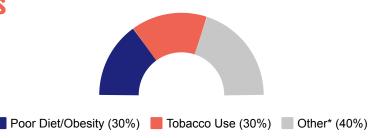
Cancer in Vermont: Rutland County

24%

of deaths in Rutland County are caused by cancer. 3,700 Vermonters are diagnosed with cancer each year.

What causes cancer in Vermont?



It's not all in your genes.

Some cancers are genetic, but there are certain factors in our lives that can increase the risk of getting cancer. Know what they are so you can take steps to stay healthy.

In Rutland County:



of adults have a poor diet and/or not enough physical activity 34%

of adults are obese

24%

of adults smoke cigarettes

50%

of adolescents ages 13-17 are not up-to-date on HPV vaccination **22**%

of adults are not up-to-date on breast cancer screening 33%

of adults are not up-to-date on colorectal cancer screening

You can lower your risk of getting cancer.

Small steps can help.

- Eat more fruits and vegetables and avoid fat, sugar and salt.
- Go on one brisk 30-minute walk each day.
- Quit tobacco. Take a small step today set a quit date.
- Going outside? Wear SPF 15 sunscreen or higher.
- Make sure all teens get the full series of the HPV vaccine to protect against cancer.
- If you are a **cancer survivor**, find resources to support staying active and healthy at **www.vcsn.net**.

Get screened for cancer. It works!

Ask your healthcare provider which screening is right for you.

About 3,000 people in Rutland County are living with cancer.

*Other causes of cancer include viruses and other biologic agents, family history of cancer, reproductive factors, and environmental pollutants.

Learn more: www.healthvermont.gov/wellness/cancer

Data Sources:

Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS), Vermont Cancer Registry, Vermont Immunization Registry, and Vermont Vital Statistics

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