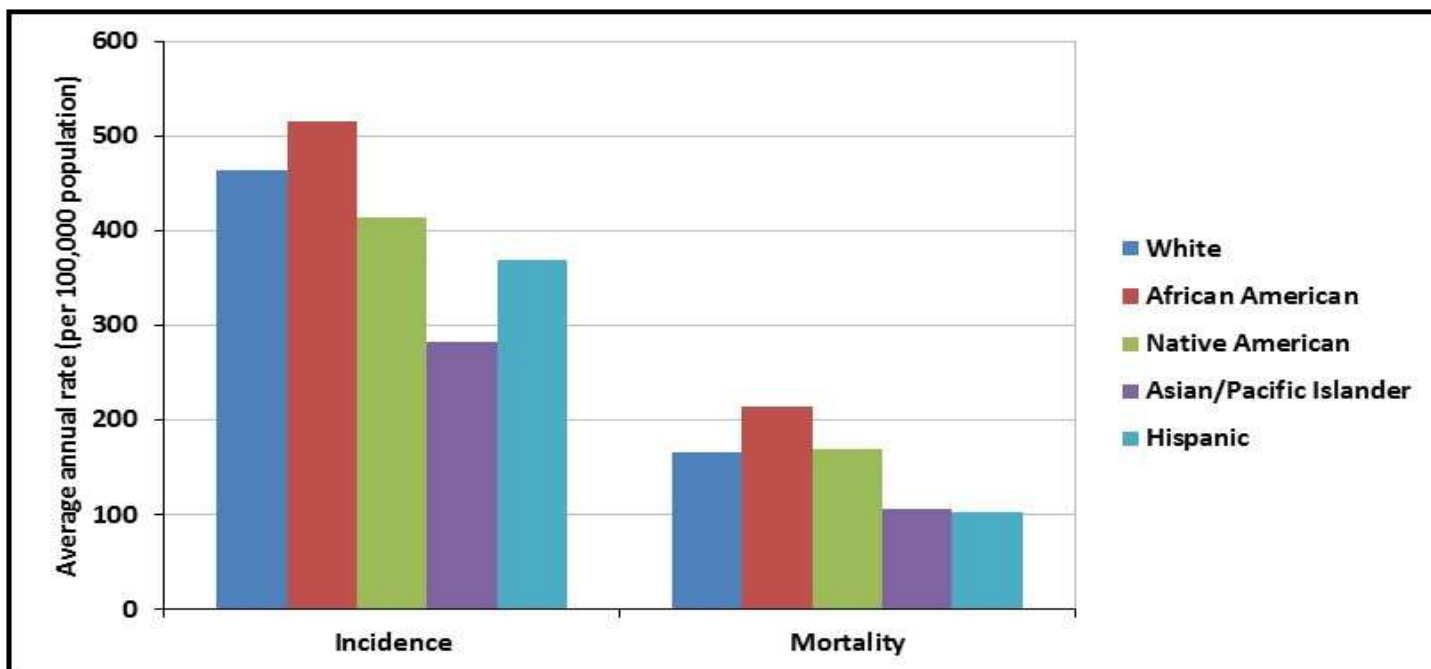


# Cancer in Minorities

Figure 1. Cancer Incidence and Mortality Rates, by Race/Ethnicity, Nebraska, 2006-2015



## Cancer in Nebraska Quick Facts: African Americans and Native Americans

- During the past decade (2006-2015), there were 3,141 cancer diagnoses and 1,135 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 lung, colorectal, female breast, and prostate cancers (Figure 2).
- The most common causes of cancer deaths among African Americans in Nebraska were cancers of lung, colorectal, female breast, and pancreatic cancers (Figure 3).
- African Americans were more likely than Whites to be diagnosed with and die from prostate, lung, and colorectal cancers (Figures 2 & 3).

- During the past decade (2006-2015), there were 494 cancer diagnoses and 164 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. They were almost 40% more likely to be diagnosed with lung cancer than Whites (Figure 2).
- The most common causes of cancer deaths among Native Americans in Nebraska were cancers of lung, colorectal, kidney, and female breast (Figure 3).

