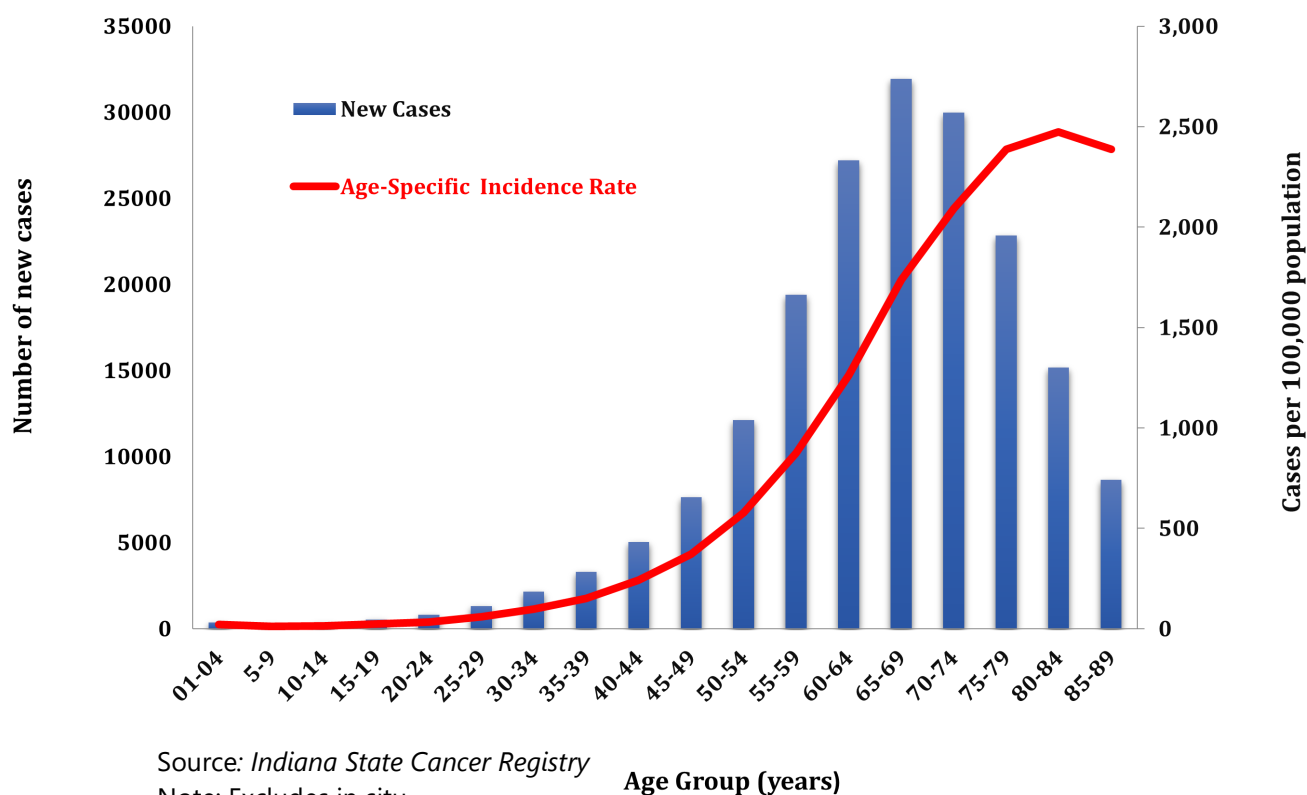


## Cancer in Indiana

2026

Cancer is a group of diseases characterized by uncontrolled growth and the spread of abnormal cells. Any individual can get cancer at any age; however, middle and older aged individuals are more prone to developing cancer as seen in the figure below. In Indiana from 2018-2022, 95.3 percent of all cancer cases occurred among individuals ages 40 and over, including 24.1 percent among individuals ages 55-64, 32.0 percent among individuals ages 65-74, and 19.6 percent among individuals ages 75-84.

### Number of Rate and New Cancer Diagnosis 2018-2022



### Most Common Cancers in Indiana 2018-2022

- Breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed among women— 26,972 cases diagnosed among Indiana women in 2018-2022
- Prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed among men—23,736 cases diagnosed in Indiana in 2018-2022.
- Lung and Bronchus Cancer is the next most commonly diagnosed among both men and women and is the number one cause of cancer related deaths with 28,786 cases diagnosed and 17,700 deaths in Indiana from 2018-2022.

## Cancer Screening

- Many cancers can be prevented or identified at an early stage, when treatment is more effective, if individuals obtain proper early detection screenings.
- In Indiana in 2024,<sup>1</sup>
  - 63.7% of women ages 21-65 had had a cervical cancer screening within the past three years.
  - 71.2% of women ages 40-74 had a mammogram during the last two years to screen for breast cancer.
  - 73.3% of individuals ages 45-74 met the United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) recommendations for colorectal cancer screening.

## Survivorship

- Due to advances in treatment and earlier screening prevention, more individuals are surviving their cancer battle. The American Cancer Society (ACS) defines a cancer survivor as any individual who has been diagnosed with cancer, from the time of diagnosis through the balance of life (insert source).
- According to the Indiana State Cancer Registry, there were an estimated 590,364 cancer survivors in Indiana at the end of 2022.<sup>2</sup>
- The four highest-burden cancers in Indiana (Lung & Bronchus, Female Breast, Prostate, Colorectal) account for approximately 49 percent of cancer survivors.<sup>3</sup>

## Get Involved

- The ICC is a statewide network of over 100 agencies; including Indiana Department of Health
- Help reduce the cancer burden in Indiana through the development, implementation, and evaluation of a comprehensive plan that addresses cancer across the continuum from prevention through end of life.
- Become a member at <https://indianacancer.org/>

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