



# Colorectal Cancer in Illinois

A colonoscopy can prevent cancer by removing colon polyps before they become cancer

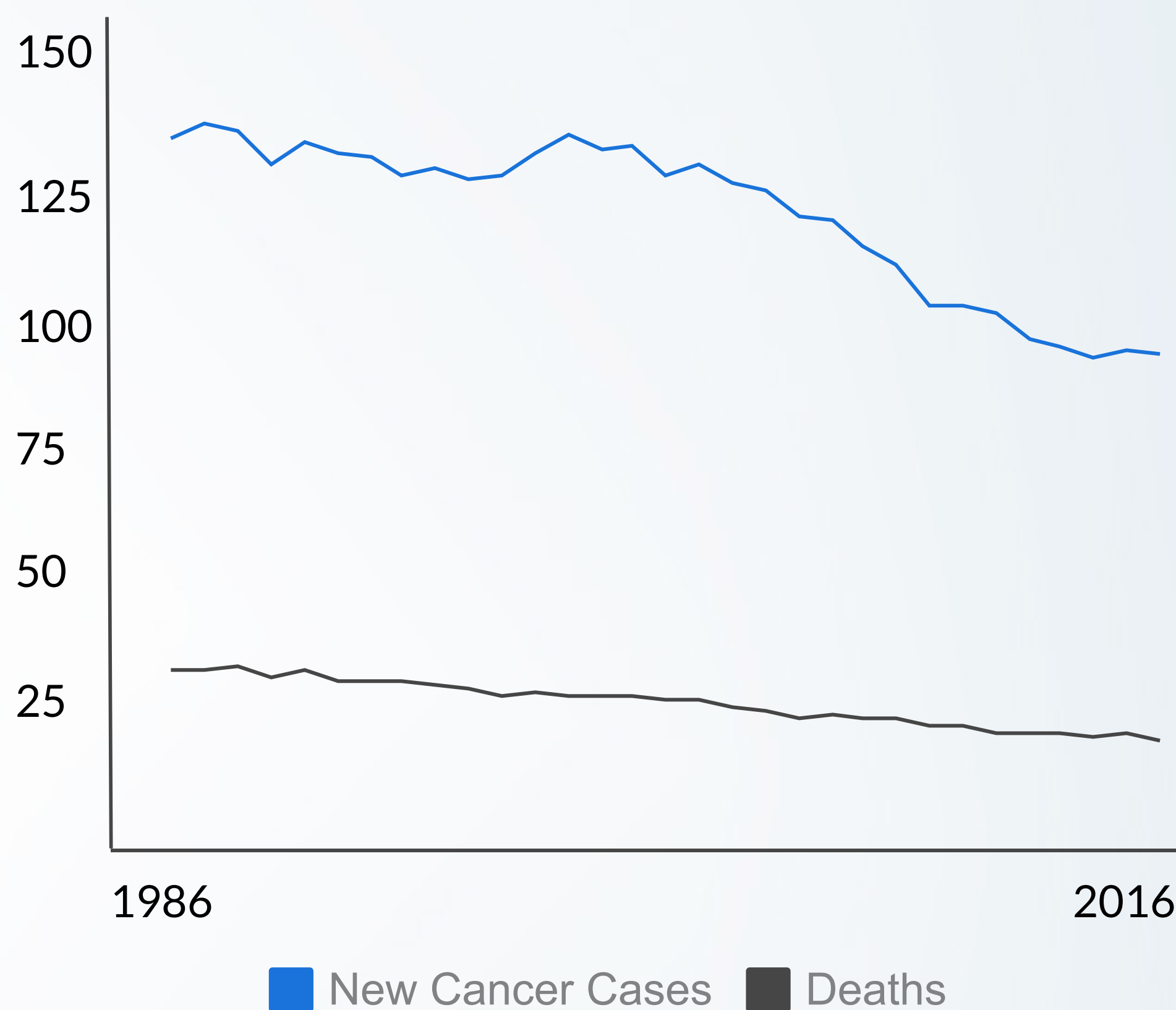
**3rd** Most common cancer in men and women in Illinois

**6,250** People diagnosed every year

**66%** Of people diagnosed with CRC survive 5+ years

**9%** Of all cancer deaths

CRC diagnoses and death rates in Illinois have declined overtime



\*Rates are per 100,000 people in the population

**1 in 20 men & 1 in 27 women** will be diagnosed in their lifetime

Death rates are **highest in black people** and lowest in Hispanic people

## Screening

Screening can **PREVENT** colorectal cancer by removing polyps before they become cancerous

Screening for colorectal cancer should take place from **AGE 50-75**

If you have a family history of CRC, screening may need to begin earlier

**Talk to your doctor.**

## Risk Factors



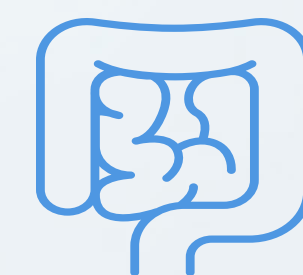
Personal or Family History of Cancer



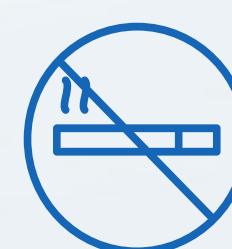
Poor Diet & Obesity



Heavy Alcohol Consumption



History of Colon Polyps, ulcerative Colitis, or Chron's Disease



Smoking



Inherited genetic syndromes (e.g. Lynch Syndrome)

NOTE: 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 are age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard million population. Unless otherwise noted, displayed incidence and mortality rates have been calculated for the 2016 calendar year.

