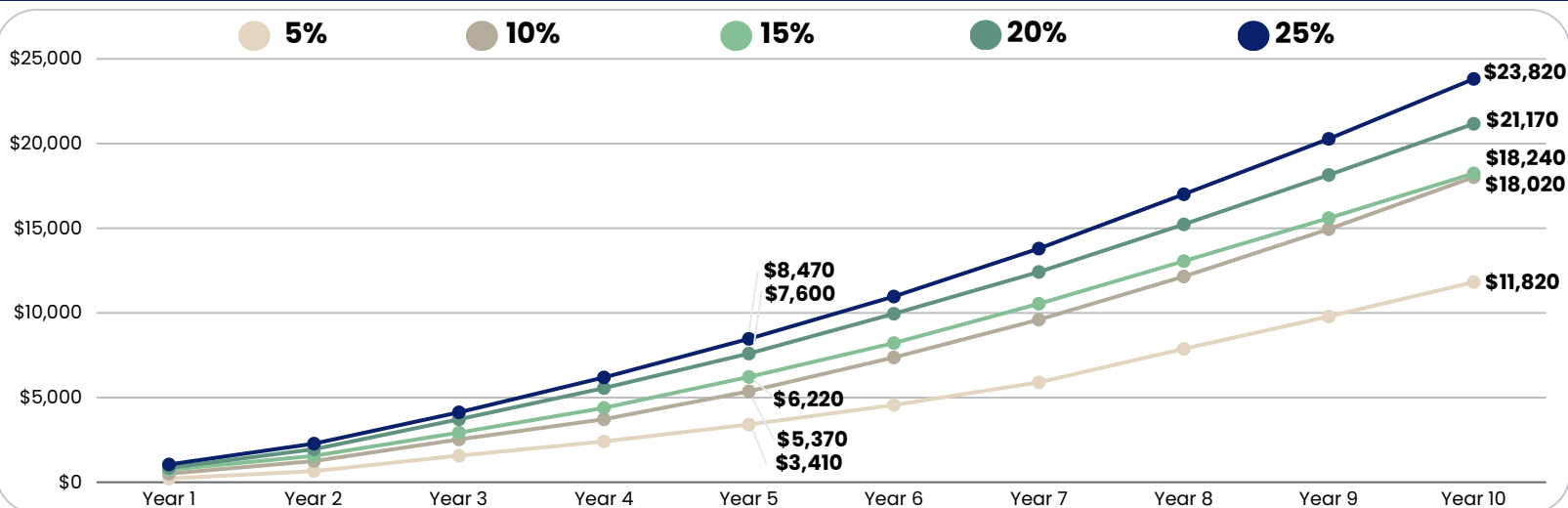
KEY SAVINGS OPPORTUNITY



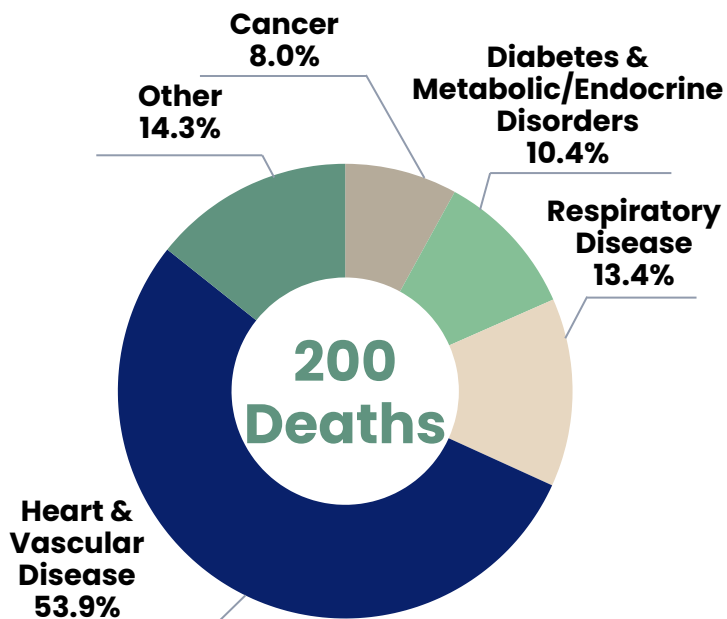
A **5%–25%** weight loss through sustained treatment among adults over 10 years could generate between **\$1.7B and \$3.5B** in cumulative medical cost savings

\$1.7B–\$3.5B
10-Year Savings Range

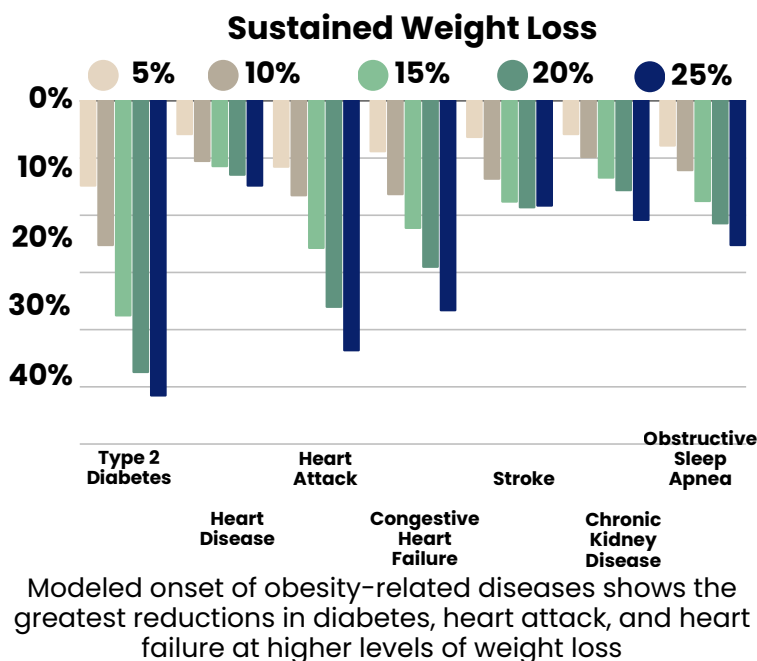
MEDICAL COST SAVINGS PER PERSON BY SUSTAINED WEIGHT LOSS



OBESITY-ATTRIBUTED DEATHS BY CAUSE



10-YEAR REDUCTION IN DISEASE ONSET



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