



cognitive decline in iowa

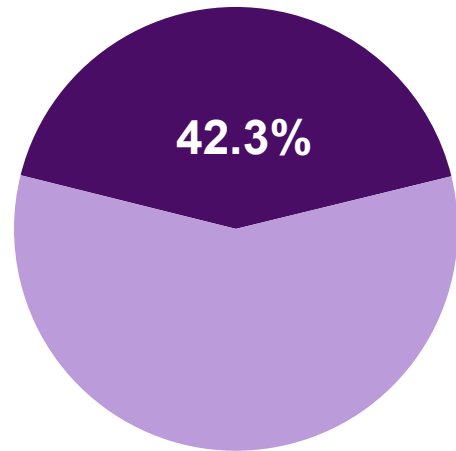
DATA FROM THE 2022 BEHAVIORAL RISK FACTOR SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM

In Iowa, 11% of those aged 45 and older report they are experiencing confusion or memory loss that is happening more often or is getting worse (“subjective cognitive decline”).

More than 40% of them have not talked to a health care professional about it.

For those with worsening memory problems, 39% say it has created “functional difficulties” — that is, caused them to give up day-to-day activities and/or interfered with work or social activities.

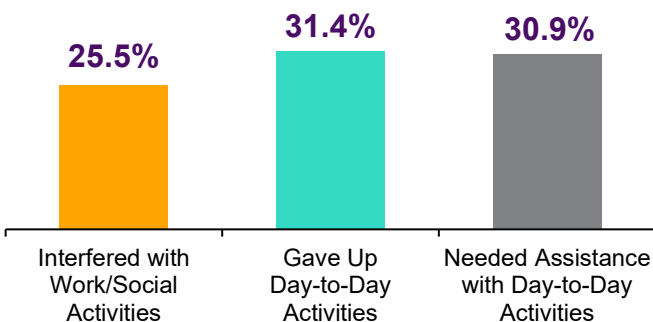
Percent with memory problems who have not talked to a health care provider



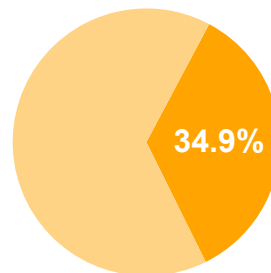
Percent of those Aged 45+ with Subjective Cognitive Decline

All	Gender		Age					Educational Attainment			
	Men	Women	45-59	60-64	65-74	75-79	80+	< High School	High School	Some College	College Grad
11.0%	9.0%	12.8%	11.5%	10.1%	8.7%	10.8%	16.7%	21.5%	11.5%	11.4%	7.5%

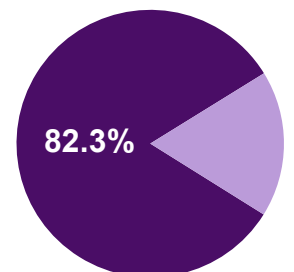
Percent with memory problems who say it created difficulties and burden



Percent with memory problems who live alone



Percent with memory problems who have at least one other chronic condition*



*Defined as arthritis, asthma, COPD, cancer, cardiovascular disease, and diabetes

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