



# GHANA

Number of new cases

**27 385**

Number of deaths

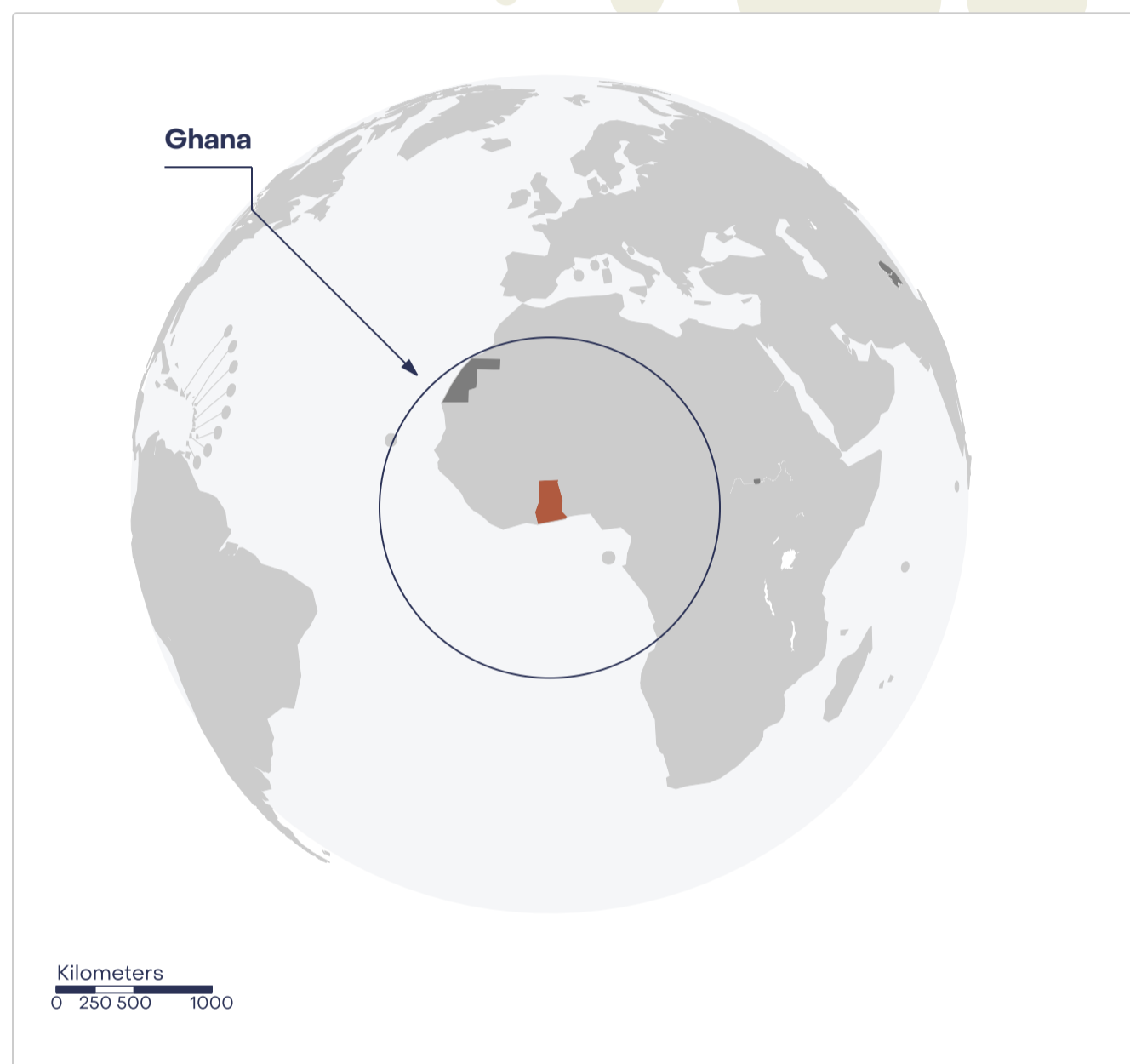
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Number of prevalent cases (5-year)

