

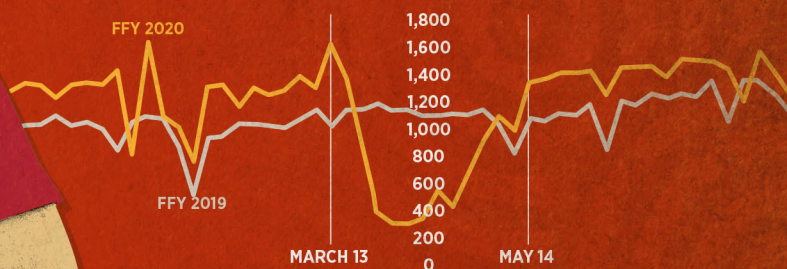
COVID-19 & DELAYED CARE

DIABETES

Diabetes is a significant health challenge in Missouri. Approximately **689,000 Missourians**, or **13.4%** of the adult population, **have diabetes**. An estimated **152,000** of these individuals **have diabetes but don't know it** — greatly increasing their health risk.

Of the **6.1 million Missouri residents**, **1,625,000**, or **35.9%** of the adult population, **have prediabetes**, which is indicated by blood glucose levels higher than normal but not yet high enough to be diagnosed as diabetes. Each year, approximately **38,000 Missourians are diagnosed with diabetes**.

Diabetes and Metabolic Disorder Screening Visits by Week: Missouri Residents, Federal Fiscal Year 2019 vs. 2020



As the state's hospitals reduced services to respond to COVID-19, there were **5,254 fewer** diabetes and metabolic disorder **screening visits between March and May** of 2020 than during the same period in 2019. This year-over-year difference is consequential.

Missourians who missed screenings or care for diabetes in 2020 should contact their health care provider to reschedule their visit as soon as possible. Hospitals and other provider locations are safe venues for these tests.

**PREVENTION AND SCREENING CAN BE LIFESAVING.
STAY ON TRACK.**

