

Table I-12  
MEDIAN AGE OF CANCER PATIENTS AT DIAGNOSIS<sup>a</sup>, 1997-2001  
 By Primary Cancer Site, Race and Sex

Site	All Races			Whites			Blacks		
	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females
All Sites	67.0	68.0	66.0	68.0	68.0	67.0	64.0	65.0	63.0
Oral Cavity & Pharynx:	63.0	62.0	67.0	64.0	63.0	69.0	57.0	57.0	57.0
Lip	70.0	68.0	74.0	70.0	69.0	75.0	56.5	42.5	61.5
Tongue	62.0	60.0	65.0	62.0	61.0	66.0	57.0	56.5	58.0
Salivary gland	63.0	65.0	61.0	65.0	66.0	63.0	56.0	56.5	51.5
Floor of mouth	64.0	62.0	67.0	64.0	62.0	68.0	56.0	56.0	57.0
Gum & other oral cavity	67.0	64.0	71.0	69.0	65.0	73.0	57.0	57.0	56.0
Nasopharynx	53.0	52.0	54.0	58.0	57.0	64.0	47.0	48.0	46.0
Tonsil	58.0	57.0	62.0	58.0	57.0	63.0	56.0	57.0	55.0
Oropharynx	64.0	62.0	68.0	65.0	63.0	69.0	60.0	59.0	64.0
Hypopharynx	66.0	65.0	68.0	67.0	66.0	69.0	59.5	59.5	59.5
Other oral cavity & pharynx	66.0	65.0	69.0	66.0	65.0	70.0	64.0	62.5	67.0
Digestive System:	71.0	69.0	73.0	72.0	70.0	74.0	67.0	65.0	69.0
Esophagus	69.0	68.0	73.0	70.0	68.0	74.0	64.0	63.0	66.0
Stomach	72.0	70.0	74.0	72.0	71.0	75.0	70.0	67.0	73.0
Small intestine	67.0	66.0	69.0	68.0	67.0	70.0	64.0	63.5	65.0
Colon & Rectum:	72.0	70.0	74.0	73.0	71.0	75.0	67.0	66.0	69.0
Colon	73.0	71.0	75.0	74.0	72.0	76.0	69.0	67.0	70.0
Rectum	68.0	67.0	70.0	69.0	68.0	71.0	64.0	63.0	64.0
Anus, anal canal & anorectum	61.0	57.0	65.0	63.0	58.0	66.0	52.0	50.0	56.0
Liver & Intrahep:	67.0	64.0	71.0	69.0	66.0	73.0	61.0	58.0	67.0
Liver	66.0	64.0	70.0	68.0	66.0	72.0	60.0	58.0	67.0
Intrahep bile duct	73.0	71.0	76.0	73.0	71.0	76.0	68.0	69.0	67.0
Gallbladder	73.0	73.0	73.0	73.0	74.0	73.0	70.0	70.0	69.0
Other biliary	73.0	71.0	74.0	73.0	72.0	75.0	70.0	67.0	74.0
Pancreas	72.0	70.0	74.0	73.0	70.0	75.0	68.0	65.0	71.0
Retroperitoneum	60.0	60.0	60.5	61.0	60.0	61.0	55.0	55.0	56.5
Peritoneum, omentum & mesentery	67.0	65.0	68.0	68.0	65.0	68.0	66.0	66.0	66.0
Other digestive system	73.5	71.0	76.0	74.0	72.0	76.0	70.5	66.5	72.0
Respiratory System:	70.0	70.0	70.0	70.0	70.0	71.0	66.0	65.0	66.0
Nose, nasal cavity & middle ear	65.0	62.0	68.0	65.0	63.0	68.0	63.0	62.0	64.0
Larynx	66.0	66.0	65.0	66.0	66.0	66.0	62.0	62.0	61.0
Lung & bronchus	70.0	70.0	71.0	71.0	70.0	71.0	66.0	66.0	67.0
Pleura	73.0	74.0	73.0	74.0	74.0	73.0	68.0	71.0	66.0
Trachea & other respiratory organs	45.0	40.0	57.0	42.0	38.0	53.0	55.0	51.0	70.0
Bones & joints	38.0	34.0	42.0	39.0	35.0	43.5	32.0	32.0	32.0
Soft tissue (incl heart)	56.0	55.0	56.0	57.0	57.0	57.0	48.0	43.5	53.0
Skin (ex basal & squam):	57.0	60.0	54.0	58.0	60.0	54.0	42.0	41.0	48.0
Melanoma of the skin	57.0	60.0	53.0	57.0	61.0	53.0	59.0	63.0	52.0
Other non-epithelial skin	57.0	51.0	67.0	63.0	57.0	70.0	40.0	39.0	47.5
Breast	61.0	67.0	61.0	63.0	68.0	63.0	57.0	61.0	57.0
Breast ( <i>in situ</i> ) <sup>b</sup>	-	-	58.0	-	-	58.0	-	-	57.0

<sup>a</sup> SEER 12 areas.  
