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ON THIS PAGE: You will find information about how many people learn 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.

This year, an estimated 62,700 adults (39,650 men and 23,050 women) in the United States will be diagnosed with kidney cancer and renal pelvic cancer. Kidney cancer is the seventh most common cancer for men, and it is the tenth most common cause of cancer for women.

It is estimated that 14,240 deaths (9,240 men and 5,000 women) from this disease will occur this year.

The 5-year survival rate tells you what percent of people live at least 5 years after the cancer is found. Percent means how many out of 100. The 5-year survival rate for people with kidney cancer is 73%. However, survival rates depend on several factors, including the [stage](#) [3] of the cancer when it is first diagnosed.

Approximately 65% of people are diagnosed when the cancer is only located in the kidney. For this group, the 5-year survival rate increases to 92%. If kidney cancer has spread to surrounding tissues or organs and/or the regional lymph nodes, the 5-year survival rate is 65%. If the cancer has spread to a distant part of the body, the 5-year survival rate is 12%.

The 5-year survival for renal pelvic cancer is 50% and 74% for renal cell carcinoma.

It is important to remember that statistics on how many people survive this type of cancer are an estimate. The estimate comes from data based on thousands of people with this cancer in

the United States each year. So, your own risk may be different. Doctors cannot say for sure how long anyone will live with kidney 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](#) [4].

Statistics adapted from the American Cancer Society's publication, Cancer Facts & Figures 2016.

The [next section in this guide is Medical Illustrations](#) [5]. 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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