

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.



Wisconsin Residents Affected by Liver Disease



Angela T.

Angela advocates to raise awareness about the importance of liver health education and for better access to specialized care. In 2022, Angela was diagnosed with a rare liver disease and still does not fully understand her condition. She wonders what her future holds, or if she will be alive to see her children graduate college.



Cathy W.

Cathy advocates to raise awareness about the importance of liver health and early detection. Despite being a medical professional, Cathy was unaware of metabolic dysfunction-associated steatotic liver disease (MASLD) until a close friend was diagnosed. Now, she is on a mission to help educate others.

State Statistics

919

Wisconsin residents died of liver disease/ cirrhosis in 2022

186

liver transplants were performed in Wisconsin

154

people are on the liver transplant waitlist

17

Wisconsinites have died while on the liver transplant waitlist

8.9%

of adults in Wisconsin have diabetes

38.1%

of adults in Wisconsin are obese

21.3%

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).