

BRAIN HEALTH SPINA BIFIDA

In 2019, there were

5333

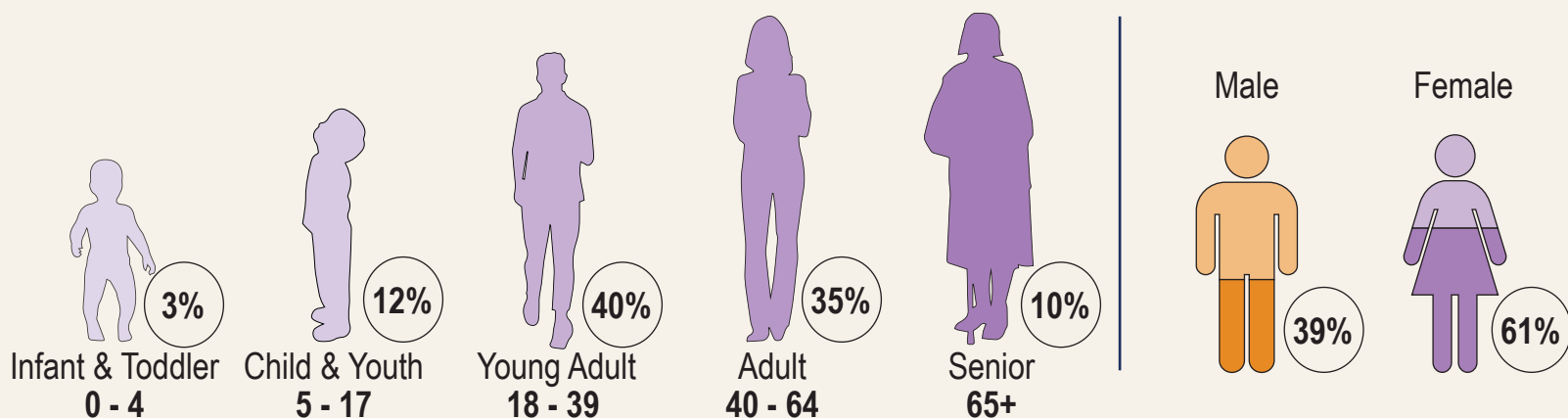
Ontarians living with **SPINA BIFIDA**

and

29

NEW people identified that year

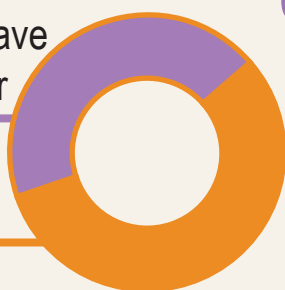
SPINDA BIFIDA ACROSS AGE AND SEX



COMMONLY CO-OCCURRING BRAIN DISORDERS

44% of people with spina bifida have a co-occurring brain disorder

People with spina bifida



CEREBRAL PALSY

BRAIN INJURY

have the **highest co-occurrence** with spina bifida

MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS VISITS

The number of **MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS** related



HOSPITALIZATIONS are

3x



EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT VISITS are

2x



OUTPATIENT VISITS are

2x

HIGHER for people with **SPINA BIFIDA** compared to the average Ontarian

COST

Compared to the average Ontarian, the annual **DIRECT COST** to the healthcare system is:



5x MORE for people living with spina bifida



46x MORE for newborns identified with spina bifida

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