

DEMENTIA IN AUSTRALIA

Prevalence estimates 2020-2058

Dementia Australia is the national peak body and charity for people of all ages, living with all forms of dementia their families and carers. It provides advocacy, support services, education and information.

Dementia is the term used to describe a collection of symptoms that are caused by disorders affecting the brain. Dementia is not one specific disease, it is an umbrella term for a large group of illnesses which cause a progressive decline in a person's mental functioning.

Most people with dementia are over 65 years, but it is important to remember that not all older people get dementia. It is not a normal part of ageing.

There is an estimated 459,000 people living with all forms of dementia. Without a major medical breakthrough this figure is projected to increase to 1,076,000 people by 2058.

This document presents the breakdown of Dementia Australia's national prevalence data by state and territory.

ACT

In 2020, there is an estimated 6,130 people living with dementia in the ACT.

Without a medical breakthrough, the number of people living with dementia is expected to increase to an estimated 8,450 people by 2028 and 18,900 people by 2058.

New South Wales

In 2020, there is an estimated 153,000 people living with dementia in New South Wales.

Without a medical breakthrough, the number of people living with dementia is expected to increase to an estimated 193,000 people by 2028 and 345,000 people by 2058.

Northern Territory

In 2020, there is an estimated 1,870 people living with dementia in the Northern Territory.

Without a medical breakthrough, the number of people living with dementia is expected to increase to an estimated 2,940 people by 2028 and 6,460 people by 2058.

Queensland

In 2020, there is an estimated 87,700 people living with dementia in Queensland.

Without a medical breakthrough, the number of people living with dementia is expected to increase to an estimated 116,000 people by 2028 and 207,000 people by 2058.

South Australia

In 2020, there is an estimated 38,400 people living with dementia in South Australia.

Without a medical breakthrough, the number of people living with dementia is expected to increase to an estimated 47,300 people in 2028 and 73,000 people in 2058.

Tasmania

In 2020, there is an estimated 11,500 people living with dementia in Tasmania.

Without a medical breakthrough, the number of people living with dementia is expected to increase to an estimated 14,200 people by 2028 and 16,00 people by 2058.

Victoria

In 2020, there is an estimated 118,000 people living with dementia in Victoria.

Without a medical breakthrough, the number of people living with dementia is expected to increase to an estimated 151,000 people by 2028 and 301,000 people by 2058.

Western Australia

In 2020, there is an estimated 42,900 people living with dementia in Western Australia.

Without a medical breakthrough, the number of people living with dementia is expected to increase to an estimated 56,900 people by 2028 and 108,000 people by 2058.

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