<sup>b</sup> Females only.  
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Site	All Races			Whites			Blacks		
	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females
Female Genital System:	61.0	-	61.0	62.0	-	62.0	60.0	-	60.0
Cervix uteri	47.0	-	47.0	46.0	-	46.0	49.0	-	49.0
Corpus uteri	64.0	-	64.0	65.0	-	65.0	64.0	-	64.0
Uterus, NOS	69.0	-	69.0	70.0	-	70.0	62.0	-	62.0
Ovary	63.0	-	63.0	64.0	-	64.0	62.0	-	62.0
Vagina	69.0	-	69.0	69.0	-	69.0	65.5	-	65.5
Vulva	70.0	-	70.0	71.0	-	71.0	55.0	-	55.0
Other female genital system	62.0	-	62.0	64.0	-	64.0	48.0	-	48.0
Male Genital System:	68.0	68.0	-	69.0	69.0	-	66.0	66.0	-
Prostate	69.0	69.0	-	69.0	69.0	-	66.0	66.0	-
Testis	34.0	34.0	-	34.0	34.0	-	35.0	35.0	-
Penis	68.5	68.5	-	68.0	68.0	-	70.0	70.0	-
Other male genital system	68.0	68.0	-	68.0	68.0	-	45.0	45.0	-
Urinary System:	70.0	70.0	71.0	71.0	70.0	71.0	66.0	65.0	67.0
Urinary bladder	72.0	72.0	74.0	72.0	72.0	74.0	71.0	70.0	73.0
Kidney & renal pelvis	65.0	65.0	67.0	66.0	65.0	68.0	61.0	61.0	62.0
Ureter	74.0	72.0	75.5	74.0	72.0	76.0	73.0	75.0	72.0
Other urinary system	72.0	73.0	72.0	73.0	73.0	73.0	66.0	69.0	64.0
Eye & Orbit	58.0	57.0	60.5	60.0	58.0	62.0	2.0	2.0	2.5
Brain & Nervous System:	55.0	54.0	56.0	56.0	55.0	58.0	47.0	46.0	49.0
Brain	56.0	54.0	57.0	57.0	55.0	58.0	47.0	46.0	49.5
Cranial nerves & other nervous system	49.0	47.0	50.0	49.0	47.0	50.0	48.0	45.0	48.0
Endocrine System:	46.0	50.0	45.0	46.0	50.0	44.0	48.0	51.0	47.5
Thyroid	46.0	51.0	45.0	46.0	51.0	44.0	48.0	52.0	47.0
Other endocrine & thymus	48.0	46.0	50.0	48.0	46.5	51.0	49.0	47.0	49.0
Lymphomas:	64.0	61.0	67.0	65.0	62.0	68.0	51.0	49.0	54.0
Hodgkin lymphoma	36.0	38.0	34.0	37.0	38.0	35.0	33.0	35.0	31.0
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	66.0	64.0	69.0	67.0	65.0	70.0	55.0	52.0	59.0
Myeloma	71.0	69.0	72.0	71.0	70.0	73.0	68.0	66.5	69.0
Leukemia:	67.0	66.0	68.0	68.0	67.0	69.0	60.0	59.0	62.0
Lymphocytic:	64.0	63.0	66.0	65.0	64.0	68.0	60.0	60.0	62.0
Acute lymphocytic	11.0	11.0	10.0	10.0	11.0	10.0	13.0	13.0	13.0
Chronic lymphocytic	72.0	70.0	74.0	73.0	71.0	75.0	69.0	67.0	71.0
Other lymphocytic	63.0	61.0	68.0	63.0	61.0	69.5	62.0	63.0	58.0
Myeloid & Monocytic:	67.0	67.0	68.0	69.0	68.0	69.0	60.0	59.0	62.0
Acute myeloid	68.0	68.0	68.0	69.0	68.0	69.0	63.0	61.0	65.0
Chronic myeloid	66.0	66.0	67.0	68.0	68.0	69.0	55.0	55.5	55.0
Acute monocytic	62.0	63.5	60.0	63.0	66.0	61.0	60.0	57.5	60.0
