

# National survey – The results



In May 2016, a survey conducted by Ipsos MORI on behalf of the British Menopause Society (BMS), has revealed that one in two women in Great Britain (aged 45-65 who past ten years) go through the menopause without consulting a healthcare professional. This is despite women surveyed reporting on average seven different symptoms and 42% saying their symptoms were worse or much worse than expected.

**50%** of women aged 45-65 who have currently experienced the menopause in the past 10 years, had not consulted a healthcare professional about their menopause symptoms.



This despite women reporting on **average seven symptoms** and **42% feeling their menopause symptoms** were worse or much worse than they suspected.



**50%** of women said their menopause symptoms had **impacted their home life**.

Many experienced symptoms they did not expect, including:

**22%** unexpected sleeping problems/ insomnia

**20%** difficulty with memory/ concentration

**18%** experienced unexpected achy joints

**More than a third** said their menopause had **impacted their work life**.

**79%** of women surveyed experienced hot flushes and **70%** experienced night sweats



**36%** women said their menopause symptoms **impacted their social life**



**50%** reported their menopause symptoms **impacted on their sex life**



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