

Facts & Figures

2019 Breast Cancer Facts

- Over the course of her life, an American women's risk of being diagnosed with breast cancer is about 1 in 8; a man's risk is about 1 in 833
- In 2019, an estimated 271,270 women will be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer and 62,930 with non-invasive (in situ) cancer
- An estimated 2,670 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in men in 2019
- An estimated 155,000 people are living with stage IV (metastatic) breast cancer, or cancer that spreads away from the breast and nearby lymph nodes to a distant place like the bones, liver, lung, or brain*
- About 42,260 Americans will die of metastatic breast cancer in 2019
- African-American women are more likely to die of breast cancer than white women
- About 30% of all newly diagnosed cancers in women are breast cancers
- After skin cancer, breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer among American women

- White women are slightly more likely than African
 American women to be diagnosed with breast cancer
- In those under age 40, breast cancer is more common in African American women than in white women
- More than 3.5 million Americans are living with a history of breast cancer
- Between 5% and 10% of female breast cancers and 10% to 14% of male breast cancers are linked to gene mutations inherited from one's mother or father
- Most breast cancers occur in women who have no family history of breast cancer
- The greatest risk factors for a diagnosis of breast cancer are being female and growing older

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