Statistics

- Nearly 14 million Americans—about one out of every 20 people—have low vision.
- According to Lighthouse, Inc., New York, the older visually impaired population is the 3rd fastest growing population of people needing services in the U.S. being outpaced only by arthritis and heart disease.
- The older visually impaired population is expected to more than double by the year 2030, when the last generation of baby boomers reaches 65.
- Though the condition mainly afflicts the elderly, younger Americans are increasingly at risk of irreversible vision loss, particularly as cases of diabetes continue to rise.
- Almost everyone will be affected personally with low vision or will have a family member or friend that is affected with low vision.