

# State Cancer Profiles

Incidence Rates Report

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Incidence Rate Report by State			
All Races (includes Hispanic), Both Sexes, Melanoma of the Skin, All Ages Sorted by Rate			
State	Annual Incidence Rate <sup>†</sup> over rate period (95% Confidence Interval)	Annual Count	Rate Period
US (SEER+NPCR) <sup>1</sup>	17.1 (17.0, 17.3)	§	2004
Vermont <sup>2</sup>	29.6 (25.6, 34.1)	201	2004
New Hampshire <sup>2</sup>	28.0 (25.2, 31.0)	377	2004
Utah <sup>3</sup>	27.5 (25.2, 29.9)	551	2005
Connecticut <sup>3</sup>	26.0 (24.4, 27.7)	989	2005
Idaho <sup>2</sup>	25.9 (23.3, 28.8)	348	2004
Oregon <sup>2</sup>	25.8 (24.2, 27.5)	966	2004
Washington <sup>4</sup>	25.5 (24.3, 26.8)	1,592	2004
Maine <sup>2</sup>	22.0 (19.6, 24.5)	327	2004
Massachusetts <sup>2</sup>	21.5 (20.4, 22.6)	1,467	2004
Delaware <sup>2</sup>	21.4 (18.5, 24.8)	187	2004
Kentucky <sup>3</sup>	21.4 (20.1, 22.9)	934	2005
Wyoming <sup>2</sup>	21.2 (17.4, 25.6)	111	2004
Rhode Island <sup>2</sup>	20.9 (18.3, 23.7)	244	2004
New Jersey <sup>3</sup>	20.6 (19.6, 21.5)	1,897	2005
California <sup>3</sup>	20.4 (19.9, 20.9)	6,938	2005
South Carolina <sup>2</sup>	19.9 (18.5, 21.2)	852	2004
Hawaii <sup>3</sup>	19.3 (17.0, 21.8)	269	2005
Georgia <sup>4</sup>	19.3 (18.3, 20.3)	1,567	2004
Minnesota <sup>2</sup>	19.0 (17.8, 20.3)	980	2004
Colorado <sup>2</sup>	18.8 (17.5, 20.2)	817	2004
Tennessee <sup>2</sup>	18.6 (17.5, 19.7)	1,141	2004
West Virginia <sup>2</sup>	18.6 (16.7, 20.5)	390	2004
Kansas <sup>2</sup>	18.3 (16.7, 19.9)	508	2004
Iowa <sup>3</sup>	18.1 (16.7, 19.7)	582	2005
New Mexico <sup>3</sup>	17.9 (16.0, 19.9)	346	2005
Oklahoma <sup>2</sup>	17.4 (16.1, 18.9)	634	2004
Virginia <sup>2</sup>	17.0 (16.1, 18.0)	1,279	2004

Pennsylvania <sup>2</sup>	17.0 (16.3, 17.7)	2,362	2004
Nebraska <sup>2</sup>	17.0 (15.1, 19.0)	304	2004
North Carolina <sup>2</sup>	16.9 (16.0, 17.8)	1,449	2004
Ohio <sup>2</sup>	16.6 (15.9, 17.4)	1,991	2004
Florida <sup>2</sup>	16.4 (15.8, 17.0)	3,363	2004
Michigan <sup>4</sup>	16.3 # (15.5, 17.1)	1,681	2004
Nevada <sup>2</sup>	15.7 (14.1, 17.5)	355	2004
Missouri <sup>2</sup>	15.6 (14.6, 16.6)	943	2004
Montana <sup>2</sup>	15.0 (12.7, 17.6)	154	2004
South Dakota <sup>2</sup>	15.0 (12.4, 17.9)	122	2004
Alabama <sup>2</sup>	14.7 (13.7, 15.9)	703	2004
Louisiana <sup>3</sup>	14.7 (13.2, 16.4)	§	2005
Illinois <sup>2</sup>	14.2 (13.6, 14.9)	1,788	2004
Arizona <sup>2</sup>	14.2 (13.2, 15.2)	813	2004
Texas <sup>2</sup>	13.7 # (13.1, 14.2)	2,740	2004
New York <sup>2</sup>	13.5 (13.0, 14.1)	2,738	2004
Wisconsin <sup>2</sup>	13.4 # (12.5, 14.4)	775	2004
North Dakota <sup>2</sup>	13.3 (10.6, 16.4)	90	2004
Arkansas <sup>2</sup>	13.0 (11.7, 14.4)	380	2004
Mississippi <sup>2</sup>	12.9 (11.6, 14.3)	372	2004
Indiana <sup>2</sup>	12.4 (11.5, 13.3)	777	2004
Alaska <sup>2</sup>	9.6 (6.9, 12.8)	51	2004
District of Columbia <sup>2</sup>	5.4 (3.6, 7.6)	32	2004
Maryland <sup>2</sup>	§	§	2004

**Notes:**

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[State Cancer Registries](#) may provide more current or more local data.

† Incidence rates (cases per 100,000 population per year) are age-adjusted to the [2000 US standard population](#) (19 age groups: <1, 1-4, 5-9, ... , 80-84, 85+). Rates are for invasive cancer only (except for bladder cancer which is invasive and in situ) or unless otherwise specified. Rates calculated using SEER\*Stat. Population counts for denominators are based on Census populations as modified by NCI. The US populations included with the data release have been adjusted for the [population shifts due to hurricanes Katrina and Rita](#) for 62 counties and parishes in Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, and Texas (See US Population Data - 1969-2005 for more information).

§ Data not provided because it did not meet USCS data quality standards for one or more years during the rate period of data collection. While 98% of the US population resided in geographic areas with population-based cancer registries meeting the registry eligibility criteria for 2004, 2% of the US population was not yet represented in the [United States Cancer Statistics](#). American Cancer Society's [Facts & Figures](#) provides estimates of numbers of new cancer cases and deaths.

# Data do not include cases diagnosed in other states for those states in which the data exchange agreement specifically prohibits the release of data to third parties.

<sup>1</sup> Source: CDC's National Program of Cancer Registries Cancer Surveillance System (NPCR-CSS) January 2007 data submission and [SEER November 2006 submission](#) as published in [United States Cancer Statistics 2004](#).

<sup>2</sup> Source: State Cancer Registry and the CDC's National Program of Cancer Registries Cancer

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<sup>3</sup> Source: [SEER November 2007 submission](#). State Cancer Registry also receives funding from CDC's National Program of Cancer Registries.

<sup>4</sup> Source: State Cancer Registry and the CDC's National Program of Cancer Registries Cancer Surveillance System (NPCR-CSS) [January 2007 data submission](#) as published in [United States Cancer Statistics 2004](#). State rates include rates from areas funded by [SEER](#).

Because of the impact on Louisiana's population for the July - December 2005 time period due to Hurricanes Katrina/Rita, [SEER excluded Louisiana cases](#) diagnosed for that six month time period. So the count has been suppressed due to data consistency issues.

[Interpret Rankings](#) provides insight into interpreting cancer incidence statistics. When the population size for a denominator is small, the rates may be unstable. A rate is unstable when a small change in the numerator (e.g., only one or two additional cases) has a dramatic affect on the calculated rate.

[Data not available](#) for this combination of geography, cancer site, age, and race/ethnicity. [Suppression](#) is used to avoid misinterpretation when rates are unstable.