

OSTEOARTHRITIS: A SERIOUS DISEASE

242 million people worldwide have symptomatic and activity-limiting OA of the hip and/or knee.

OA pain affects sleep quality, mood, and participating in everyday life.

THE COST OF OSTEOARTHRITIS

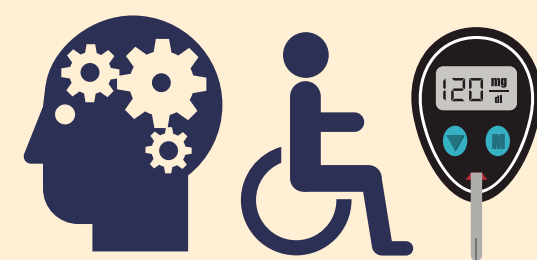


Direct costs totaled \$65 billion.
(i.e., medical expenditures)

Indirect costs were \$71 billion.
(i.e., lost earnings)



3rd most rapidly rising condition associated with disability, just behind diabetes and dementia.



OA significantly limits a person's ability to self-manage other conditions, such as **diabetes and hypertension.**

A third of people with OA have **5 or more chronic conditions.**



OA increases the risk of developing heart disease by **50%.**

Reduced levels of physical activity, comorbid conditions, and adverse effects of medications lead to a 55% increase in all cause mortality.