ALZHEIMER’S IS THE MOST EXPENSIVE DISEASE IN AMERICA

Today, Alzheimer’s costs the country $259 billion a year.

Sources:
In 2016, for every $100 spent on funding Alzheimer’s research, $16,000 is spent by Medicare and Medicaid caring for those with the disease.

100: 16,000

Sources:
National Institutes of Health (http://report.nih.gov/categorical_spending.aspx)
"ALZHEIMER'S STAGGERING $259B COST COULD BREAK MEDICARE" - FORBES 3/7/17

Medicare spending on people with Alzheimer’s as a percentage of total Medicare spending

2017 19%
2050 38%

ALZHEIMER’S CREATES ENORMOUS STRAIN ON STATE AND FEDERAL BUDGETS

Average annual Medicaid spending for a senior with Alzheimer’s disease is 23 times greater than the average across all other seniors

Senior without Alzheimer’s: $349
Senior with Alzheimer’s: $8,182

Source: Alzheimer’s Association, 2017 Facts and Figures, Alzheimer’s and Dementia, Vol 13, Issue 4