

Missouri Cancer Registry

July 2026

Fellow Registrars,

We successfully upgraded Web Plus to Version 26. We also upgraded to the new Registry Plus CORE. We can now accept 2026 bundle files.

We are pleased to announce MCR received the NAACCR Gold Certification, 2024 Registry of Distinction Award and Registry of Excellence Award for data timeliness and completeness based on 2023 case submissions and the Registry of Surveillance designation! We could not have accomplished this goal without you! Thank you for your efforts in submitting quality, timely data.



The attached one-pager on Bone and Sarcoma cancers has been updated to include 2023 data.



Bone and Joints.pdf

Due Dates

To stay on track, large hospitals (>500 cases/yr.) are expected to have December 2025 cases completed by July 15, 2026. Smaller facilities (<300 cases/yr.) are expected to report 4th Quarter 2025 cases by July 15, 2026.

Education

MCR Helpline

Reach us at 1-800-392-2829 during regular office hours or leave a message; a member of our QA team will return your call within one business day. **MCR will be closed July 3.**

NAACCR Webinars:

NAACCR Webinars are now available on the MCR website at [Educational Webinars and Recordings – Missouri Cancer Registry and Research Center](#). Contact Lucinda Ham at lahf5p@health.missouri.edu for the password. After gaining access to the webinars, click on the file folder for the month. Webinar materials are typically available within a couple of weeks following the presentation and can be downloaded. **NAACCR Webinar: Unusual Sites 2026**

Upcoming NAACCR Webinar: Managing an Efficient Registry, July 2, 8-11 a.m. This webinar will review strategies for effectively managing meetings. To attend the live broadcast *in person* at our office in Columbia, MO, sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054CACA28A0F8C25-64603430-naacccr>

Death Clearance

Death Clearance follow-back requests will be distributed in July. We ask that responses be submitted within 30 days of receipt to allow sufficient time for updates ahead of the fall Call for Data deadline. Please take a moment to review the Death Clearance instructions available on our website: [Cancer Reporting – Hospital – Missouri Cancer Registry and Research Center](#)

In Kind Letters

In Kind letters will be sent out towards the end of July. We are asking for a statement of the actual cost required for your facility to report data to MCR for the period June 30, 2025, to June 29, 2026. Please return your responses by August 15, 2026, to Stacy Barr. Your response helps us estimate the level of support your facility provides to the Central Registry. barrs@health.missouri.edu

Save the Date!

Missouri Cancer Registry will be hosting a one-day educational conference in Kansas City, Missouri, on Friday, **September 25, 2026, at St. Luke's Corporate Office**. This will be an in-person-only event worth 6.5 CE hours. The \$15 registration fee includes lunch.

Attendees can look forward to sessions on:

- Genomics & Targeted Therapy
- Pancreatic Cancer & New Treatments
- Breast Cancer & Lymph Node Biopsy
- Gynecologic (GYN) Cancers
- Pediatric Neuroblastomas

More details and registration information will be shared soon. Be sure to mark your calendar – we look forward to seeing you there!



US Cancer Statistics



The CDC release the latest United States Cancer Statistics (USCS) with new cancers diagnosed through 2023 and deaths through 2024. [United States Cancer Statistics \(USCS\) | U.S. Cancer Statistics | CDC](#) The latest release also includes an updated Data Visualization tool that helps users easily explore cancer-related data and create graphs, maps and tables by state, county and demographic characteristics.

