Disease Risk* Relative to Normal Weight and Waist Circumference

| | BMI | Men 40-inches (102 cm) or less Women 35-inches (88 cm) or less | Men > 40-inches (102 cm) Women >35-inches (88 cm) |
|------------------|-------------|---|--|
| Normal Weight | 18.5 -24.9 | + | + |
| Overweight | 25.0 - 29.9 | Increased | High |
| Class I Obesity | 30.0 - 34.9 | High | Very High |
| Class II Obesity | 35.0 - 39.9 | Very High | Very High |

*Disease risk for type 2 diabetes, hypertension and cardiovascular disease

+ increased waist circumference can also be a marker for increased risk even in persons of normal weight

Source: National Heart, Lung & Blood Institute, Classification and Risks of Overweight and Obesity