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Number of new cases

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Number of deaths

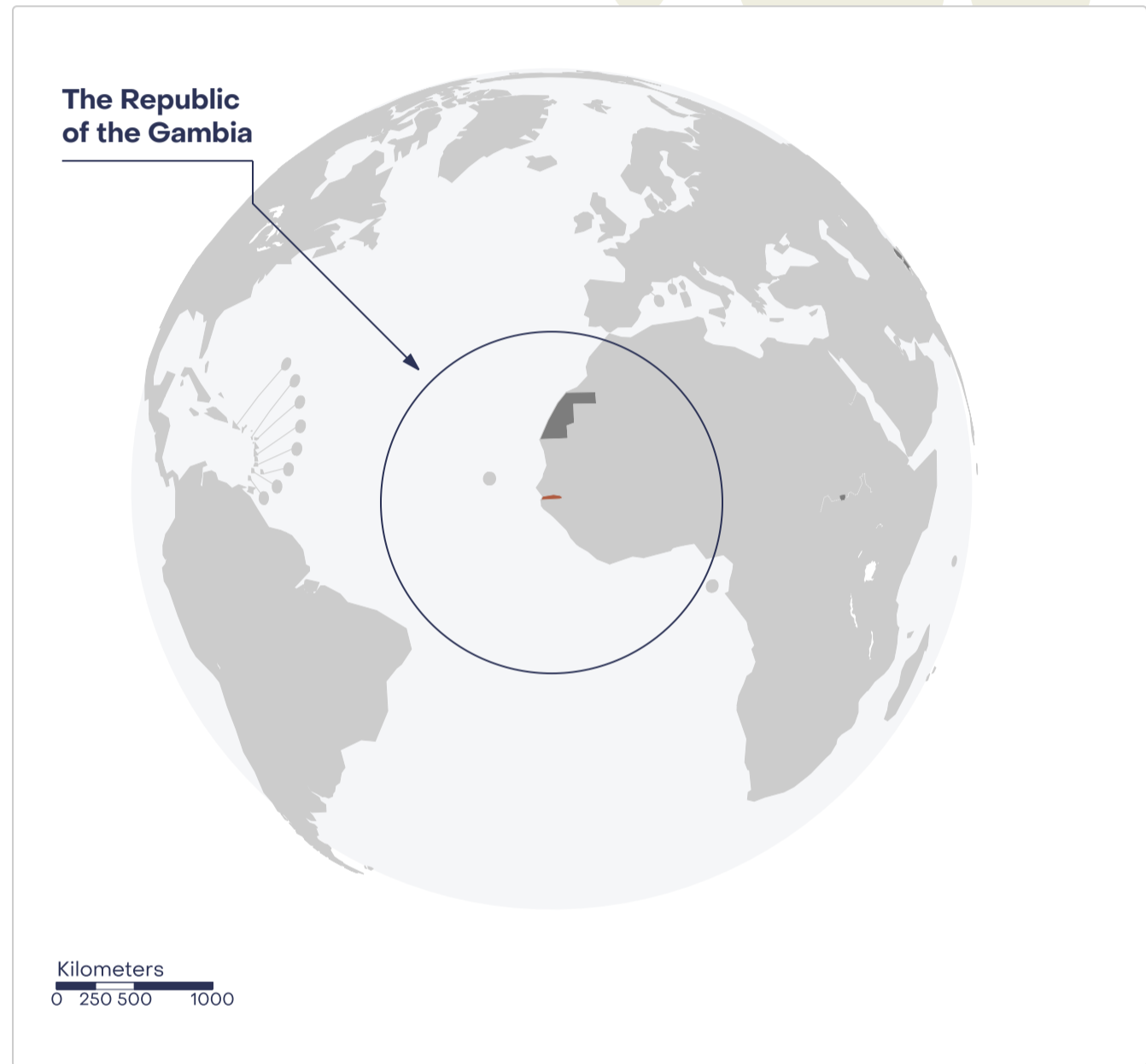
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Number of prevalent cases (5-year)

