

CHRONIC ILLNESS FACTS

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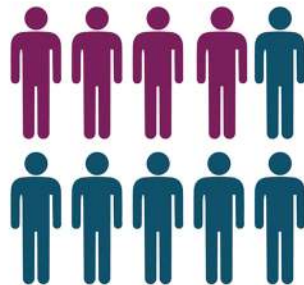
Approximately 155 million adults (60%) are affected by chronic illness in the US.

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DID YOU KNOW?

- Ⓞ Chronic illness affects **more than half** of people - **60%** - approximately **155 million** people.
 - **42%** have two or more chronic conditions
- Ⓞ Invisible illness characterizes approximately **96%** of those with chronic illness.
 - **25%** have illness which limits activity
- Ⓞ 2030 projections estimate **171 million** people will have a chronic condition, which will **exceed 60%** of the population.
- Ⓞ **Multiple Chronic Conditions (MCC)** – Almost 1/3 of the population lives with more than one chronic condition.
 - **29%** have three or more
 - **19%** four or more
 - **12%** have five or more
- Ⓞ The healthcare needs of people with MCC are often complex. **71% of all health care spending** in the US goes towards treating people with MCC.
 - Although MCC affects a large percentage of working-aged Americans - **49% of those aged 45-64**, prevalence increases with age – **80% of people 65 and older live with MCC.**
- Ⓞ Chronic Illness affects **42% of children** in the US.
 - Approximately **32 million** children (aged 0-17 years)
 - **29%** have two or more chronic conditions.
 - About **25%** of U.S. children aged 2 to 8 years have a chronic health condition.
- Ⓞ Approximately **33% of people** with chronic illness experience symptoms of depression.

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