

Belgium



Economic impact of overweight and obesity

In 2019, the economic impact of overweight and obesity was estimated to be US\$9.64 billion. This is equivalent to US\$835 per capita and 1.8% of GDP. Direct costs and indirect costs made up 39.7% and 60.3% of total costs respectively.

By 2060, economic impacts are predicted to increase to US\$23.82 billion. This is equivalent to US\$1948 per capita and 2.3% of GDP, and represents a 2.5-fold increase in total costs.

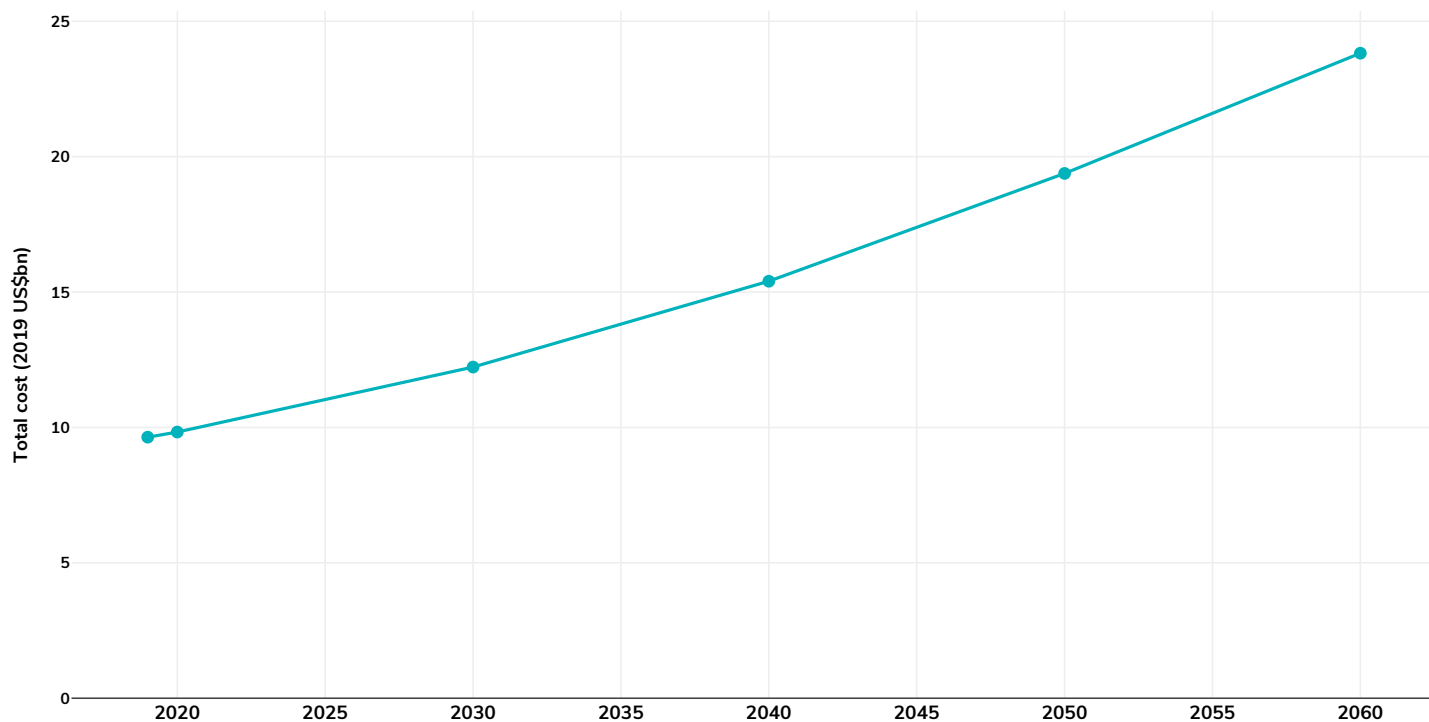
Breakdown of economic costs over time (standard model)

