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A person’s lifetime risk of developing MND is up to 1 in 300. That’s one person in an average size cinema screen.

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It affects up to **5,000 adults** in the UK at any one time.

Six people are diagnosed every day. Up to 5,000 people are fighting MND at various stages of the disease. **Six people die each and every day.**

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**MND - there is no cure.**

The MND Association focuses on improving access to care, research and campaigning for those people living with or affected by MND in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

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