A total of 16,011 deaths occurred among New Jersey residents in 2018 for which cancer was designated on the death certificate as the underlying cause. Overall cancer mortality rates were slightly lower for women and men compared to 2017.

The leading cause of cancer death among New Jersey women in 2018 was lung and bronchus cancer, followed by breast and colorectal cancers. The ten most common types of cancer deaths among NJ women in 2018 were similar to those in 2017, except that corpus and uterus, NOS cancer moved up to the 5th leading cause of cancer death and ovarian cancer moved down from 5th to 6th. NHL moved down from 8th to 9th, and liver and IBD cancer moved up to 8th.

The leading cause of cancer death among New Jersey men in 2018 was lung and bronchus cancer, followed by prostate and colorectal cancers. The ten most common types of cancer deaths among NJ men in 2018 were similar to those in 2017, except that leukemia moved down from 5th to 6th, and liver and IBD cancer moved up from 6th to 5th.