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WHO Histology Grouping	Benign/Borderline			Malignant		
	Count	Percent	Rate	Count	Percent	Rate
Brain						
Diffuse astrocytoma (protoplasma, fibrillary)	-	-	-	366	1.4%	0.1
Anaplastic astrocytoma	-	-	-	1,443	5.4%	0.4
Glioblastoma	-	-	-	12,020	45.0%	3.2
Pilocytic astrocytoma	-	-	-	1,025	3.8%	0.3
Unique astrocytoma variants	248	0.5%	0.1	103	0.4%	0.0
Oligodendroglioma	-	-	-	1,089	4.1%	0.3
Anaplastic oligodendroglioma	-	-	-	480	1.8%	0.1
Ependymoma/anaplastic ependymoma	-	-	-	519	1.9%	0.1
Ependymoma variants	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mixed glioma	-	-	-	760	2.8%	0.2
Astrocytoma, NOS	-	-	-	1,495	5.6%	0.4
Glioma, NOS	20	0.0%	0.0	1,423	5.3%	0.4
Choroid plexus	183	0.4%	0.0	42	0.2%	0.0
Neuroepithelial	-	-	-	74	0.3%	0.0
Neuronal/glial, neuronal and mixed	736	1.5%	0.2	58	0.2%	0.0
Embryonal/primitive/medulloblastoma	-	-	-	861	3.2%	0.2
Nerve sheath	374	0.8%	0.1	19	0.1%	0.0
Meningioma	427	0.9%	0.1	20	0.1%	0.0
Hemangioma and hemangioblastoma	1,217	2.5%	0.3	-	-	-
Germ cell tumors, cysts, and heterotopias	68	0.1%	0.0	125	0.5%	0.0
Chordoma/chondrosarcoma	-	-	-	28	0.1%	0.0
Craniopharyngioma	84	0.2%	0.0	-	-	-
Neoplasm, unspecified	1,059	2.2%	0.3	1,104	4.1%	0.3
Other histologies ^b	17	0.0%	0.0	-	-	-
Intracranial Meninges						
Neuroepithelial	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nerve sheath	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningioma	24,116	49.5%	6.4	384	1.4%	0.1
Hemangioma and hemangioblastoma	25	0.1%	0.0	-	-	-
Chordoma/chondrosarcoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Neoplasm, unspecified	46	0.1%	0.0	-	-	-
Other histologies ^b	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cranial Nerves and Other CNS						
Glioblastoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pilocytic astrocytoma	-	-	-	47	0.2%	0.0
Astrocytoma, NOS	-	-	-	-	-	-
Glioma, NOS	-	-	-	148	0.6%	0.0
Neuronal/glial, neuronal and mixed	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nerve sheath	5,422	11.1%	1.4	30	0.1%	0.0
Meningioma	30	0.1%	0.0	-	-	-
Hemangioma and hemangioblastoma	23	0.0%	0.0	-	-	-
Germ cell tumors, cysts, and heterotopias	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chordoma/chondrosarcoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Neoplasm, unspecified	42	0.1%	0.0	-	-	-
Other histologies ^b	-	-	-	-	-	-

Source: SEER 17 areas (San Francisco, Connecticut, Detroit, Hawaii, Iowa, New Mexico, Seattle, Utah, Atlanta, San Jose-Monterey, Los Angeles, Alaska Native Registry, Rural Georgia, California excluding SF/SJM/LA, Kentucky, Louisiana and New Jersey).

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Sellar Region						
Glioblastoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pilocytic astrocytoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ependymoma/anaplastic ependymoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Glioma, NOS	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pineal parenchymal	56	0.1%	0.0	82	0.3%	0.0
Embryonal/primitive/medulloblastoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nerve sheath	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningioma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Germ cell tumors, cysts, and heterotopias	-	-	-	156	0.6%	0.0
Chordoma/chondrosarcoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pituitary	10,964	22.5%	2.9	37	0.1%	0.0
Craniopharyngioma	574	1.2%	0.1	-	-	-
Neoplasm, unspecified	263	0.5%	0.1	30	0.1%	0.0
Other histologies ^b	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spinal Cord						
Diffuse astrocytoma (protoplasma, fibrillary)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Anaplastic astrocytoma	-	-	-	17	0.1%	0.0
Glioblastoma	-	-	-	21	0.1%	0.0
Pilocytic astrocytoma	-	-	-	69	0.3%	0.0
Unique astrocytoma variants	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ependymoma/anaplastic ependymoma	-	-	-	424	1.6%	0.1
Ependymoma variants	377	0.8%	0.1	-	-	-
Mixed glioma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Astrocytoma, NOS	-	-	-	82	0.3%	0.0
Glioma, NOS	-	-	-	-	-	-
Neuronal/glial, neuronal and mixed	57	0.1%	0.0	19	0.1%	0.0
Embryonal/primitive/medulloblastoma	-	-	-	19	0.1%	0.0
Nerve sheath	567	1.2%	0.1	32	0.1%	0.0
Meningioma	37	0.1%	0.0	-	-	-
Hemangioma and hemangioblastoma	150	0.3%	0.0	-	-	-
Chordoma/chondrosarcoma	-	-	-	16	0.1%	0.0
Neoplasm, unspecified	46	0.1%	0.0	-	-	-
Other histologies ^b	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spinal Meninges						
Ependymoma/anaplastic ependymoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Neuronal/glial, neuronal and mixed	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nerve sheath	57	0.1%	0.0	-	-	-
Meningioma	1,193	2.5%	0.3	-	-	-
Hemangioma and hemangioblastoma	-	-	-	-	-	-
Neoplasm, unspecified	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other histologies ^b	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	48,681	100.0%	12.8	26,729	100.0%	7.0

