Cancer in Nebraska Quick Facts: African Americans and Native Americans

- During the past decade (2005-2014), there were 3,004 cancer diagnoses and 1,117 cancer deaths among African Americans in Nebraska.

- Compared to Whites, African Americans in Nebraska were more likely to be diagnosed with cancer overall (incidence) and to die from it (mortality) during the past decade (Figure 1).

- The most frequently diagnosed types of cancer among African Americans in Nebraska were prostate, lung, female breast, and colorectal, and they were more likely than Whites to be diagnosed with prostate, lung, and colorectal cancers (Figure 2).

- During the past decade (2005-2014), there were 471 cancer diagnoses and 160 cancer deaths among Native Americans in Nebraska.

- Compared to Whites, Native Americans in Nebraska were less likely to be diagnosed with cancer overall during the past decade, but were about equally likely to die from it (Figure 1).

- The most frequently diagnosed types of cancer among Native Americans in Nebraska were female breast, lung, colorectal, and kidney, and they were over 50% more likely to be diagnosed with lung cancer than Whites (Figure 2).
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### Cancer in Nebraska Quick Facts: Asian/Pacific Islanders and Hispanics

- During the past decade (2005-2014), there were 624 cancer diagnoses and 199 cancer deaths among Asian/Pacific Islanders in Nebraska.
- Asian/Pacific Islanders in Nebraska were less likely to be diagnosed with cancer overall than Whites, and were also less likely to die from it (Figure 1).
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### Hispanics in Nebraska

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- **The most frequently diagnosed types of cancer among Hispanics in Nebraska were female breast, prostate, colorectal, and lung, and all at rates lower than those for Whites (Figure 2).**

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* Rates are per 100,000 female population  **Rates are per 100,000 male population

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### Figure 2. Incidence Rates for Selected Cancers, by Race/Ethnicity, Nebraska, 2005-2014

![Incidence Rates for Selected Cancers, by Race/Ethnicity, Nebraska, 2005-2014](image_url)

**Average annual rate (per 100,000 population)**

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