Lung Cancer at a Glance

Even Non-Smokers are at Risk

Risk Factors
- Smoking Cigarettes
- Prior Radiation in the chest area
- Other Lung Diseases
- Genetics in a first-degree relative
- Environmental Tobacco Exposure
- Asbestos (a toxic chemical)
- Radon (a radioactive gas found in soil)
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228,190 Estimated lung cancer cases in the U.S. in 2013
159,480 Estimated lung cancer deaths in the U.S. in 2013

Women 13x
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Men 23x
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Secondhand Smoke

- 3,400 lung cancer deaths each year among never-smokers
- 20–30% greater chance of developing lung cancer from secondhand smoke as compared to someone with no secondhand smoke

Symptoms
- Chronic cough
- Coughing up blood
- Chest pain
- Shortness of breath
- Hoarseness
- Wheezing
- Headache and swelling of face, arms or neck
- Arm, shoulder or neck pain

These can be similar to other more common problems. Most people with lung cancer have more than one symptom. Consult with your health care provider if you are concerned about your symptoms.

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