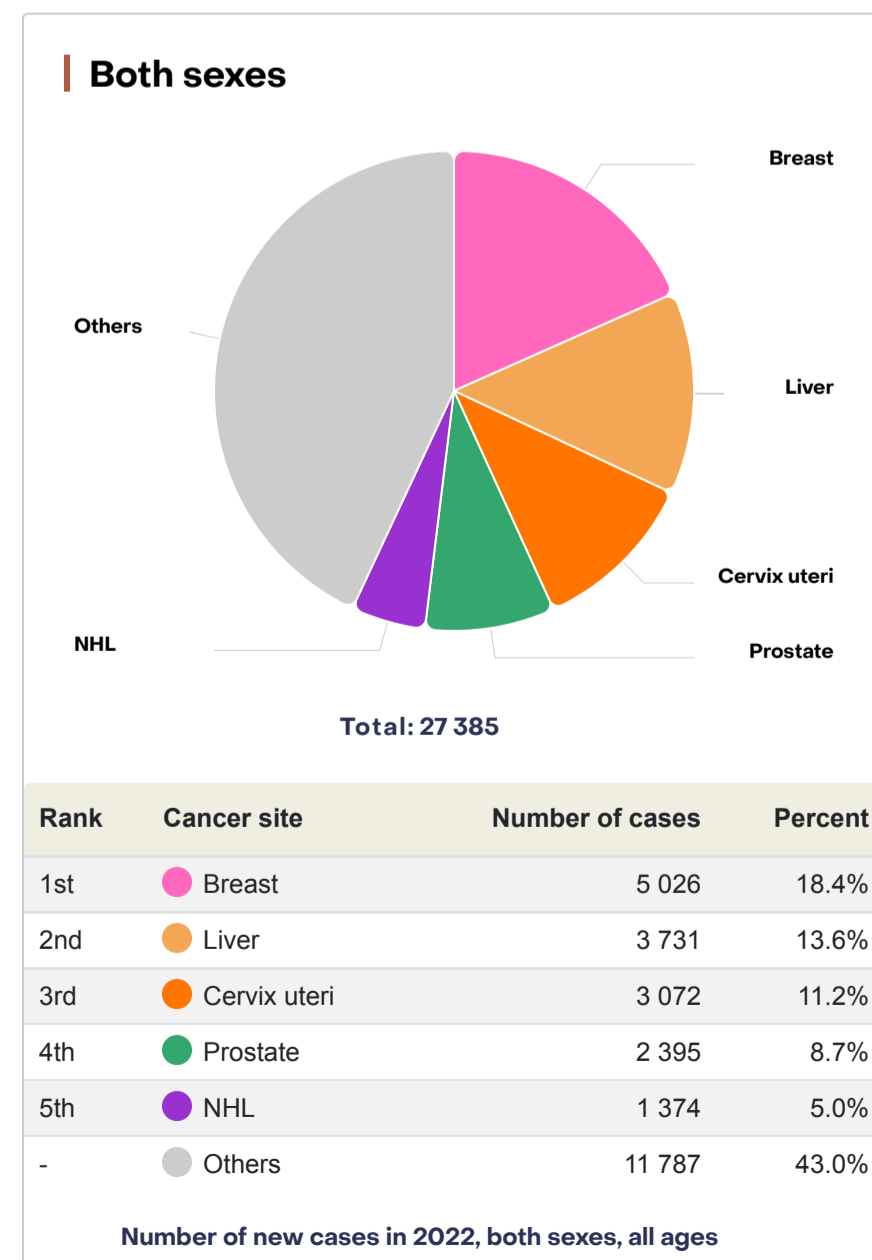
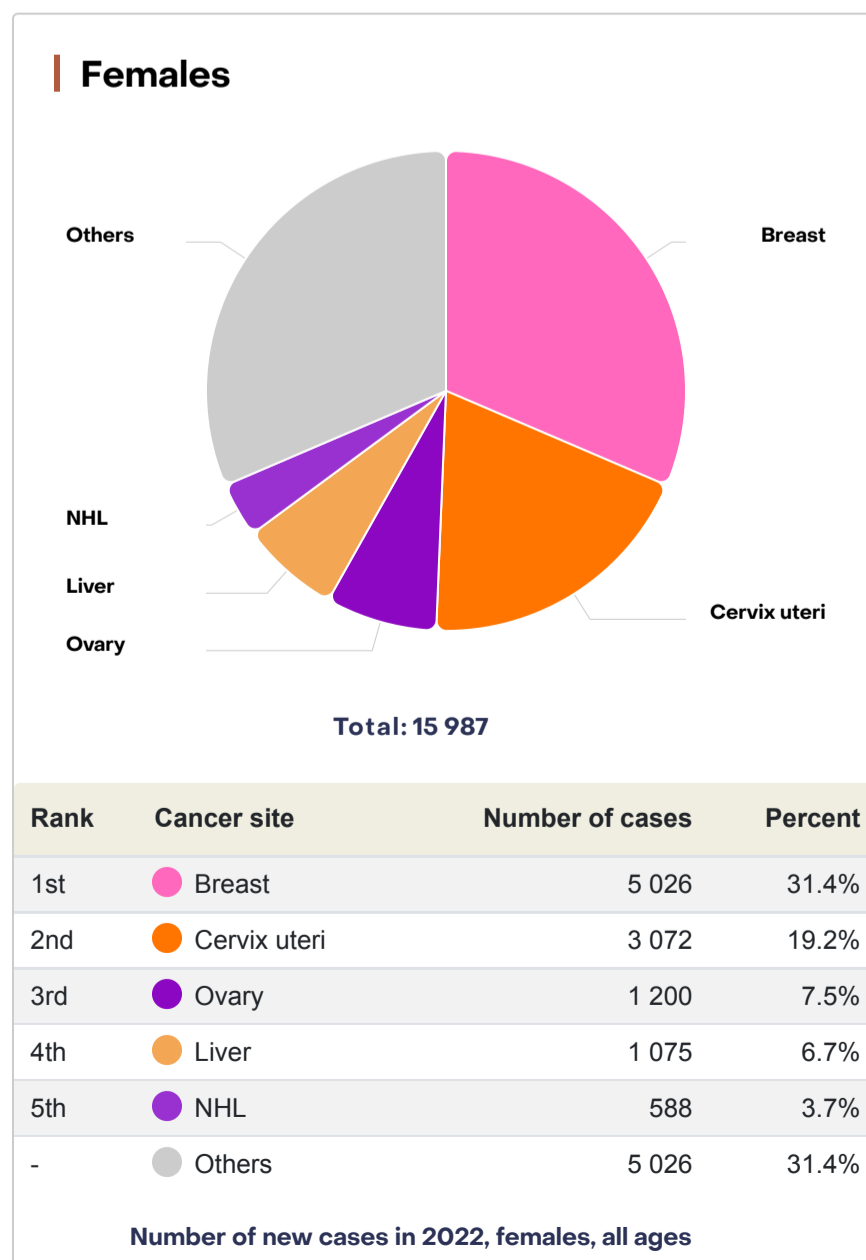
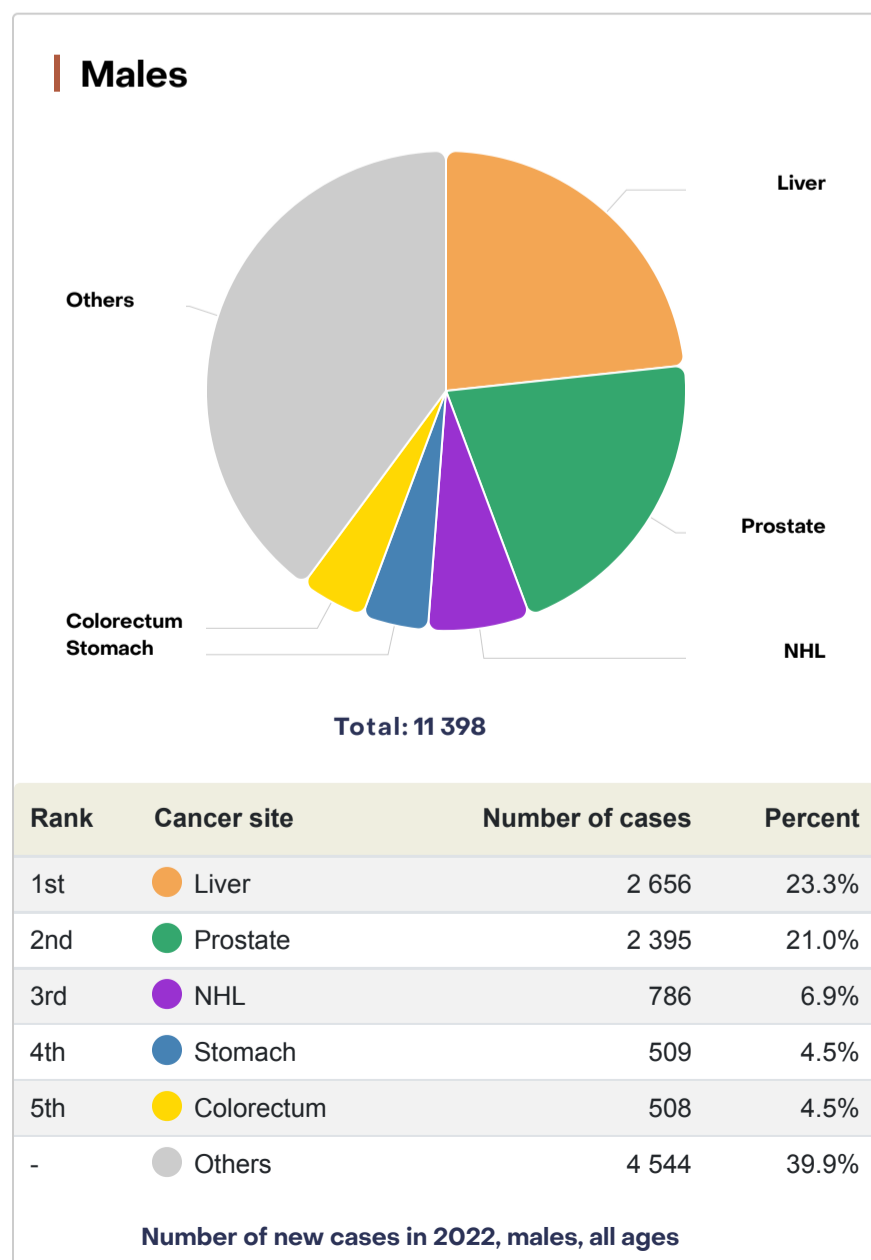
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## Statistics at a glance, 2022

