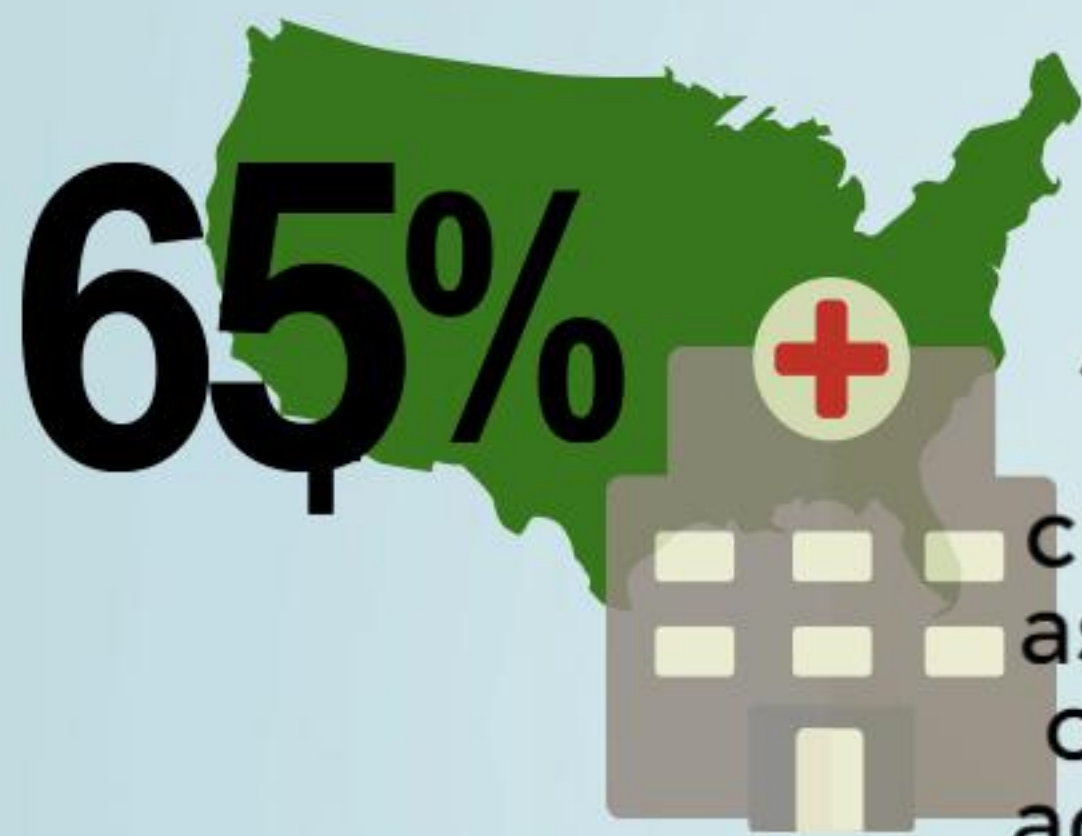


# Why Malnutrition Screenings Matter

Part of a monthly series from The Gerontological Society of America publication,  
*What We Know and Can Do About Malnutrition*



According to published clinical reports, as many as 65% of older adults admitted to the hospital may be malnourished.\*



## Key Finding:

Establishing a systematic malnutrition screening and intervention models across the continuum of healthcare is important to help more quickly identify malnutrition and intervene to resolve it in older adults.

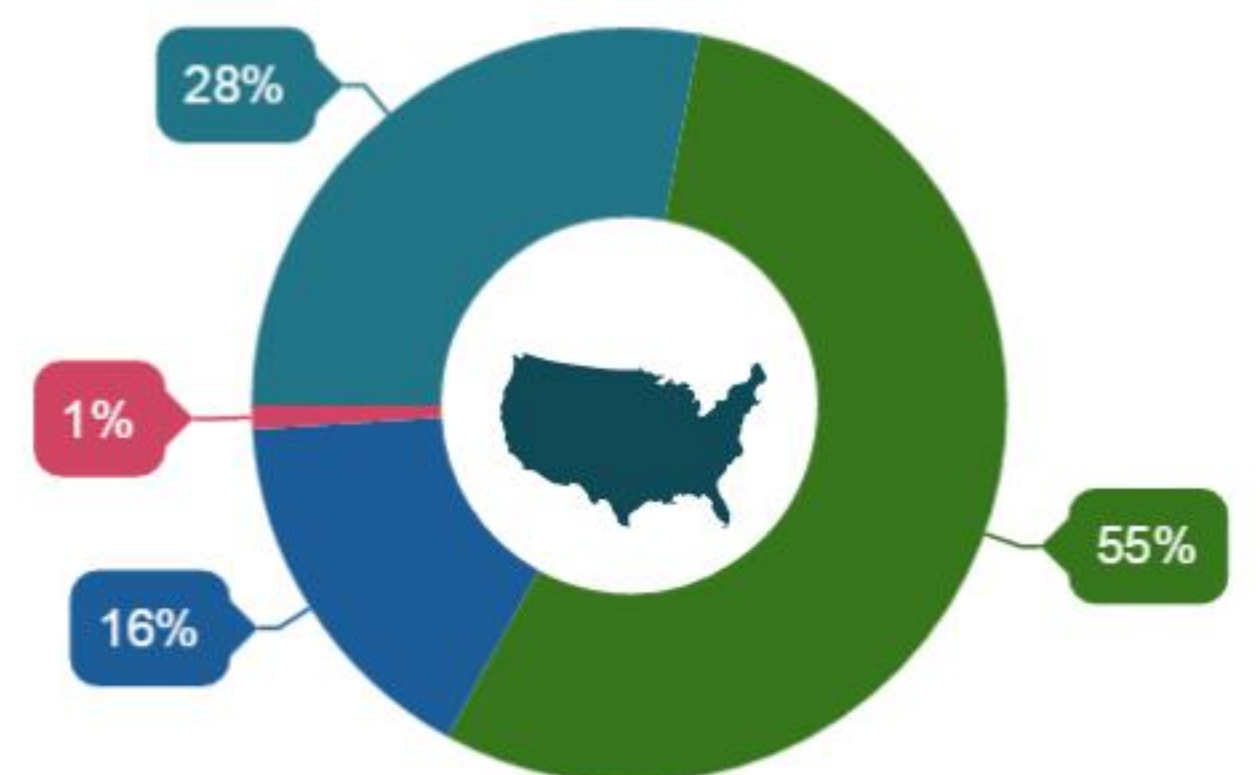
\*National Resource Center on Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Aging.



## Key Finding:

More than half of adults and family caregivers surveyed think malnutrition is a significant problem in the United States.

Adults & family caregivers rated the significance of malnutrition as a problem†



Very significant (28%)   Somewhat significant (55%)  
Not too significant (16%)   Not at all significant (1%)

†Malnutrition as defined by having recently lost weight without trying or eating poorly because of decreased appetite.



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Participants in this study were provided through the Harris Panel, including members of its third-party panel providers.



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