	2019	2030 (projected)	2060 (projected)
Total economic cost (direct + indirect costs):	\$9.64bn	\$12.23bn	\$23.82bn
Total economic cost as % of GDP:	1.80%	1.99%	2.30%
Total economic cost per capita:	\$835	\$1,027	\$1,948
Total direct costs:	\$3.82bn	\$4.59bn	\$7.3bn
Direct medical costs:	\$3.82bn	\$4.59bn	\$7.29bn
Direct-non-medical costs:	\$0bn	\$0bn	\$0bn
Total indirect costs:	\$5.82bn	\$7.64bn	\$16.52bn
Premature mortality costs:	\$3.33bn	\$4.7bn	\$11.96bn
Absenteeism costs:	\$1.14bn	\$1.35bn	\$2.11bn
Presenteeism costs:	\$1.35bn	\$1.6bn	\$2.46bn

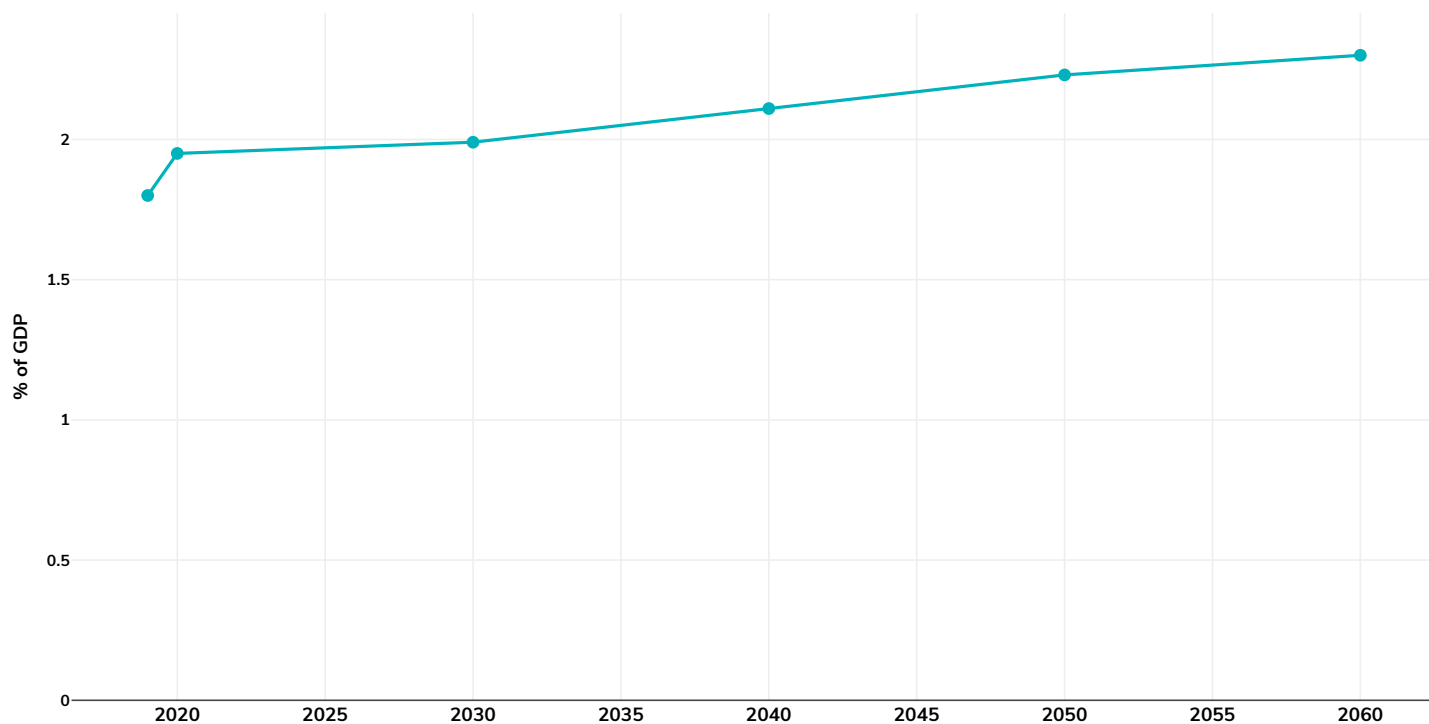
All figures are in US\$

Trend graphs (standard model)

