

Breast Cancer by the Numbers in New Hampshire



Breast cancer is the most common type of cancer among women in the United States and in New Hampshire. When detected early, breast cancer is easier to treat.

2nd

NH has the 2nd highest breast cancer rate in the United States.

From 2010 through 2014, there were an average of 1,182 new cases of breast cancer diagnosed per year among women in NH.



Belknap County has a significantly higher rate of breast cancer than NH overall. All other counties have a rate that is either similar to or lower than the state.

175 deaths per year

The average number of deaths per year among women in NH from 2010 through 2014. NH's breast cancer mortality rate is lower than the rates in 31 states and territories.

-2.8 annual percent change

The rate at which breast cancer mortality in NH has fallen from 1989 through 2014.

4%

The estimated percent of all NH women who are breast cancer survivors. It is estimated that there are currently 17,700 women living with or in remission from breast cancer in NH.



The percent of breast cancers in NH found at an early stage, when treatment is more likely to be successful.

75%

50%

The estimated breast cancer screening rate among uninsured women ages 50 to 74 in NH based on 2014 and 2016 data. This rate is much lower than the overall rate of 83%, an indication that disparities exist.

The United States Preventive Services Taskforce recommends screening every two years for women ages 50-74, with average risk for breast cancer. Talk to your provider about whether or not screening is right for you.

The NH Healthy Lives Breast and Cervical Cancer Program offers FREE screening to low income uninsured and underinsured women. Since its inception in 1997, the program has provided more than 35,000 mammograms to women in NH. For more information, call 1-800-852-3345, ext. 4931.

