

Description: **South Carolina Cancer Data**

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**Abstract:**

Health Data, Cancer Incidence counts and rates.

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**Purpose:**

To provide the public, EPHT grantees, researchers, and other public health professionals with information pertaining to Cancer Incidence data in the state of South Carolina.

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**Supplemental Information:**

The SC Central Cancer Registry (SCCCR) was established in September 1994 when the SC Department of Health & Environmental Control (DHEC) was awarded five-year funding through a cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as part of the National Program of Cancer Registries. With enabling legislation passed by the SC General Assembly in 1996, the SCCCR began data collection from acute care hospitals, pathology labs, freestanding treatment centers, and physician offices across the state. The SCCCR is a population-based data system that collects cancer incidence (newly diagnosed cases) in South Carolina. Data in a central cancer registry are used to study trends in how often cancers occur in a defined area, changes in diagnosis and treatment patterns, and patients' survival rates. In order to protect patient confidentiality, the following rules have been applied to the provided frequency data: Count values 1-4 are reported as <5, and Count values 5-9 are reported as 10. Rate values also have confidentiality rules applied: Rates for counts below 16 are not provided and are reported as "~ Statistic could not be calculated". Rates are per 100,000 and age-adjusted to the 2000 US Std Population (18 age groups - Census P25-1130) standard. The exception to this is childhood cancer rates, which are provided per 1,000,000.

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**Notes:**

Any user of this data must have reviewed and understand the metadata content before attempting to interpret or use the Cancer data. This is a public dataset and is not for commercial purposes. Any use of this data should contain proper data source acknowledgement: SC Central Cancer Registry, PHSIS, SC DHEC

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