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## **Meningioma - Statistics**

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**Statistics** 

ON THIS PAGE: You will find information about how many people learn they have meningioma each year and some general survival information. Remember, survival rates depend on several factors. To see other pages in this guide, use the colored boxes on the right side of your screen, or click ?Next? at the bottom.

Meningioma accounts for more than 35% of primary brain tumors [2] (tumors that start in the brain) in the United States and occurs in approximately seven of every 100,000 people. Meningioma is rare in children [3].

For benign meningioma, the recurrence rate is low (7% to 25%). Aytpical or intermediate meningiomas have higher recurrence rates (29% to 52%) and malignant meningiomas can have very high recurrence rates. The overall five-year survival rate (the percentage of people who survive at least five years after the meningioma is detected, excluding those who die from other diseases) for meningioma is 69% (70% for benign meningioma and 55% for malignant meningioma).

Survival statistics should be interpreted with caution. These estimates are based on data from thousands of people with this type of tumor in the United States each year, but the actual risk for a particular individual may differ. It is not possible to tell a person how long he or she will live with meningioma. Because survival statistics are often measured in multi-year intervals, they may not represent advances made in the treatment or diagnosis of this tumor. Learn more about<u>understanding statistics</u> [4].

Sources: Central Brain Tumor Registry of the United States

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