

Dandruff

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Jamie, based on your genetics and other factors, you are **less likely** to get dandruff.

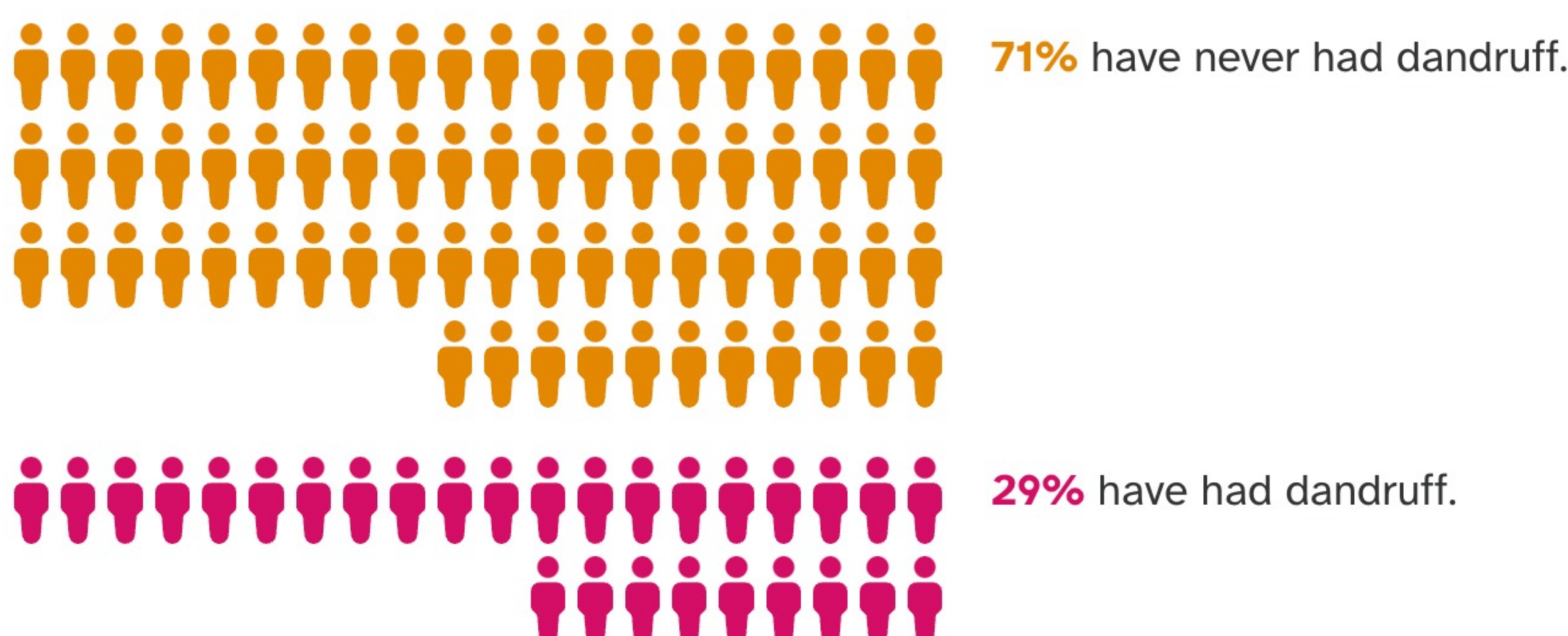
What is dandruff?

Dandruff is a common skin condition characterized by flaking of the skin on the scalp.

Many factors can influence your chances of getting dandruff.

Scientists at 23andMe identified 487 genetic markers that are associated with dandruff. In addition to genetics, other factors like age, sex, and ancestry can also influence your chances of getting dandruff. For example, among 23andMe research participants, males are more likely than females to report that they have had dandruff.

Of people with genetics and other factors like yours, we predict:



The root of the problem

One possible cause of dandruff may be a negative reaction to microbes living on the skin. Just like inside your gut, microbes also live on your scalp. For some people, these microbes may trigger immune reactions that cause the skin cells to rapidly divide and flake off, forming dandruff. Scientists aren't sure why some people are sensitive to these microbes and others aren't, but genetics may play a role.



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