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Lung Cancer Screening - 2022

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Background and Overview

- Background
- Rationale for screening
- National Lung Screening Trial
- Lung screening recommendations
- Risks and Benefits
- Special Considerations of a Lung Cancer Screening Program
- Ongoing Questions and Needs

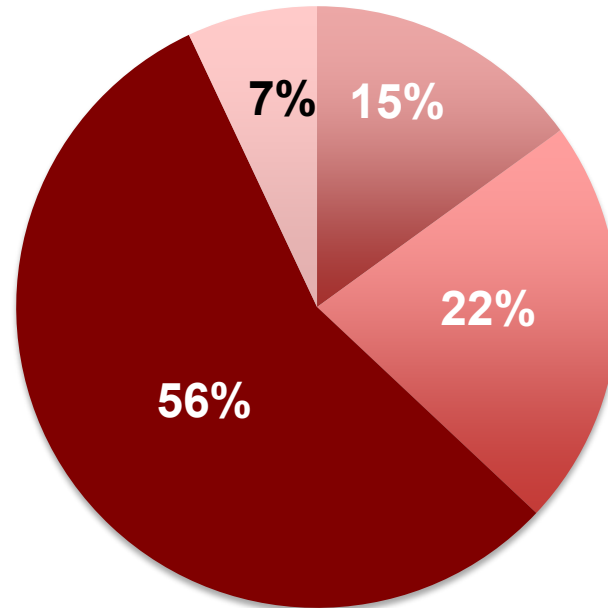


Lucas Oil Stadium Capacity 68,000	New Lung Cancer Cases 236,740	Lung Cancer Deaths 130,180
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Siegel et. al. Cancer Statistics, 2022, CA Cancer J Clin



Lung Cancer Stage at Diagnosis



- I (Localized)
- II and III (Regional)
- IV (Distant)
- Unknown/Unstaged

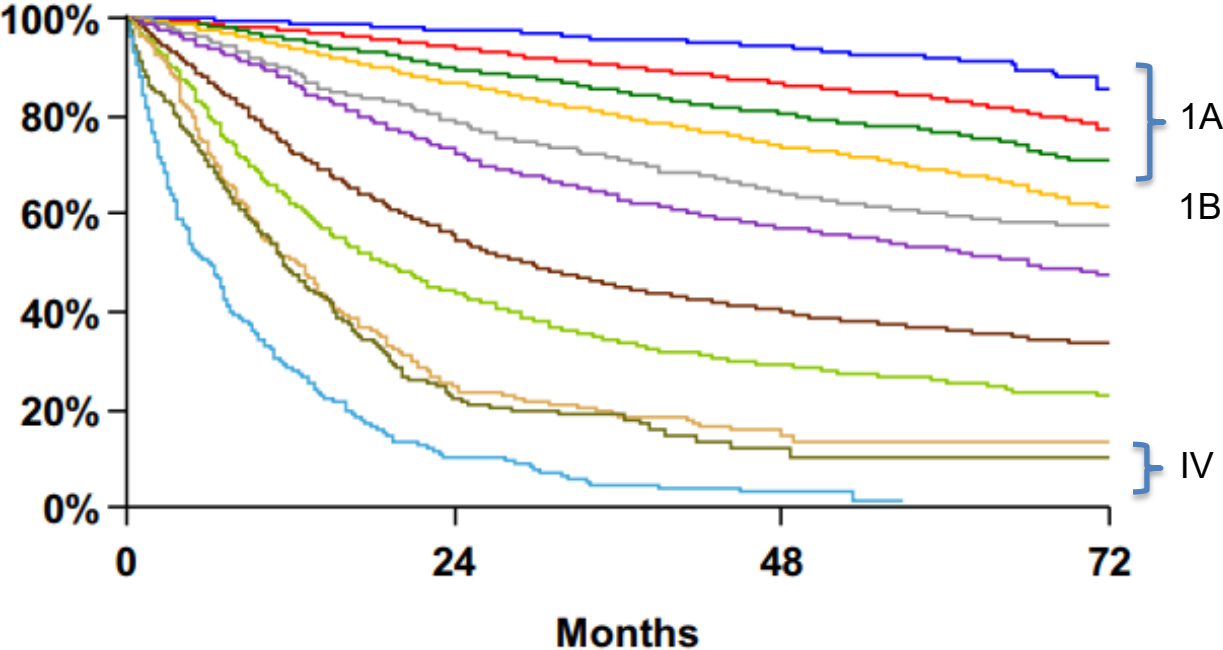
<http://seer.cancer.gov/statfacts/html/lunb.html>



Significance of Early Diagnosis



Survival by Stage at Diagnosis



Goldstraw P et al. *J Thorac Oncol* 2015. 11(1):39-51



History of Lung Cancer Screening



1980-1990s: Failed studies, overdiagnosis:

- Mayo Clinic Project (CXR/sputum cytology)
- Johns Hopkins Lung Project
- Czechoslovakian RCT
 - Improved detection, more Stage I, no lung cancer mortality

2012-2013
LCS Recommended: ACCP*/ASCO/ATS, ALA, AATS

USPSTF
"B" recommendation
2013

NCCN
Cat. 1*
2012

CMS Coverage
Approved
2015

Revised
USPSTF

1990

2000

2010

2019

2020

PLCO- confirmed no impact
yearly CXR on lung CA mortality

ELCAP (1992, observational)
Smaller/LDCT screening studies

- Mayo Clinic
- DANTE

2002-
2004
NLST
enrollment

2006
ELCAP
observations
published

2011
NLST
published

MILD, DLCST, ITALUNG, UKLS

PanCan

2018
NELSON
Abstract
IASLC-WCLC

NELSON
publication



NLST (National Lung Screening Trial)



