

**PREVALENCE OF LIVER DISEASE
STATE FACT SHEET**

American Liver Foundation (ALF) Liver Life Advocates—Raising Awareness, Advancing Change™, represents more than 100 million Americans affected by liver disease.



Florida Residents Affected by Liver Disease



Frank C.

Frank advocates for liver health awareness and education after learning he had stage-three liver cirrhosis. Frank coped with his stressful 15+ year career in emergency services by overconsuming alcohol. He is currently on medication to manage his symptoms and has become more active.



Carol K.

Carol advocates for better access to liver health education and specialized care. After bloodwork for an upcoming surgery came back with elevated liver enzymes, Carol was sent for additional testing. Carol was diagnosed with autoimmune hepatitis (AIH), but there are few providers who specialize in AIH in her area and she is unable to travel.



Tammy S.

Tammy advocates to raise awareness about liver disease and for increased federal funding for liver disease research. Tammy was diagnosed in 2016 with early-stage kidney cancer, but even in remission, she continued to experience pain, weakness, and swelling in her abdomen. Several tests later, Tammy was diagnosed with primary sclerosing cholangitis (PSC), a chronic, autoimmune liver disease that slowly damages the bile ducts. She lived her entire life without knowing she had this condition.

State Statistics

3,848 Florida residents died from liver disease/ cirrhosis in 2022

894 liver transplants were performed in Florida

480 people are on the liver transplant waitlist

34 Floridians have died while on the liver transplant waitlist

9.6% of adults in Florida have diabetes

31.7% of adults in Florida are obese

23.5% of adults have no leisurely physical activity

ALF 2025 Legislative Priorities

- Increase funding for MASLD research and education
- Expand liver disease surveillance and prevention efforts at the CDC
- Finalize coverage for anti-obesity medication under Medicare Part D
- Support laws like the [Living Donor Protection Act](#), [Safe Step Act](#), [HOLD Act](#) and [HELP Copays Act](#)
- Improve access to liver disease treatments and reduce out-of-pocket costs

ALF is a national community of patients, caregivers and medical professionals dedicated to helping people improve their liver health. Providing guidance and life-saving resources, we are a beacon for the 100 million Americans affected by liver disease. We advocate for patients and families, fund medical research and educate the public about liver wellness and disease prevention. We bring people together through our educational programs and events and create a network of support that lasts a lifetime. ALF is the largest organization focused on all liver diseases and the trusted voice for patients and families living with liver disease. For more information visit liverfoundation.org or call 1-800-GO-LIVER (800-465-4837).