Other myeloid & monocytic	74.0	73.0	75.0	75.0	73.5	76.0	72.0	72.0	71.5
Other:	77.0	76.0	78.0	78.0	76.0	79.0	68.0	68.0	67.5
Other acute	76.0	75.0	77.0	77.0	76.0	78.0	69.0	68.0	72.0
Aleukemic, subleuk & NOS	78.0	76.0	79.0	78.0	77.0	80.0	59.0	67.0	58.0
Ill-defined & unspecified	73.0	71.0	75.0	74.0	72.0	76.0	67.0	64.0	70.0

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Site	All Races			Whites			Blacks		
	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females
All Sites	72.0	72.0	73.0	73.0	72.0	74.0	69.0	68.0	69.0
Oral Cavity & Pharynx:	68.0	66.0	73.0	70.0	67.0	75.0	61.0	60.0	65.0
Lip	76.0	73.0	83.0	76.0	73.0	83.0	72.0	58.0	81.0
Tongue	67.0	65.0	73.0	68.0	66.0	74.0	60.0	59.0	62.0
Salivary gland	74.0	73.0	75.0	74.0	73.0	76.0	65.0	63.0	66.0
Floor of mouth	67.0	64.0	71.0	68.0	65.0	72.0	59.0	56.0	61.5
Gum & other oral cavity	73.0	68.0	78.0	74.0	69.0	79.0	64.0	61.0	69.0
Nasopharynx	63.0	61.0	67.0	66.0	64.0	69.0	56.0	54.0	60.0
Tonsil	63.0	62.0	69.0	65.0	62.0	70.0	59.0	59.0	59.5
Oropharynx	67.0	65.0	73.0	69.0	67.0	74.0	59.0	58.0	65.0
Hypopharynx	66.0	66.0	69.0	68.0	67.0	71.0	60.0	60.0	63.5
Other oral cavity & pharynx	69.0	67.0	72.0	70.0	69.0	73.0	63.0	62.0	66.0
Digestive System:	73.0	71.0	76.0	74.0	72.0	77.0	69.0	67.0	72.0
Esophagus	70.0	68.0	74.0	71.0	69.0	75.0	65.0	64.0	68.0
Stomach	74.0	72.0	76.0	74.0	72.0	77.0	71.0	69.0	75.0
Small intestine	72.0	70.0	73.0	72.0	71.0	74.0	66.0	63.0	67.0
Colon & Rectum	75.0	73.0	77.0	75.0	73.0	78.0	71.0	69.0	73.0
Anus, anal canal & anorectum	68.0	64.0	70.0	68.0	65.0	70.0	62.0	57.0	68.0
Liver & Intrahep:	71.0	68.0	74.0	72.0	70.0	75.0	64.0	61.0	70.0
Liver	70.0	68.0	74.0	71.0	69.0	75.0	64.0	60.0	71.0
Intrahep bile duct	73.0	72.0	75.0	74.0	72.0	75.0	69.0	68.0	70.0
Gallbladder	74.0	74.0	75.0	75.0	74.0	75.0	71.0	71.0	70.0
Other biliary	76.0	75.0	78.0	77.0	75.0	78.0	72.0	71.0	73.0
Pancreas	73.0	71.0	75.0	74.0	71.0	76.0	70.0	67.0	73.0
Retroperitoneum	71.0	69.0	72.0	72.0	70.0	73.0	60.0	60.0	61.5
Peritoneum, omentum & mesentery	71.0	68.0	71.0	71.0	69.0	71.0	67.0	62.5	69.0
Other digestive system	77.0	74.0	80.0	78.0	74.0	81.0	72.0	68.0	77.0
Respiratory System:	71.0	71.0	72.0	71.0	71.0	72.0	67.0	67.0	68.0
Nose, nasal cavity & middle ear	70.0	67.0	74.0	71.0	69.0	75.0	62.0	59.5	66.0
Larynx	69.0	68.0	70.0	70.0	70.0	71.0	64.0	63.5	66.0
Lung & bronchus	71.0	71.0	72.0	71.0	71.0	72.0	68.0	67.0	68.0
Pleura	74.0	73.0	76.0	74.0	74.0	76.0	70.0	70.0	71.5
