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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 8,720 men in the United States will be diagnosed with testicular cancer. The average age of diagnosis is 33.

It is estimated that about 380 deaths from this disease will occur this year. These deaths are either from cancer that spread from the testicles to other parts of the body and could not be effectively treated with chemotherapy, radiation therapy, and/or surgery or from complications from treatment.

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 survival rate is higher for men diagnosed with early-stage cancer and lower for men with later-stage cancer. For men with cancer that has not spread beyond the testicles (Stage 1; see [Stages \[3\]](#)), the survival rate is 99%.

For men with cancer that has spread to the lymph nodes in the back of the abdomen, called the retroperitoneal lymph nodes, the survival rate is about 96%. But, this depends on the size of the lymph nodes with cancer. For men with cancer that has spread outside the testicles to areas beyond the retroperitoneal lymph nodes, the survival rate is 73%.

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 testicular 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 and the NCI Surveillance Epidemiology and End Results (SEER) database (1975-2011).

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