

## 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.



### Oklahoma Residents Affected by Liver Disease



#### Pamela Y.

Pamela advocates to raise awareness about liver disease and the importance of organ donation. Pamela learned she was born with alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency, a hereditary genetic disease, after going to the doctor with flu-like symptoms. The disease had been silently damaging her liver for years, and she was now in an advanced stage of liver cirrhosis with two years to live. Thankfully, through organ donation, Pamela received a lifesaving liver transplant on October 19, 2014.

### State Statistics

<b>900</b>	Oklahoma residents died from liver disease/cirrhosis in 2022
<b>133</b>	liver transplants were performed in Oklahoma
<b>103</b>	people are on the liver transplant waitlist
<b>6</b>	Sooners have died while on the liver transplant waitlist
<b>12.2%</b>	of adults in Oklahoma have diabetes
<b>40.6%</b>	of adults in Oklahoma are overweight or obese
<b>28.6%</b>	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](https://liverfoundation.org) or call 1-800-GO-LIVER (800-465-4837).