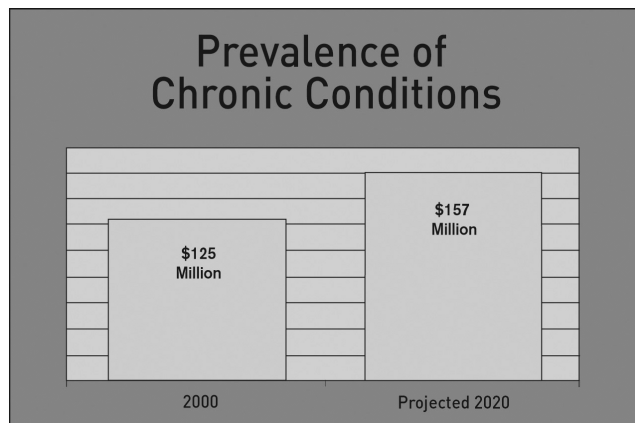


Partnership for Solutions
Better Lives for People with Chronic Conditions

THE PREVALENCE AND COST OF CHRONIC CONDITIONS

PREVALENCE

- Today 125 million Americans (45% of the population) have at least one chronic condition, such as paralysis, Alzheimer's disease, mental disorders, HIV/AIDS, allergies, asthma, diabetes and high blood pressure.

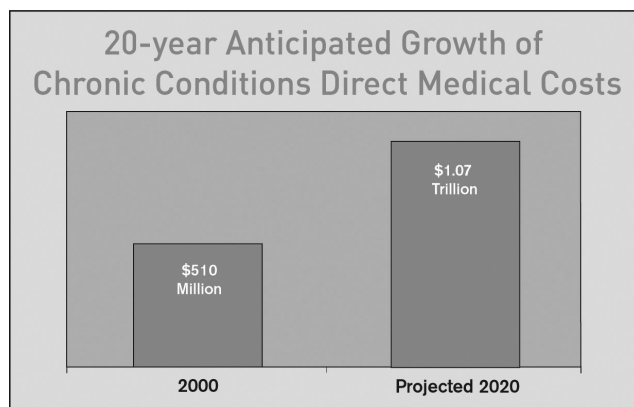


- The number of Americans with chronic conditions is growing at an explosive rate. There are 20 million more people with chronic conditions in 2000 than the number originally projected in 1996.
- The number of people with chronic conditions will continue to outpace earlier estimations – to reach 157 million by 2020.

- In the United States, approximately 60 million people (22 percent of the population) suffer from multiple chronic conditions.
- Because of the aging baby boom generation and advances in medicine that have enabled people to live longer with chronic illnesses, the number of people living with multiple chronic conditions is projected to increase to 81 million (25 percent of the population) in 2020.

COSTS

- Direct medical costs for chronic conditions increased even faster than prevalence, accounting for \$510 billion in 2000.
- Direct medical costs for chronic conditions are expected to increase to \$1.07 trillion by 2020.
- People with one chronic condition have twice the out-of-pocket expenditures (\$369) per year than those with no chronic conditions (\$182) – and nearly double for each additional chronic condition (two chronic conditions \$621; three or more chronic conditions \$1,106).



- Total yearly medical expenditures for a person with a chronic condition (\$6,032) are more than five times higher than for a healthy person (\$1,105).
- Those who have functional limitations or a disability in addition to a chronic condition can face more than double the medical expenditures of those with only a chronic illness. (Chronic condition: \$6,032; chronic condition + disability \$10,908; chronic condition + functional limitations: \$16,245.)