# Obesity's Impact on Georgia's Economy and Workforce in 2023



## **REDUCED ECONOMIC ACTIVITY BY \$15.7B**

69% of adults have obesity or overweight



\$5.9B in higher healthcare, absenteeism, and disability costs to employers

\$1.8B detrimental state budget impact



## **COST OF OBESITY ON GEORGIANS**



**Reduced Labor Force Participation** 

107,900 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

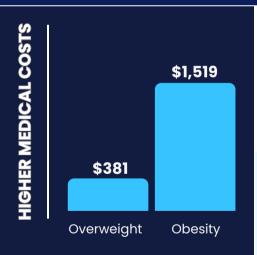
16,100 premature deaths occur annually



**Higher Medical** Costs

\$1.3B spending by households

### COST OF OBESITY ON EMPLOYERS



\$1.9B in higher healthcare costs to employers



**\$4B** in health-related lost workdays and disability



1.9% reduction in Georgia's Gross Domestic Product (GDP)

5%-25% weight loss among adults age <65 over 10 years has potential to save \$9.6B-\$31.9B in medical costs

## **COST OF OBESITY ON STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

\$1.2B reduced tax revenues from lost economic activity

Medicaid **Healthcare Coverage** 

**Public Assistance Program** 

\$348M for employee healthcare coverage

\$307M higher Medicaid spending

\$21M in public assistance program costs

\$676M increased spending **TOTAL** 

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