

Kidney failure in Wisconsin: 2025

Overview of kidney failure in Wisconsin

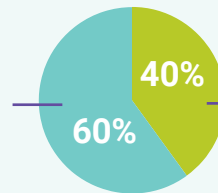
12,111

Wisconsinites are living
with kidney failure



7,244

Wisconsinites
are on dialysis



4,867

Wisconsinites are living
with a kidney transplant



LEADING CAUSES OF KIDNEY FAILURE

Percentage of kidney failure cases caused
by diabetes

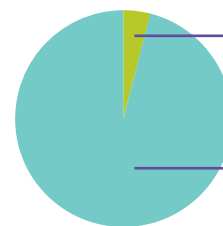


Percentage of kidney failure cases caused
by high blood pressure



1,858

New cases of kidney failure diagnosed
in Wisconsin in 2022
(most recent data available)



Received a kidney transplant: **77**

Began dialysis: **1,781**

The total number of Wisconsinites living with kidney failure has increased by **18%** since 2012.

Kidney transplants in Wisconsin



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



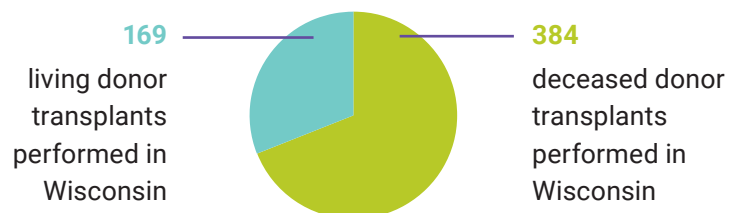
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Wisconsinites are on the kidney
transplant waiting list*



553

transplants performed in Wisconsin
in 2024, a **34% increase** from 2014



Compared to 2014, there was a
26% increase in living donor kidney
transplants

*As of February 19, 2025

Sources: U.S. Renal Data System 2024 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:

4.3x

greater for Black Americans

2.3x

greater for American Indians

1.6x

greater for Asian Americans

2.3x

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.



630

Wisconsinites 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.



\$1,912,209

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