

# About Thyroid Cancer

- Thyroid cancer is the most common endocrine cancer.
- It occurs in all age groups, mainly adults. It affects about three times as many women as men.
- There are several types—papillary, follicular, medullary, anaplastic, and variants.
- About 43,720 people, including 31,180 women and 12,540 men, will be diagnosed with thyroid cancer in 2023 in the United States, according to the American Cancer Society. About 1,150 women and 970 men (2,120 total) will die of thyroid cancer in 2023.

## Signs to discuss with your physician

- You feel a lump in your neck, or your doctor may notice a nodule in your neck during a routine checkup. Most of these thyroid nodules are benign (noncancerous).
- Some people first notice lymph node swellings, fullness in the neck, voice changes, or difficulty breathing or swallowing.

## Visit our comprehensive educational website and download free materials:

- *Thyroid Cancer Basics Handbook* in 7 languages
- *Anaplastic Thyroid Cancer Handbook* in 3 languages
- *Medullary Thyroid Cancer Handbook* in 3 languages
- *Thyroid Nodules* in 2 languages
- Patient information packet
- Awareness brochures

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