# **Lung Cancer in Texas**

- Lung cancer is the second most common cancer among Texans.
- The overall incidence rate of lung cancer in Texas from 2017-2021 was **46.2** cases per 100,000.
- The overall mortality rate from lung cancer in Texas was 30.4 deaths per 100,000.
- Texas ranks in the bottom tier for lung cancer screening adherence.1

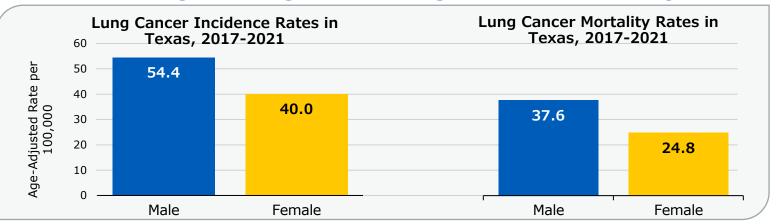
16,272 Texans are expected to be diagnosed with lung cancer in 2024.

10,512 Texans are expected to die of lung cancer in 2024.

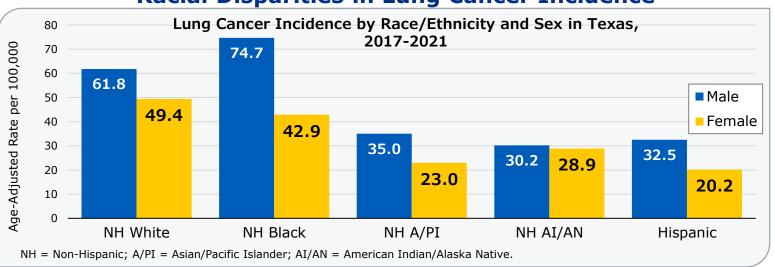
**14.9** 

Average number of years of life lost for each lung cancer death in Texas from 2017-2021.

## Men Face Higher Lung Cancer Diagnosis and Mortality Rates



# **Racial Disparities in Lung Cancer Incidence**

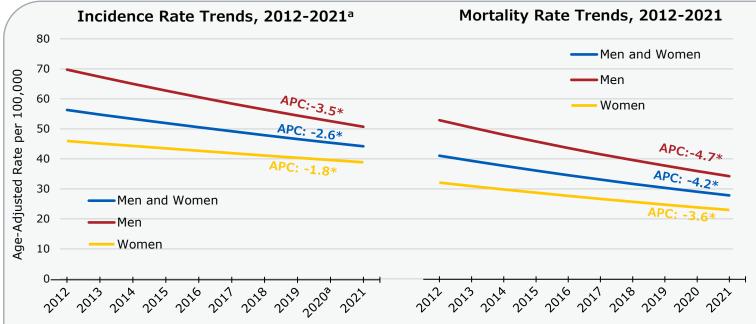


For the purposes of this report, lung cancer is defined as cancers of the lung and bronchus.

<sup>1</sup> Source: American Lung Association (2023). State of Lung Cancer. Retrieved from lung.org/research/state-of-lung-cancer/states/texas



### **Lung Cancer Incidence and Mortality Trends**



- From 2012-2021, lung cancer incidence rates significantly decreased by 2.6% per year, and mortality rates decreased by 4.2% per year.
- Lung cancer incidence and mortality rates decrease more among men than among women.

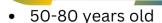
Trend lines represent the modeled rates and are labeled with the Annual Percent Change (APC).

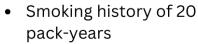
<sup>a</sup> 2020 excluded from incidence trends. \* Statistically significant change.

# **Lung Cancer Screening**



WHO Eligibility Criteria





Currently a smoker or quit within the past 15 years





- In this graphic, gray figures represent the proportion of people who died within five years of their cancer diagnosis. Blue figures represent the proportion who survived five or more years after diagnosis.
- **Localized** disease means the cancer is limited to the place where it started. **Distant** disease means cancer has spread to distant parts of the body.

Calculated using the first invasive tumor for individuals (ages 0-99 years) diagnosed with cancer between 2014-2020 and followed through December 31, 2021. Eligibility Criteria derived from 2021 U.S. Preventive Task Force Recommendations.

A pack-year is equal to smoking one pack (or about 20 cigarettes) per day for a year. For example, a person could have a 20 pack-year history by smoking one pack a day for 20 years, or by smoking two packs a day for 10 years. \*LDCT: Low-dose Computerized Tomography.

Texas Cancer Registry (dshs.texas.gov/tcr) SEER\*Stat Database, 1995-2021 Incidence, Texas statewide, 2023 Submission, cutoff 10/09/2023. Texas Department of State Health Services, Cancer Epidemiology and Surveillance Branch, created March 2024.

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