

The Rising Tide of Dementia in Manitoba

Today almost 19,000 Manitobans over the age of 65 years have Alzheimer's disease or another form of dementia.

- Approximately 4,100 people develop a form of dementia annually.

If nothing changes:

By 2038, the number of Manitobans over the age of 65 years with Alzheimer's disease or another form of dementia is projected to grow to over 34,000.

- By 2038, approximately 9,350 people will develop a form of dementia annually.

The number of Manitobans with dementia who will be cared for in the community by family and friends is expected to rise from 8,500 today to 21,500 in 2038.

The number of hours of care that family members and friends provide to Manitobans with dementia is expected to rise from approximately 9 million hours today to approximately 22 million hours in 2038.

Why Canada must Act:

The Economic Burden of Dementia in Canada is predicted to rise by 10 times – from approximately \$15 billion (2008 dollars) today to \$153 billion (future dollars) in 2038.

A significant investment into dementia research is needed to find the cause, more effective treatments and a cure. Research is the key to changing the course of Alzheimer's disease and other dementias for Canadians.

You Can Act Now:

- Learn about prevention and caring for your brain health, and the importance of early diagnosis.
- Ask your federal and provincial elected representatives to plan for the increasing needs of people with dementia and their family caregivers.
- Make a difference by giving to support dementia research.