

**Table 2: 1999 - 2003 Ten Most Frequently Diagnosed Cancers
By Sex**

Males

Cancer	Incidence		Mortality	
	Cases	Rate¹	Deaths	Rate¹
Oral Cavity	2,972	16.2	703	4.0
Colon/Rectum	9,748	56.9	3,769	23.4
Pancreas	1,986	11.7	2,080	12.5
Lung/Bronchus	16,692	96.6	14,847	88.6
Melanoma (skin)	3,366	18.6	725	4.2
Prostate	26,789	152.0	4,574	33.2
Bladder	99	0.6	61	0.4
Kidney	3,158	17.4	1,098	6.6
Leukemia	2,146	12.3	1,543	9.6
Non-Hodgkin's	3,354	19.0	1,542	9.5

Females

Cancer	Incidence		Mortality	
	Cases	Rate¹	Deaths	Rate¹
Colon/Rectum	9,641	41.7	3,862	16.5
Gallbladder	257	1.1	162	0.7
Pancreas	1,980	8.5	2,154	9.2
Lung/Bronchus	11,389	49.9	9,275	40.6
Melanoma (Skin)	2,615	11.9	432	1.9
Female Breast	32,889	147.3	5,786	25.5
Cervix Uteri	1,745	8.1	609	2.7
Corpus Uteri	4,498	19.9	926	4.0
Ovary	2,998	13.3	1,998	8.7
Hodgkin's	3,066	13.4	1,413	6.1

¹ Rates per 100,000 Population
Age-Adjusted to the 2000 U.S. Census

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