Melanoma Cancer in Illinois
Melanoma incidence has doubled in 20 years.

**Increased Exposure**
The sun is the main source of ultraviolet rays, which add up over time, increasing risk of developing skin cancer.

**2x**
Melanoma rates have more than doubled over the past 20 years.

**3.6k**
new cases in 2019.

**5th most common cancer.**

Melanoma in men and women

**Men** have a higher risk of developing skin cancer over their lifetime, partially because men are more likely to work outdoors than women.

**Women** are more likely to use skin products that contain sunscreen.

Help reduce melanoma by:
- Increasing shade at parks, pools, and other public spaces.
- Promoting sun protection, especially at outdoor worksites.
- Educating about sun safety and skin protection.
- Restricting indoor tanning by minors.

Melanoma rates are on the rise, and they are especially high in older men.

**Incidence rates are higher among men after age 60.**

In women, rates are higher before age 50.

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