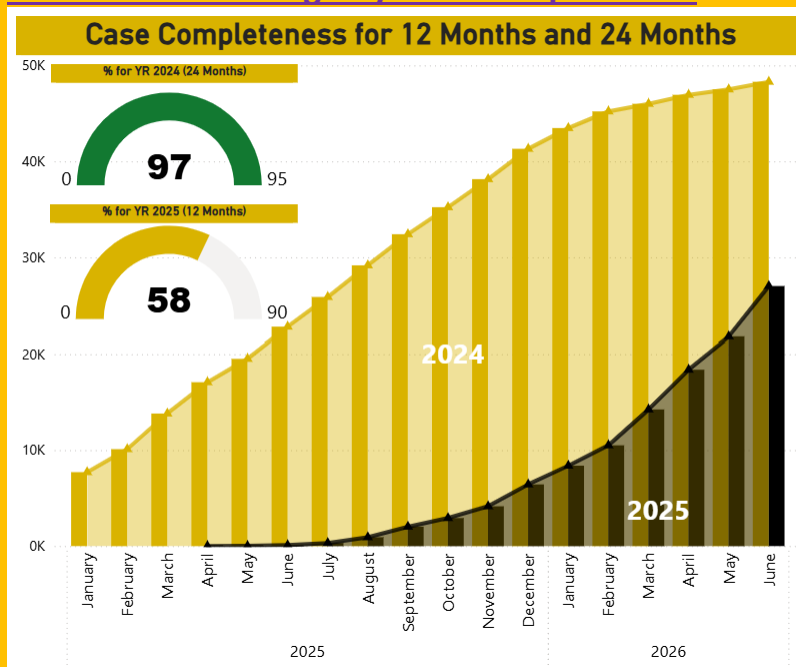
MCR Training and Online Courses

The Fundamentals of Abstracting course and MOODS Study Guide and course are updated to include the most recent changes by standard setters. Click the following link to enroll in any of these courses.

<https://umsystem-mcr.catalog.instructure.com/>

 FREE Abstracting for Non-Hospital and Low-Volume Cancer Reporters "Abstracting for Non-Hospital and Low-Volume Cancer Reporters" course focuses on the unique challenges and requirements of non-hospital cancer and low-volume hospital reporting, ensuring that data collected from... Self-paced FREE	 FUNDAMENTALS OF ABSTRACTING MU Non-Credit This class is for new abstractors who are not familiar with the abstracting process. If you are not familiar with abstracting and/or the required fields, this is a great place to start learning. Time limit: 90 days \$50	 FREE MCR EDUCATION ODS SHORTS This collection of short videos is curated to assist with comprehending key responsibilities at the Missouri Cancer Registry, along with offering abstracting tips to prepare for the Certification Examination... Self-paced FREE	 MO Oncology Data Specialist Study Guide Course (Quizzes) The study guide is designed to cover, in summary form, the major content areas of the Certification Examination for Tumor Registrars. Time limit: 365 days \$50	 FREE Seamless Reporting to MCR MU Non-Credit "Seamless Reporting to MCR: Streamlining Data Submission and Compliance" course guides participants through Missouri Cancer Registry's reporting requirements, data submission processes, and compliance... Self-paced FREE
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Missouri Cancer Registry Case Completeness



MCR is now focusing on 2025 cases as we are currently at 97% for 2024. If you have any questions about reporting, please contact me. This year we are also focusing on low volume facility reporting and increasing the number of audits performed.

[Missouri Cancer Dashboards](#)

MCR has released a new interactive Adolescent and Young Adult (AYA) Cancer Tracking Dashboard (1998-2022) that can be found under the Missouri Cancer Dashboards. This tool highlights trends, incidence, and mortality data specifically for Missouri residents aged 15-44.

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Adolescence and Young Adult Cancer tracking Dashboard (1998-2022)

Select year: (All) Select Age: (All) Select Can...: (All) 15-24 yrs 25-34 yrs 35-44 yrs

Rate of cancer based on Diagnosis year

Bones and Joints	15-24	5.3
	25-34	3.3
	35-44	4.1
Brain and other nervous system	15-24	12.6
	25-34	18.1
	35-44	22.6
Cervix uteri	15-24	1.7
	25-34	24.6
	35-44	40.2
ColoRectal	15-24	5.1
	25-34	22.1
	35-44	71.6
Female Breast	15-24	5.1
	25-34	104.3
	35-44	570.4
Hodgkin lymphoma	15-24	18.9
	25-34	20.8
	35-44	14.6

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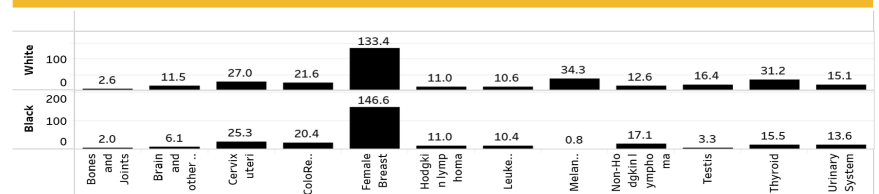
1. Rate: Cancer incidence rates are annualized per 100, 1000 residents and are age-adjusted to the US 2000 std. population.

