

It is estimated that about 69% of those affected are male. The average age at diagnosis is 8-16 years, although the disease has been diagnosed in patients as young as 4 months. About two-thirds of juvenile cases present before age 10. Approximately one-third of patients are 30 years or older before symptoms begin. A diagnosis of Coats disease is made based upon a thorough clinical ophthalmic evaluation, a detailed patient history, and specialized tests, including retinal fluorescein angiography, diagnostic echography, and in some cases computed tomography imaging of the orbits.