Empowering Caregivers in the Workplace: A Collaborative Approach to Well-Being

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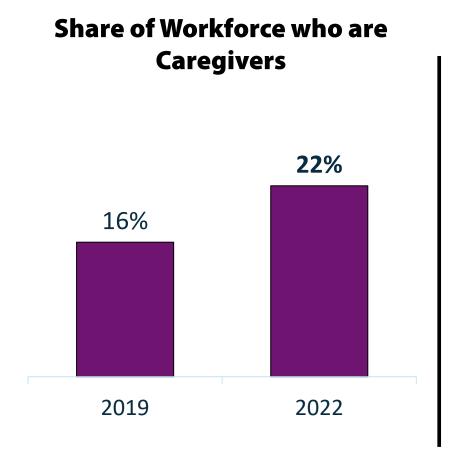
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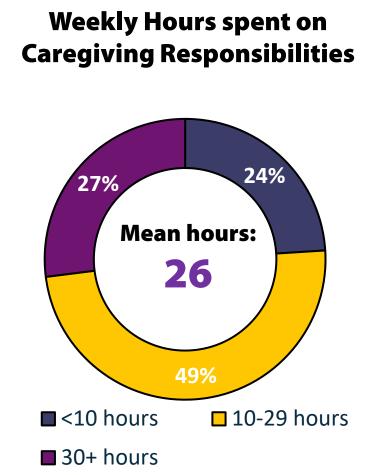


Macro Caregiving Trends Impacting Employees



The number of unpaid, working caregivers in the US has increased from 1 in 7 in 2019 to 1 in 5 today





Who's receiving Care from Working Adults



Parent: 41%



Special needs child: 29%



Someone else: 20%

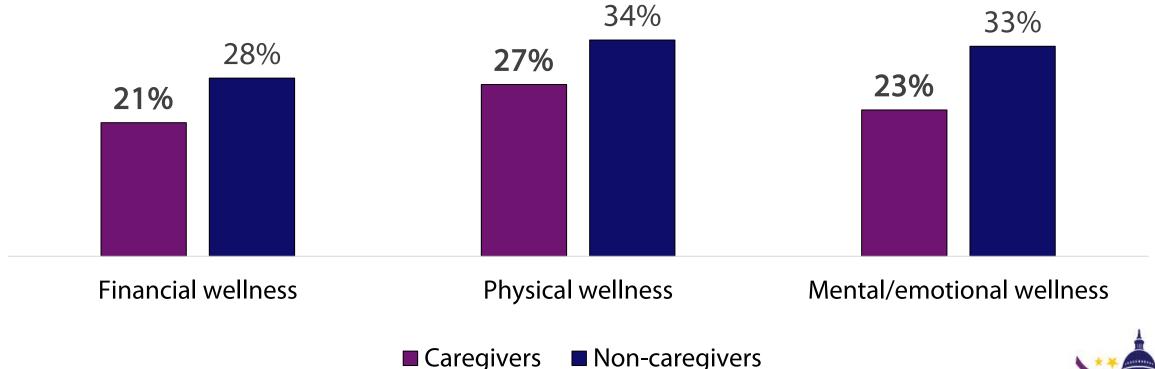


Spouse/Partner: 18%



Being a caregiver while balancing work and family responsibilities impacts overall well-being

Percentage of caregivers vs. non-caregivers who self-report high well-being







Caregiving responsibilities are negatively impacting careers

- 1 in 5 say their caregiving responsibilities have limited their career growth and job opportunities
- The direct economic costs for caregivers are estimated at nearly \$44 billion through the loss of more than 650,000 jobs and nearly 800,000 caregivers suffering from absenteeism issues at work.¹
- 6 in 10 say they arrive early/leave late because of their caregiving duties...1 in 5 have taken a leave of absence, reduced their hours, or taken a demotion

Source 1: https://www.bcbs.com/the-health-of-america/reports/the-economic-impact-of-caregiving. All other data: Guardian's 12th Annual Workplace Benefits Study, 2023



And there is more that employers can do support employee caregivers



Only 39% of caregivers believe their employers care about their well-being



Only 33% of caregivers believe their employer's benefits and policies support caregivers' needs

Source: Standing Up and Stepping In, Guardian, 2023

Caregiving in the Workplace Panel Discussion



And now time for our Panel discussion with our Caregiving Experts



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Q&A

What questions do you have for our panelists?