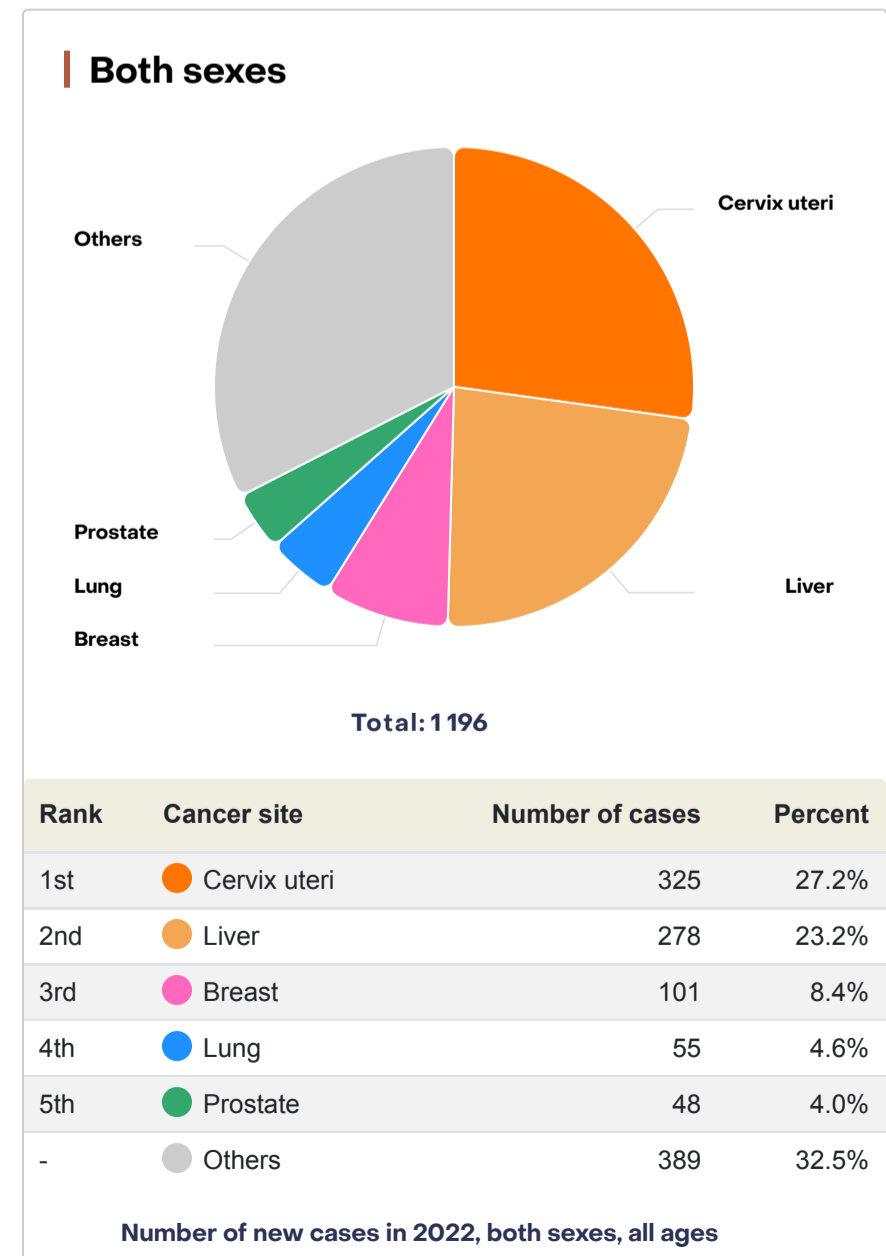
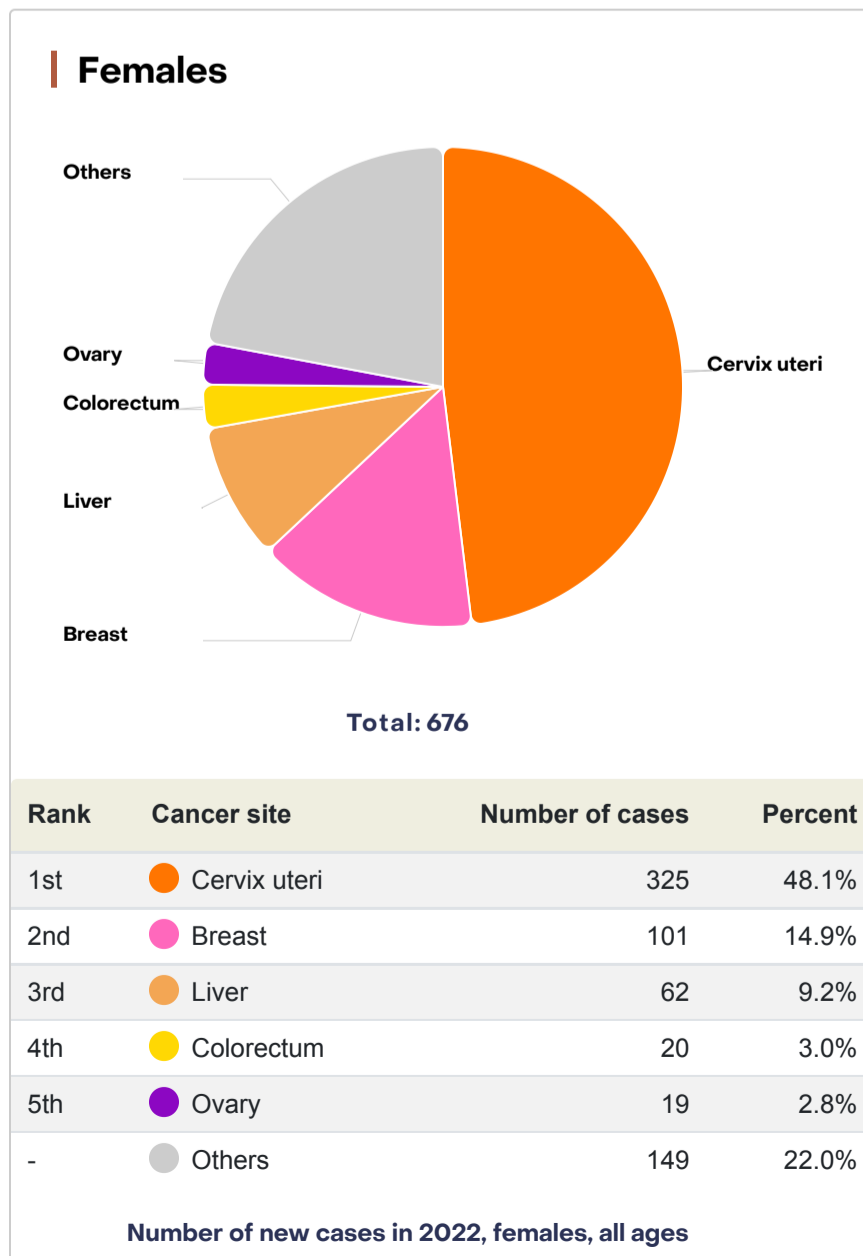
