In New Mexico, more than half of all adults providing unpaid care to loved ones with Alzheimer’s or another dementia have been doing so for at least two years.

More than 40 percent of Alzheimer’s and dementia caregivers provide 20 or more hours of care per week.

Almost one-third of dementia caregivers are in the “sandwich generation”—caring for both someone with dementia and a child or grandchild.

**Characteristics of Alzheimer’s and Other Dementias Caregivers**

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**Impact of Alzheimer’s and dementia caregiving**

- Frequent Poor Mental Health: 10.2%
- History of Depression: 34.2%
- Percent who manage personal care, such as feeding or bathing: 78.9%
- Percent who manage household care, such as cleaning or cooking: 92.8%

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