2. Risk factors data is from 2023 BRFSS Data

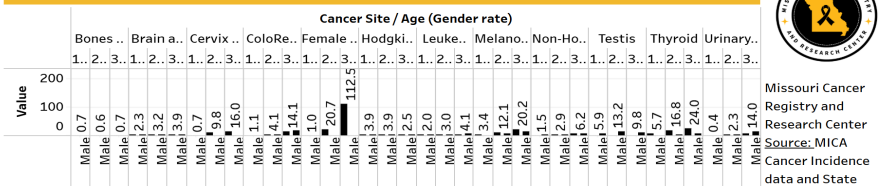
Citation:

1. Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services. (n.d.). MoPHIMS Query Builder. Retrieved August 20, 2025, from <https://healthapps.dhss.mo.gov/MoPhims/QueryBuilder?abc=CIM&q=1&m=1>

Incidence Rate By Race



Incidence Rate By Gender



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Source: MICA
Cancer Incidence data and State Cancer Profiles

[Radiation Exposure Compensation Act \(RECA\)](#)

The Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA), 42 U.S.C. § 2210 note, is a federal law that provides partial restitution to individuals who developed certain serious illnesses following exposure to radiation from the U.S. nuclear weapons program, or their survivors. This became effective for Missouri on July 4, 2025. New claims may be filed through December 31, 2027. Please see the following link for guidelines on requesting information from Missouri Cancer Registry [Radiation Exposure Compensation Act \(RECA\) – Missouri Cancer Registry and Research Center](#).

RECA applications can now be completed online by using the QR Code.

RECA RESOURCES

Compensation for Missourians affected by nuclear contamination

ACCESS ONLINE CLAIM FORM:



www.justice.gov/civil/reca

FILE BY MAIL:

Radiation Exposure Compensation Program
U.S. Department of Justice
P.O. Box 146
Ben Franklin Station
Washington, D.C. 20044-0146

CALL OUR HOTLINE

202-228-4388

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

www.hawley.senate.gov/reca

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The Missouri Cancer Registry (MCR) has been instrumental in helping Missourians secure Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA) benefits. MCR continues to provide essential cancer diagnosis documentation—often the only remaining source of long-term medical information—supporting both the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) and Missouri residents in assembling the required evidence for their claims. More than \$101.95 million has been awarded to current Missouri residents to date.

NEWS FROM THE STANDARD SETTERS

SEER Educate News

Log in or sign up at SEER*Educate today by visiting <https://educate.fredhutch.org/> and Learn by Doing! New and updated coding exercises can be found under Training, Coding – CEs. SEER released CoC Multiple Choice tests for the CY 2026 ODS Exam. These are under Training, ODS Prep.

SEER Helpdesk closed:

- July 3
- September 7

NAACCR Summer ODS Prep and Review Series

NAACCR prepared an 8-week ODS exam prep course which will cover topics related to the exam. Each session includes a lecture, Q&A, reading assignment, and a quiz. Participants have unlimited access to the lectures throughout the testing period. The first session was May 12, 2026. Registration is \$260 per participant. Click on this link for more information: [NAACCR Online Education: ODS Exam Preparation and Review](#)

NCRA

2026 ODS Exam Prep Webinars, Practice Cases, and Practice Tests

The seven 90-minute recorded presentations are designed to prepare candidates for the Oncology Data Specialist exam. Click on the link for more information. <https://www.cancerregistryeducation.org/ctr-prep-activities>

NCRA Summer Informatics and AI

NCRA is hosting a three-part informatics webinar series that explores how AI is reshaping cancer registry operations. The next two available webinars: ODS in the Driver's Seat (July 15) and Using AI to Support Follow-up and Long-term Patient Tracking (August 5) can be purchased together or individually. Visit [LIVE Webinars](#) to register and/or purchase the webinars.

Best,

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Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success. – Henry Ford

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