

Wilms Tumor - Childhood - Statistics [1]

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ON THIS PAGE: You will find information about how many children learn they have this type of tumor each year and some general survival information. Remember, survival rates depend on several factors. To see other pages, use the menu on the side of your screen.

In the United States, about 500 children are diagnosed with Wilms tumor each year. It accounts for about 5% of all childhood cancers. Wilms tumor occurs most often in children age five or younger.

The five-year survival rate is the percentage of children who survive at least five years after the tumor is detected, excluding those who die from other diseases. The five-year survival rate for children with Wilms tumor is 90%.

Survival statistics should be interpreted with caution. These estimates are based on data from thousands of people with this type of tumor, 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 Wilms tumor. Because the survival statistics are measured in five-year intervals, they may not represent advances made in the treatment or diagnosis of this cancer. Learn more about [understanding statistics](#) [3].

Statistics adapted from the American Cancer Society's publication, Cancer Facts and Figures 2014.

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