Oral Cavity and Pharynx Cancer in Louisiana

2018-2022 STATS AND **FACTS**

765

NEW CASES FOUND EACH YEAR



ORAL CAVITY AND PHARYNX **CANCER SURVIVORS SINCE** 2000#

The 5-year relative survival for Louisiana persons of all races⁺

cancer deaths among persons in Louisiana each year on average

Louisiana's rank in the U.S. for death rate of Oral Cavity and Znc Pharynx cancer²

RATE OF NEW CANCER CASES

PER 100,000 LOUISIANANS

Black

9.6

White

15.8

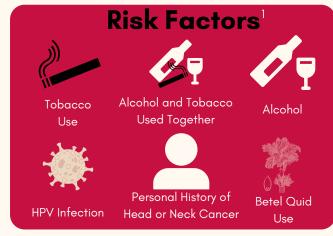
RATE OF CANCER DEATHS

PER 100,000 LOUISIANANS

Black

White

Average annual rate per 100,000 age adjusted to the 2000 US standard population



2%

In Situ

27%

Localized

There is **no** screening test available for oral cavity and pharynx cancers. The best screening method for this cancer is to regularly see a dental professional. During exams, dental professionals may be able to spot potential malignancies while they are still small/localized.³

Oral Cavity and Pharynx cancers are more common in men. particularly white men. With 24.5 cases per 100,000 men, the rate for white men is statistically significantly *higher* than the U.S.

STAGE AT DIAGNOSIS DISTRIBUTION

12%

Distant

54%

Regional

5%

Unstaged

Only about of new cases were found at early

stages (in situ & localized)

People diagnosed at a localized

stage will survive at least 5 years

1 National Cancer Institute, Oral Cavity, Oropharyngeal, Hypopharyngeal, and Laryngeal

Cancers Prevention PDQ, 2025 2 State Cancer Profiles, National Cancer Institute and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2025

3 American Cancer Society. Oral cavity and oropharyngeal cancer early detection, diagnosis, and staging, 2025

+ Survival estimates are based on cases diagnosed 2011-2021 and followed through 2022.

Prevalence counts are an estimate of the number of survivors on 1/1/2022 who were diagnosed between 2000-2021.



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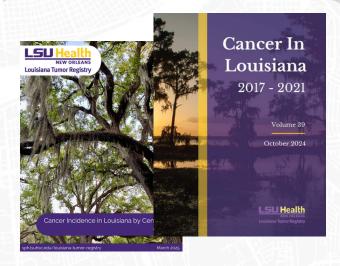
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One of 22 NCI-designated SEER cancer registries that gather information about cancer cases to help guide policies for cancer prevention, early detection, diagnosis, treatment, prognosis and survivorship.

To collect and report complete,
high-quality, and timely
population-based cancer data in
Louisiana to support cancer
research, control, and prevention.

To reduce suffering and death from cancer using information collected by the Louisiana Tumor Registry.



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