

## **ThyCa: Thyroid Cancer Survivors' Association, Inc.<sup>SM</sup>**

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### **Thyroid Cancer Diagnoses Predicted to Set New Record in 2008**

- Thyroid cancer, **one of the few cancers that is increasing in incidence**, is expected to reach a new record of **37,340 people newly diagnosed** in the United States in 2008, reports ThyCa: Thyroid Cancer Survivors' Association.
- This record total is more than **11 percent higher than last year's record numbers**, and about **double the number from 10 years ago**, according to information from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and the American Cancer Society.
- Thyroid cancer is now the **sixth most common cancer in women**. About three times as many women as men get thyroid cancer. It has several types and variants. It affects people in all age groups, from young children through senior citizens.
- Thyroid cancer is usually **treatable when found early**.
- A total of **28,410 women and 8,930 men are expected to be diagnosed with thyroid cancer this year**. The number of deaths is expected to increase by almost 4 percent over last year, to 1,590 in 2008.
- ThyCa: Thyroid Cancer Survivors' Association, Inc. urges everyone to learn about thyroid cancer and to **ask for a neck check at each doctor's appointment**.

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