

# Facing the Challenge of Dementia in Canada

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Canadians living with Alzheimer and other dementias

2011

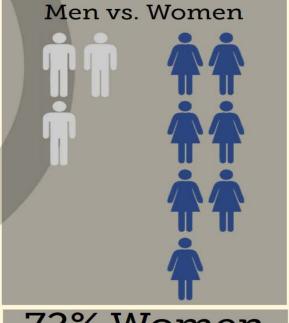
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× 25 000 = **747 000** 

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x 25 000= 1.4 Million



72% Women

### \$214 Million

CIHR funding in dementia research over the last 10 years

Economic cost of dementia

2011

\$33 Billion

2040

### Canada: 13 Health Systems 10 Provinces & 3 Territories



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# NATIONAL DEMENTIA RESEARCH AND PREVENTION PLAN











Canada.ca/Dementia

## STATEMENT Alzheimer Society of Canada

Alzheimer's disease, which continues to affect more and more Canadians, is a major public health concern and one of the biggest challenges facing medical research today.

### STATEMENT Women's Brain Health Initiative

Women represent 62% of dementia cases and 70% of new Alzheimer's cases, putting them at the epicenter of a growing health issue.



#### RESEARCH

#### A Collaborative Approach

The Government of Canada believes that strong partnerships will accelerate efforts to help improve health and quality of life for those suffering.

#### **PREVENTION**

Reducing risks and promoting well-being through healthy living



#### **NEUROLOGICAL CONDITIONS**

Canada's support for research and prevention on dementia also extends more broadly to neurological conditions as a whole.

#### SUPPORT FOR CAREGIVERS

Our government will work with employers through the Canadian Employers for Caregivers Plan to help identify cost-effective solutions to support employed caregivers, helping them achieve a better balance of work and caring responsibilities.

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- CCNA Canadian Consortium on Neurodegenetion in Aging
- CLSA Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging
- Work and Health Initiative
- eHealth Initiative
- Global Partnering
  - European Union JPND (COEN) & JPI-MYBL
  - USA ADNI2
  - Asia NSFC
  - Global Action Against Dementia & World Dementia Council



#### **PREVENTION**

#### **SUPPORT FOR CAREGIVERS**

Enabling active participation in the labour force and the community

Combatting elder abuse

Labour market participation of older workers

Helping seniors to age in place

Supporting Canadians who are balancing caregiving and working



900 communities becoming age-friendly



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