

What your body mass index (BMI) means to you.

The American Society for Metabolic & Bariatric Surgery defines obesity as a disease in which fat has accumulated to the extent that health is impaired. It is commonly measured by body mass index BMI which calculates the relationship of weight to height. An adult with a BMI of 30 or more is considered obese.¹

Obesity becomes severe obesity when an adult is 100 pounds or more over ideal body weight, has a BMI of 40 or more, or has a BMI of 35 or more in combination with a health-related condition such as obstructive sleep apnea or a disease such as type 2 diabetes or heart disease.²

Use the chart on the back side of this card to help you find your BMI.

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HEIGHT											
		5′ 0″	5′ 2″	5′ 4″	5′ 6″	5′ 8″	5′ 10″	6′ 0″	6′ 2″	6' 4"	
	120	24	22	21	19	18	17	16	15	15	
	130	25	24	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	
	140	27	26	24	23	21	20	19	18	17	
	150	29	28	26	24	23	22	20	19	18	
	160	31	29	28	26	24	23	22	21	20	
	170	33	31	29	28	26	24	23	22	21	
	180	35	33	31	29	27	26	24	23	22	
	190	37	35	33	31	29	27	26	24	23	
	200	39	37	34	32	30	29	27	26	24	
	210	41	39	36	34	32	30	29	27	26	
	220	43	40	38	36	34	32	30	28	27	
	230	45	42	40	37	35	33	31	30	28	
	240	47	44	41	39	37	35	33	31	29	
	250	49	46	43	40	38	36	34	32	31	
	260	51	48	45	42	40	37	35	33	32	
ĺ	270	53	50	46	44	41	39	37	35	33	
	280	55	51	48	45	43	40	38	36	34	
	290	57	53	50	47	44	42	39	37	35	
ľ	300	59	55	52	49	46	43	41	39	37	
ŀ	310	61	57	53	50	47	45	42	40	38	
ĺ	320	63	59	55	52	49	46	44	41	39	
	330	65	61	57	53	50	47	45	42	40	
	340	67	62	59	55	52	49	46	44	41	
	350	69	64	60	57	53	50	48	45	43	
	360	71	66	62	58	55	52	49	46	44	
Į.	370	72	68	64	60	56	53	50	48	45	
L	380	74	70	65	62	58	55	52	49	46	Underweight
	390	76	72	67	63	59	56	53	50	48	BMI: < 18.5
ŀ	400	78	73	69	65	61	58	54	51	49	Healthy Weight
ŀ	410	80	75	71	66	63	59	56	53	50	BMI: 18.5 to 24.9
ŀ	420	82	77	72	68	64	60	57	54	51	Overweight
ŀ	430 440	84	79	74	70	66	62	58	55	52	BMI: 25 to 29.9
ŀ		86	81	76	71	67	63	60	57	54	Class I Obesity
ŀ	450 460	88	83 84	77	73 74	69	65	61	58	55	BMI: 30 to 34.9
ŀ	470	90 92	86	79 81	76	70 72	66 68	63 64	59 61	56 57	Class II Obesity
ŀ	480	94	88	83	78	73	69	65	62	59	BMI: 35 to 39.9
ŀ	490	96	90	84	79	75	71	67	63	60	Class III
ľ	500	98	92	86	81	76	72	68	64	61	Severe Obesity BMI: >40
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Based on information from ASMBS, http://asmbs.org/calculate-your_bmi											

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