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ON THIS PAGE: You will find information about how many women are diagnosed with this type of cancer 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 on the side of your screen.

Primary fallopian tube cancer is cancer that starts in the fallopian tube. It is more common for other cancers to spread to the fallopian tubes after they started somewhere else in the body. For example, the fallopian tubes are a common site of metastasis (spread) of cancers that started in the ovaries, uterus, endometrium, appendix, or colon.

Using current statistics, primary fallopian tube cancer accounts for about 1% of all cancers of a woman's reproductive system. However, as mentioned in the [Overview](#) [3], new scientific evidence suggests that ovarian cancer is more closely associated with fallopian tube cancer than previously thought, which makes this type of cancer more common than this statistic suggests.

The 5-year survival rate tells you what percent of women live at least 5 years after the cancer is found. Percent means how many out of 100. If found early, fallopian tube cancer can often be successfully treated. At its earliest stage, where the cancer is only in the lining of the fallopian tube the 5-year survival rate is 87%. The survival rate decreases as the cancer spreads. If cancer has spread to the walls of the fallopian tube, the 5-year survival rate ranges from 52% to 86%. If it has spread outside of the fallopian tube, the 5-year survival rate is 40%. Learn more about the [staging system](#) [4] of fallopian tube cancer.

It is important to remember that statistics on how many women survive this type of cancer are an estimate. The estimate comes from data based on women with this cancer in the United States each year. So, your own risk may be different. Doctors cannot say for sure how long any woman will live with fallopian tube cancer. 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](#) [5].

Source: American Cancer Society and [Oncolink](#) [6], The University of Pennsylvania.

The next section in this guide is [Medical Illustrations](#) [7]. It offers drawings of body parts often affected by this disease. Or, use the menu on the left side of your screen to choose another section to continue reading this guide.

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