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## Breast Cancer Fact Sheet

- One in eight women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime.
- It is estimated that in 2009, 192,000 American women will be diagnosed with breast cancer and another 40,000 will die of the disease.
- In Georgia in 2009, it is estimated that 5,400 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer, and 1,100 women will die of breast cancer.
- Breast cancer is the leading cause of cancer deaths among women ages 20 to 59.
- Breast cancer is the second most common cancer diagnosis in women after skin cancer.
- Breast cancer is the second most common cancer-related death in women after lung cancer.
- Most women diagnosed with breast cancer have no known risk factors other than being female and getting older.
- Approximately five to ten percent of breast cancer cases are hereditary.

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