- Enrollment: 53,454 from 8/02-4/04
- Randomized to screening with low dose CT vs CXR
- Three annual screenings
- Median follow-up 6.5 yrs
- *Total adherence 91%*



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Inclusion	Exclusion
55-74 y/o	Previous lung or other cancer (5 years)
Tobacco \geq 30 pack-yrs	CT chest \leq 18 months
Quit \leq 15 yrs	Hemoptysis Weight loss $>$ 15 lbs/last yr
	Unable to undergo surgery



Table 5. Stage and Histologic Type of Lung Cancers in the Two Screening Groups, According to the Result of Screening.*

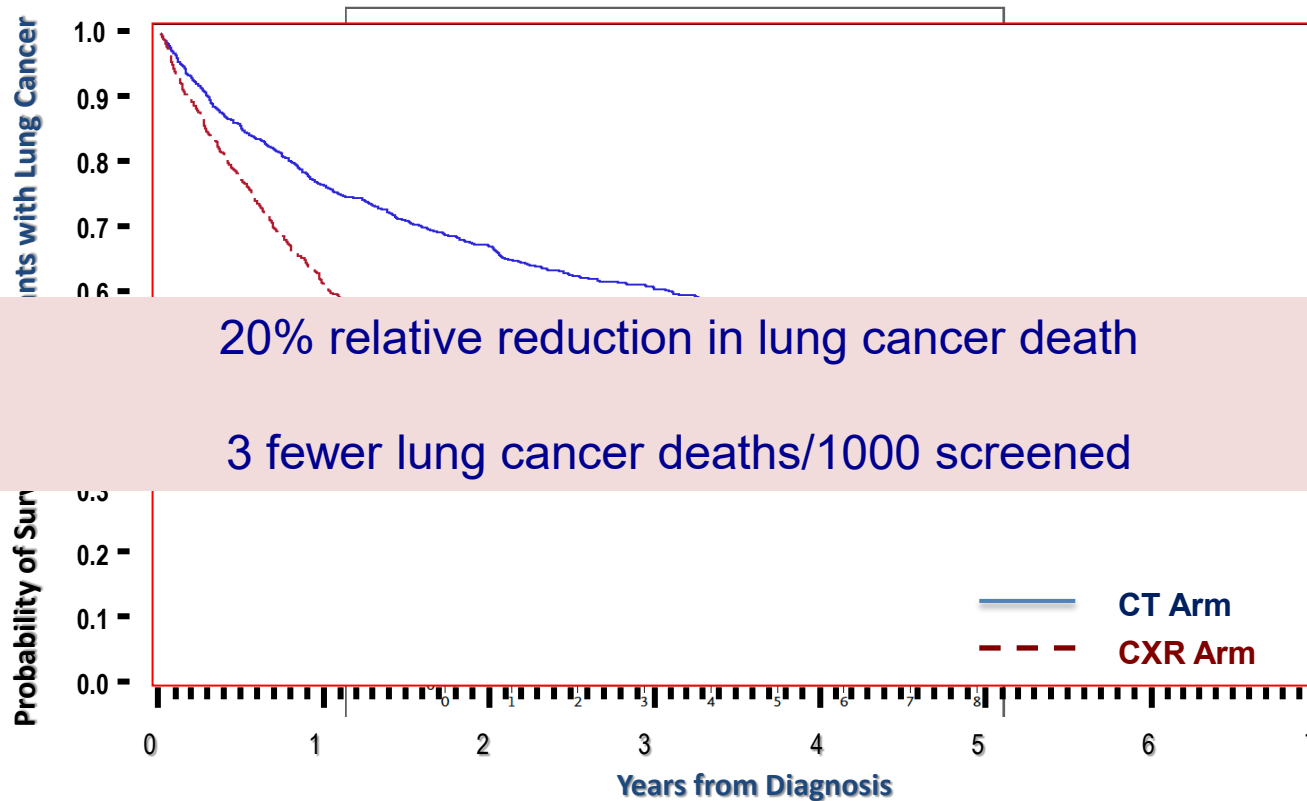
Stage and Histologic Type	Low-Dose CT				Chest Radiography			
	Positive Screening Test (N=649)	Negative Screening Test (N=44)†	No Screening Test (N=367)‡	Total (N=1060)	Positive Screening Test (N=279)	Negative Screening Test (N=137)†	No Screening Test (N=525)‡	Total (N=941)
	<i>number/total number (percent)</i>							
Stage								
IA	329/635 (51.8)	5/44 (11.4)	82/361 (22.7)	35/1040 (3.4)	90/275 (32.7)	16/135 (11.9)	90/519 (17.3)	196/929 (21.1)
IB	71/635 (11.2)	2/44 (4.5)	31/361 (8.6)	41/275 (14.9)	6/135 (4.4)	46/519 (8.9)	93/929 (10.0)	
IIA	26/635 (4.1)	2/44 (4.5)	7/361 (1.9)	14/275 (5.1)	2/135 (1.5)	16/519 (3.1)	32/929 (3.4)	
IIB	20/635 (3.1)	3/44 (6.8)	15/361 (4.2)	38/1040 (3.7)	11/275 (4.0)	6/135 (4.4)	25/519 (4.8)	42/929 (4.5)
IIIA	59/635 (9.3)	3/44 (6.8)	37/361 (10.2)	99/1040 (9.5)	35/275 (12.7)	21/135 (15.6)	53/519 (10.2)	109/929 (11.7)
IIIB	49/635 (7.7)	15/44 (34.1)	58/361 (16.1)	122/1040 (11.7)	27/275 (9.8)	24/135 (17.8)	71/519 (13.7)	109/929 (11.7)
IV	81/635 (12.8)	14/44 (31.8)	131/361 (36.3)	226/1040 (21.7)	57/275 (20.7)	60/135 (44.4)	218/519 (42.0)	285/929 (30.7)
Histologic type								
Bronchioloalveolar carcinoma	95/646 (14.7)	1/44 (2.3)	14/358 (3.9)	110/1048 (10.5)	13/276 (4.7)	1/135 (0.7)	21/520 (4.0)	35/931 (3.8)
Adenocarcinoma	258/646 (39.9)	8/44 (18.2)	114/358 (31.8)	380/1048 (36.3)	112/276 (40.6)	37/135 (27.4)	179/520 (34.4)	328/931 (35.2)
Squamous-cell carcinoma	136/646 (21.1)	13/44 (29.5)	94/358 (26.3)	243/1048 (23.2)	70/276 (25.4)	24/135 (17.8)	112/520 (21.5)	206/931 (22.1)
Large-cell carcinoma	28/646 (4.3)	3/44 (6.8)	10/358 (2.8)	41/1048 (3.9)	12/276 (4.3)	10/135 (7.4)	21/520 (4.0)	43/931 (4.6)
Non-small-cell carcinoma or other§	75/646 (11.6)	4/44 (9.1)	52/358 (14.5)	131/1048 (12.5)	40/276 (14.5)	30/135 (22.2)	88/520 (16.9)	158/931 (17.0)
Small-cell carcinoma	49/646 (7.6)	15/44 (34.1)	73/358 (20.4)	137/1048 (13.1)	28/276 (10.1)	32/135 (23.7)	99/520 (19.0)	159/931 (17.1)
Carcinoid	5/646 (0.8)	0	1/358 (0.3)	6/1048 (0.6)	1/276 (0.4)	1/135 (0.7)	0	2/931 (0.2)