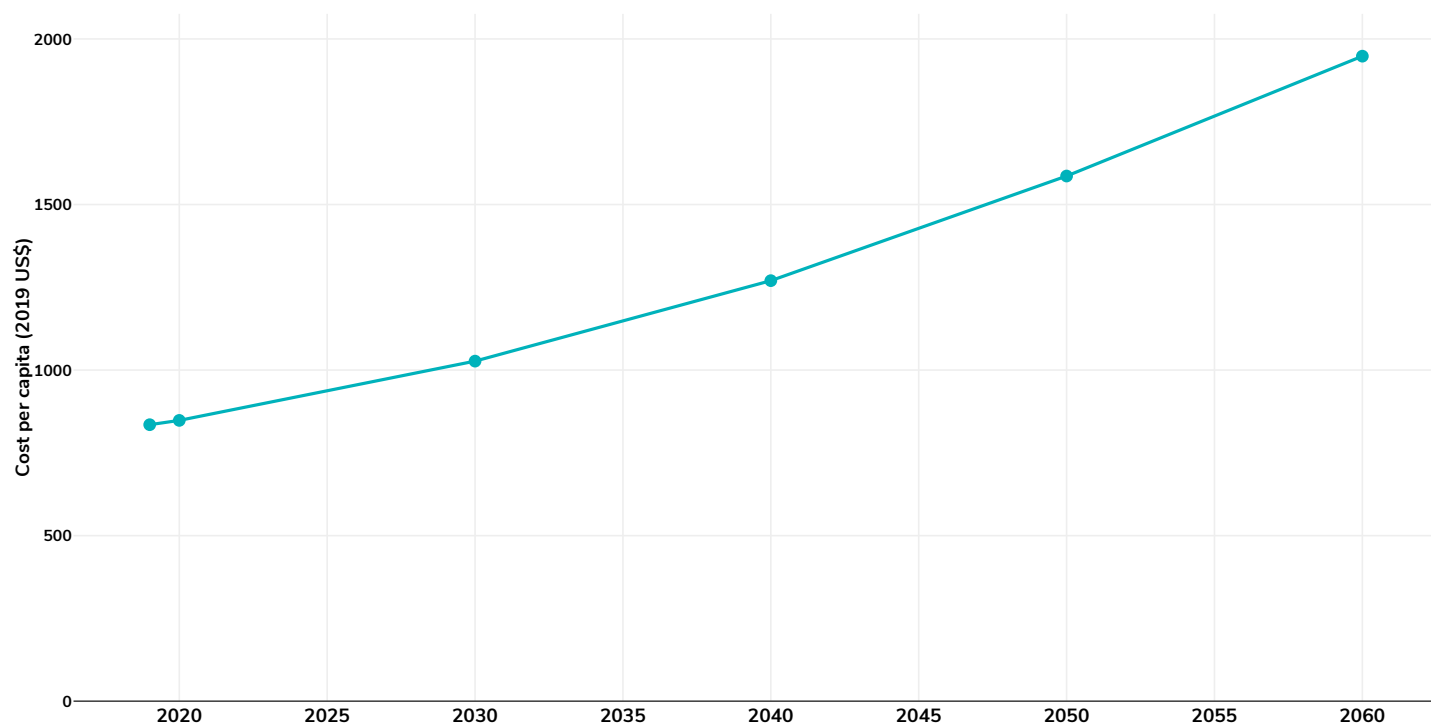
Total economic cost (in billions of 2019 US\$)



Total economic cost as % of GDP



Total economic cost per capita (in 2019 US\$)



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