

# ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

## Northeast Region Facts and Figures

140,000

The number of Tennesseans aged 65 and older to be affected by Alzheimer's disease by 2025.

### Dementia



Is an umbrella term for loss of memory and other thinking abilities severe enough to interfere with daily life.

### Alzheimer's Disease

Is a type of dementia and accounts for 60-80% of all cases.

7th



Leading cause of death for all Tennesseans.

8th

Leading cause of death in the Northeast Region.

(Heart disease is the leading cause of death statewide and county level.)

### Women



Living with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias (ADRD) in the Northeast Region have a higher mortality rate than men.

(Adults 65+; women 228.3 per 100k vs men 148.7 per 100k)

### Women

Living with ADRD in the Northeast Region had higher average hospice days than men.

(Adults 65+; women 72.1 days vs men 59.9 days)

## caregiver /'ker.givər/

Provides help to a person to achieve tasks and functions necessary for daily life; those caring for **family members of origin** (mom, dad, brother, sister, grandparent, etc) as well as their **chosen family** (congregation member, neighbor, close friend)

\*Northeast Region is a rural region that includes the following counties: Carter, Greene, Hancock, Hawkins, Johnson, Unicoi, and Washington.

# \$7.7 Billion

Cost of care provided by 367k unpaid caregivers provided totaling 4.96 million hours.

# 29.8%



Caregivers reported having depression.

# 66.7%



Caregivers reported at least one chronic condition.

(Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) identifies chronic conditions as heart disease, stroke, arthritis, diabetes, asthma, and cardiovascular disease.)

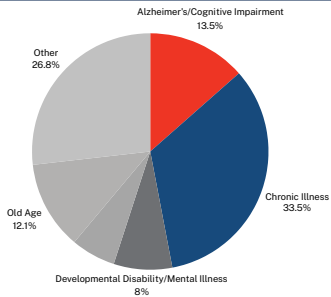
# 40.0%

Of all ADRD could be prevented or delayed by addressing potentially modifiable risk factors\*.

\*Traumatic brain injury, depression, diabetes, hypertension, obesity, smoking, hearing loss, air pollution, education level, alcohol consumption, physical inactivity, and social contact.

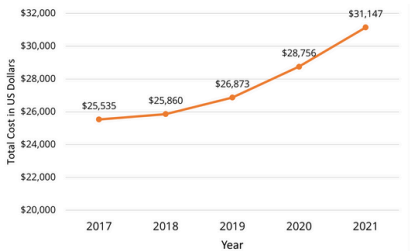
# 13.5%

Of caregivers provided support to individuals living with an Alzheimer's disease diagnosis.



# 22.0%

Increase in total statewide Medicare costs for patients, per capita, living with ADRD from 2017 - 2021.



## In 2021, among Medicare recipients in the Northeast Region:

# 25.3%



Individuals who visited an emergency department (ED) had a diagnosis of ADRD.

# 1,520 Visits

Individuals with ADRD experience a higher rate of ED visits, with 1,520 visits per 1,000 person years.

# 36.5%

Of all home health claims were from ADRD patients.

# 57.2%



Of hospice stays involved patients with ADRD.