

Ten Most Common Types of Invasive Cancer, Counts by Race & Ethnicity, 2017-2021

KEY FINDINGS:

- **Breast cancer** was the most common cancer diagnosed among females.
- **Lung and bronchus cancer** was the second most common cancer among Non-Hispanic Black (NHB) and Non-Hispanic White (NHW) females.
- **Colorectal cancer** was the second and third most common cancer among Hispanic females, and NHB and NHW females, respectively.
- **Uterine cancer** was among the four most common cancers for all racial/ethnic groups.
- **Thyroid cancer** was among the four most common cancers for Non-Hispanic Asian or Pacific Islander (NHAPI) and Hispanic females.
- **Pancreatic cancer** ranked fifth most common for NHB females but seventh or eighth most common for females in other racial/ethnic groups.
- **Stomach cancer and myeloma** were among the 10 most common cancers only for NHAPI and NHB females, respectively.

New Jersey Females

Rank	Non-Hispanic API	Non-Hispanic Black	Non-Hispanic White	Hispanic ^a
1	Breast (2,783)	Breast (4,874)	Breast (27,674)	Breast (4,596)
2	Corpus and Uterus, NOS (598)	Lung and Bronchus (1,547)	Lung and Bronchus (12,101)	Colon and Rectum ^b (1,237)
3	Thyroid (596)	Colon and Rectum ^b (1,403)	Colon and Rectum ^b (7,214)	Corpus and Uterus, NOS (1,111)
4	Colon and Rectum ^b (559)	Corpus and Uterus, NOS (1,339)	Corpus and Uterus, NOS (6,864)	Thyroid (1,103)
5	Lung and Bronchus (505)	Pancreas (630)	Melanoma of the skin (4,453)	Lung and Bronchus (985)
6	Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (274)	Myeloma (533)	Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (3,892)	Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (697)
7	Ovary (268)	Thyroid (452)	Thyroid (3,842)	Pancreas (477)
8	Pancreas (183)	Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (452)	Pancreas (3,108)	Leukemia (455)
9	Leukemia (163)	Kidney and Renal Pelvis (399)	Leukemia (2,710)	Kidney and Renal Pelvis (450)
10	Stomach (148)	Cervix (347)	Urinary Bladder ^c (2,617)	Cervix (425)

Abbreviations: API, Asian or Pacific Islander.

Source: New Jersey State Cancer Registry December 12, 2024 file, New Jersey Department of Health. Table is color-coded by cancer type with counts inside parentheses. Counts may change slightly as additional information is reported. Note that there was an approximate 10% decrease in the number of cancer cases diagnosed in 2020 compared to 2019, partly due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

^a Persons of Hispanic ethnicity may be of any race or combination of races.

^b Includes appendix.^c Includes *in situ*.

Thyroid cancer and Non-Hodgkin lymphoma tied for seventh most common cancer for NHB females.

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- **Prostate cancer** was the most common cancer diagnosed among New Jersey males.
- **Colorectal cancer** was the second or third most common cancer for Non-Hispanic Asian or Pacific Islander (NHAPI), Non-Hispanic Black (NHB), and Hispanic males, while **bladder cancer** was the third most common cancer for Non-Hispanic White (NHW) males.
- **Lung and bronchus cancer** was the second most common cancer among NHB and NHW males and the third most common cancer among NHAPI and Hispanic males.
- **Oral cavity and pharynx cancer** was the fourth most common cancer among NHAPI males but ninth or 10th most common for males in the other racial/ethnic groups.
- **Stomach cancer** and **myeloma** were among the 10 most common cancers only for NHAPI and NHB males, respectively.

New Jersey Males

Rank	Non-Hispanic API	Non-Hispanic Black	Non-Hispanic White	Hispanic ^a
1	Prostate (1,614)	Prostate (6,561)	Prostate (26,711)	Prostate (4,217)
2	Colon and Rectum ^b (686)	Lung and Bronchus (1,453)	Lung and Bronchus (10,721)	Colon and Rectum ^b (1,379)
3	Lung and Bronchus (625)	Colon and Rectum ^b (1,338)	Urinary Bladder ^c (7,648)	Lung and Bronchus (1,009)
4	Oral Cavity and Pharynx (334)	Kidney and Renal Pelvis (709)	Colon and Rectum ^b (7,569)	Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (824)
5	Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (319)	Urinary Bladder ^c (505)	Melanoma of the skin (6,457)	Kidney and Renal Pelvis (713)
6	Urinary Bladder ^c (294)	Myeloma (505)	Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (4,713)	Urinary Bladder ^c (617)
7	Liver (288)	Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (476)	Kidney and Renal Pelvis (4,171)	Leukemia (552)
8	Leukemia (241)	Pancreas (461)	Leukemia (3,661)	Liver (530)
9	Kidney and Renal Pelvis (237)	Liver (448)	Oral Cavity and Pharynx (3,441)	Pancreas (465)
10	Stomach (224)	Oral Cavity and Pharynx (371)	Pancreas (3,245)	Oral Cavity and Pharynx (432)

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Urinary bladder cancer and myeloma tied for fifth most common cancer for NHB males.

The New Jersey State Cancer Registry (NJSCR) Data Guidelines, containing comprehensive data analysis methods, race and ethnicity classification, population and mortality data sources, and additional information can be found at nj.gov/health/ces/reports.shtml.