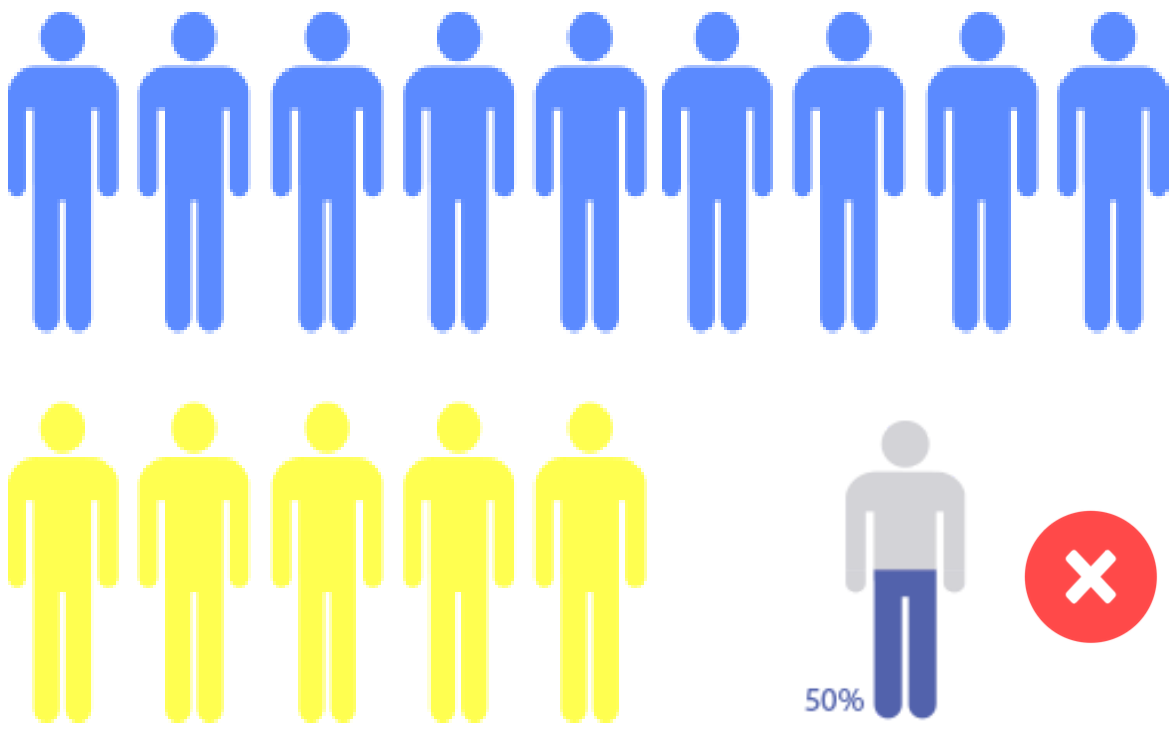


# Thalassemia in India



There are an estimated 30-40 million carriers of Thalassemias and an estimated 100,000 Thalassemia majors in India of which 50% majors will not live beyond 25



India's blood transfusion burden from Thalassemia is approximately 200,000 units/month



India spends approximately INR 1500000000000 on Thalassemia-related costs each year



are borne out-of-pocket by patients & families



will be underemployed or unemployed because of disability adjusted life years (DALY)