

SUBOPTIMAL USE OF CANCER SCREENING TESTS

Not all average-risk individuals are up to date with cancer screening recommendations (see sidebar on **Consensus among Cancer Screening Recommendations for Average-risk Individuals**). For example, a substantial percentage of individuals for whom the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force recommended screening were not up to date with screening in 2015, which is the last year for which these data are currently available (113):

28.5%

of women ages 50–74
were not up to date with
breast cancer screening.

17%

of women ages 21–65
were not up to date with
cervical cancer screening.

38%

of adults ages 50–75
were not up to date with
colorectal cancer screening.

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