50%

49%

Aberle DR et al.; National Lung Screening Trial Research Team. *New Engl J Med.* 2011;365(5):395-409





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Lung Cancer Screening Trials



TABLE 3 | Summary of Design of Included Randomized Controlled Trials

Study	Sample Size	Age (y)	Smoking History	Smoking Cessation (Years Since Quit)	Screening Interval and Duration	Follow-up (y)	Definition of Positive Result ^a	% Male	Lung Cancer Mortality (RR)
LDCT vs CXR									
NLST ^{12,13}	53,454	55-74	≥ 30 pack-years	≤ 15	3 annual screens	6.5 (median)	≥ 4 mm	59%	0.85
Depiscan ¹⁴	765	50-75	≥ 15 cigarettes/d for ≥ 20 y	< 15	3 annual screens	NR	> 5 mm	71%	*
LDCT vs usual care (no screening)									
DANTE ¹⁵⁻¹⁷	2,472 males	60-74	≥ 20 pack-years	< 10	5 annual screens; baseline CXR for both study arms	8	> 5 mm	100%	1.01*
DLCST ¹⁸⁻²¹	4,104	50-70	≥ 20 pack-years	< 10	5 annual screens	10	> 15 mm or rapid growing 5- to 15-mm nodules (> 25% increase in volume on 3-mo repeat CT)	55%	1.03*
NELSON ^{22,23}	15,822	50-75	≥ 15 cigarettes/d for ≥ 25 y or ≥ 10 cigarettes/d for ≥ 30 y	< 10	4 screening rounds; interval after baseline: 1 y, 2 y, and 2.5 y	7	Volume > 500 mm ³ or volume 50-500 mm ³ with VDT < 400 d on 3-mo repeat CT	84%	0.76
ITALUNG ²⁴⁻²⁶	3,206	55-69	≥ 20 pack-years	≤ 10	4 annual screens	6	≥ 5 mm solid nodule, a ground-glass nodule ≥ 10 mm, or any part-solid nodule	64%	0.70*
MILD ²⁷⁻²⁹	4,099	≥ 49	≥ 20 pack-years	< 10	Two study arms: 5 annual screens; or 3 biennial screens	5	Volume > 250 mm ³ or rapid growing 60-250 mm ³ (> 25% increase in volume on 3-mo repeat CT)	68,69%	Annual: 2.48* Biennial: 1.24*
LUSI ^{30,31}	4,052	50-69	≥ 15 cigarettes/d for ≥ 25 y or ≥ 10 cigarettes/d for ≥ 30 y	< 10	4 annual screens	3	≥ 5 mm	66%	*
UKLS ³²⁻³⁴	4,055	50-75	LLPV2 risk ≥ 5%		One screening	10	Volume > 500 mm ³ or volume 50-500 mm ³ with VDT < 400 d on 3-mo repeat CT	75%	*
LSS ^{35,36}	3,318	55-74	≥ 30 pack-years	< 10	One screening	1	≥ 4 mm	58%	*

Current Screening Criteria?

