

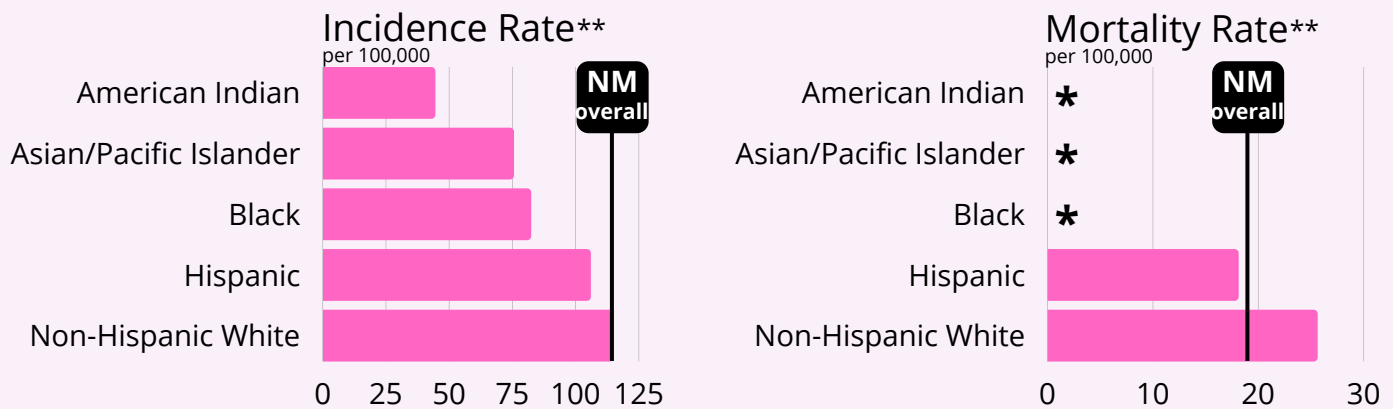
Cancer in Southwest New Mexico

1,853 Estimated New Cancers in 2023

Catron, Doña Ana, Grant, Hidalgo, Luna, Otero, Sierra, Socorro, Counties

- The **largest city** in the region is Las Cruces with a population of about 114,000
- 34% of the population lives in **rural** areas
- The **frontier** counties in the region are Catron, Hidalgo, Sierra, and Socorro Counties with fewer than 7 persons per square mile
- 19% of the population is **65 years old or older**
- **Access to primary care** is limited with counties defined as either partial or whole county shortage areas
- 87% of the population speaks English very well, and 42% of the population speaks a **language** other than English at home

Female Breast Cancer



271 estimated new invasive breast cancer cases in 2023

73% of women ages 50-74 years had a mammogram within the last 2 years as compared to **75%** of New Mexico overall



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Data Sources: Health Resources and Services Administration (health care access, 2023), National Center for Health Statistics (cancer mortality, 2011-2020), New Mexico Indicator Based Information System (population characteristics, 2021; language, 2016-2020; mammography and colorectal cancer screening, 2020; cigarette smoking, 2021), New Mexico Tumor Registry (cancer cases and estimates, 2011-2020), US Census Bureau (city population, 2022; rurality, 2020). For more detailed information on data sources and methodology, please visit our website.

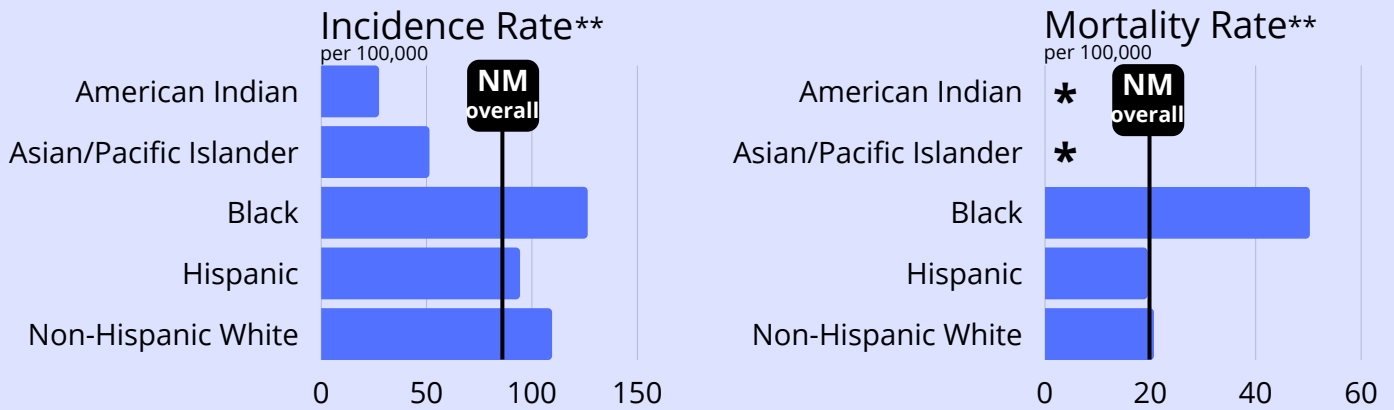


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** Cancer rates are age-adjusted to the US standard 2000 population

