

### SCHIZOPHRENIA Factsheet

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### What is prevalence?

Prevalence quantifies the proportion of individuals in a population who have a disease during a specific time period, while incidence refers to the number of new cases of disease that develop in a population during a specific time period. In disorders of short duration, incidence and prevalence rates may be similar, however with disorders of long duration such as with schizophrenia there can be variation between the two. This topic assesses the prevalence of schizophrenia in veteran populations.

# Does the prevalence of schizophrenia in veteran populations and conflict settings?

Moderate quality evidence suggests the current prevalence of schizophrenia in elderly veterans in the USA is around 11%.

Moderate to low quality evidence suggests the prevalence of schizophrenia in conflict settings in East Timor is 0.34% and in South Darfur, Sudan is 4.1%.

#### For more information see the technical table

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NeuRA (Neuroscience Research Australia) is one of the largest independent medical and clinical research institutes in Australia and an international leader in neurological research.

Diseases of the brain and nervous system pose the greatest health, economic and social burden of any disease group because they are chronic, debilitating and have no known cures.

Medical research is the cornerstone of efforts to advance the health and wellbeing of families and the community. Our dedicated scientists are focussed on transforming their research into significant and practical enefits for all patients.

While we hope you find this information useful, it is always important to discuss any questions about schizophrenia or its treatment with your doctor or other health care provider.