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Radon is a colorless, odorless and tasteless gas that forms naturally in soil and rock throughout the world.

Outdoor levels are usually low.

Indoors, radon can be found at higher levels.

In the U.S., radon is the leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers.

Radon is found in commercial buildings, houses, schools, high rises, etc.

### Protect yourself:

All buildings and houses should be tested.

Constructing a new house or building? Look into radon-resistant techniques.

**Stop smoking.** If you are exposed to radon, smoking can increase lung cancer risk.

YEARLY DEATHS:

Radon  
21,000

Secondhand  
Smoke  
3,000

## Measure radon levels:

DIY—Buy a radon gas test kit. Follow directions.

**OR**

Hire a certified radon measurement business.



Picocurie per liter, or pCi/L, measures radon levels.

**No radon level is safe.**

A level at or above 4pCi/L is considered high.

## Radon level elevated?

Your next step is to reduce radon to safer levels.

Contact a certified radon mitigator. Or call the Florida Radon and Indoor Air Program at 1.800.543.8279. Learn more at [radon.floridahealth.gov](http://radon.floridahealth.gov)



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