

Dementia in Canada

Including Alzheimer's disease



Dementia is the loss of mental function affecting daily activities, caused by brain diseases and brain injuries. Alzheimer's disease is the most common cause of dementia.

Symptoms can include



MEMORY LOSS



JUDGEMENT and REASONING PROBLEMS



changes in **BEHAVIOUR, MOOD, and COMMUNICATION ABILITIES**

WITH A GROWING AND AGING POPULATION, WE WILL SEE **MORE CANADIANS LIVING WITH DEMENTIA**, INCLUDING ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE.



According to national data (2013–2014), of people 65+:

Over **402,000 seniors** live with diagnosed dementia



TWO THIRDS ARE WOMEN

The percentage of seniors living with dementia increased by **21% in 10 YEARS**



9 seniors are diagnosed with dementia **EVERY HOUR**

After the age of 65, the risk of being diagnosed with dementia **DOUBLES EVERY 5 YEARS**



Seniors with diagnosed dementia are **4 times MORE LIKELY TO DIE** than other seniors



DEMENTIA IS NOT A NORMAL PART OF AGING.

Causes are currently not all known. If you or your loved ones are worried about dementia, talk to your physician.



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