

## **Concern & Awareness**

ALZHEIMER'S PL ASSOCIATION

# Vision: A world without Alzheimer's and all other dementia<sup>®</sup>.

## Mission:

The Alzheimer's Association leads the way to **end Alzheimer's** and all other dementia — by accelerating global research, driving risk reduction and early detection, and maximizing quality care and support.

## 2025 ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE FACTS AND FIGURES





7 MILLION

Americans are living with Alzheimer's

Between 2000 and 2022 deaths from heart disease have decreased

2.1%



while deaths from Alzheimer's have increased 142%

UP TO **4** IN **5** 

Americans feel optimistic about new Alzheimer's treatments in the next decade



91%

of Americans would want a medication to slow the progression of Alzheimer's following a dianosis

1 IN 3

older adults dies with Alzheimer's or another dementia



In 2025, Alzheimer's and other dementias will cost the nation \$384 BILLION



By 2050, these costs could rise to nearly \$1 TRILLION The lifetime risk for Alzheimer's at age 45 is



for

women

10
for men



NEARLY 12 MILLION

Americans provide unpaid care for people with Alzheimer's or other dementias These caregivers provided more than 19 billion hours valued at nearly

\$413 BILLION



IT KILLS MORE THAN

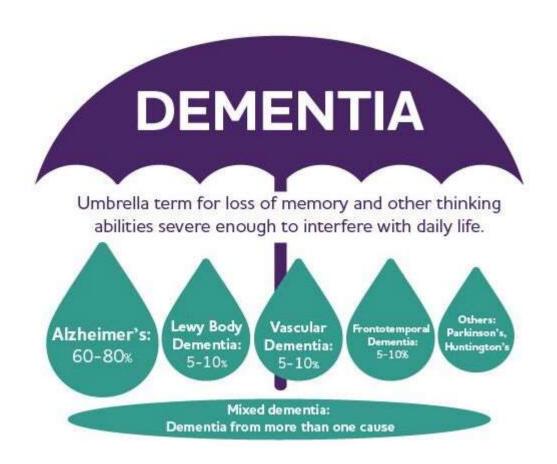
breast cancer



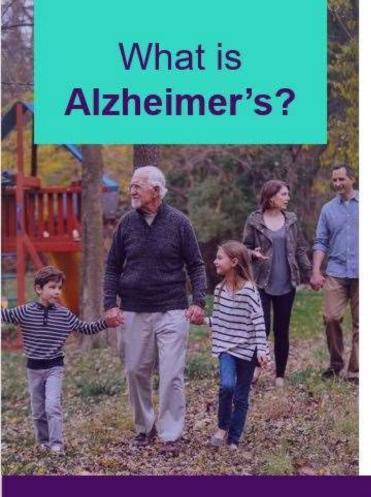
prostate cancer

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Alzheimer's is a brain disease that causes problems with **memory**, **thinking and behavior**. Symptoms eventually grow severe enough to interfere with daily tasks.



Alzheimer's is a progressive disease, where symptoms gradually worsen over a number of years.



In the early stages, memory loss is mild. But as the disease progresses, individuals will need around-the-clock care. The disease is ultimately fatal.

## 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's



## Memory loss that disrupts daily life

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Challenges in planning or solving problems



Difficulty completing

familiar tasks



Confusion with time or place

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Trouble understanding visual images and spatial relationships 6

New problems with words in speaking or writing

7

Misplacing things and losing the ability to retrace steps 8

Decreased or poor judgement

9

Withdrawal from work or social activities

10

Changes in mood or personality





## Populations at Higher Risk

Black Americans are about twice as likely as White Americans to have Alzheimer's or another dementia.

Hispanic Americans are one and a half times as likely to have the disease as White Americans.

Almost two-thirds of Americans living with Alzheimer's are women.

## Impact of Alzheimer's on Caregivers



In 2023, over **11 million Americans** provided unpaid care for people with Alzheimer's or other dementias.



Caregivers provided more than 18 billion hours of unpaid care valued at nearly **\$347 billion**.



Caring for someone living with Alzheimer's can take a **physical, emotional, social and financial toll** on family caregivers.



Of the total lifetime cost of caring for someone with dementia, **70% is borne by family caregivers** — either through out-of-pocket expenses or from unpaid caregiving.



59% of family caregivers rated the **emotional stress** of caregiving as high or very high.



Just **4-10 Americans** say they would see a doctor right away if they experienced dementia symptoms.

The majority — **60%** — would wait or not see a doctor at all.

### **ALZHEIMER'S IMPACT ON FAMILIES**

Alzheimer's is taking a physical, emotional, social and financial toll on people worldwide. Alzheimer's is not an elderly person's issue – **it's a family issue**.



**APPROXIMATELY** 25%

of caregivers are in the "sandwich generation", caring for an aging parent and children under the age



18.5 BILLION HOURS
of unpaid caregiving is

of unpaid caregiving is valued at over \$244 billion in 2019



## FINANCIALLY DEVASTATING

Alzheimer's is the most expensive disease in the U.S. By 2050, it could cost the nation as much as \$1.1 trillion

### **ALZHEIMER'S IN THE WORKPLACE**

## GROWTH GROWTH

1 in 6 employees provide some level of care for a family member or friend; and the number of employee - caregivers is expected to grow exponentially over the coming decade

Employees may be juggling work and caregiving responsibilities leading to **Absenteeism** 





of employed caregivers had to go in late, call in sick or take time off due to caregiving duties



Nearly 1/4 of caregivers are in the "Sandwich generation" caring for an aging parent and a child under the age of 18



Employee caregivers often neglect their own care leading to Increased health care costs resulting in losses to U.S. employers of up to \$34 Billion annually

## DISCRIMINATION

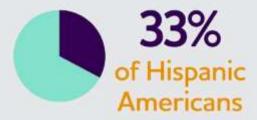
is a barrier to Alzheimer's and dementia care.

These populations reported discrimination when seeking health care:











## **How We Can Help**



#### 24/7 Helpline

Our 24/7 Helpline (800.272.3900) is available around the clock. Through this free service, specialists and master's-level clinicians offer confidential support and information to people living with dementia, caregivers, families and the public.



#### **Free Education**

Find dementia and aging-related resources that connect individuals facing dementia with local programs and services at alz.org.



#### **Alzheimer's Association & AARP Community Resource Finder**

Get easy access to resources, community programs and services in your local community at **communityresourcefinder.org**.

## How You Can Help



#### As an Individual

- Share your personal story as an advocate.
- Help your neighbors by providing education or a support group.
- Get involved in clinical trials or a research study.
- Sign up for one of our fundraising programs.



#### As an Organization / Group / Business

- Start a team for Walk to End Alzheimer's or another of our fundraising programs.
- Host an educational program or community listening session.
- Share resources with your business associates, neighbors and friends.



#### For You and Your Community

- Share our 24/7 Helpline at 800.272.3900
- Get more information and resources at <u>www.alz.org</u>
- Find education, support, and caregiving resources at communityresourcefinder.org



Held annually in more than 600 communities nationwide, the Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's is the world's largest fundraiser for Alzheimer's care, support and research. alz.org/walk





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