Learn the Facts

ABOUT LUNG CANCER

LUNGevity Foundation is changing outcomes for people living with lung cancer through research, education, support, and advocacy. Share these facts to spread awareness and help make lung cancer a national health priority.

FACT: ANYONE CAN GET LUNG CANCER

1 in 16 Americans will be diagnosed with lung cancer in their lifetime. More than 235,000 will be diagnosed this year; this is more than the population of Richmond, VA.

Every 2.2 minutes someone is diagnosed with lung cancer.

60%-65% of all new lung cancer diagnoses are among people who have never smoked or are former smokers.

10%-15% of lung cancer cases are in never-smokers.

Lung cancer can affect anyone, regardless of gender or ethnicity.

361 Americans will die of lung cancer today, about the maximum who can fit on a full Airbus A340-500.
**FACT: LUNG CANCER IS RARELY DETECTED EARLY ON**

Lung cancer accounts for 12% of all new cancer diagnoses, but 22% of cancer deaths.

Lung cancer takes more lives annually in the U.S. than the next three most common cancers combined:
- Breast cancer: 52,980 deaths
- Colorectal cancer: 44,130 deaths
- Prostate cancer: 34,130 deaths

Only 22% of all people diagnosed with lung cancer will survive 5 years or more, but if it is caught before it spreads, the chance for 5-year survival improves dramatically.

**FACT: LUNG CANCER RESEARCH NEEDS INVESTMENT THAT MATCHES THE IMPACT OF THE DISEASE**

Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death, yet only 6% of federal research dollars spent on cancer research are spent on lung cancer.

LUNGevity Foundation is firmly committed to making an immediate impact on increasing quality of life and survivorship of people with lung cancer by accelerating research into early detection and more effective treatments, as well as by providing community support and education for all those affected by the disease.

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<th>Cancer Type</th>
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Number of cancer deaths versus amount of federal funding:

Dollars spent (\$) per life lost (\$)