

**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

921

Missouri residents died of liver disease/cirrhosis in 2023

241

liver transplants were performed in Missouri in 2025

135

people are on the liver transplant waitlist

24

Missourians died while on the liver transplant waitlist in 2025

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 2026 Legislative Priorities

- Support Living Donors: Advance the Living Donor Protection Act and the Expanding Support for Living Organ Donors Act to protect donors and reduce financial barriers
- Ensure Patient Access: Pass the Safe Step Act, Treat and Reduce Obesity Act, and HELP Copays Act to improve access and affordability
- Pediatric Screening: Advance the Ian Kalvinskis Pediatric Liver Cancer Early Detection and Screening Act for earlier diagnosis
- CDC Efforts: Strengthen liver disease surveillance and prevention

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).