

If Congress fails to pass a budget deal to raise sequestration budget caps every state and every citizen across this nation will be shortchanged. Research and science do not operate on the appropriations calendar. As projects are delayed, new cures and treatments are pushed further into the future, out of reach for millions of Americans currently suffering from deadly and debilitating conditions.

We need a budget deal to #RaiseTheCaps because...

- 31,000** [Alabamians](#) are diagnosed with [diabetes](#) every year.
- 6%** of [Alaskans](#) were living with [COPD](#) in 2016.
- 14,036** [Arizonans](#) are living with [AIDS](#).
- 34.5%** of [Arkansan](#) adults are living with [obesity](#).
- 1,689,000** [Californians](#) were living with a [substance use disorder](#) in 2015.
- 19.5 in 100,000** [Coloradans](#) committed [suicide](#) in 2015.
- 16.6%** of [Connecticuter](#) adults have [asthma](#).
- 133** [Delawareans](#) died from an [opioid overdose](#) in 2015.
- 510,000** [Floridians](#) 65 and older were living with [Alzheimer's disease](#) in 2016.
- 43,000** [Georgians](#) are diagnosed with [cancer](#) annually.
- 218,000** [Hawaiian](#) adults are living with [arthritis](#).
- 1 in 10** [Idahoans](#) are living with a [rare disease](#).
- 1,342,070** [Illinoisans](#) are living with [diabetes](#).
- 5.3%** of [Hoosiers](#) have had a [heart attack](#).
- 11.6 in 100,000** [Iowans](#) die from [Parkinson's disease](#) annually.
- 5.66%** of [Kansans](#) 65 and older are living with [osteoporosis](#).
- 6%** of [Kentuckian](#) adults were living with [heart disease](#) in 2016.
- 15.3 in 100,000** [Louisianans](#) committed [suicide](#) in 2015.
- 38.2%** of [Mainer](#) adults are living with high cholesterol, putting them at risk for [heart disease](#).
- 40,100** [Maylanders](#) are living with [AIDS](#).
- 25.7 in 100,000** [Bay Staters](#) die from a [drug overdose](#) annually.
- 180,000** [Michiganians](#) 65 and older were living with [Alzheimer's disease](#) in 2016.
- 338** [Minnesotans](#) died from an [opioid overdose](#) in 2015.
- 122,607** [Mississippians](#) were living with [cancer](#) in 2016.
- 7.9%** of [Missourians](#) were living with [COPD](#) in 2016.

27,000 Montanans 65 and older are projected to be diagnosed with [Alzheimer's disease](#) in 2025.

9,540 Nebraskans were diagnosed with [cancer](#) in 2015.

419 Nevadans died from an [opioid overdose](#) in 2015.

16.6 in 100,000 New Hampshireites committed [suicide](#) in 2015.

37.1% of [New Jerseyans](#) adults are at risk for developing [diabetes](#).

14.6% of [New Mexican](#) adults have [asthma](#).

6.9% of [New Yorkers](#) 65 and older are living with [osteoporosis](#).

380,000 North Carolinians were living with a [substance use disorder](#) in 2015.

3,520 North Dakotans are diagnosed with [cancer](#) annually.

30% of [Ohioans](#) adults are living with [arthritis](#).

67,000 Oklahomans 65 and older are projected to be diagnosed with [Alzheimer's disease](#) in 2025.

1 in 10 Oregonians are living with a [rare disease](#).

1,362 Pennsylvanians died from an [opioid overdose](#) in 2015.

11.5% of [Rhode Islander](#) adults are living with [diabetes](#).

1,110,000 South Carolinian adults are living with [arthritis](#).

1,630 South Dakotans died of [cancer](#) in 2015.

5.6% of [Tennessean](#) adults were living with [heart disease](#) in 2016.

6.62% of [Texans](#) 65 and older are living with [osteoporosis](#).

22.4 in 100,000 Utahans committed [suicide](#) in 2015.

6.9% of [Vermonters](#) 17 and younger are living with a [food allergy](#).

244,000 Virginians were living with a [substance use disorder](#) in 2015.

15.8% of [Washingtonian](#) adults have [asthma](#).

7.8% of [West Virginian](#) adults were living with [heart disease](#) in 2016.

10 in 100,000 Wisconsinites die from [Parkinson's disease](#) annually.

6.6% of [Wyomingites](#) were living with [COPD](#) in 2016.

We need a budget deal to #RaiseTheCaps to not only ensure a healthy and efficient economy, but more importantly, for the constituents who look to both Congress and scientists for hope.