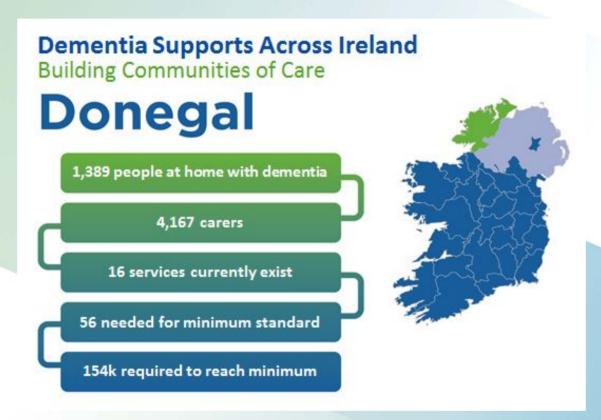


Dementia and Your Area

At ASI we mapped in conjunction with the HSE dementia-specific community services in Irelandⁱ. We found that no person with dementia in Ireland is living in an area with a basic minimum standard of care. This is what is needed in Donegal to ensure that people with dementia and carers have access to a basic minimum standard of community services.



People at home with dementia & carers	Existing dementia services	Services needed for minimum standard	Cost to reach minimum
1,389 people at home with dementia 4,167 carers	3 Alzheimer cafes 3 carer programmes + 10 other services	5 carer programmes 1 social clubs 6 counselling services + 44 additional services	€153,695

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There are approximately 55,266ⁱⁱ people living with dementia in Ireland. This number is expected to increase significantly in the coming years; rising to 115,426 people by 2036.

- The prevalence of dementia does increase with age, however it is not a normal part of the ageing process and there is a growing number of people who have younger-onset dementia; estimated to be 4,066 people under 65iii.
- The majority of people with dementia (63%iv) live at home in the community, and this is their preference.
- Most people living with dementia are cared for by a family member and there are approximately 50,000 dementia family carers in Ireland.
- Dementia impacts every community and for every 1 person with the condition at least 3 others are significantly affected.
- Ireland's first National Dementia Strategy (NDS) was published in 2014.
 There are six priority areas within the Strategy and across these six areas are 14 priority actions^{vi}. The Mid-Term Review of the Implementation of the NDS^{vii} has been published in May 2018.

About Dementia

Dementia is an umbrella term used to describe a range of conditions which causes changes and damage to the brain. These changes significantly affect a person's quality of life, changing their memory, thinking, communication and their ability to perform everyday tasks.

About The Alzheimer Society of Ireland

A national non-profit organisation, The Alzheimer Society of Ireland is person centred, rights-based and grassroots led with the voice of the person with dementia and their carer at its core.

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