Kidney failure in Louisiana: 2023

Overview of kidney failure in Louisiana

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LEADING CAUSES OF KIDNEY FAILURE

- Percentage of kidney failure cases caused by diabetes: 47%
- Percentage of kidney failure cases caused by high blood pressure: 30%

New cases of kidney failure diagnosed in Louisiana in 2020 (most recent data available)

- 2,255
  - Received a kidney transplant: 37
  - Began dialysis: 2,218

The total number of Louisianians living with kidney failure has increased by 26.4% since 2010.

Kidney transplants in Louisiana

- 1,762 Louisianians are on the kidney transplant waiting list*
- 414 transplants performed in Louisiana in 2022, a 56.2% increase from 2012

ONLY ABOUT 1 IN 4 LOUISIANIANS ON THE KIDNEY TRANSPLANT WAITING LIST RECEIVED A TRANSPLANT IN 2022.

- 83 living donor transplants performed in Louisiana
- 331 deceased donor transplants performed in Louisiana

Compared to 2012, there was an 33.9% increase in living donor kidney transplants

*As of February 17, 2023

Sources: U.S. Renal Data System 2022 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:

- 4.2x greater for Black Americans
- 2.3x greater for American Indians
- 1.5x 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 19 White Americans with kidney failure
- 1 out of 11 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.

1,859 Louisianians on dialysis and living with transplants received grants from AKF in 2022 to pay for their insurance premiums and other health care-related costs not covered by insurance.

$7,040,955 in charitable assistance from AKF ensured that low-income Louisiana dialysis and transplant patients could afford their lifesaving health care in 2022.

Insurance breakdown of Americans who received charitable premium assistance from AKF in 2022:

- Medicare Part B: 40.9%
- Medicare Advantage: 1.3%
- Medigap: 27.2%
- Commercial Employer Group Plans (including COBRA): 17.7%