BREAST CANCER IN ILLINOIS
FACTS AND FIGURES

BREAST CANCER IS A CANCER THAT STARTS IN THE BREAST TISSUE.

1 IN 7 WOMEN WILL BE DIAGNOSED IN THEIR LIFETIME

DIAGNOSED IN ALMOST
10,500
WOMEN EVERY YEAR

89%
OF WOMEN DIAGNOSED WITH BREAST CANCER DO NOT DIE IT WITHIN 5 YEARS

BREAST CANCER MORTALITY

BREAST CANCER CAN BE FATAL

15%
OF ALL CANCER DEATHS IN WOMEN

MORTALITY RATES VARY BY RACE

31.1
NON-HISPANIC BLACK

22.2
NON-HISPANIC WHITE

11.2
HISPANIC ALL RACES

MORTALITY RATES ARE HIGHEST AMONG NON-HISPANIC BLACK WOMEN*

*RATE PER 100,000 PEOPLE IN THE POPULATION

SINCE 1990, BREAST CANCER MORTALITY IN ILLINOIS HAS DECLINED

AVOID RISK FACTORS & GET SCREENED

AVOIDING RISK FACTORS AND GETTING SCREENED CAN HELP REDUCE THE RISK AND IMPACT OF BREAST CANCER

SCREENING FOR BREAST CANCER SHOULD OCCUR FROM AGE 50-74

IF YOU HAVE A FAMILY HISTORY OF BREAST CANCER, CONSIDER SCREENING BEFORE AGE 50.

RISK FACTORS

FAMILY OR PERSONAL HISTORY OF CANCER
HEAVY ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION
POOR DIET & OBESITY
NOT GETTING REGULAR EXERCISE

OTHER RISK FACTORS INCLUDE:

- NOT BREASTFEEDING
- USING BIRTH CONTROL PILLS
- USING HORMONE REPLACEMENT THERAPY FOR EXTENDED TIME

NOTICE: All cancer incidence and mortality data are specific to Illinois residents. Five-year survival estimates reflect age-standardized, relative survival. Methods are described in the Cancer in North America 2011-2015 report, cited below. All presented rates are per 100,000, and age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population. Unless otherwise noted, rates are based on Illinois residents for the years noted. Note: Breast cancer mortality rates in Illinois have shown improvement since 1990.

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