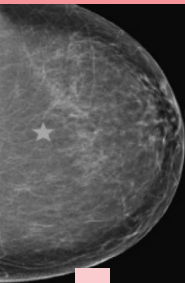
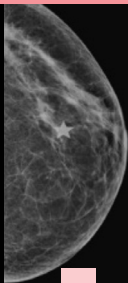


Breast Density Classifications



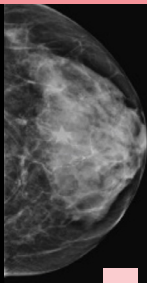
A

Almost
entirely fatty



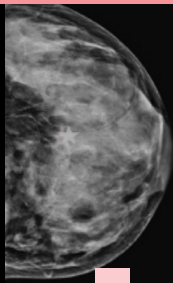
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Scattered areas of
fibroglandular density



C

Heterogeneously
dense



D

Extremely
dense

As the relative amount of fibroglandular breast tissue increases, breast density increases. The star symbol on each mammogram gets harder to see as breast density increases – the same is true for a breast cancer.

Learn About Breast Density

- It's normal. Almost half of all women have dense breast tissue.¹
- It's a risk factor – having dense breast tissue increases your risk of breast cancer by as much as 4X.^{2,3}
- As you can see from the star example above, dense tissue can hide an underlying breast cancer, making it harder for a radiologist to detect.
- Breast density is determined by your mammogram, so be sure to keep up with your annual screening.
- Supplemental screening (such as ultrasound or MRI) has shown improved cancer detection in dense breasts over mammography alone.⁴
- Women with dense breast tissue should ask their doctor about options for supplemental screening.

Scan to
learn more



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