Trachea & other respiratory organs	68.0	65.0	72.5	69.0	66.0	73.0	64.0	62.0	69.5
Bones & joints	60.0	55.0	65.0	62.0	57.0	68.0	48.0	46.0	55.0
Soft tissue (incl heart)	65.0	64.0	67.0	67.0	65.0	68.0	57.0	52.0	59.0
Skin (ex basal & squam):	69.0	68.0	71.0	69.0	68.0	71.0	64.0	62.0	71.0
Melanoma of the skin	67.0	66.0	68.0	67.0	66.0	68.0	71.0	66.0	73.0
Other non-epithelial skin	75.0	72.0	80.0	76.0	73.0	80.0	62.0	59.0	67.0
Breast	69.0	71.0	69.0	70.0	72.0	70.0	61.0	67.0	61.0

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Cervix uteri	57.0	-	57.0	57.0	-	57.0	58.0	-	58.0
Corpus uteri	73.0	-	73.0	74.0	-	74.0	71.0	-	71.0
Uterus, NOS	74.0	-	74.0	75.0	-	75.0	70.0	-	70.0
Ovary	71.0	-	71.0	72.0	-	72.0	68.0	-	68.0
Vagina	75.0	-	75.0	76.0	-	76.0	70.0	-	70.0
Vulva	79.0	-	79.0	80.0	-	80.0	72.0	-	72.0
Other female genital system	71.0	-	71.0	72.0	-	72.0	67.0	-	67.0
Male Genital System:	79.0	79.0	-	80.0	80.0	-	77.0	77.0	-
Prostate	79.0	79.0	-	80.0	80.0	-	77.0	77.0	-
Testis	39.0	39.0	-	39.0	39.0	-	39.0	39.0	-
Penis	71.0	71.0	-	71.0	71.0	-	68.0	68.0	-
Other male genital system	74.5	74.5	-	75.0	75.0	-	67.0	67.0	-
Urinary System:	75.0	73.0	77.0	75.0	74.0	77.0	71.0	69.0	73.0
Urinary bladder	78.0	77.0	80.0	78.0	77.0	80.0	75.0	74.0	77.0
Kidney & renal pelvis	71.0	69.0	74.0	71.0	70.0	74.0	67.0	65.0	70.0
Ureter	76.0	75.0	78.0	76.0	75.0	78.0	73.0	72.5	74.0
Other urinary system	76.0	75.0	76.0	77.0	75.0	78.0	66.0	69.0	66.0
Eye & Orbit	71.0	68.0	73.0	72.0	69.0	74.0	47.5	44.0	49.0
Brain & Nervous System:	64.0	62.0	66.0	65.0	63.0	67.0	58.0	55.0	61.0
Endocrine System:	69.0	65.0	72.0	70.0	66.0	73.0	62.0	56.0	65.0
Thyroid	74.0	70.0	76.0	74.0	71.0	76.0	69.0	64.5	71.5
Other endocrine & thymus	57.0	56.0	59.0	59.0	57.0	60.0	47.5	42.5	50.0
Lymphoma:	73.0	71.0	75.0	74.0	72.0	76.0	63.0	60.0	67.0
Hodgkin lymphoma	60.0	56.0	64.0	62.0	59.0	66.0	41.0	42.0	41.0
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	73.0	71.0	76.0	74.0	72.0	76.0	64.0	61.0	68.0
Myeloma	74.0	73.0	75.0	74.0	73.0	76.0	71.0	70.0	72.0
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Chronic myeloid	70.0	68.0	71.0	71.0	70.0	73.0	57.0	53.0	63.0
Acute monocytic	74.5	73.0	76.0	75.0	74.0	76.0	59.5	64.5	55.0
Other myeloid & monocytic	76.0	76.0	77.0	76.0	76.0	78.0	72.0	71.0	74.5
Other:	76.0	74.0	77.0	76.0	75.0	78.0	70.0	69.0	72.0
Other acute	75.0	74.0	76.0	75.0	74.0	76.0	69.0	69.0	70.0
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