

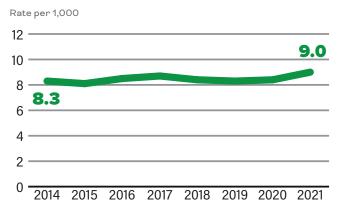
### **Diabetes in South Carolina**

**1,781** South Carolina residents died from diabetes in 2022.<sup>1</sup>

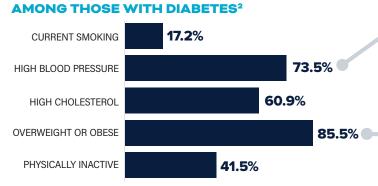
Diabetes was the **8**<sup>TH</sup> leading cause of death in South Carolina, more than chronic liver disease, suicide, or homicide.<sup>1</sup>

In 2022, South Carolina had the **12<sup>TH</sup>** highest percent of adult population with diabetes in the United States.<sup>2</sup>

# Newly diagnosed diabetes has slightly increased IN RECENT YEARS



#### Other health concerns



# Diabetes disparities exist

The prevalence of diabetes is higher among non-Hispanic Black adults (19.1%) than among non-Hispanic Whites (11.4%), and non-Hispanic Blacks had **2.5X** higher age-adjusted death rate compared to non-Hispanic Whites.<sup>1,2</sup>



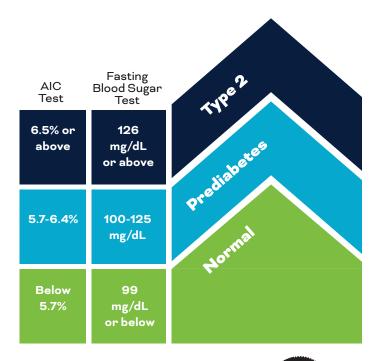
In 2022, the total amount of hospital charges related to diabetes diagnoses were \$9.24 MILLION in South Carolina. This was higher than asthma.<sup>3</sup>

The estimated cost of care for people in South Carolina with diabetes is **\$5.89 BILLION**, including \$4.25 billion in medical and \$1.64 billion in indirect costs.<sup>4</sup>

Three-fourths of adults with diabetes also have high blood pressure.

Four out of five adults with diabetes are overweight or obese.







#### Who needs to be tested for diabetes?

You are at risk for developing prediabetes if you:

- Are overweight<sup>6</sup>
- Are 45 or older
- Have a parent, brother, or sister with type 2 diabetes
- Are physically active less than 3 times a week
- Have ever had gestational diabetes (diabetes during pregnancy) or given birth to a baby who



### **Types of Diabetes**

TYPE 1 DIABETES - Usually diagnosed in children and young adults. The body does not produce insulin. People with type 1 diabetes must take insulin injections. About 5% of the people who have diabetes have type 1.6

TYPE 2 DIABETES - The body does not produce enough insulin, and/or the body cannot properly use insulin. Type 2 diabetes in children is on the rise due to the childhood obesity epidemic, particularly in African-Americans and Hispanics. About 90% of people with diabetes have type 2.6

**PREDIABETES** - Before people develop type 2 diabetes, they almost always have "prediabetes." People with prediabetes are at higher risk of cardiovascular diseases. However, you can delay or prevent the onset of type 2 diabetes by eating healthier and being more physically active. More than one in three adults have prediabetes.<sup>6</sup>

**GESTATIONAL DIABETES - Pregnant women who have** high blood glucose levels have gestational diabetes. They are more likely to develop type 2 diabetes years later. In 2022, mothers with gestational diabetes represented 7.8% of live births in South Carolina.1



1SC DPH Vital Statistics

2 SC BRFSS

3 SC RFA

4 American Diabetes Association https://diabetes.org/sites/default/files/2024-03/adv\_2024\_state\_fact\_ south\_carolina.pdf

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6 American Diabetes Association