Criteria according to:	US Preventative Services Task Force (2021)	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Insurance:	Private health insurance	Medicare beneficiaries
Age (years):	50-80	50-77
Smoking History:	20 pack-years or more	20 pack-years or more
Smoking Status:	Current smoker or quit within 15 years	
Health Requirement	Asymptomatic of lung cancer	
Screening Frequency	Annually	
When to stop LCS	When any of the below conditions occur: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Exceeds upper age criterion 2. Has not smoked for > 15 years 3. Comorbidity that substantially limits life expectancy 4. Unable or unwilling to have curative surgery/treatment or follow-up 	

Components of Lung Cancer Screening

Shared Decision Making Visit

Review medical history, habits, current health

Review **personalized** risks and benefits

Review the program, communications and referrals, yearly screening & answer questions

Tobacco Treatment Counseling



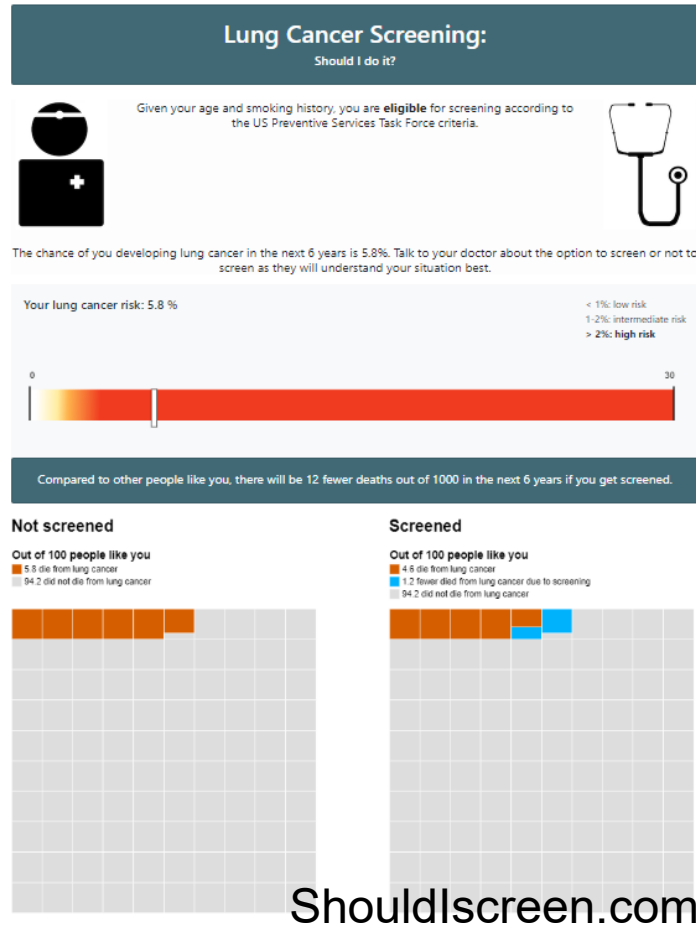
Benefits

12 in 1000

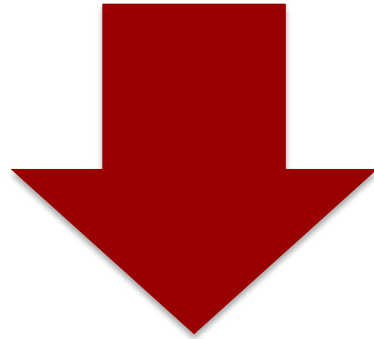
fewer people like you will die from lung cancer among those who were screened compared to those who were not screened.

Risks

- 120 in 1000 people who were screened found a lung nodule that was not cancer.
- 13 in 1000 had an invasive procedure, such as biopsy or surgery, due to a lung nodule that was not cancer.
- Fewer than 1 in 1000 had a major complication from invasive procedures.
- * Of the lung cancers found by screening, fewer than 1 in 10 would have harmed you. This may lead to unnecessary treatment and complications.



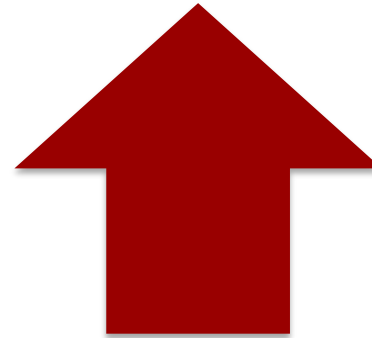
Benefits vs harms



False positives
False negatives
Overdiagnosis
Psychological harms
Procedure complications
Radiation exposure
Cost

