PREVALENCE (Number of Cases)

VA PATIENTS With Alzheimer’s Dementia

- The estimated number (prevalence) of VA PATIENTS with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2019 is 170,920. The estimate ranges from a low of 66,156 to a high of 276,913 patients, based on the lower and upper bounds of the 95% confidence interval of prevalence rates reported in the research on which the projections were based.

- The projected number (prevalence) of VA PATIENTS with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2033 is 217,393. The projection ranges from a low of 86,295 to a high of 349,547 patients, based on the lower and upper bounds of the 95% confidence interval of prevalence rates reported in the research on which the projections were based.

- The projected number (prevalence) of VA PATIENTS with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2033 (217,393) is a 27 percent increase (46,473 patients) from the estimated number in FY2019 (170,920).

- These numbers are based on national prevalence rates for Alzheimer’s dementia, applied to the VA patient population estimates.

VA ENROLLEES With Alzheimer’s Dementia

- The estimated number (prevalence) of VA ENROLLEES with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2019 is 254,964. The estimate ranges from a low of 98,551 to a high of 413,142 enrollees, based on the lower and upper bounds of the 95% confidence interval of prevalence rates reported in the research on which the projections were based.

- The projected number (prevalence) of VA ENROLLEES with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2033 is 319,869. The projection ranges from a low of 126,781 to a high of 514,474 enrollees, based on the lower and upper bounds of the 95% confidence interval of prevalence rates reported in the research on which the projections were based.

- The projected number (prevalence) of VA ENROLLEES with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2033 (319,869) is a 25 percent increase (64,905 enrollees) from the estimated number in FY2019 (254,964).

- These numbers are based on national prevalence rates for Alzheimer’s dementia, applied to the VA enrollee population estimates.
U.S. VETERANS With Alzheimer’s Dementia

• The estimated number (prevalence) of U.S. VETERANS with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2019 is 471,739. The estimate ranges from a low of 184,344 to a high of 762,417 Veterans, based on the lower and upper bounds of the 95% confidence interval of prevalence rates reported in the research on which the projections were based.

• The projected number (prevalence) of U.S. VETERANS with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2033 is 488,353. The projection ranges from a low of 193,946 to a high of 785,119 Veterans, based on the lower and upper bounds of the 95% confidence interval of prevalence rates reported in the research on which the projections were based.

• The projected number (prevalence) of U.S. VETERANS with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2033 (488,353) is a 3.5 percent increase (16,614 Veterans) from the estimated number in FY2019 (471,739).

• These numbers are based on national incidence rates for Alzheimer’s dementia, applied to the U.S. Veteran population estimates.

INCIDENCE (NUMBER OF NEW CASES)

VA PATIENTS With Alzheimer’s Dementia

• The estimated number of new cases (incidence) of VA PATIENTS with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2019 is 44,643. The estimate ranges from a low of 22,705 to a high of 66,714 patients, based on the lower and upper bounds of the 95% confidence interval of incidence rates reported in the research on which the projections were based.

• The projected number of new cases (incidence) of VA PATIENTS with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2033 is 50,353. The projection ranges from a low of 26,582 to a high of 74,207 patients, based on the lower and upper bounds of the 95% confidence interval of incidence rates reported in the research on which the projections were based.

• The projected number of new cases (incidence) of VA PATIENTS with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2033 (50,353) is a 13 percent increase (5,710 new patients) from the estimated number in FY2019 (44,643).

• These numbers are based on national incidence rates for Alzheimer’s dementia, applied to the VA patient population estimates.
VA ENROLLEES With Alzheimer’s Dementia

- The estimated number of new cases (incidence) of VA ENROLLEES with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2019 is 65,386. The estimate ranges from a low of 33,326 to a high of 97,637 enrollees, based on the lower and upper bounds of the 95% confidence interval of incidence rates reported in the research on which the projections were based.

- The projected number of new cases (incidence) of VA ENROLLEES with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2033 is 73,518. The projection ranges from a low of 38,845 to a high of 108,312 enrollees, based on the lower and upper bounds of the 95% confidence interval of incidence rates reported in the research on which the projections were based.

- The projected number of new cases (incidence) of VA ENROLLEES with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2033 (73,518) is a 12 percent increase (8,132 enrollees) from the estimated number in FY2019 (65,386).

- These numbers are based on national incidence rates for Alzheimer’s dementia, applied to the VA enrollee population estimates.

U.S. VETERANS With Alzheimer’s Dementia

- The estimated number of new cases (incidence) of U.S. VETERANS with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2019 is 130,342. The estimate ranges from a low of 66,302 to a high of 194,680 Veterans, based on the lower and upper bounds of the 95% confidence interval of incidence rates reported in the research on which the projections were based.

- The projected number of new cases (incidence) of U.S. VETERANS with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2033 is 114,551. The projection ranges from a low of 60,539 to a high of 168,755 Veterans, based on the lower and upper bounds of the 95% confidence interval of incidence rates reported in the research on which the projections were based.

- The projected number of new cases (incidence) of VETERANS with Alzheimer’s dementia in FY2033 (114,551) is a 12 percent decrease (-15,791 Veterans) from the estimated number in FY2019 (130,342).

- These numbers are based on national incidence rates for Alzheimer’s dementia, applied to the Veteran population estimates.

SOURCE:
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