Breast Cancer Fact Sheet

1 in 8 women in the U.S. will be diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime.

IN THE UNITED STATES

Breast cancer is the most common cancer among women in the U.S., accounting for 30 percent of newly diagnosed cancers.

Every 2 minutes, one case of breast cancer is diagnosed in the U.S.

In 2021, more than 281,000 new cases of invasive breast cancer are expected to be diagnosed in women and more than 2,600 cases in men in the U.S.

In 2021, more than 44,000 women and men in the U.S. are expected to die from breast cancer.

Improvements in early detection and treatment led to a 41 percent decline in breast cancer deaths in the U.S. between 1989-2018.

In the U.S., breast cancer mortality is about 40 percent higher in Black women than in white women.

In the U.S., it is estimated more than 168,000 women are living with metastatic breast cancer.

There are more than 3.8 million breast cancer survivors in the U.S.

AROUND THE WORLD

Breast cancer is the most common cancer in women around the world, with an estimated more than 2 million new cases recorded in 2020.

Breast cancer is the leading cause of cancer death in women around the world.

Every 46 seconds, somewhere in the world, someone dies from breast cancer. That’s more than 1,876 women and men every day.

In 2020, there were more than 7 million people in the world living with breast cancer.

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