

Nasal Cavity and Paranasal Sinus Cancer - Statistics [1]

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ON THIS PAGE: You will find information about how many people learn they have this type of cancer 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.

Both nasal cavity and paranasal sinus cancer are uncommon. Each year, about 2,000 people are diagnosed with nasal cavity or paranasal sinus cancer in the United States. Cancer of the nasal cavity or paranasal sinus is found more often in men than in women, and it tends to occur in people who are at least 45 years old.

The five-year survival rate is the percentage of people who survive at least five years after the cancer is detected, excluding those who die from other diseases. The five-year survival rate of people with nasal cavity or paranasal sinus cancer varies by stage, as described in the table below. Stage I means the cancer hasn't spread outside the nasal cavity, and stage IV means the cancer has spread to distant parts of the body. Learn more about [staging \[3\]](#).

Cancer survival statistics should be interpreted with caution. These estimates are based on data from thousands of people with this type of cancer 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 nasal cavity or paranasal sinus cancer. 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 \[4\]](#).

Statistics adapted from the American Cancer Society.

Stage	Five-year relative survival
I	63%
II	61%

III	50%
IV	35%

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