

CHILDHOOD CANCER BY THE NUMBERS

In 2016, there will be **10,380** new cases of cancer in children under 15 years old in the United States.¹



In 2016, **1,250** children under the age of 15 will die of cancer in the United States.²



The incidence rate of cancer in children has increased **0.6% annually** over the past 35 years.³



Childhood cancer is the leading cause of death by disease among children between the ages of **1 and 19** in the US.⁴



Less than 4% of the federal government total funding for cancer research is dedicated to childhood cancer each year.⁵



The **causes** of most childhood cancers are **unknown**, and for the most part, these cancers cannot be prevented.⁶



Northwestern Mutual has donated more than **\$12 million** and funded more than **130,000 hours** of research since 2012.⁷



Childhood cancer research is consistently underfunded. Northwestern Mutual's Childhood Cancer Program is committed to accelerating the search for cures and supporting thousands of children and families in the fight against this disease.



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¹ <http://www.cancer.org/cancer/cancerinchildren/detailedguide/cancer-in-children-key-statistics>

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³ <http://www.cancer.gov/research/progress/snapshots/pediatric>

⁴ <http://www.cancer.org/cancer/cancerinchildren/detailedguide/cancer-in-children-key-statistics>

⁵ <http://www.cancer.org/research/currentlyfundedcancerresearch/grants-by-cancer-type>

⁶ <http://www.cancer.gov/research/progress/snapshots/pediatric>