Worksheet 2: The prevalence of dementia in the UK

24.6 million	1 in 6	One million	35%
people are estimated to be living with dementia in the UK.			
p	eople in the UK ha	ve a dementia diagnosis.	
0	of people with demo	entia are women.	
0	of people with deme	entia are men.	
p	eople with dement	ia are over the age of 80.	
p	eople under 65 hav	ve dementia in the UK.	
p	eople in the UK wi	ll have dementia by 2025	

850,000 Over 42,000 537,097 65%

Additional information

- Alzheimer's disease is the most common cause of dementia accounting for two-thirds of all cases, around 500,000 people in the UK.
- Up to 20% of dementia cases have a vascular cause. Vascular dementia is the second most common cause of dementia.
- 15% of people with dementia have dementia with Lewy Bodies (DLB). It is the third most common cause of dementia.
- Fewer than 5% of dementia cases are caused by frontotemporal dementia (FTD).
- 24.6 million people in the UK 38% of the population know a family member or close friend with dementia.
- One in five UK adults (22%) incorrectly agree with the statement 'Dementia is an inevitable part of getting older'.
- Just a third (34%) of people think it's possible to reduce their risk of developing dementia, compared to 81% who think it's possible to reduce their risk of developing diabetes. Research suggests that up to a third of dementia cases could be linked to risk factors which are within our control.

For global statistics you are invited to refer to the Alzheimer's Disease International World Alzheimer Report 'The Global impact of Dementia' (2015)