

Obesity's Impact on Maryland's Economy and Workforce in 2025



\$9.5B



TOTAL REDUCED ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

1.6% Reduction in Maryland's Gross Domestic Product (GDP)



69%

Adults have obesity or overweight



\$4.5B

Higher Healthcare, Absenteeism, & Disability Costs to Employers



\$1B

Detrimental State Budget Impact

IMPACT ON RESIDENTS



16,500

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



9,400

Obesity-Related Premature Mortality

Premature deaths occur annually



\$655M

Higher Medical Costs

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

COST OF OBESITY ON EMPLOYERS

Higher Medical Cost Per Employee

Overweight

\$440

Obesity

\$1,730



\$1.45B

Higher Healthcare Costs



\$2.1B

Health-related lost workdays



\$945M

Workers' Compensation and Disability

TOTAL FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Increased Government Spending



Medicaid

Higher Medicaid Spending

\$509M



Healthcare

Employee healthcare coverage

\$209M

Lost Government Revenue



Tax Revenue

Reduced receipts from lost economic activity

\$313M

TOTAL STATE & LOCAL FISCAL IMPACT

\$1B

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



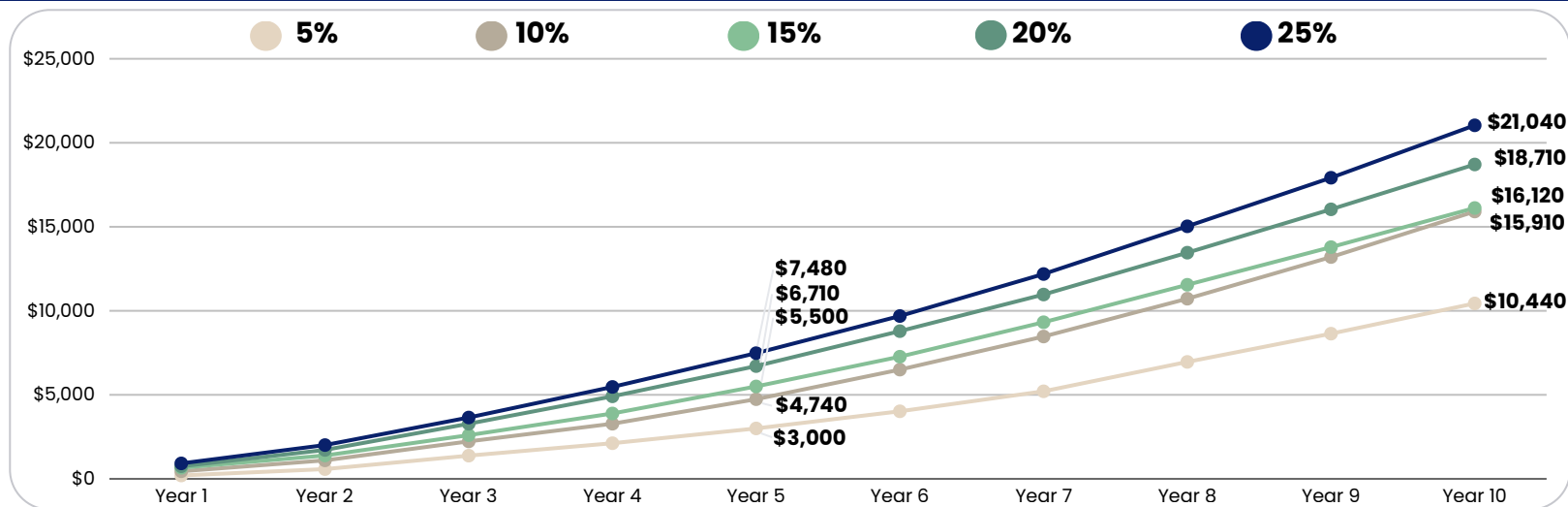
KEY SAVINGS OPPORTUNITY



A **5%–25%** weight loss through sustained treatment among adults over 10 years could generate between **\$16.8B and \$33.9B** in cumulative medical cost savings

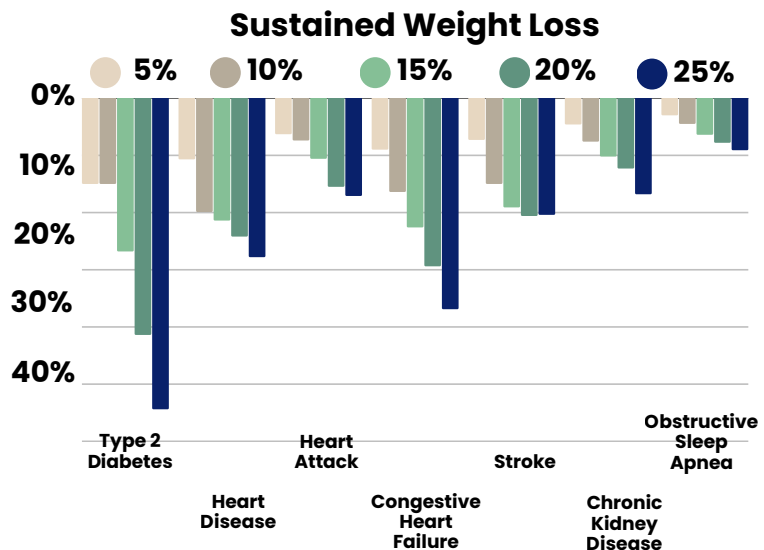
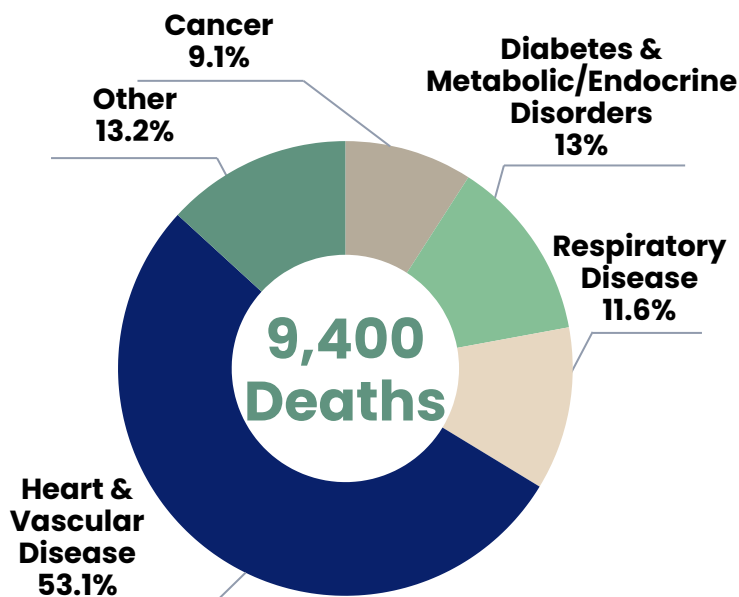
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10-Year Savings Range

MEDICAL COST SAVINGS PER PERSON BY SUSTAINED WEIGHT LOSS



OBESITY-ATTRIBUTED DEATHS BY CAUSE

10-YEAR REDUCTION IN DISEASE ONSET



Modeled onset of obesity-related diseases shows the greatest reductions in diabetes, heart disease, and heart failure at higher levels of weight loss

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