

# Kidney failure in Arkansas: 2022

## Overview of kidney failure in Arkansas

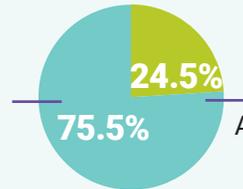
**6,927**

Arkansans are living with kidney failure



**5,233**

Arkansans are on dialysis



**1,694**

Arkansans are living with a kidney transplant



### LEADING CAUSES OF KIDNEY FAILURE

Percentage of kidney failure cases caused by diabetes

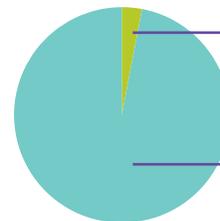


Percentage of kidney failure cases caused by high blood pressure



**1,334**

New cases of kidney failure diagnosed in Arkansas in 2019 (most recent data available)



Received a kidney transplant: **35**

Began dialysis: **1,299**

The total number of Arkansans living with kidney failure has increased by **54.9%** since 2009.

## Kidney transplants in Arkansas



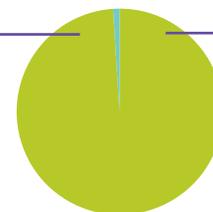
**NEARLY EVERY ARKANSAN ON THE KIDNEY TRANSPLANT WAITING LIST RECEIVED A TRANSPLANT IN 2021.**



**166**

Arkansans are on the kidney transplant waiting list\*

1 living donor transplants performed in Arkansas



192 deceased donor transplants performed in Arkansas



**193**

transplants performed in Arkansas in 2021, a **93% increase** from 2011



Compared to 2011, there was an **93.3% decrease** in living donor kidney transplants

\*As of March 9, 2022

Sources: U.S. Renal Data System 2021 Annual Data Report, Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

# 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:

3.4X

greater for Black Americans

1.9X

greater for American Indians

1.3X

greater for Asian Americans

1.5X

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

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

1 out of 17

White Americans with kidney failure

1 out of 10

Black Americans with kidney failure

1 out of 10

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.



796

Arkansans 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.



\$1,995,180

in charitable assistance from AKF ensured that low-income Arkansas 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%**