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Table 31.2
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Age-Adjusted SEER Incidence Rates^a for Benign Brain Tumors, 2004-2008
By Race, Sex and Age

Brain and Other Nervous System(Benign/Borderline)
Excluding Endocrine Glands and Related Structures

Age	All Races			Whites			Blacks		
	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females
All Ages	9.7	7.1	12.0	9.7	7.1	12.0	9.9	6.9	12.2
Ages <20	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.8
Ages 20-44	4.6	3.5	5.7	4.7	3.6	5.8	4.0	2.9	5.1
Ages 45-64	14.8	10.1	19.2	14.8	10.1	19.3	14.6	9.4	19.0
Ages 65-74	29.0	21.1	35.7	28.8	21.3	35.2	31.2	21.7	38.3
Ages 75-84	39.0	27.4	47.1	38.8	27.3	47.0	43.4	32.3	50.1
Ages 85+	48.1	36.7	53.3	47.8	37.3	52.6	61.6	38.5	70.4

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	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females
All Ages	12.8	10.1	15.3	12.6	9.9	15.0	15.1	12.1	17.4
Ages <20	1.8	1.7	2.0	1.9	1.7	2.1	1.3	1.2	1.5
Ages 20-44	7.6	5.5	9.8	7.5	5.5	9.6	8.1	5.6	10.5
Ages 45-64	19.3	15.0	23.3	18.8	14.5	23.0	22.3	18.1	25.8
Ages 65-74	36.0	29.8	41.2	35.0	29.2	40.0	45.9	39.1	50.9
Ages 75-84	45.9	36.9	52.2	45.1	35.9	51.5	58.5	52.5	62.0
Ages 85+	52.5	43.4	56.7	51.7	43.7	55.3	74.2	53.4	82.1

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Table 31.3

Brain Tumor Histology Groupings^a

Site Group	ICD-0-3 Morphology
Tumors of Neuroepithelial Tissue	
Diffuse astrocytoma (protoplasma, fibrillary)	9410, 9420
Anaplastic astrocytoma	9401, 9411
Glioblastoma	9440, 9441, 9442/3
Pilocytic astrocytoma	9421
Unique astrocytoma variants	9383, 9384, 9424
Oligodendroglioma	9450
Anaplastic oligodendroglioma	9451, 9460
Ependymoma/anaplastic ependymoma	9391, 9392, 9393
Ependymoma variants	9394
Mixed glioma	9382
Astrocytoma, NOS	9400
Glioma, NOS	9380
Choroid plexus	9390
Neuroepithelial	9381, 9423, 9430, 9444
Benign and Malignant neuronal/glial, neuronal and mixed	8680/1, 8680/3, 8681, 8682, 8690, 8693, 9412, 9413, 9442/1, 9490-9493, 9500, 9505, 9506, 9522, 9523
Pineal parenchymal	9360, 9361, 9362
Embryonal/primitive/medulloblastoma	8963, 9363, 9364, 9470-9474, 9501-9503, 9508
Tumors Of Cranial And Spinal Nerves	
Nerve sheath, benign and malignant	9540, 9541, 9550, 9560, 9561, 9570, 9571
Tumors Of The Intracranial Meninges	
Meningioma, benign and malignant	9530-9534, 9537-9539
Other mesenchymal, benign and malignant	8324, 8728, 8800-8806, 8810, 8815, 8824, 8830, 8831, 8850, 8851, 8857, 8861, 8890, 8897, 8900, 8910, 8920, 8990, 9040, 9150, 9180, 9210, 9241, 9260, 9480
Hemangioblastoma and hemangioblastoma	9120-9123, 9125, 9130, 9131, 9133, 9140, 9161, 9535
Germ Cell Tumors And Cysts	
Germ cell tumors, cysts, and heterotopias	8020, 9060, 9061, 9064, 9065, 9070-9072, 9080-9085, 9100
Local Extensions From Regional Tumors	
Chordoma/chondrosarcoma	9220, 9231, 9240, 9370-9373
Tumors Of The Sellar Region	
Pituitary	8022, 8040, 8140, 8146, 8246, 8260, 8270, 8271, 8272, 8280, 8281, 8290, 8300, 8310, 8323, 8333, 8334, 9582
Craniopharyngioma	9350, 9351, 9352
Unclassified Tumors	
Neoplasm, unspecified	8000-8005, 8010, 8013, 8021
All other	any remaining histologies not included in above categories

Source: Modified from CBTRUS (2005). Statistical Report: Primary Brain Tumors in the United States, 1998-2002. Published by the Central Brain Tumor Registry of the United States.

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