

# Cardiovascular disease in the US

FINDINGS FROM THE GLOBAL BURDEN OF DISEASE STUDY

DEATHS FROM CARDIOVASCULAR **DISEASES NATIONWIDE** 

1990

892,127 901,411

Top 5 and bottom 5 states and DC, ranked by years of life lost, 2016<sup>1</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Rates per 100,000 are adjusted for differences in ages and population size across states.

Cardiovascular diseases are a top cause of premature death and disability in men and women

## Top 5 causes of lost healthy life<sup>2</sup>

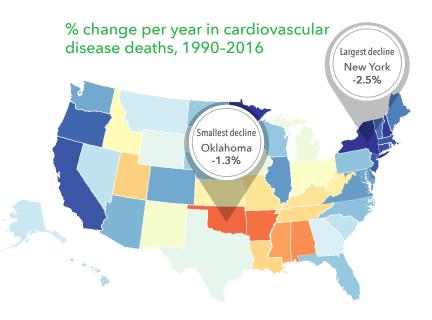
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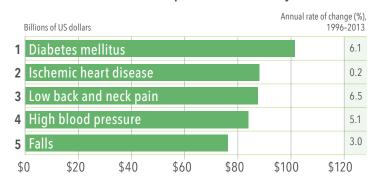
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<sup>2</sup>Number of disability-adjusted life years



Ischemic heart disease - the most common form of cardiovascular disease - is a leading cause of health spending in the US

# Conditions on which the US spent the most money in 2013



#### HOW CAN WE ADDRESS CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE IN THE US?

# By reducing risks, such as:

- · Poor diet (lack of whole grains, fruits, vegetables, and nuts and seeds; eating trans fats and too much salt)
- · High blood pressure, cholesterol, and blood sugar

By expanding access to quality care

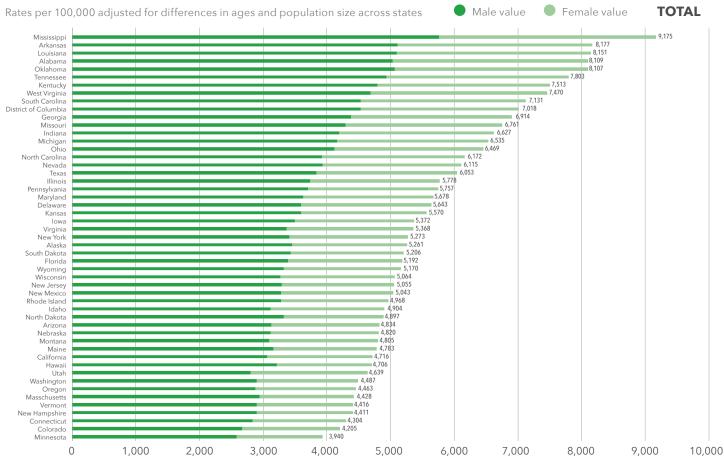




# Lives cut short by cardiovascular disease across the US

GBD tracks the years of life lost when people die early because of cardiovascular disease. For example, when a woman dies from cardiovascular disease at age 65, and she could have been expected to live until age 85, she loses 20 years of life. Adding up all the years lost from early deaths like this one gives us "years of life lost."

## Years of life lost due to cardiovascular disease, 2016



#### **About IHME**

IHME is an independent health research center at the University of Washington in Seattle. It is a leading health metrics organization in the world. Its work includes studies of us health spending, health in all 3,142 us counties, future health scenarios, and a pilot effort to map health at the census tract level. IHME plans to expand its us research in the future. Results from IHME research are made freely available to the public.

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# Who uses this research?

The US National Institutes of Health is using GBD research to decide where to invest their research dollars.

Public Health England used GBD to determine the seven priorities outlined in their strategic plan.

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation says that "GBD sets the compass" for their work.