

Understanding the prevalence of age-related eye disorders will help policymakers develop better policies and interventions for preventing and treating vision problems. If appropriate preventive steps are not taken, costs will burgeon as the population of Florida ages and life expectancy increases. The number of Florida residents with impaired vision, including blindness, could more than double over the next three decades.

PREVALENCE OF AGE RELATED EYE DISEASE IN FLORIDA

	<i>female</i>	<i>male</i>	<i>white</i>	<i>black</i>	<i>Hispanic</i>	<i>other</i>	<i>total</i>
Hyperopia, age 40 and older	607,016	409,274	816,145	55,349	122,524	22,272	1,016,291
Myopia, age 40 and older	1,160,866	987,261	1,625,900	157,894	299,487	64,845	2,148,126
Age-related macular degeneration, age 50 and older	99,075	58,957	139,393	6,444	10,423	1,772	158,032
Cataract, age 40 and older	1,114,179	752,687	1,438,196	138,494	250,239	39,937	1,866,866
Diabetic retinopathy, age 40 and older	286,960	290,097	352,935	59,060	150,456	14,605	577,057
Glaucoma, age 40 and older	121,255	80,868	126,497	36,905	32,277	6,445	202,123
Low vision, age 40 and older	139,545	92,278	175,885	13,127	38,664	4,147	231,823
Blindness, age 40 and older	59,668	36,361	78,880	9,809	5,847	1,493	96,029

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