

Male breast cancer

BY THE NUMBERS



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2,710

The estimated number of men in the U.S. who will be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer in 2022.

American Cancer Society, 2022

530

The estimated number of men in the U.S. who will die of breast cancer in 2022.

American Cancer Society, 2022

65

The average age of men newly diagnosed with breast cancer. This is older than the average age for women.

ASCO, Cancer.net

90+

The percentage of breast cancers in men that are hormone receptor-positive. This explains why most men are treated with hormonal therapies like tamoxifen.

The Breast, 2020

50

The odds that children of someone with a BRCA1 or BRCA2 gene mutation will have the mutation themselves, making genetic testing crucial for all men diagnosed with breast cancer who have children, especially daughters.

20

The percentage of clinical trials open to men; this is starting to change, thanks to FDA guidance.

The Oncologist, 2020

1 in 5

The number of men with breast cancer who have a family history of the disease. Some may have inherited a mutation in BRCA1 or 2, or other high risk genes like CHEK2 or PALB2.

ASCO, Cancer.net

3rd

The week of October that has been dedicated to male breast cancer awareness. Most U.S. states recognize this week.