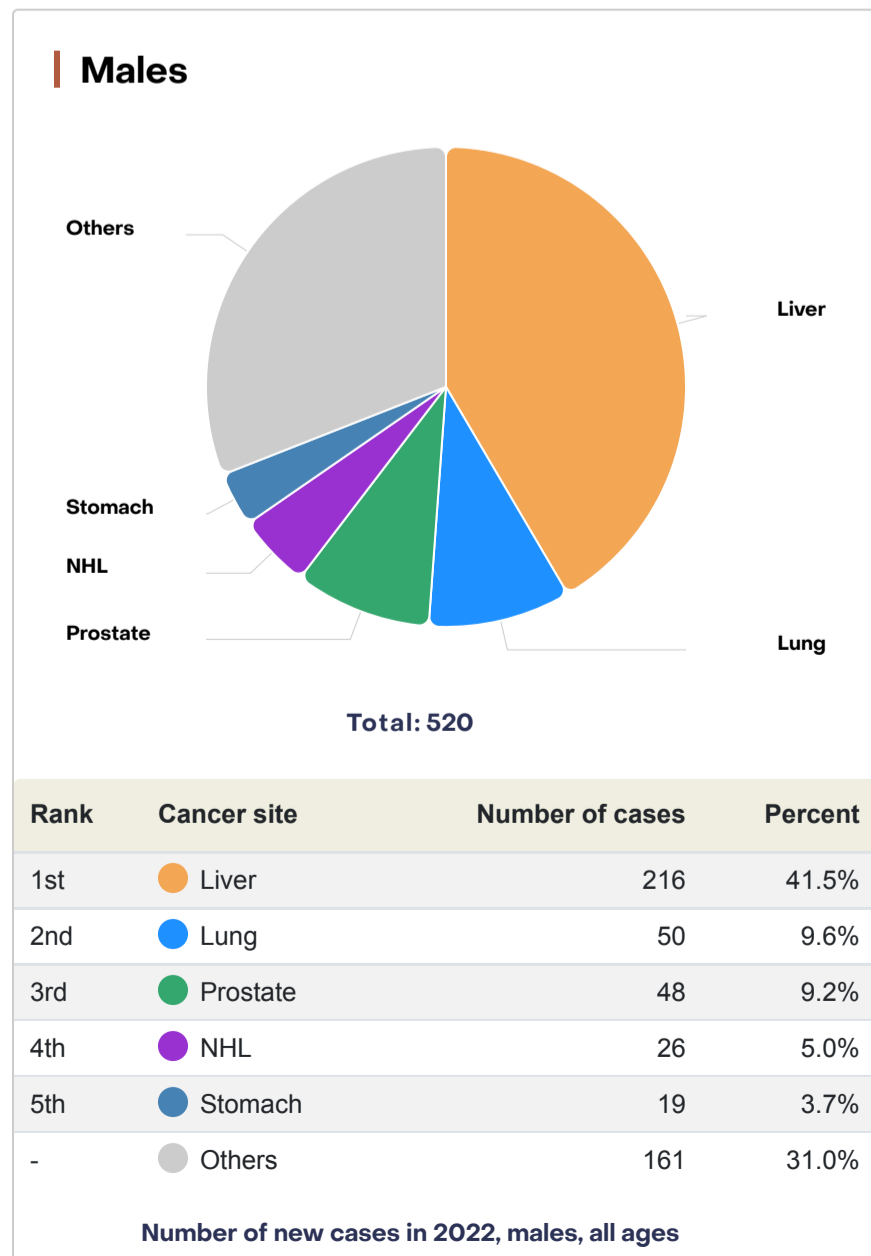
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Statistics at a glance, 2022

