# Kidney failure in Alabama: 2022



# Overview of kidney failure in Alabama

13,939

Alabamians are living with kidney failure



10,426

Alabamians are on dialysis



3,513

Alabamians are living with a kidney transplant



#### **LEADING CAUSES OF KIDNEY FAILURE**

Percentage of kidney failure cases caused by diabetes





**47**%

Percentage of kidney failure cases caused by high blood pressure

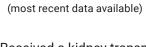




28%



New cases of kidney failure diagnosed in Alabama in 2019



Received a kidney transplant: 46



The total number of Alabamians living with kidney failure has increased by 41% since 2009.

## **Kidney transplants in Alabama**



ONLY ABOUT 1 IN 3 ALABAMIANS ON THE KIDNEY TRANSPLANT WAITING LIST RECEIVED A TRANSPLANT IN 2021.



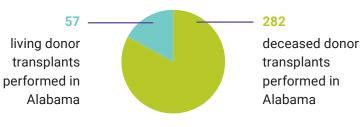
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Alabamians are on the kidney transplant waiting list\*



339

transplants performed in Alabama in 2021, a **30.9% increase** from 2011





Compared to 2011, there was an **46.2% decrease** in living donor kidney transplants

### Health disparities in kidney failure

KIDNEY FAILURE HAS A DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACT ON PEOPLE OF COLOR. COMPARED TO WHITE AMERICANS, THE LIKELIHOOD OF DEVELOPING KIDNEY FAILURE IS:







greater for Black Americans

greater for American Indians

greater for Asian Americans



greater for people of Hispanic/Latino ethnicity than people of non-Hispanic/Latino ethnicity.

#### THE AMERICAN KIDNEY FUND (AKF) PROVIDES FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO:







White Americans with kidney failure

Black Americans with kidney failure

Hispanic/Latino Americans with kidney failure

## Why people with kidney failure need financial assistance from AKF:

Kidney failure is a disability. Dialysis is life support. Treating kidney failure and its comorbidities is more consuming than a full-time job: more than 80% of people on dialysis cannot work.



1,627

Alabamians on dialysis and living with transplants received grants from AKF in 2021 to pay for their insurance premiums and other health care-related costs not covered by insurance.



\$5,502,798

in charitable assistance from AKF ensured that low-income Alabama dialysis and transplant patients could afford their lifesaving health care in 2021.



INSURANCE
BREAKDOWN OF
AMERICANS WHO
RECEIVED CHARITABLE
PREMIUM ASSISTANCE
FROM AKF IN 2021

Medicare Part B: 36.8%

Medigap: 31.1%

Employer group health plans (including COBRA): 18.9% Commercial plans: 10.5%

Exchange: 3.4% Annuity: 1.5%

Medicare Advantage: 1.2% Medicaid (in states that charge premiums): 0.1%