

## [Craniopharyngioma - Childhood - Statistics](#) [1]

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**ON THIS PAGE:** You will find information about how many children are diagnosed with craniopharyngioma each year. You will also learn some general information on surviving the disease. Remember, survival rates depend on several factors. To see other pages, use the menu.

Craniopharyngioma accounts for approximately 6% of all brain tumors in children. It is diagnosed most often between the ages of 5 and 14, but it is possible for a person of any age to be diagnosed with craniopharyngioma.

The 5-year survival rate tells you what percent of children live at least 5 years after the tumor is found. Percent means how many out of 100. Both the 5-year survival rate and 10-year survival rate for children with craniopharyngioma is higher than 90%.

It is important to remember that statistics on how many children survive this type of tumor are an estimate. The estimate comes from data based on children with craniopharyngioma in the United States each year. So, your own child's risk may be different. Doctors cannot say for sure how long any child will live with craniopharyngioma. Also, experts measure the survival statistics every 5 years. This means that the estimate may not show the results of better diagnosis or treatment available for less than 5 years. Learn more about [understanding statistics](#) [3].

*Source: National Cancer Institute.*

The [next section in this guide is Risk Factors](#) [4]. It explains that there are currently no known factors linked with an increased chance of developing craniopharyngioma. Or, use the menu to choose another section to continue reading this guide.

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[2] <http://www.cancer.net/about-us>

[3] <http://www.cancer.net/node/24961>

[4] <http://www.cancer.net/node/18719>