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



### REDUCED ECONOMIC ACTIVITY BY \$1.9B

60% of adults have obesity or overweight



\$1.1B in higher healthcare, absenteeism, and disability costs to employers



\$322M detrimental state budget impact



### **COST OF OBESITY ON HAWAIIANS**



#### **Reduced Labor Force Participation**

9,000 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

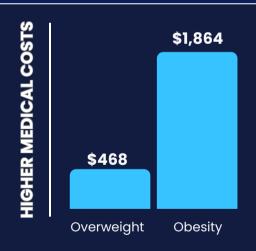
1,300 premature deaths occur annually



#### **Higher Medical** Costs

\$172M spending by households

### COST OF OBESITY ON EMPLOYERS



**\$260M** in higher healthcare costs to employers



\$800M in health-related lost workdays and disability



1.8% reduction in Hawaii's Gross Domestic Product (GDP)

5%-25% weight loss among adults age <65 over 10 years has potential to save \$1.3B-\$4.4B in medical costs

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

\$191M reduced tax revenues from lost economic activity

| Medicaid            |  |
|---------------------|--|
| Healthcare Coverage |  |

**Public Assistance Program** 

**TOTAL** 

\$61M higher Medicaid spending

\$67M for employee healthcare coverage

\$3M in public assistance program costs

\$131M increased spending

(5) GlobalData.