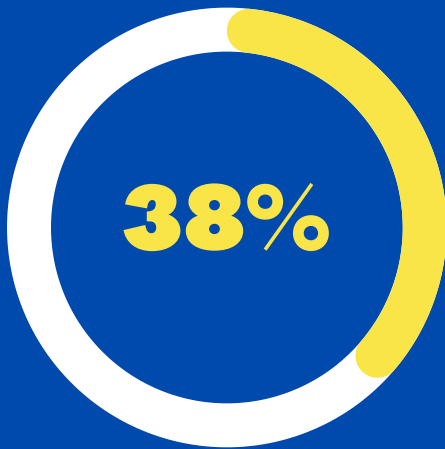


# THE DOWN SYNDROME FACTS



## You Didn't Know



The number of Americans who know someone with Down syndrome.

The year the U.S. Government ruled that schools must provide an appropriate education to students with Down syndrome.

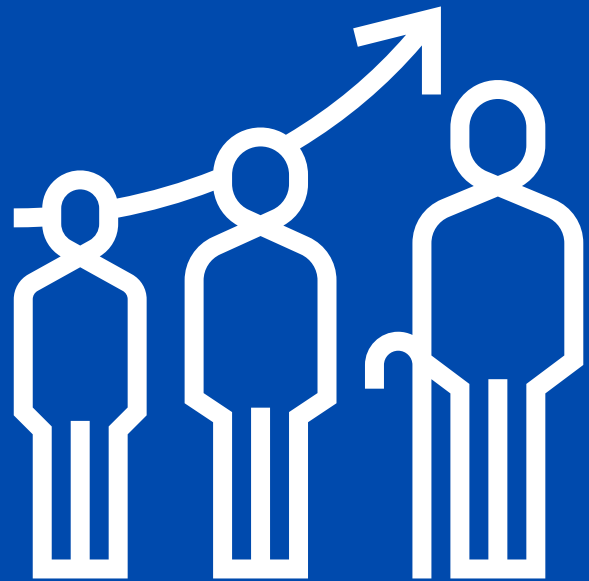
# 1975

# 400,000

The number of people living with Down syndrome in the United States.

# 60 years

The life expectancy of someone with Down syndrome is now 60 years, and continues to climb.



The number of cases of Down syndrome that do not appear to be heredity.

# 1 in 691

The number of babies born in the United States each year with Down syndrome.

### WHY WE CELEBRATE DOWN SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH

October was first designated as Down syndrome Awareness Month in the 1980s and has been recognized every October since. It is a time to celebrate people with Down syndrome and make others aware of their abilities and accomplishments.