



If you have a gastrointestinal (GI) disorder, **YOU ARE NOT ALONE**; just look at all the brightly coloured passengers on our flight, representing an average group of Canadians. Each colour corresponds to a specific ailment and the multi-coloured passengers have more than one gastrointestinal disease or disorder.

## **Celiac Disease**

Although many individuals worry that they might be gluten intolerant,
only 3 individuals on a 300 passenger plane would suffer from celiac disease, which is a true allergy to gluten

# Did You know?

At any given time, around 2/3 of Canadians will be affected by a digestive disease or disorder

Please Note: The purpose of this infographic is to give

you a general idea as to which GI illnesses might appear in an average group of people. While the numbers we

used are based on current statistics, these estimates might not be exact and will vary between groups.

# Reflux Disease (GERD)

Of the **13-29%** of the population who have GERD, around 5% suffer from a physical change to the esophagus lining, known as Barrett's Esophagus

#### IBD

Canada has the highest prevalence of inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) in the world, affecting **1 in 150 Canadians** 

## **Functional Dyspepsia**

Functional dyspepsia is a very common disorder, affecting well over **20% of the population**, although many don't seek medical help for their symptoms

