

Facts About Brain Disorders and Disabilities

"Neurological disorders strike an estimated 50 million Americans each year, exacting an incalculable personal toll and an annual economic cost of hundreds of billions of dollars in medical expenses and lost productivity."

– *The National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)*

"An estimated 26.2 percent of Americans over the age of 18 have a diagnosable neuropsychiatric disorder in a given year."

– *Archives of General Psychiatry, 2005 Jun;62(6):617-27*

"Alzheimer's disease occurs in more than 4 million Americans, and the number of people with AD has more than doubled since 1980."

– *Archives of Neurology, 2003 Aug;60(8):1119-22.*

"Major depressive disorder is the leading cause of disability for Americans in the age range of 15 to 44."

– *Geneva: WHO, 2004.*

"At least 1 million people in the U.S. are estimated to have Parkinson's disease."

– *Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research*

"More than 2.7 million people in the U.S. of all ages are living with epilepsy, and each year 181,000 Americans will develop seizures and epilepsy for the first time."

– *Epilepsy Foundation of America*

"In a given year, about 1.1 percent of the American population, or 2.4 million adults, over the age of 18 are estimated to have schizophrenia."

– *Archives of General Psychiatry. 1993 Feb;50(2):85-94.*

"Autism spectrum disorders are estimated to occur in more than 3 of every 1,000 children aged 3–10 years."

– *The Journal of the American Medical Association, 2003 Jan 1;289(1):49-55.*

"At least 5.3 million Americans have a long-term or lifelong need for help to perform activities of daily living as a result of a traumatic brain injury."

– *Center for Disease Control and Prevention*

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