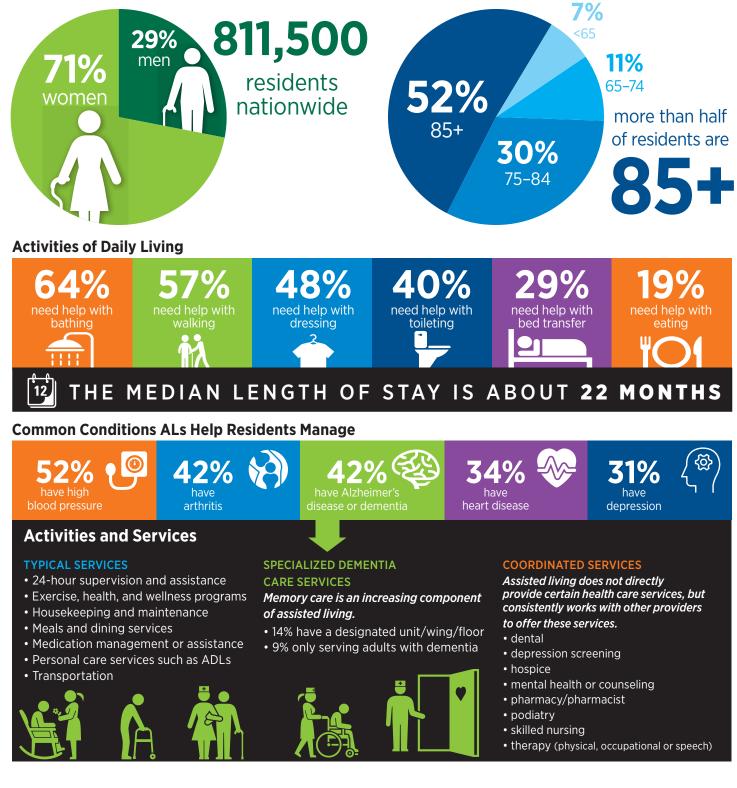


Assisted Living: A Growing Aspect of Long Term Care

Assisted living communities typically serve individuals who need help with every day activities and some health care services but generally do not require 24-hour skilled nursing care services for extended periods of time. These communities offer a unique mix of companionship, independence, privacy, and security in a home-like setting. The philosophy of assisted living is built on the concept of delivering person-centered care and services to each individual resident.

Residents

Assisted living communities serve the oldest old who need help with some **activities of daily living (ADLs)** and health care services.





Communities



Workforce



U.S. Economic Activity \$32 billion (direct) \$76 billion (indirect)

Tax Revenue \$3.5 billion (state/local) \$6 billion (federal)

Assisted living communities play an important part in local economies.

Paying for Care



Average Yearly Cost

This is **less** than the average cost for homemaker services (\$48,048) or a home health aide (\$50,336). The majority of assisted living residents use some form of private funds to pay for care.



Medicaid

A little more than **16.5% of residents rely on Medicaid** to pay for daily services. Medicaid does not pay for room and board costs. Each state varies on whether it covers assisted living services.



Medicare

Medicare does not cover assisted living services, but most residents are beneficiaries, making Medicare issues (hospitalizations, medications, therapy services, etc.) important to assisted living providers.

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