

## Number of home DNA testing kits in Britain doubled in last two years

Sales of DNA tests for everything from the risk of developing life-threatening diseases to catching out cheating partners are booming. The number of British websites offering home testing kits and services has doubled to 38 in just two years, research has revealed, with companies charging fees of up to £300.

DIY paternity and genetic ancestry tests are the biggest sellers, however sales of tests claiming to reveal a predisposition to certain diseases are up 14 per cent a year.

Genetic tests also now exist for a host of serious inherited illnesses, such as Huntington's disease or Parkinsons. However, the advances open up potentially devastating consequences for people who get bad news about their risk of developing a fatal illness.

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