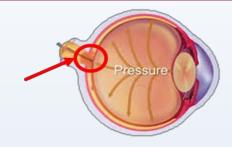
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Glaucoma is a disease characterized by elevated eye pressure which damages the **eye's optic nerve** and can result in vision loss and blindness. There are currently treatments, but **no cures**. ³





2nd

most common cause of blindness Worldwide and in the United States. ²





Approximately 3,000,000 Americans have glaucoma. ²

Approximately 64,000,000 people worldwide have glaucoma. ²

Risk Factors:

- Family history of Glaucoma¹
- Over 60 years old ²
- Being of Asian or African descent ¹

15%

of people with glaucoma become blind in at least one eye within 20 years. ⁴

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