

Colorectal Cancer: Early Diagnosis is Key

Of cancers that affect both men and women, colorectal cancer (sometimes called colon cancer) is the **second leading cancer killer** in the United States.¹



When colon cancer is found early, the 5-year survival rate is

90%²

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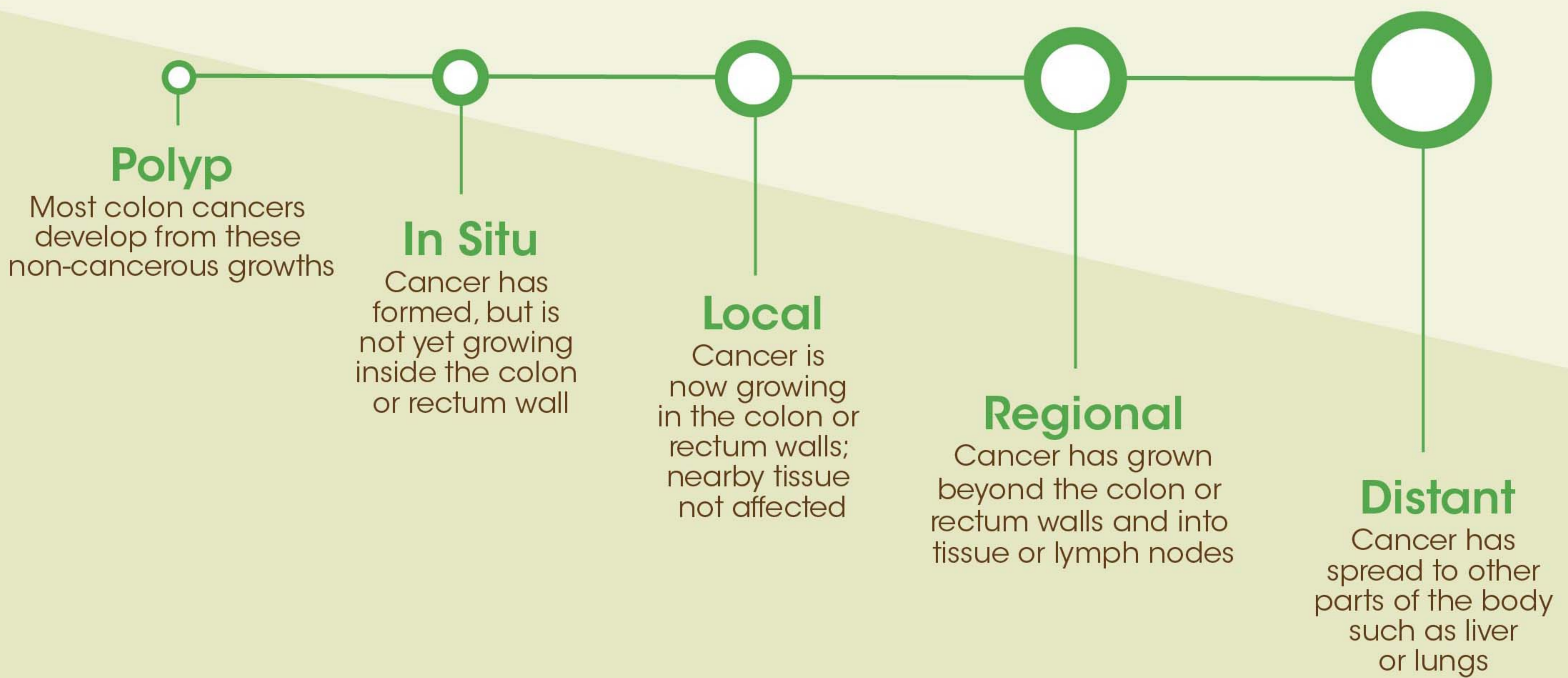
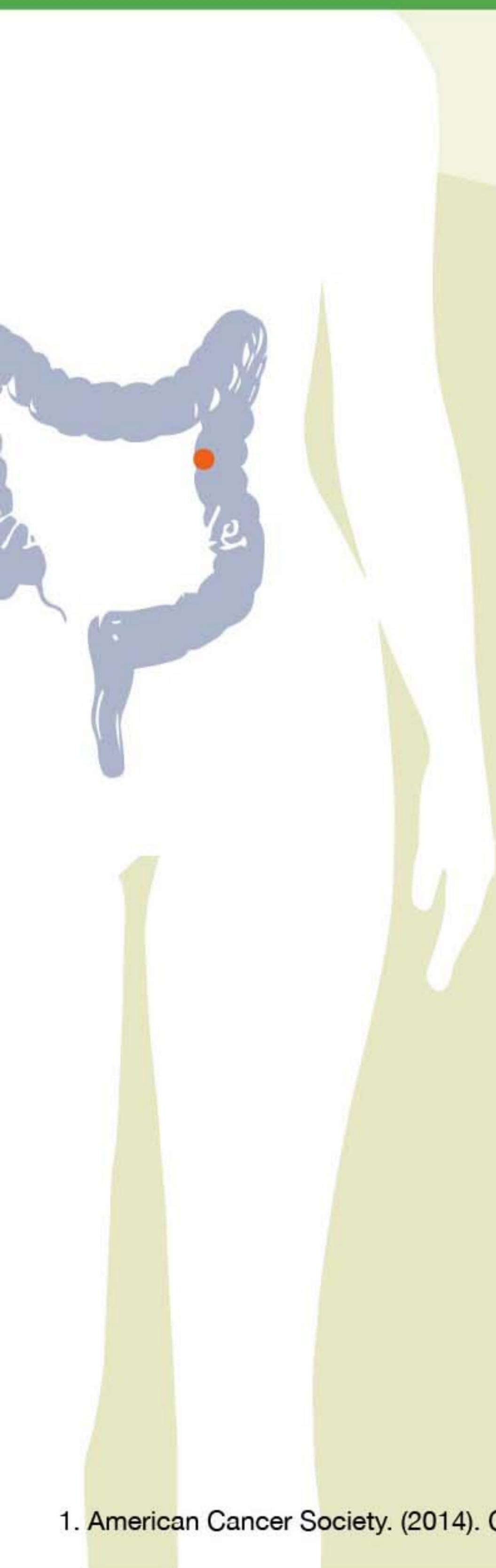


