# Kidney failure in Arkansas: 2025



# **Overview of kidney failure in Arkansas**

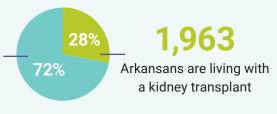
6,914

Arkansans are living with kidney failure



4,951

Arkansans are on dialysis





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

Percentage of kidney failure cases caused by diabetes





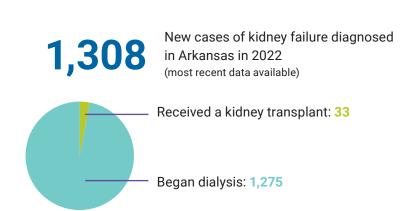
43%

Percentage of kidney failure cases caused by high blood pressure





30%



The total number of Arkansans living with kidney failure has increased by 31% since 2012.

## **Kidney transplants in Arkansas**



ONLY ABOUT 1 IN 2 ARKANSANS ON THE KIDNEY TRANSPLANT WAITING LIST RECEIVED A TRANSPLANT IN 2024.



**295** 

Arkansans are on the kidney transplant waiting list\*



153

transplants performed in Arkansas in 2024. a **128% increase** from 2014





Compared to 2014, there was a **30% increase** 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:

4.3 X

greater for Black Americans

2.3 X

greater for American Indians

1.6X

greater for Asian Americans

2.3 X

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

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

1 in 20

White Americans with kidney failure

 $1\,$ in  $13\,$ 

Black Americans with kidney failure

1 in 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.



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Arkansans on dialysis and living with transplants received grants from AKF in 2024 to pay for their insurance premiums and other health care-related costs not covered by insurance.



\$1,905,334

in charitable assistance from AKF ensured that low-income Arkansas dialysis and transplant patients could afford their lifesaving health care in 2024.



INSURANCE
BREAKDOWN OF
AMERICANS WHO
RECEIVED CHARITABLE
PREMIUM ASSISTANCE
FROM AKF IN 2024

Medicare Part B: 25%

Medicare Advantage: 0.6%

Medigap: 27.3%

Commercial Employer Group Plans (including COBRA): 20.1%