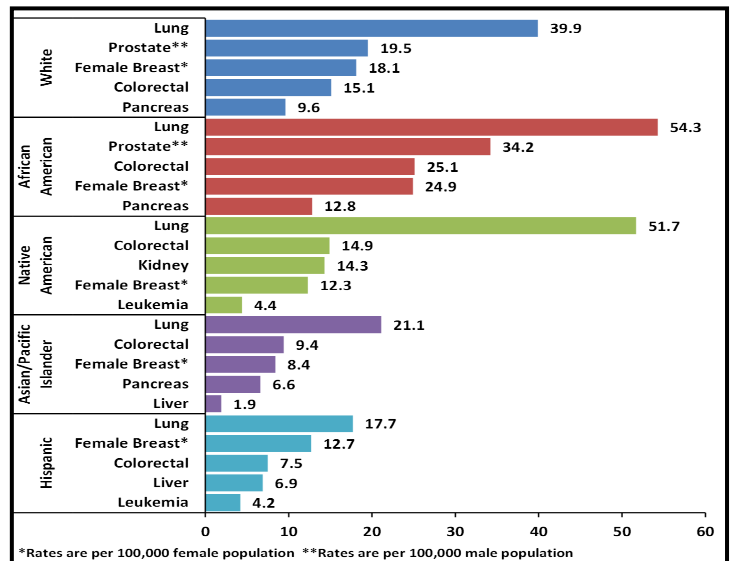
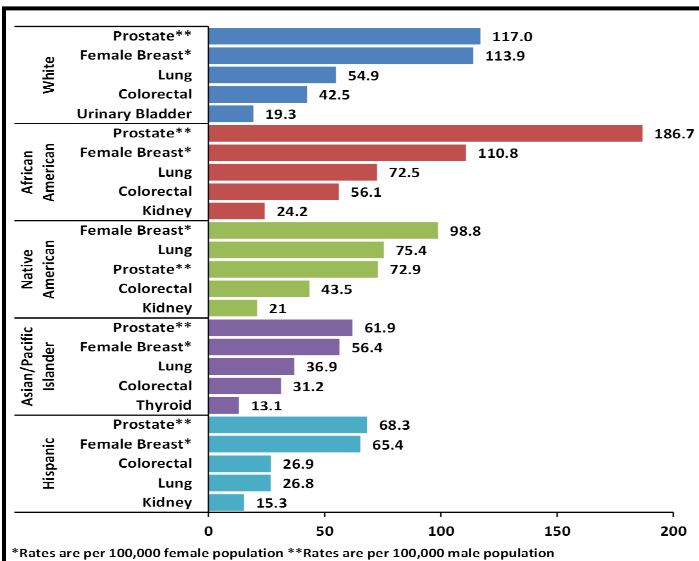
## Cancer in Nebraska Quick Facts: Asian/Pacific Islanders and Hispanics

- During the past decade (2006-2015), there were 678 cancer diagnoses and 214 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).
- The most frequently diagnosed types of cancer among Asian/Pacific Islanders in Nebraska were female breast, colorectal, lung, and prostate, and all at rates lower than those for Whites (Figure 2).
- The most common causes of cancer deaths among Asian/Pacific Islanders in Nebraska were cancers of lung, colorectal, female breast, and pancreas, but all at rates are lower than those for Whites (Figure 3).

- During the past decade (2006-2015), there were 1,975 cancer diagnoses and 553 cancer deaths among Hispanics in Nebraska.
- Hispanics in Nebraska were less likely to be diagnosed with cancer overall than Whites, and were also less likely to die from it (Figure 1).
- 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).
- The most common causes of cancer deaths among Hispanics in Nebraska were cancers of lung, female breast, colon and rectum, and liver (Figure 3).

**Figure 2. Top Five Cancer Sites by Race/Ethnicity, Nebraska (2006-2015)**

**Figure 3. Top Five Cancer Deaths by Race/Ethnicity, Nebraska (2006-2015)**



## About the Nebraska Cancer Registry

- ◆ **Purpose:** To document new cases of cancer among Nebraska residents; analyze geographic patterns and long-term trends; provide statistical and other information about cancer in Nebraska in response to specific requests; and plan and evaluate cancer control programs.
- ◆ **Funding:** Funded by a portion of the Nebraska cigarette tax and also by a grant from CDC.
- ◆ **Data Sources:** hospitals, pathology laboratories, outpatient therapy sites, physician offices, death certificates, and cancer registries in other states.
- ◆ **Data Quality:** the NCR has been awarded gold standard certificate of data quality for 21 consecutive years (1995-2015) by the North American Association of Central Cancer Registries in recognition of the accuracy and completeness of the data.

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