2020 Breast Cancer Statistics[1]

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- In 2020, an estimated 276,480 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in women in the U.S. as well as 48,530 new cases of non-invasive (in situ) breast cancer.
- 64% of breast cancer cases are diagnosed at a localized stage, for which the 5-year survival is 99%.
- 1 in 8 women in the United States will develop breast cancer in her lifetime.
- At the time of diagnosis, approximately 64% of breast cancer patients have local-stage breast cancer, 27% have regional stage, and 6% have distant (metastatic) disease.
- Breast cancer is the most common cancer in American women, except for skin cancers. It is estimated that in this year, approximately 30% of all new women cancer diagnoses will be breast cancer.
- This year, an estimated 42,170 women will die from breast cancer in the U.S.
- Approximately, 1 in 39 women (3%) will die from breast cancer.
- Breast cancer accounts for 15% of total cancer deaths and is the second leading cause of cancer death in women, following lung cancer.
- In 2020, an estimated 2,620 men will be diagnosed with breast cancer this year in the U.S. and approximately 520 will die.
- Men are more likely than women (51% versus 36%) to be diagnosed with advanced regional- or distant-stage) breast cancer, which likely reflects delayed detection because of decreased awareness.
- There are over 3.5 million breast cancer survivors in the United States.
- Due to early detection and increased breast cancer awareness there were an estimated 375,900 fewer breast cancer deaths (Note: Report compares the last decade with this data estimated for 2017 – information for this year has not been released)
- 81% of breast cancer diagnosis in the United States are invasive, for which the 5-year survival rate is 91%.

[1] Source: American Cancer Society