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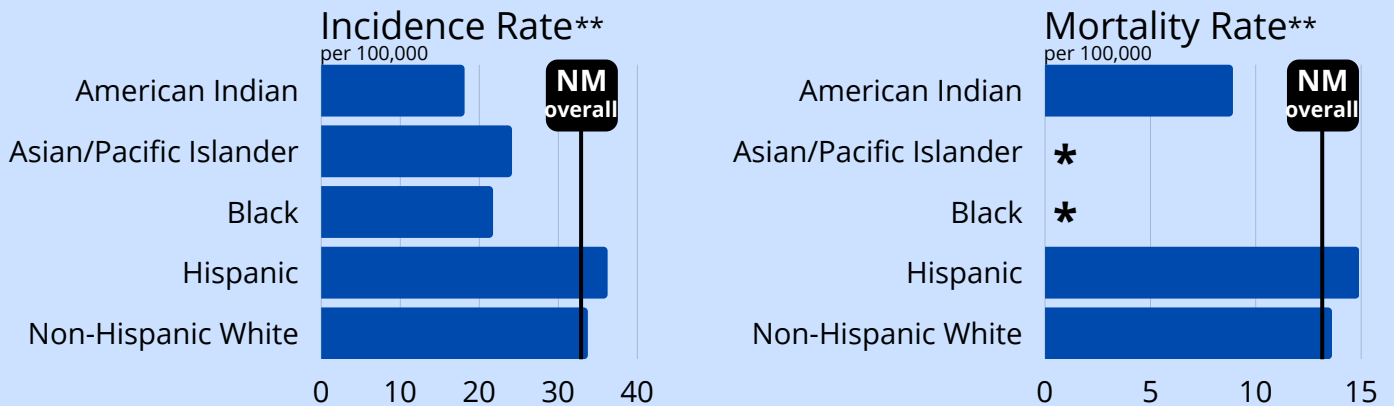
Prostate Cancer



258 estimated new prostate cancer cases in 2023

19% of men are 65 years old or older as compared to **17%** of men in New Mexico overall

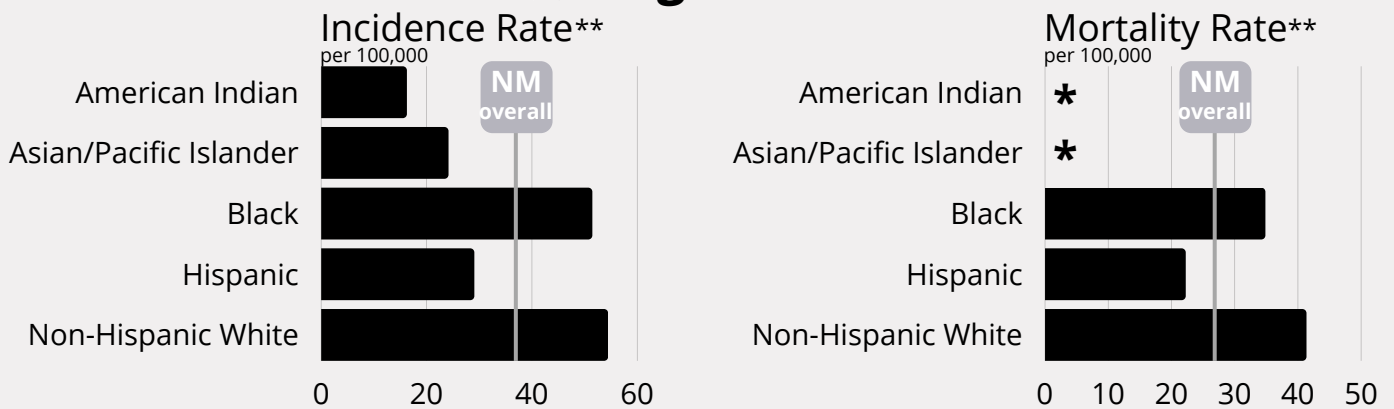
Colorectal Cancer



165 estimated new colorectal cancer cases in 2023

66% of people ages 50-75 years are up-to-date on colorectal cancer screening as compared to **69%** of New Mexico overall

Lung Cancer



166 estimated new lung cancer cases in 2023

16% of adults currently smoke cigarettes as compared to **13%** of New Mexico overall