Only **40%** of colon cancer cases are diagnosed at an early stage, partly due to low screening rates.²

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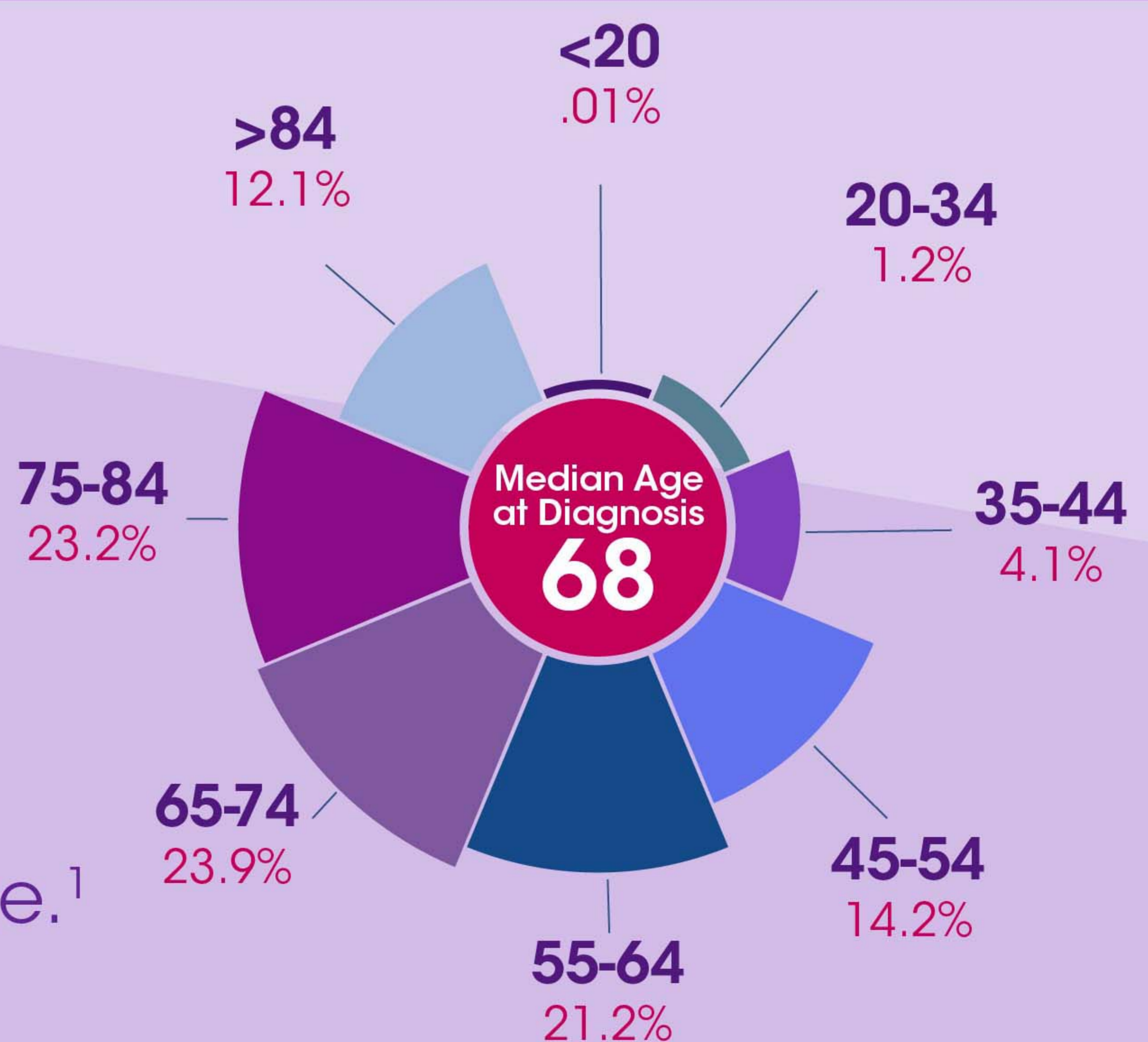
Stages of Colon Cancer¹



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Colorectal Cancer: Age at Diagnosis

Colorectal cancer is most often diagnosed in people **65-74 years** of age, followed by people **75-84 years** of age.¹



1. Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER) Program Research Data 2007-2011 (www.seer.cancer.gov). Percentage of New Cases by Race and Age Group: Colon and Rectum Cancer. Available at <http://seer.cancer.gov/statfacts/html/colorect.html>. Accessed July 7, 2014.