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A series of eight new cancer summary reports provide health care providers, public health officials, cancer control advocates, and policy makers access to statistics on cancer in Wisconsin in a short, easy-to-read format. The American Cancer Society and the Department of Health Services' Wisconsin Cancer Reporting System collaborated on the series.

Key statistics in the reports include:

- There are approximately 285,687 Wisconsin residents living with a cancer diagnosis.
- Cancer has surpassed heart disease as the leading cause of death in Wisconsin, shown by age-adjusted mortality rates of 164.6 and 158.1, respectively, in 2013.
- The melanoma incidence rate increased by 90 percent from 1995 to 2013.
- Each year 540 Wisconsin residents are diagnosed with a cancer that was likely caused by an HPV infection.
- African American women experienced a higher breast cancer incidence rate (133.6) comparable to white rates (128.0) in 2013; historically, African American women had lower incidence rates, but higher mortality rates.
- The most common cancers among children under age 15 are brain and central nervous system tumors and leukemia, accounting for more than 50% of all cancer cases.
- The five-year relative survival rate for many common cancers (breast, prostate, and melanoma) is higher than 90% if detected before the cancer has metastasized.

Read the Full reports here:

- [All Cancer in Wisconsin](#)
- [Lung Cancer in Wisconsin](#)
- [Colorectal Cancer in Wisconsin](#)
- [Breast Cancer in Wisconsin](#)
- [Skin Cancer in Wisconsin](#)
- [Human Papilloma Virus \(HPV\) and Cancer in Wisconsin](#)
- [Childhood and Adolescent Cancer in Wisconsin](#)
- [Health Lifestyles and Reducing the Risk of Cancer in Wisconsin](#)

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