TENNESSEE
Estimated 2023 Population¹: 7,126,489

IMPACT

Economic Impact of Research²

- United for Medical Research reports that in Fiscal Year 2023, NIH funded awards totaling $770 million in Tennessee, supporting 9,362 jobs and $1.99 billion in economic activity.

- In FY 2023, the biopharmaceutical industry in Tennessee supported 43,262 jobs and 2,862 businesses.

Impact of Cancer in Tennessee³

- In 2024, over 2 million new cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States. Of these cases, 43,170 will reside in Tennessee.

- In 2024, an estimated 611,720 Americans will lose their lives to cancer, including 14,530 residents of Tennessee.

NIH FUNDING

A Strong National Priority⁴

The Biomedical Research and Development Price Index (BRDPI) measures inflation in the cost of biomedical research. The BRDPI line in the chart above shows the level of NIH funding by year had it kept up with this measure.

We are advocating for an increase of $4.22 billion for the NIH in FY 2025.

Sources: ¹U.S. Census Bureau; ²United for Medical Research; ³American Cancer Society; ⁴American Association for Cancer Research

TENNESSEE MEMBER CENTERS

Comprehensive Cancer Center, St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital

The St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital Comprehensive Cancer Center is the only NCI-Designated Comprehensive Cancer Center devoted solely to children. Research programs focus on cancer biology, developmental biology and solid tumors, hematological malignancies, neurobiology and brain tumors, and cancer control and survivorship.

Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center

Designated a Comprehensive Cancer Center by the NCI, Vanderbilt-Ingram is at the forefront of discovery. Its teams of scientists and clinicians are defining personalized care with immunotherapies, targeted treatments, precision radiation-oncology, innovative surgeries and novel imaging technologies.