	Males	Females	Both sexes
<b>Population</b>	16 423 632	15 971 822	32 395 454
<b>Incidence*</b>			
Number of new cancer cases	11 398	15 987	27 385
Age-standardized incidence rate	106.2	135.2	120.4
Risk of developing cancer before the age of 75 years (cum. risk %)	10.8	13.6	12.2
Top 3 leading cancers (ranked by cases)**	Liver Prostate NHL	Breast Cervix uteri Ovary	Breast Liver Cervix uteri
<b>Mortality*</b>			
Number of cancer deaths	8 088	9 856	17 944
Age-standardized mortality rate	77.6	87.8	82.6
Risk of dying from cancer before the age of 75 years (cum. risk %)	7.9	9.2	8.5
Top 3 leading cancers (ranked by deaths)**	Liver Prostate NHL	Breast Cervix uteri Liver	Liver Breast Cervix uteri
<b>Prevalence*</b>			
5-year prevalent cases	24 123	39 641	63 764



## 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)
Breast	5 026	1	18.4	4.2	2 369	2	13.2	2.1	13 385	21.0
Liver	3 731	2	13.6	1.6	3 362	1	18.7	1.5	5 902	9.3
Cervix uteri	3 072	3	11.2	3.1	1 815	3	10.1	2.0	7 889	12.4
Prostate	2 395	4	8.7	3.6	1 233	4	6.9	1.8	4 959	7.8
NHL	1 374	5	5.0	0.47	813	7	4.5	0.32	3 887	6.1
Ovary	1 200	6	4.4	1.1	878	5	4.9	0.95	3 002	4.7
Colorectum	986	7	3.6	0.51	656	8	3.7	0.36	2 409	3.8
Stomach	942	8	3.4	0.56	820	6	4.6	0.50	1 540	2.4
Bladder	529	9	1.9	0.31	259	14	1.4	0.16	1 406	2.2
Lung	519	10	1.9	0.30	492	9	2.7	0.28	856	1.3
Corpus uteri	487	11	1.8	0.61	167	16	0.93	0.21	1 407	2.2
Oesophagus	476	12	1.7	0.28	439	10	2.4	0.26	729	1.1
Leukaemia	475	13	1.7	0.13	355	11	2.0	0.12	1 282	2.0
Brain CNS	413	14	1.5	0.16	341	12	1.9	0.15	1 295	2.0
Pancreas	348	15	1.3	0.22	341	12	1.9	0.22	448	0.70
Kidney	322	16	1.2	0.11	218	15	1.2	0.09	872	1.4
Larynx	227	17	0.83	0.13	146	17	0.81	0.09	626	0.98
Lip, oral cavity	220	18	0.80	0.11	139	18	0.78	0.07	542	0.85
Nasopharynx	217	19	0.79	0.07	136	19	0.76	0.05	643	1.0
Hodgkin lymphoma	174	20	0.64	0.05	74	22	0.41	0.03	543	0.85
Kaposi sarcoma	132	21	0.48	0.05	80	21	0.45	0.03	257	0.40
Thyroid	132	21	0.48	0.06	45	24	0.25	0.03	365	0.57
Multiple myeloma	132	21	0.48	0.07	106	20	0.59	0.06	334	0.52
Salivary glands	111	24	0.41	0.05	72	23	0.40	0.04	308	0.48
Oropharynx	85	25	0.31	0.04	44	25	0.25	0.02	208	0.33
Vulva	70	26	0.26	0.07	35	26	0.20	0.04	188	0.30
Testis	58	27	0.21	0.04	19	29	0.11	0.01	177	0.28
Gallbladder	38	28	0.14	0.01	32	27	0.18	0.01	76	0.12
Melanoma	28	29	0.10	0.01	6	31	0.03	0.00	83	0.13
Hypopharynx	24	30	0.09	0.01	21	28	0.12	0.01	37	0.06
Penis	24	30	0.09	0.03	6	31	0.03	0.01	56	0.09
Vagina	22	32	0.08	0.01	9	30	0.05	0.01	59	0.09
<b>All cancers</b>	<b>27 385</b>	-	-	<b>12.2</b>	<b>17 944</b>	-	-	<b>8.5</b>	<b>63 764</b>	-
<b>All cancers excl. NMSC</b>	<b>27 054</b>	-	-	<b>12.1</b>	<b>17 838</b>	-	-	<b>8.5</b>	<b>62 789</b>	-

