

THE FACTS: ALZHEIMER'S & DEMENTIA

WHAT IS DEMENTIA?

Dementia is a general term for a decline in mental ability severe enough to interfere with daily life.



More than **6 million** Americans now have Alzheimer's disease. By 2050, nearly **14 million** Americans over age 65 could be living with the disease.



People age 65 and older survive an average of 4 to 8 years after a diagnosis of Alzheimer's dementia, yet some live as long as 20 years with Alzheimer's. This reflects the slow, uncertain progression of the disease.



Alzheimer's is the only leading cause of death on the rise.

1 in 3 seniors

dies with Alzheimer's or another dementia. It kills more than breast cancer and prostate cancer combined.

Alzheimer's disease is the seventh-leading cause of death across all ages in the United States. For those 65 and older, it is the fifth-leading cause of death.



In 2022, Alzheimer's and other dementias will cost the nation \$321 Billion. By 2050, these costs could rise to nearly \$1 trillion.



From 2000 – 2019, deaths from heart disease have decreased 7.3% while deaths from Alzheimer's have increased 145%.

54%

of the American population has been touched by Alzheimer's disease in some way.



Every 65 seconds someone in the U.S. develops Alzheimer's disease.



Alzheimer's is the most expensive disease in the nation and there is currently no medical therapy to prevent, cure or slow its progression.

over 11 million Americans provide unpaid care for people with Alzheimer's or dementias. These caregivers provided more than 16 billion hours valued at nearly **\$272 Billion**



Only 16% of seniors receive regular cognitive assessments during routine health check-ups.



If a loved one requires full time memory care, the price is staggering and Medicare does not cover this cost in most cases.



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The Aging Mind Foundation was founded in 2013 to raise money to fund scientific research that seeks the cause of Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. At the heart of our organization, we are passionate about research that makes a substantial impact and moves the needle toward finding the cause and ultimately a cure.

Since inception, AMF has raised over \$2.5 million funding four postdoctoral fellowships and six medical research projects. It is the goal of the Aging Mind Foundation to be good stewards of your generous donations. To achieve this goal, we strive to limit our fundraising costs to 20% or less, which goes above and beyond the gold standard as determined by Charity Navigator.