

# Prostate Cancer in Illinois

Black men are at increased risk of dying.



## Prostate cancer among all men



**2nd** leading cause of cancer death in all men

**8.7k** new cases in 2019

**1.2k** deaths in 2019

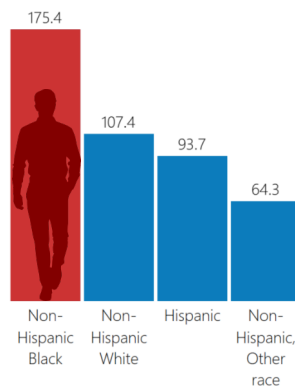
## Racial disparities in prostate cancer

There are large racial disparities in prostate cancer incidence and mortality.

Black men are at a higher risk of getting prostate cancer, and a much higher risk of dying from it.

### Incidence rate

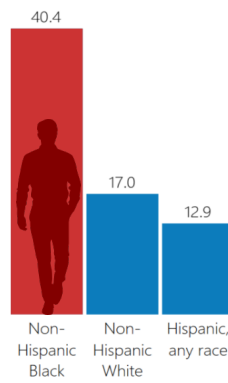
**1.5x higher** in Black men than White men.



Rate per 100,000. Data from 2019.

### Mortality rate

**2.4x higher** in Black men than White men.



Rate per 100,000. Data from 2019.

### Disproportionately more Black mortality

**15%**

Even though Black men are only 15% of Illinois's population...

**25%**

...almost 25% of men who die from prostate cancer are Black.

## Without public awareness, the disparity in deaths between Black men and White men will remain.

- Inform the public about the risks of prostate cancer, as well as the benefits and uncertainties about prostate cancer screening.
- Customize messaging to Black men about prostate cancer risks.
- Encourage Black men, beginning at age 45, to discuss their risk of developing prostate cancer and screening options.

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