	Males	Females	Both sexes
Population	1 268 854	1 289 639	2 558 493
Incidence*			
Number of new cancer cases	520	676	1 196
Age-standardized incidence rate	74.7	83.1	79.2
Risk of developing cancer before the age of 75 years (cum. risk %)	7.7	8.0	7.9
Top 3 leading cancers (ranked by cases)**	Liver Lung Prostate	Cervix uteri Breast Liver	Cervix uteri Liver Breast
Mortality*			
Number of cancer deaths	440	459	899
Age-standardized mortality rate	64.4	61.0	62.7
Risk of dying from cancer before the age of 75 years (cum. risk %)	6.6	6.2	6.4
Top 3 leading cancers (ranked by deaths)**	Liver Lung Prostate	Cervix uteri Liver Breast	Liver Cervix uteri Lung
Prevalence*			
5-year prevalent cases	884	1 406	2 290



Top 5 most frequent cancers**



Incidence, Mortality and Prevalence by cancer site

Cancer	New cases				Deaths				5-year prevalence	
	Number	Rank	(%)	Cum.risk	Number	Rank	(%)	Cum.risk	Number	Prop. (per 100 000)
Cervix uteri	325	1	27.2	3.8	204	2	22.7	2.9	725	31.7
Liver	278	2	23.2	1.8	271	1	30.1	1.8	463	20.2
Breast	101	3	8.4	1.1	50	4	5.6	0.62	218	9.5
Lung	55	4	4.6	0.59	55	3	6.1	0.59	76	3.3
Prostate	48	5	4.0	1.1	30	6	3.3	0.54	77	3.4
NHL	38	6	3.2	0.14	28	8	3.1	0.12	86	3.8
Colorectum	37	7	3.1	0.28	32	5	3.6	0.24	74	3.2
Stomach	35	8	2.9	0.33	29	7	3.2	0.29	59	2.6
Oesophagus	26	9	2.2	0.23	26	9	2.9	0.23	43	1.9
Leukaemia	21	10	1.8	0.07	19	10	2.1	0.07	44	1.9
Ovary	19	11	1.6	0.20	15	12	1.7	0.18	38	1.7
Pancreas	18	12	1.5	0.20	18	11	2.0	0.20	24	1.0
Bladder	17	13	1.4	0.17	9	13	1.0	0.12	36	1.6
Corpus uteri	11	14	0.92	0.17	3	18	0.33	0.09	25	1.1
Thyroid	8	15	0.67	0.04	3	18	0.33	0.02	16	0.70
Larynx	7	16	0.59	0.06	7	14	0.78	0.06	16	0.70
Kidney	7	16	0.59	0.02	0	22	0.00	0.00	17	0.74
Kaposi sarcoma	6	18	0.50	0.03	4	17	0.45	0.01	4	0.18
Brain CNS	6	18	0.50	0.05	6	15	0.67	0.05	16	0.70
Lip, oral cavity	5	20	0.42	0.04	5	16	0.56	0.04	10	0.44
Penis	5	20	0.42	0.10	1	20	0.11	0.02	10	0.44
Hodgkin lymphoma	5	20	0.42	0.01	0	22	0.00	0.00	13	0.57
Salivary glands	1	23	0.08	0.01	1	20	0.11	0.01	3	0.13
Melanoma	1	23	0.08	0.01	0	22	0.00	0.00	2	0.09
Vulva	1	23	0.08	0.01	0	22	0.00	0.00	3	0.13
Testis	1	23	0.08	0.01	0	22	0.00	0.00	3	0.13
Oropharynx	0	27	0.00	0.00	0	22	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
Nasopharynx	0	27	0.00	0.00	0	22	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
Hypopharynx	0	27	0.00	0.00	0	22	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
Gallbladder	0	27	0.00	0.00	0	22	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
Mesothelioma	0	27	0.00	0.00	0	22	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
Vagina	0	27	0.00	0.00	0	22	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
All cancers	1 196	-	-	7.9	899	-	-	6.4	2 290	-
All cancers excl. NMSC	1 192	-	-	7.8	899	-	-	6.4	2 282	-

