Methods

• Data from CDC's Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) and from the US Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program were used for county-level estimates of diagnosed diabetes and obesity.

• Prevalence Definitions
  - Diagnosed diabetes: response of “yes" to the question, "Has a doctor ever told you that you have diabetes?" Women who indicated that they only had diabetes during pregnancy were excluded.
  - Obesity: body mass index of ≥30 derived from self-report of height and weight.

• Estimates were restricted to adults aged ≥20 years.

• Estimates were based on the power prior log-weights (PLOW) approach*.

• Rates were age adjusted to the 2000 US standard population using age groups 20-44, 45-64, and ≥65 years.
