

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

\$11.1B



TOTAL REDUCED ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

1.3% Reduction in Massachusetts' Gross Domestic Product (GDP)



63%

Adults have obesity or overweight



\$5.9B

Higher Healthcare, Absenteeism, & Disability Costs to Employers



\$1.4B

Detrimental State Budget Impact

IMPACT ON RESIDENTS



12,900

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



9,800

Obesity-Related Premature Mortality

Premature deaths occur annually



\$851M

Higher Medical Costs

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

COST OF OBESITY ON EMPLOYERS

Higher Medical Cost Per Employee

Overweight

\$550

Obesity

\$2,170



\$1.9B

Higher Healthcare Costs



\$2.8B

Health-related lost workdays



\$1.2B

Workers' Compensation and Disability

TOTAL FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Increased Government Spending



Medicaid

Higher Medicaid Spending

\$809M



Healthcare

Employee healthcare coverage

\$258M

Lost Government Revenue



Tax Revenue

Reduced receipts from lost economic activity

\$375M

TOTAL STATE & LOCAL FISCAL IMPACT

\$1.4B

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



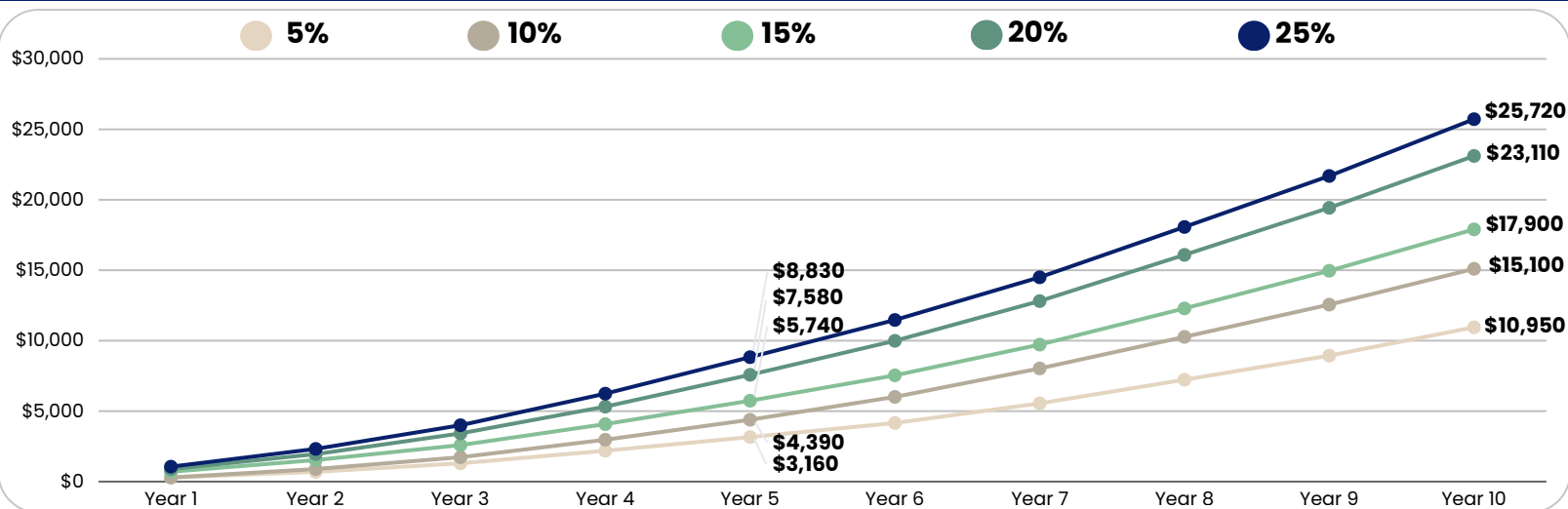
KEY SAVINGS OPPORTUNITY



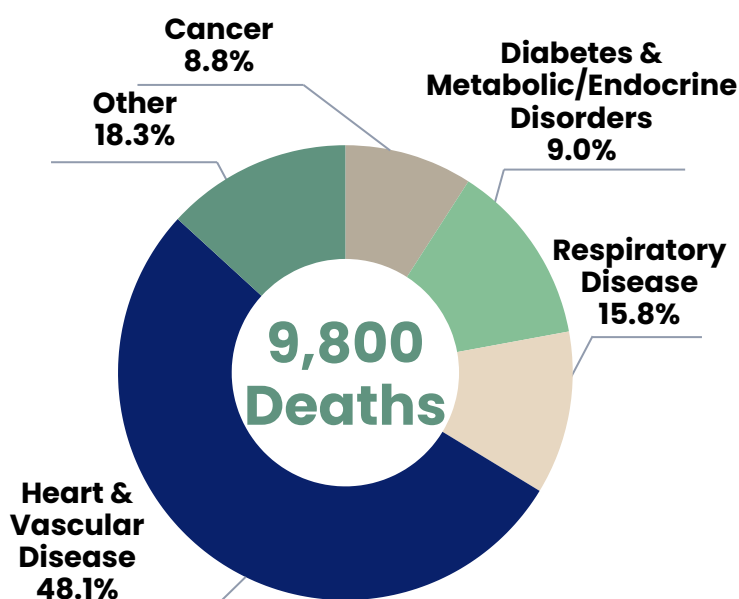
A **5%–25%** weight loss through sustained treatment among adults over 10 years could generate between **\$17.2B and \$40.5B** in cumulative medical cost savings

\$17.2B–\$40.5B
10-Year Savings Range

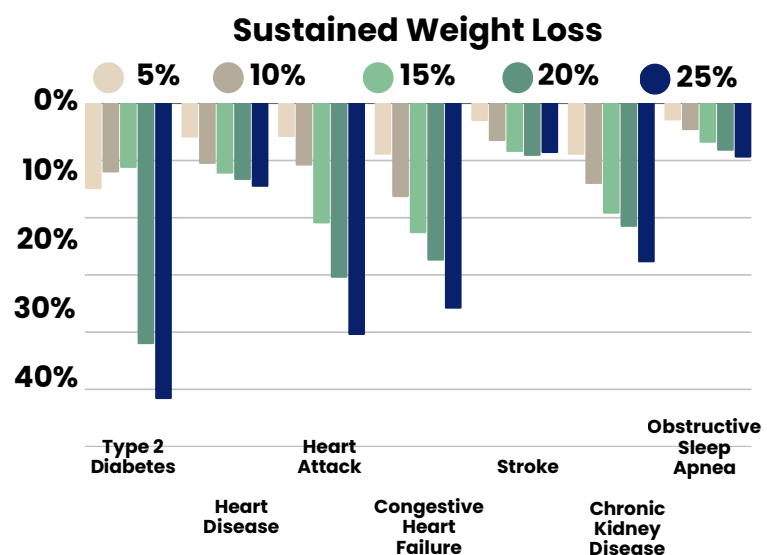
MEDICAL COST SAVINGS PER PERSON BY SUSTAINED WEIGHT LOSS



OBESITY-ATTRIBUTED DEATHS BY CAUSE



10-YEAR REDUCTION IN DISEASE ONSET



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

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