

# 2021 CALIFORNIA ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE FACTS AND FIGURES

CALIFORNIANS 65+ LIVING WITH  
ALZHEIMER'S PROJECTED TO  
**DOUBLE BY 2040**

**600K → 1.5M**

IN 2019

IN 2040

## LIFETIME RISK



**1 IN 5**

Californians aged 65+ will  
develop dementia

BETWEEN 2000 AND 2018  
ALZHEIMER'S SHOWED THE  
**LARGEST INCREASE**  
OF ANY OF THE LEADING  
CAUSES OF DEATH

Deaths attributed  
to Alzheimer's  
increased

**4x**

BETWEEN 2000 AND 2018  
ALZHEIMER'S DEATHS INCREASED

**746%**

Asian American and  
Pacific Islander (AAPI)

**600%**

Hispanic

**321%**

Black

**214%**

White

**16%**

Projected population growth

**127%**

Projected growth of Alzheimer's

**1.6M**

Californians provided unpaid  
care for a person living with  
Alzheimer's in 2020.



**1,849**  
MILLION HOURS

of care  
valued at

**\$24B**



**60%**

of unpaid  
caregivers are  
female

Female  
caregivers  
provide

**20+**

HOURS/WEEK  
of care

**COST TO CALIFORNIA EMPLOYERS**

**\$8.3B**

in lost  
productivity

Cost to replace  
caregivers who  
leave

**\$5.3B**

**DIVERSE COMMUNITIES  
WILL SHOULDER THE  
INCREASE IN PREVALENCE**

**HISPANIC AND BLACK  
COMMUNITIES  
APPROXIMATELY**

**3x**  
BY 2040

**AAPI AND LGBTQ  
COMMUNITIES  
APPROXIMATELY**

**2x**  
BY 2040

**LGBTQ CALIFORNIANS**



**LESS LIKELY**  
to access medical  
and social services  
in the later stages  
of the disease

**MORE LIKELY**  
to become caregivers

