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Adult Obesity Rate by State, 2015

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Obesity occurs when a person is 30 or more pounds overweight

Nearly 40% of Americans are considered to be clinically obese, or having a Body Mass Index (BMI) of 30 or above.

Obesity costs Americans over \$147 billion for healthcare alone.

The groups with the highest rate of obesity are non-Hispanic Blacks (48.1%), Hispanics (42.5%) and non-Hispanic whites (34.5%).

Every year 572,000 people die from cancer and 1/3 of these cancers are related to excess body weight.

Adults perform at least 2 hours of moderate physical activity and 75 minutes of intense physical activity each week to avoid becoming obese.

Americans consume 31% more calories than we did 40 years ago.

Losing weight can lower your risk of developing high blood pressure, diabetes, cancer, and heart disease.

Losing 1 pound will take 4 pounds of pressure off of your knees and joints.