Data source and methods

Incidence

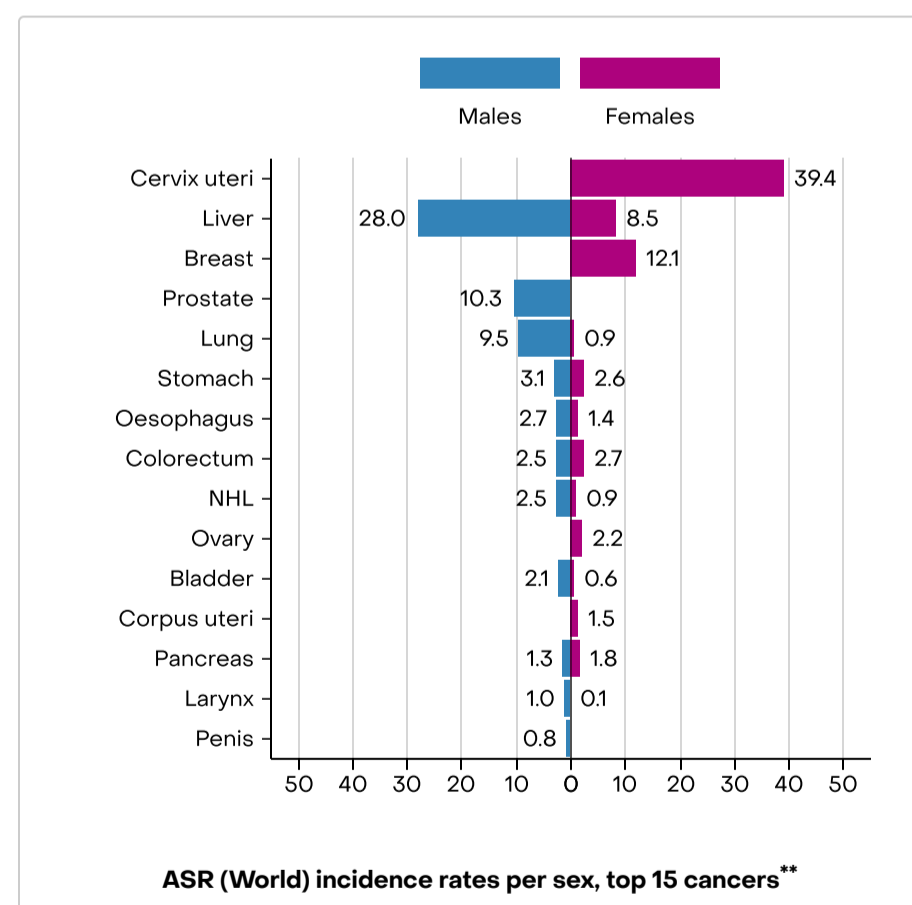
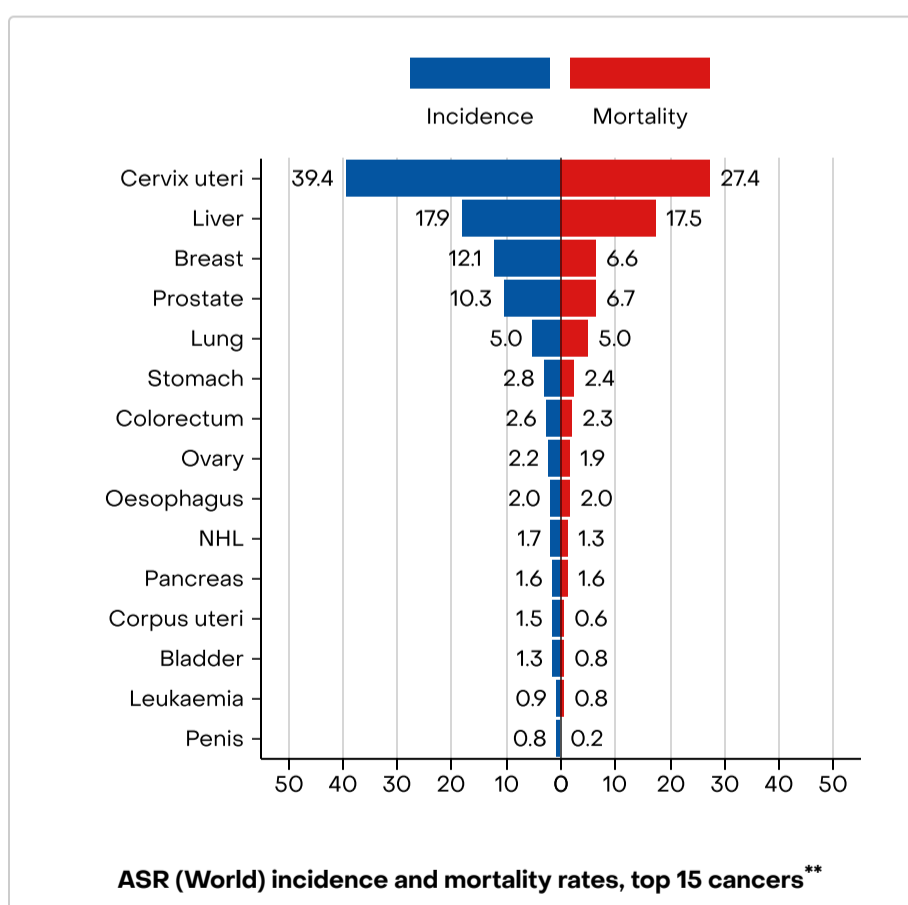
Country-specific data source: National cancer registry
Method: National (or sub-national with coverage greater than 50%) rates projected to 2022

Mortality

Country-specific data source: No data
Method: Estimated from national mortality estimates by modelling, using mortality:incidence ratios derived from survival estimation

Prevalence

Computed using sex-, site- and age-specific incidence to 1-,3- and 5-year prevalence ratios from Nordic countries for the period (2011-2020), and scaled using Human Development Index (HDI) ratios.



* includes non-melanoma skin cancer (NMSC)

** NMSC included in other cancers

Age standardization using world population ([see link](#))

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