



TNM Colorectal Cancer Staging and Prognosis

Stage Groups	Code (see below)	Five-year Survival Rate (%)	Fraction of Cases Diagnosed at These Combined Stages (%)
Stage I	T ₁ N ₀ M ₀	>95	24
	T ₂ N ₀ M ₀	90	
Stage IIA	T ₃ N ₀ M ₀	85	26
Stage IIB	T ₄ N ₀ M ₀	70	
Stage IIIA	T ₁₋₂ N ₁ M ₀	70*	30
Stage IIIB	T ₃₋₄ N ₁ M ₀	50*	
Stage IIIC	T _{any} N ₂ M ₀	35*	
Stage IV	T _{any} N _{any} M ₁	3	20

T₁ tumor into the submucosa
 T₂ tumor into the muscularis propria
 T₃ tumor into the subserosa
 T₄ tumor into other adjacent organs
 N₀ No positive nodes
 N₁ One to three peri-colic nodes positive
 N₂ Four or more peri-colic nodes positive
 M₀ No distant metastasis
 M₁ Distant metastasis present
 * With surgery and adjuvant therapy.

Table from *Physicians Information and Education Resource (PIER)*, Colorectal Cancer module.