# Obesity's Impact on North Dakota's Economy and Workforce in 2023

#### REDUCED ECONOMIC ACTIVITY BY \$1.2B

**71%** of adults have obesity or overweight



\$485B in higher healthcare, absenteeism, and disability costs to employers **\$141M** detrimental state budget impact



## COST OF OBESITY ON NORTH DAKOTANS





Reduced Labor Force Participation 7,400 fewer adults with obesity working

**Reduced Earnings for Employed Women** Women with obesity earn 9% less

than women with healthy weight

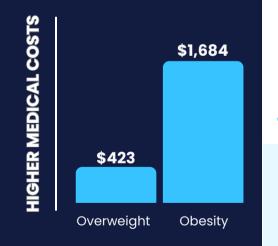


Obesity-Attributed Early Mortality 1,300 premature deaths occur annually



Higher Medical Costs \$112M spending by households

#### **COST OF OBESITY ON EMPLOYERS**



\$168M in higher healthcare costs to employers



\$317M in health-related lost workdays and disability



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1.7% reduction in North Dakota's Gross Domestic Product (GDP)

 5%-25% weight loss among adults age <65 over</li>
10 years has potential to save \$1B-\$2.6B in medical costs

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

\$64M reduced tax revenues from lost economic activity	Medicaid	\$30M higher Medicaid spending
	Healthcare Coverage	\$45M for employee healthcare coverage
	Public Assistance Program	\$2M in public assistance program costs
	TOTAL	\$77M increased spending

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