

Arthritis in Canada



4.5 MILLION
(ONE IN SIX)

Number of Canadians aged 15 years and older who report having arthritis¹



7 MILLION
(ONE IN FIVE)

Number of Canadians aged 15 years and older who are expected to have arthritis by 2031¹



2 out of 3
Arthritis sufferers are women¹



3 out of 5

Number of arthritis sufferers who are of working age (under 65)¹



\$33 BILLION

Estimated annual cost of arthritis to the Canadian economy²



8.5 MILLION

annual number of arthritis-related physician visits¹

¹ Public Health Agency of Canada, Life with Arthritis in Canada: A Personal and Public Health Challenge (Ottawa: Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada, 2010), 12.

² Arthritis Alliance of Canada, The Impact of Arthritis in Canada: Today and Over the Next 30 Years (Fall 2011), 32, 40.