Decreased mortality
20-26% decrease lung cancer death
7% decrease all cause

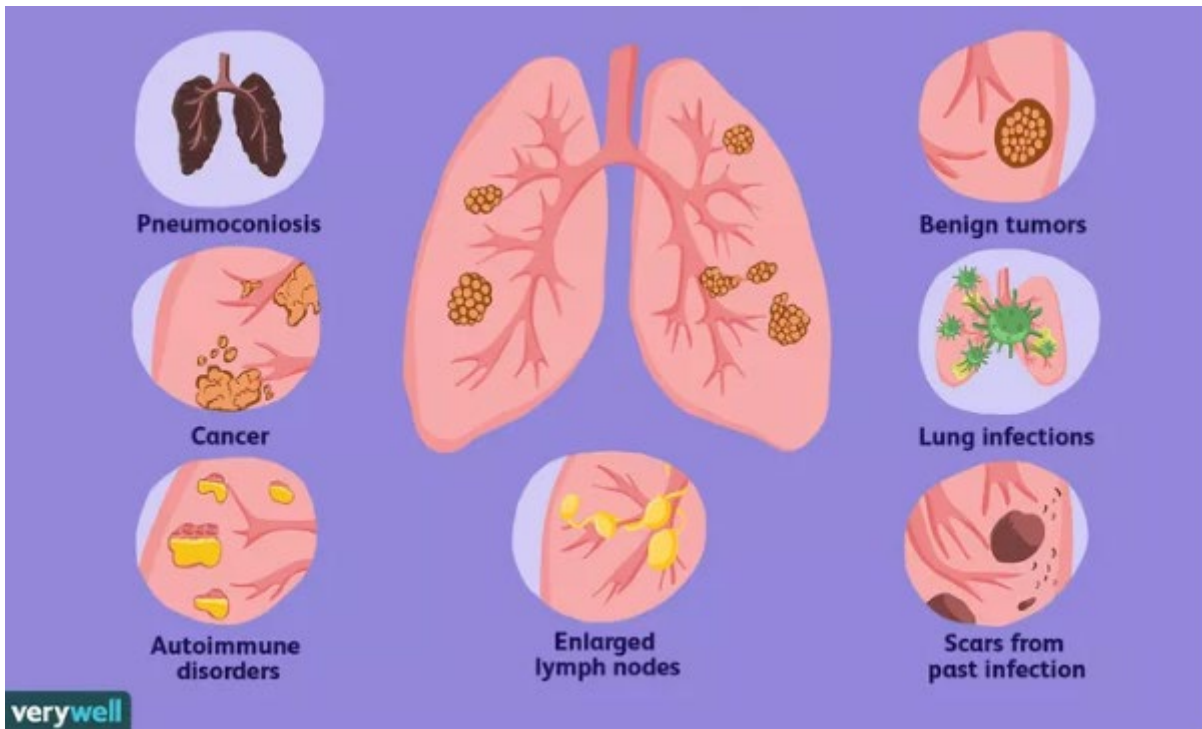
Teachable moment for cigarette smoking cessation



Causes of Lung Nodules



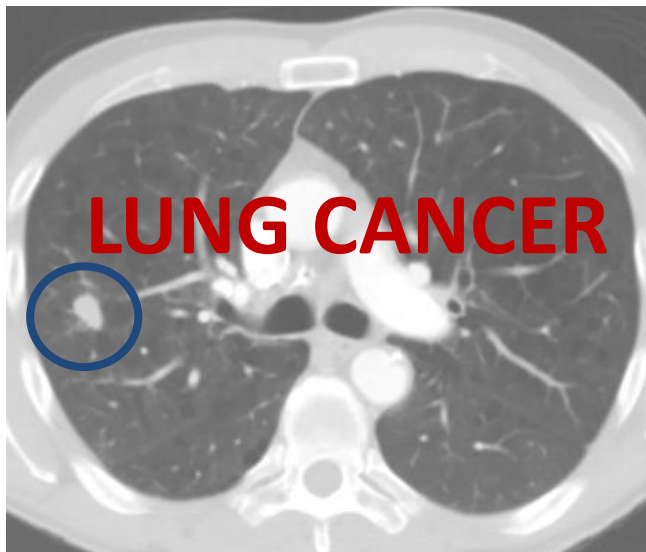
26-60%
LDCTs



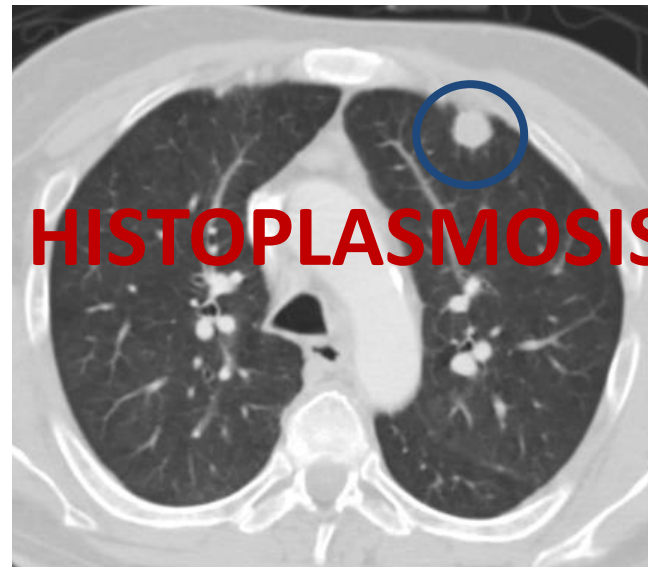
96%
Benign



**62 Year Old Male
Smoker**



**54 Year Old Male
Smoker**



Minimizing risks of radiation exposure



Avg. NLST participant = 8mSv

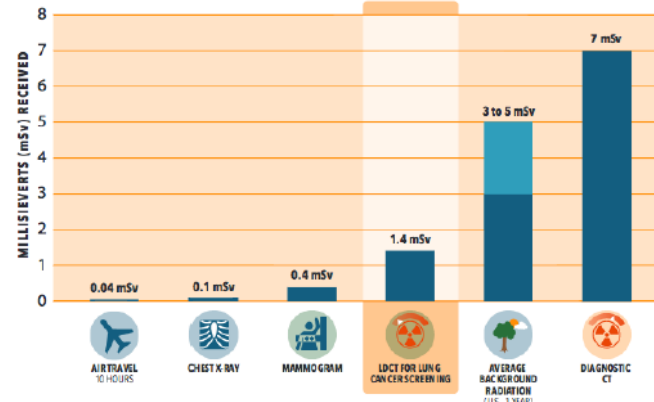
~ 1 death per 2500 screened patients

needed to screen to prevent 1 death:
320 (3 years)
130 (10 years)

HARM: Radiation exposure

Exposure to radiation increases a person's chance of developing cancer. LDCT screening for lung cancer exposes a person to radiation. If the screening test is positive, additional testing may involve higher doses of radiation. Researchers do not know how being exposed to radiation from LDCT scans and additional diagnostic imaging tests may affect people. The figure below shows the amount of radiation from one LDCT scan compared with other sources of radiation.

