



THE ALZHEIMER'S CRISIS

Alzheimer's disease, the most common form of dementia, is the 6th leading cause of death and the only leading cause without prevention or cure. Given the disease's progressive nature and that a person living with Alzheimer's is unable to effectively advocate for themselves, care needs become extremely expensive.

The escalating cost of care, having already surpassed \$818 billion annually, threatens healthcare systems and in turn, people living with all other diseases who depend on healthcare systems.

As scientists race for cures while baby boomers are joining the ranks of the elderly, it is critical that we:

1. Increase funding and education to support care partners;
2. Provide effective programming to help individuals and their families and care partners; and
3. Continue to fund research to help future generations.

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In America,

1 in 3

older adults die from Alzheimer's or some form of dementia. It kills more than breast cancer and prostate cancer combined.

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and is expected to reach **\$1 Trillion** this year.



47 million

people in the world are living with Alzheimer's and that number is expected to nearly double every 20 years.

46.8
2015

74.7
2030

131.5
2050

In America, between 2000 and 2015, deaths from heart disease increased 11% while deaths from Alzheimer's disease increased

123%

This map shows the estimated number of people living with dementia in each world region in 2015.



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For purposes of this document, Alzheimer's is defined as Alzheimer's and related dementias.



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