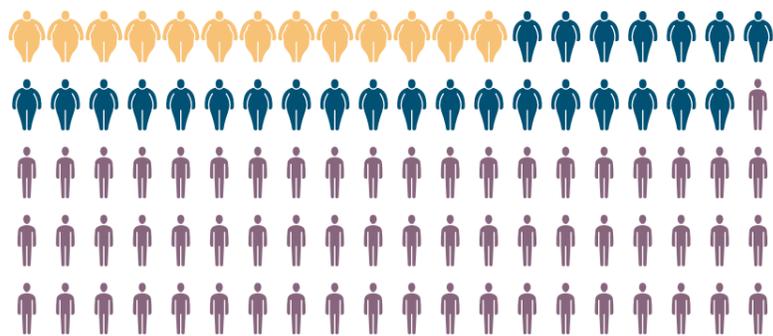


# World prevalence of obesity

The increase in obesity is placing healthcare facilities under serious pressure, **straining caregiving resources and driving up costs**<sup>1</sup>. Plus size patients are often **admitted unexpectedly** giving facilities **limited time to prepare** for their specialist needs.

**39%** of adults aged 18 years and over were overweight in 2016, and **13% were obese**<sup>2</sup>



The worldwide prevalence of obesity **nearly tripled** between **1975** and **2016**<sup>2</sup>

In 2016, more than **1.9 billion** adults, 18 years and older, were **overweight**. Of these over **650 million** were **obese**<sup>2</sup>

## Hospital staff Injury

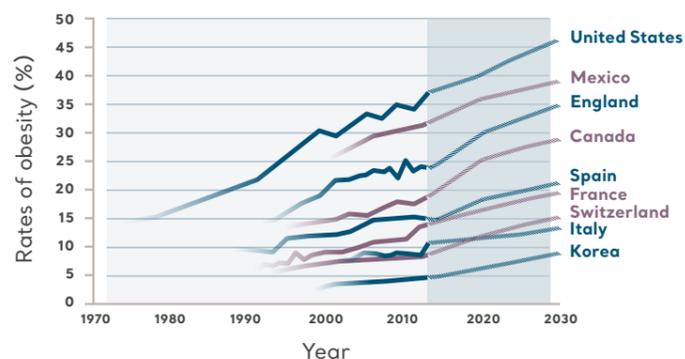
In **US**, patients with **BMI >35 kg/m<sup>2</sup>** represent **10%** of the hospital patient population, but leads to **30%** of staff injuries related to patient handling<sup>4</sup>

## Higher obesity levels in future projections

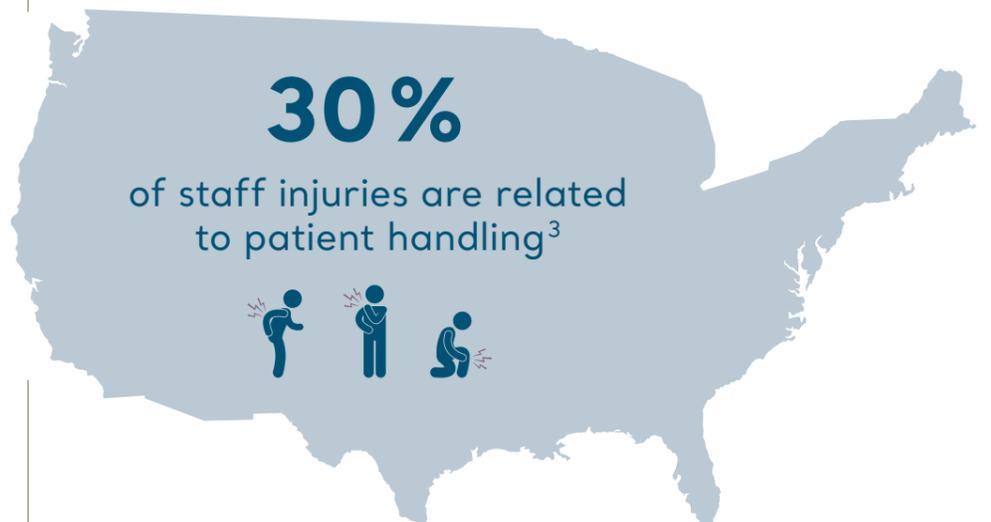
Obesity rates are **expected to increase further**<sup>3</sup>



Projected rates of obesity



Obesity levels are expected to be particularly high in the **United States, Mexico and England**, where **47%, 39% and 35%** of the population respectively are projected to be obese in **2030**<sup>5</sup>



## Health care expenditure

**\$168 B**

a year or **16.5%** of all US health care expenditures **is spent to treat obesity** and obesity associated diseases<sup>5</sup>

Is your facility ready to care for plus size patients?  
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