COMPARING SOURCES OF RADIATION



mSv=millisievert, a measure of the amount of radiation absorbed by the body

<https://effectivehealthcare.ahrq.gov/ehc/assets/File/lung-cancer-screening-decision-aid-160323.pdf>

Bach et al. JAMA (2012). Aberle et al (2011). deKoning et al. (2020)



Components of Lung Cancer Screening



Low Dose Computed Tomography of Chest (Low Dose CT Chest)

Low Radiation Dose

Quick (~ 3-5 minutes)

Non-contrasted (no needles!)

Protocolized Interpretation and Management Plan



Lung cancer survivor Mr. Bobby Richardson receives follow-up care at the Richard L. Roudebush VA Medical Center in Indianapolis. (Photo by Mark Turney, Richard L. Roudebush VA Medical Center.)



Components of Lung Cancer Screening



Protocolized Follow-up

Standardized Reporting System

Review of Imaging/Results ("Nodule" board)

Streamline Referral and Diagnostic Procedures

Management of Incidental Findings

Patient tracking and yearly follow-up





Lung-RADS™ Version 1.1

Assessment Categories Release date: 2019

Category Descriptor	Lung-RADS Score	Findings	Management	Risk of Malignancy	Est. Population Prevalence
Incomplete	0	Prior chest CT examination(s) being located for comparison Part or all of lungs cannot be evaluated	Additional lung cancer screening CT images and/or comparison to prior chest CT examinations is needed	n/a	1%
Negative No nodules and definitely benign nodules	1	No lung nodules Nodule(s) with specific calcifications: complete, central, popcorn, concentric rings and fat containing nodules			
Benign Appearance or Behavior Nodules with a very low likelihood of becoming a clinically active cancer due to size or lack of growth	2	Solid nodule(s): < 6 mm new < 4 mm Part solid nodule(s): < 6 mm total diameter on baseline screening Non solid nodule(s) (GGN): < 30 mm OR ≥ 30 mm and unchanged or slowly growing Category 3 or 4 nodules unchanged for ≥ 3 months	Continue annual screening with LDCT in 12 months	< 1%	90%
Probably Benign Probably benign finding(s) - short term follow up suggested; includes nodules with a low likelihood of becoming a clinically active cancer	3	Solid nodule(s): ≥ 6 to < 9 mm at baseline OR new 4 mm to < 6 mm Part solid nodule(s) ≥ 6 mm total diameter with solid component < 6 mm OR new < 6 mm total diameter Non solid nodule(s) (GGN) ≥ 30 mm on baseline CT or new	6 month LDCT	1-2%	5%
Probably Suspicious Findings for which additional diagnostic testing is recommended	4A	Solid nodule(s): ≥ 8 to < 15 mm at baseline OR growing < 8 mm OR new 8 to < 9 mm Part solid nodule(s): ≥ 6 mm with solid component ≥ 6 mm to < 8 mm OR with a new or growing < 4 mm solid component Endobronchial nodule	3 month LDCT; PET/CT may be used when there is a ≥ 8 mm solid component	5-15%	2%
Suspicious Findings for which additional diagnostic testing and/or tissue sampling is recommended	4B 4X	Solid nodule(s) ≥ 15 mm OR new or growing, and ≥ 8 mm Part solid nodule(s) with: a solid component ≥ 8 mm OR a new or growing ≥ 4 mm solid component 4X Category 3 or 4 nodules with additional features or imaging findings that increases the suspicion of malignancy	Chest CT with or without contrast, PET/CT and/or tissue sampling depending on the "probability of malignancy and comorbidities. PET/CT may be used when there is a ≥ 8 mm solid component. <i>For new large nodules that develop on an annual repeat screening CT, a 1 month LDCT may be recommended to address potentially infectious or inflammatory conditions</i>	> 15%	2%
Other Clinically Significant or Potentially Clinically Significant Findings (non lung cancer)	S	Modifier - may add on to category 0-4 coding	As appropriate to the specific finding	n/a	10%
Volumetric measurements		1.5 mm = 1.8 mm ³ 4 mm = 33.5 mm ³ 6 mm = 113.1 mm ³ 8 mm = 268.1 mm ³	10 mm = 523.6 mm ³ 15 mm = 1767.1 mm ³ 20 mm = 4188.8 mm ³ 30 mm = 14137.2 mm ³		



