

Oregon Partnership for Cancer Control



Comprehensive
Cancer Control

Collaborating to Conquer Cancer



Cancer in American Indians & Alaska Natives in Oregon

Among American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/AN) in Oregon, between 1996 and 2004, there were:

- 197 individuals diagnosed with lung cancer...73 male and 65 female deaths.
- 138 women diagnosed with breast cancer.....20 female deaths.
- 125 individuals diagnosed with colorectal cancer...29 male and 17 female deaths.
- 95 men diagnosed with prostate cancer.....12 male deaths.
- Lung cancer then colon and rectum were the leading cancers diagnosed among AI/AN men.
- Lung then breast cancer were the leading cancers diagnosed among AI/AN women.
- Lung cancer was the leading cause of cancer death among men and women.
- AI/AN men and women have the lowest percentage of early stage cancers of any racial ethnic groups in Oregon.

AI/AN men in Oregon have:

- The 2nd lowest incidence and 3rd lowest mortality rate of prostate cancer
- The 2nd highest incidence and the 3rd highest mortality rate of lung cancer

AI/AN women in Oregon have:

- The highest incidence and mortality rate of lung cancer among Oregon women
- The 2nd lowest breast cancer rate of all Oregon women although, but it is the 2nd most commonly diagnosed among AI/AN women in Oregon

In the US:

- AI/AN men have the lowest cancer incidence rates
- AI/AN women have the lowest cancer incidence rates and the 3rd highest death rates

Oregon Partnership for Cancer Control (OPCC) has a mission to reduce deaths and suffering from cancer in our state. The Partnership, formed in 2004, created the first cancer plan for Oregon. More than 50 public, private and non-profit organizations as well as cancer survivors are helping to reduce the toll of cancer in their communities.

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Sources: Cancer in Oregon 2002, Oregon State Cancer Registry www.healthoregon.org/oscar
Intercultural Cancer Council, *American Indian/Alaska Natives & Cancer* www.iccnetwork.org

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