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ON THIS PAGE: You will find information about how many men 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 2,030 men in the United States will be diagnosed with penile cancer.

About 340 men will die from the disease.

Penile cancer is rare in the United States and makes up less than 1% of all cancer diagnosed in men. It is more common in some parts of Asia, Africa, and South America.

The 5-year survival rate tells you what percent of men live at least 5 years after the cancer is found. Percent means how many out of 100. The 5-year survival rate for men with penile cancer that has not spread when it is first diagnosed is about 85%. If the cancer has spread to surrounding tissues or organs and/or the regional lymph nodes, the five-year survival rate is 59%. If the cancer has spread to a distant part of the body, the 5-year survival rate is 11%.

It is important to remember that statistics on how many men survive this type of cancer are an estimate. The estimate comes from data based on thousands of men with this cancer in the United States each year. So, your own risk may be different. Doctors cannot say for sure how long any man will live with penile 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](#) [3].

Statistics adapted from the American Cancer Society's (ACS) publication, Cancer Facts and

Figures 2016, and the ACS website. The [next section in this guide is Risk Factors and Prevention](#) [4]. It explains what factors may increase the chance of developing this disease. Or, use the menu on the side of your screen to choose another section to continue reading this guide.

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