

The Impact of DIABETES in Illinois

Diabetes is a disease in which blood glucose levels are above normal.

Insulin keeps blood glucose levels low. Type 1 diabetes occurs when not enough insulin is produced and type 2 occurs when insulin is not used as it should be.



1 In Illinois, approximately **800,000 adults** have diagnosed diabetes and another **500,000 adults** are not aware they have diabetes.



2 In 2012, **9.4% of adults** in Illinois had been **diagnosed with diabetes**.

3 In 2010, in Illinois, the average **cost of treating a person** with diabetes was **\$6,490**, or approximately **\$5 billion**.



4 In 2010, in Illinois, the average employed person with diabetes **missed 2 days of work** due to diabetes, totaling **753,000 missed days** of work and \$183 million in lost productivity and wages.

5 In 2011, there were **22,088 hospitalizations** in Illinois caused by diabetes.



6 Diabetes is the **7th leading cause of death** in the United States and **8th leading cause of death** in Illinois.



7 In 2010, **2,499 people** in Illinois **died from diabetes**. That's an average of **7 people per day**.

