

**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.



**Missouri Residents Affected by Liver Disease**



**Fred and Kristin K.**

Fred and his wife Kristin advocate to raise awareness about the importance of liver health education and screening, and to increase federal funding of liver disease research. At age four, Fred and Kristin's daughter, Abigail, was diagnosed with congenital hepatic fibrosis with portal hypertension. Ever since then, they have been on a mission to raise awareness and funds to better the lives of the 100 million Americans affected by liver disease.



**Kevin L.**

As a professional working in the organ donation field, Kevin advocates to raise awareness about the importance of organ donation and living donor liver transplant. He has witnessed countless individuals receive a second chance at life thanks to this lifesaving procedure.

**State Statistics**

**1,047**

Missouri residents died of liver disease/cirrhosis in 2022

**213**

liver transplants were performed in Missouri

**140**

people are on the liver transplant waitlist

**13**

Missourians have died while on the liver transplant waitlist

**10.2%**

of adults in Missouri have diabetes

**36.7%**

of adults in Missouri are obese

**24.2%**

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](http://liverfoundation.org) or call 1-800-GO-LIVER (800-465-4837).