CANCER in the District
Cancer is the second leading cause of death in the District of Columbia. (2016)

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Most commonly diagnosed cancers in the District in 2016 (per 100,000 individuals):

1. Breast: 157.5
2. Prostate: 111.0
3. Lung and Bronchus: 37.7
4. Colorectal: 35.6

Most common cancer deaths in the District in 2016 (per 100,000 individuals):

1. Prostate: 29.2
2. Lung and Bronchus: 27.7
3. Breast: 23.2
4. Colorectal: 15.8

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Wards 5, 7, and 8 have the highest cancer mortality rates in the District.