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- OVAC recommends $9.988 billion ($2.7 billion increase)
  - This is the amount that NCI says it needs in its Professional Judgment Budget

**Progress in the Fight Against Cancer**

**16.9 Million**
cancer survivors in the U.S.

**33% Decrease**
in the cancer death rate since 1991

**2 out of 3**
of patients live five years longer after diagnosis compared to only one out of two 40 years ago

**Unmet Demand at NCI: High Volume of Research Applications**

Between FY 2013 and FY 2022, the number of unique R01/R37 grant applicants to NCI rose by 45%, compared to 20% at all other ICs.

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In the U.S., the lifetime risk of developing cancer is: 2 out of 5

1.9 million new cancer cases estimated in 2023

609,820 estimated cancer deaths in 2023

1,670 cancer deaths per day in 2023

NIH Funding Drives U.S. Economic Growth

Across all 50 states, more than 80 percent of NIH's budget provides:

50,000 Extramural grants to
300,000 Researchers at
2,500 Universities, medical schools, and other research institutions

For FY24, OVAC urges Congress to provide:

NIH $51 billion
NCI $9.988 billion

To ensure the research being supported today yields the cancer treatments of tomorrow, Congress must sustain and expand the support it is currently providing.

2. United for Medical Research (www.unitedformedicalresearch.com)