

Melanoma of the Skin in Louisiana

2019- 2023 STATS AND FACTS



1,027
NEW CASES FOUND IN
EACH YEAR

10,337
MELANOMA CANCER
SURVIVORS SINCE 2000[#]

The 5-year relative
survival for Louisiana
people of all races⁺ **95%**

7th most common cancer
diagnosis among
people in Louisiana

Louisiana's rank in the
US for death rate of
melanoma of the skin² **49th**

RATE OF NEW CANCER CASES PER 100,000 LOUISIANANS

Black 0.9
White 28.5

RATE OF CANCER DEATHS PER 100,000 LOUISIANANS

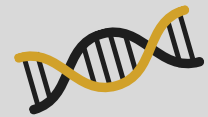
Black 0.5
White 2.1

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

Risk Factors¹



Sun and UV radiation exposure



Family History of
Melanoma

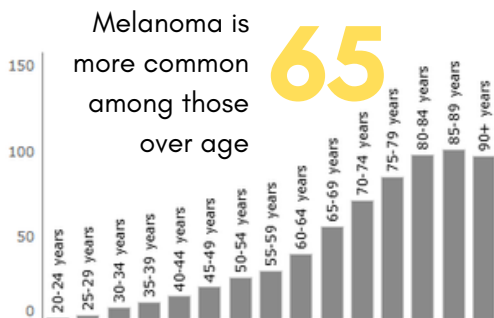


Having Many or
Abnormal Moles

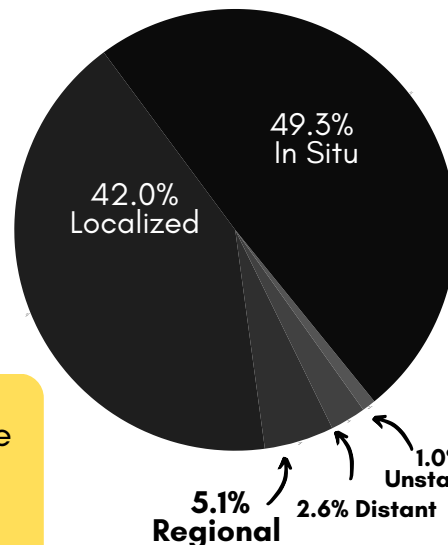


Lighter skin, hair, and eye color
(Blue or Green Eyes, Blonde or Red Hair)

STAGE AT DIAGNOSIS DISTRIBUTION



91%
of new cases were
found at early
stages (in situ &
localized)



1 American Cancer Society,
Risk Factors for Melanoma
Skin Cancer, 2026.
2 State Cancer Profiles,
National Cancer Institute and
Centers for Disease Control
and Prevention, 2026
+ Survival estimates are
based on cases diagnosed
2012-2022 and followed
through 2023
Prevalence counts are an
estimate of the number of
survivors on 1/1/2023 who
were diagnosed between
2000-2022.



In Louisiana: 5-year survival for White people
is 35% higher than it is for Black people
(95.0% vs. 70.3% 5-year Relative Survival)

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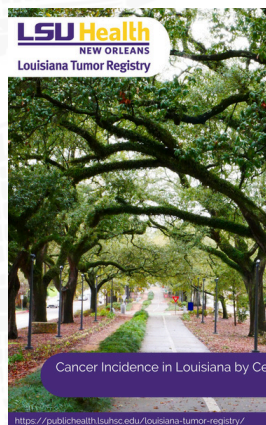
OUR VISION

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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.



For more information, please visit:

<https://publichealth.lsuhsu.edu/louisiana-tumor-registry/>

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