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The African American Prostate Cancer Crisis In Numbers

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- Prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in African-American men.
- African Americans have the highest rate of prostate cancer diagnosis compared to all other men.
- African Americans have the highest prostate cancer death rate of all men.
- The African American prostate cancer death rate disparity is the highest for any type of major cancer.

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- Prostate cancer is the 2nd leading cause of cancer-related deaths among African-American men.
- African Americans are more than twice as likely to die of prostate cancer than all men.

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- 1 in 5 (20%) African-American men will be diagnosed with Prostate Cancer during their lifetime.

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- Prostate cancer accounts for approximately 37% of all cancers among Black Men.

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- ✓ The African American prostate cancer death rate declined by more than 40% from 1992 to 2010.

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- ✓ Cancer deaths among African-American men aged 40-49 decreased by 50% from 1991 to 2010 (faster than all other groups).

4,980

- It was estimated that 4,980 African-American men died from prostate cancer in 2013.

35,430

- An estimated 35,430 new cases of prostate cancer in 2013 for African American men.

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