Standardized Interpretation of Imaging and Management of Findings

Lung-RADS

I-ELCAP

LU-RADS

Others

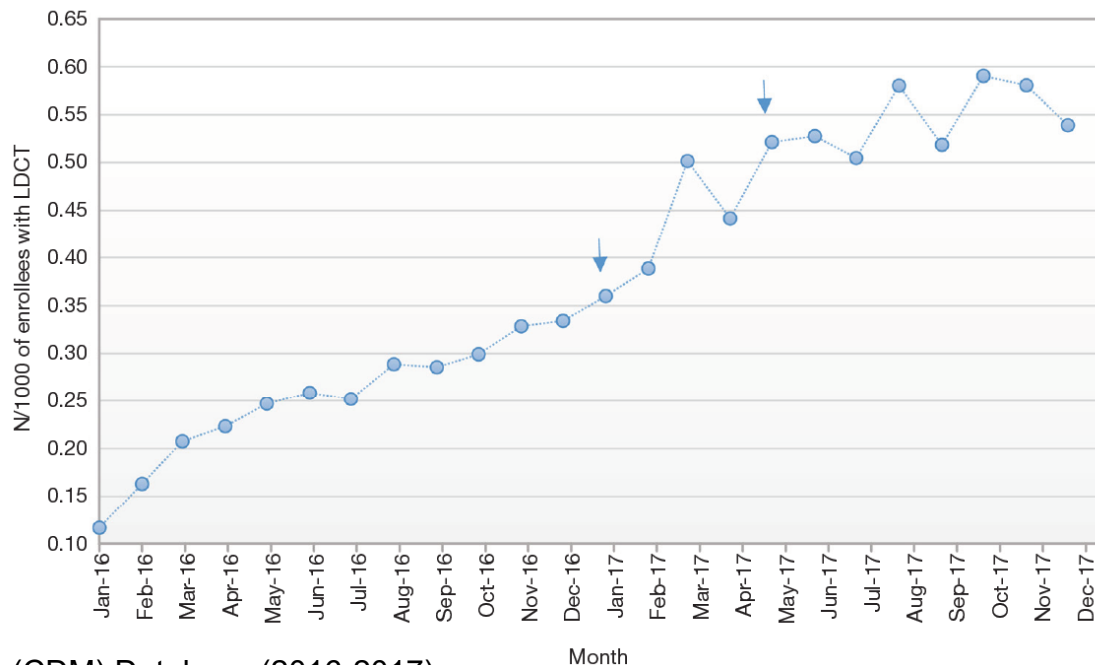




Ongoing Challenges/Needs in Lung Cancer Screening



LCS Uptake is Increasing.. But still Low

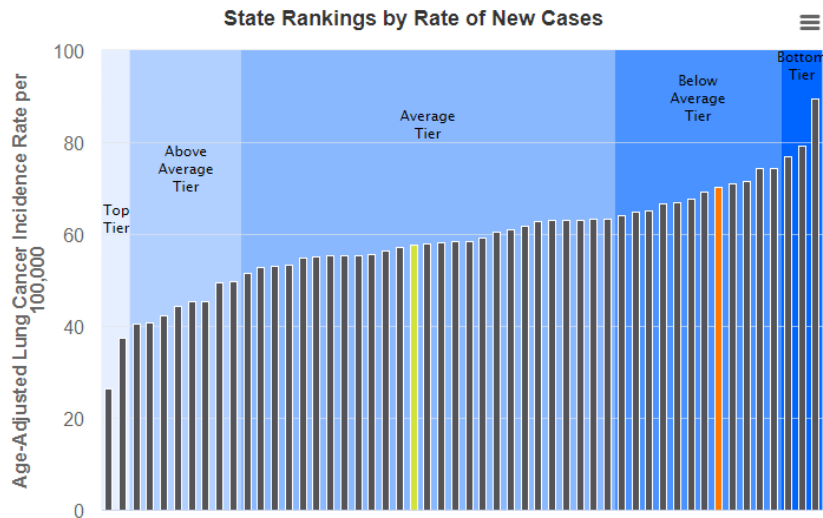


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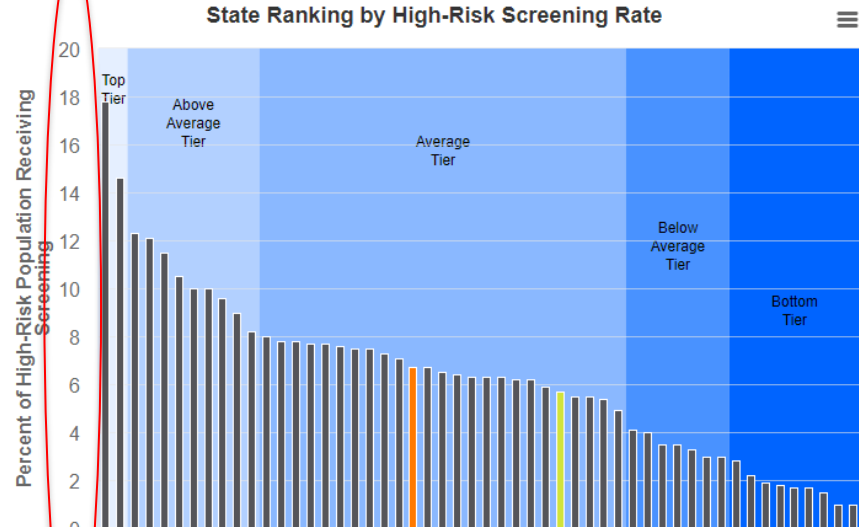
Okereke et al. J Thorac Dis. 2019
Zahnd and Eberth. Am J Prevent Med. 2020



