



## Alzheimer's is not just memory loss. Alzheimer's kills.

- One in three seniors dies with Alzheimer's or another dementia. It kills more than breast cancer and prostate cancer combined.
- Although deaths from other major health causes have decreased significantly, official records indicate that deaths from Alzheimer's disease have increased significantly. Between 2000 and 2019, the number of deaths from Alzheimer's disease as recorded on death certificates has more than doubled, increasing 145.2%, while the number of deaths from the number one cause of death (heart disease) decreased 7.3%.
- Among people age 70, 61% of those with Alzheimer's dementia are expected to die before the age of 80 compared with 30% of people without Alzheimer's — a rate twice as high.
- People age 65 and older survive an average of four to eight years after a diagnosis of Alzheimer's dementia, yet some live as long as 20 years with Alzheimer's. This reflects the slow, uncertain progression of the disease.