

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 North Dakota ages and life expectancy increases. The number of North Dakota residents with impaired vision, including blindness, could more than double over the next three decades.

## PREVALENCE OF AGE RELATED EYE DISEASE IN NORTH DAKOTA

	<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	20,787	14,814	34,429	52	158	962	<b>35,602</b>
Myopia, age 40 and older	43,011	37,841	77,061	224	486	3,080	<b>80,851</b>
Age-related macular degeneration, age 50 and older	4,219	2,117	6,245	5	12	73	<b>6,336</b>
Cataract, age 40 and older	36,044	24,647	58,686	106	275	1,624	<b>60,691</b>
Diabetic retinopathy, age 40 and older	8,459	7,532	15,079	73	203	637	<b>15,991</b>
Glaucoma, age 40 and older	3,739	2,158	5,549	34	35	279	<b>5,897</b>
Low vision, age 40 and older	5,307	2,904	8,001	8	39	163	<b>8,212</b>
Blindness, age 40 and older	2,698	1,254	3,878	8	6	61	<b>3,952</b>

To view the *Vision Problems in the U.S.* report and database please visit [PreventBlindness.org/VisionProblems](http://PreventBlindness.org/VisionProblems)

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