Lung Cancer Screening in Indiana



44th in new lung cancer diagnosis
 19% smoking rate in Indiana



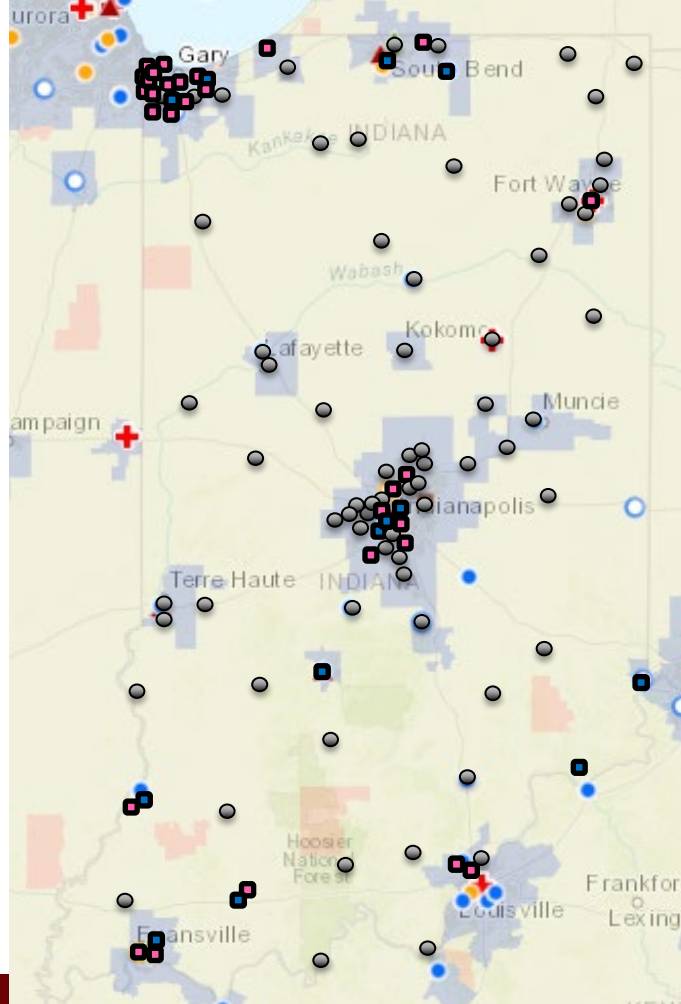
22nd in lung cancer screening

American Lung Association. State of Lung Cancer 2021. Indiana.

<https://www.lung.org/research/state-of-lung-cancer/states/Indiana/> Accessed 10/17/22



Location, location, location...



Pink



Blue



Gray = minimal
equipment for LCS



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Yearly Compliance



1. *Yearly compliance is low: 46% (T1), 38% (T2) and 28% (T3)*
2. Compliance with Lung-RADS recommended follow-up increased:
 - Older (65-73 years) compared to younger (50-64 years) patients
 - Concerning Nodule (LungRADS 4 > 3 > 2 compared to LungRADS 1)
 - Hiring a dedicated program coordinator and active reminders
 - Former smokers > Current smokers
3. **System Barriers:** patient communication, failure to order scan or follow-up, misunderstanding (program vs scan), tracking system
4. **Patient Barriers:** transportation, communication, asymptomatic, fear, other medical, financial costs
5. ***Highlights the need for systematic dedication to adequate resources and patient tracking.***

Lin et al. J Thorac Onc. 25 Sept 2021



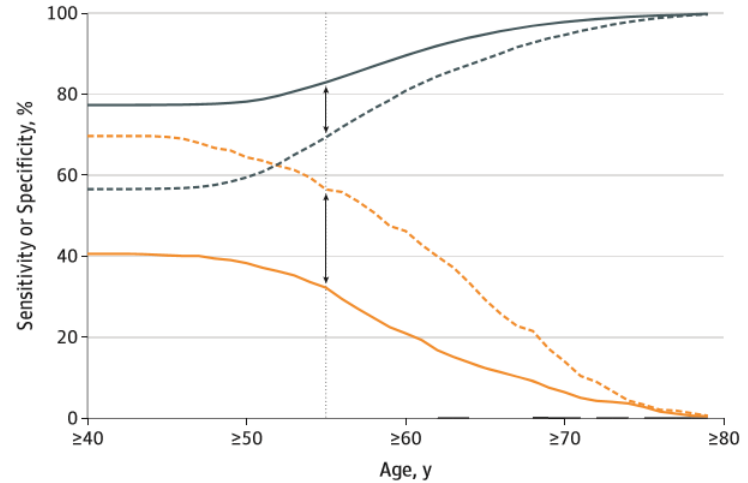
Disparities and missed high-risk populations

Screening Inclusion/Barriers

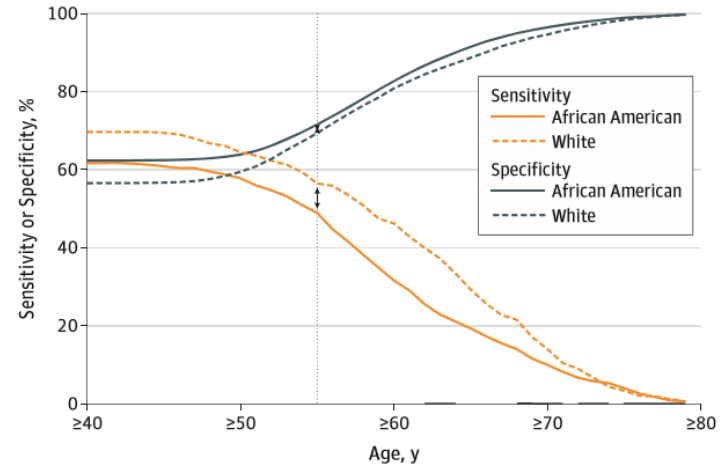
- Rural and urban (vs low-resource urban)
- Minority groups
- Social and economically disadvantaged
- Resource-poor environments
- Other high-risk exposures (radon, radiation, coal/tar pitch, 2nd-hand smoke)
- Other high-risk groups (EGFR)

Aldrich et al. JAMA Oncol 2019.

A Existing USPSTF guidelines



B Proposed modification





Minimizing Barriers

Risk prediction models

Biomarkers

Radiomics

Outreach/Advocacy

- focused clinical
- diversity research

Resources

Cross-institutional
collaborations



Pulmonary oncologist Dr. Catherine R. Sears meets with VALOR clinical trial participant Mr. Bobby Richardson. (Photo by Mark Turney, Richard L. Roudebush VA Medical Center.)





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