Data source and methods

Incidence

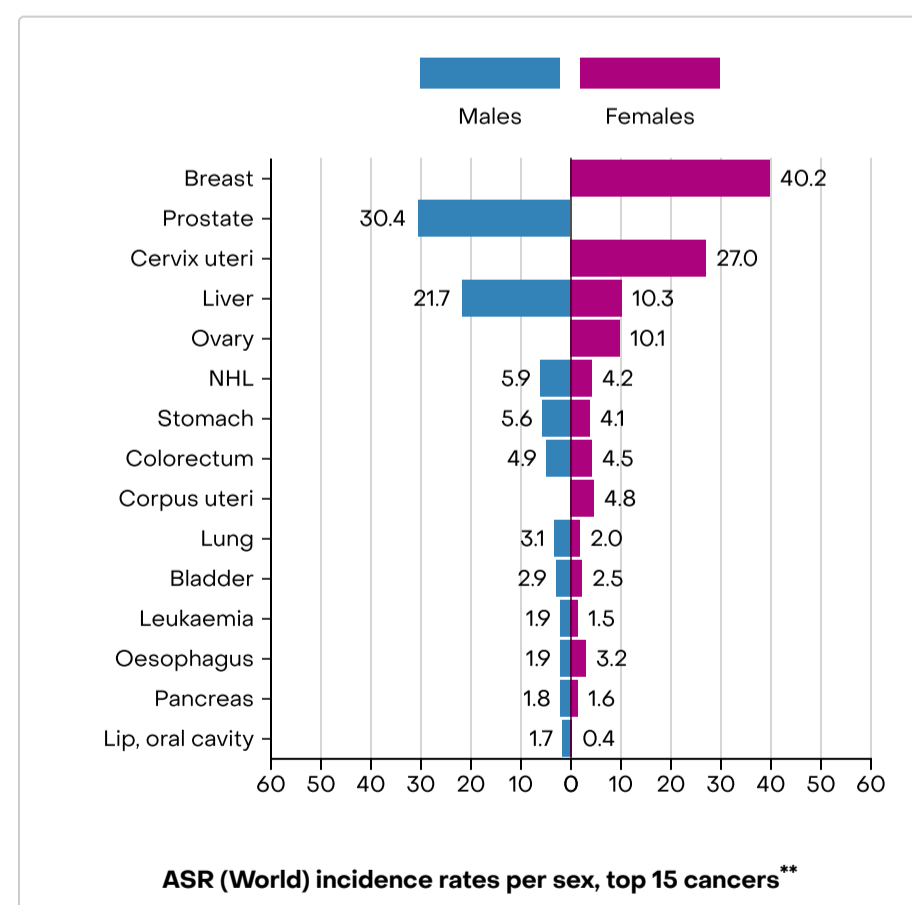
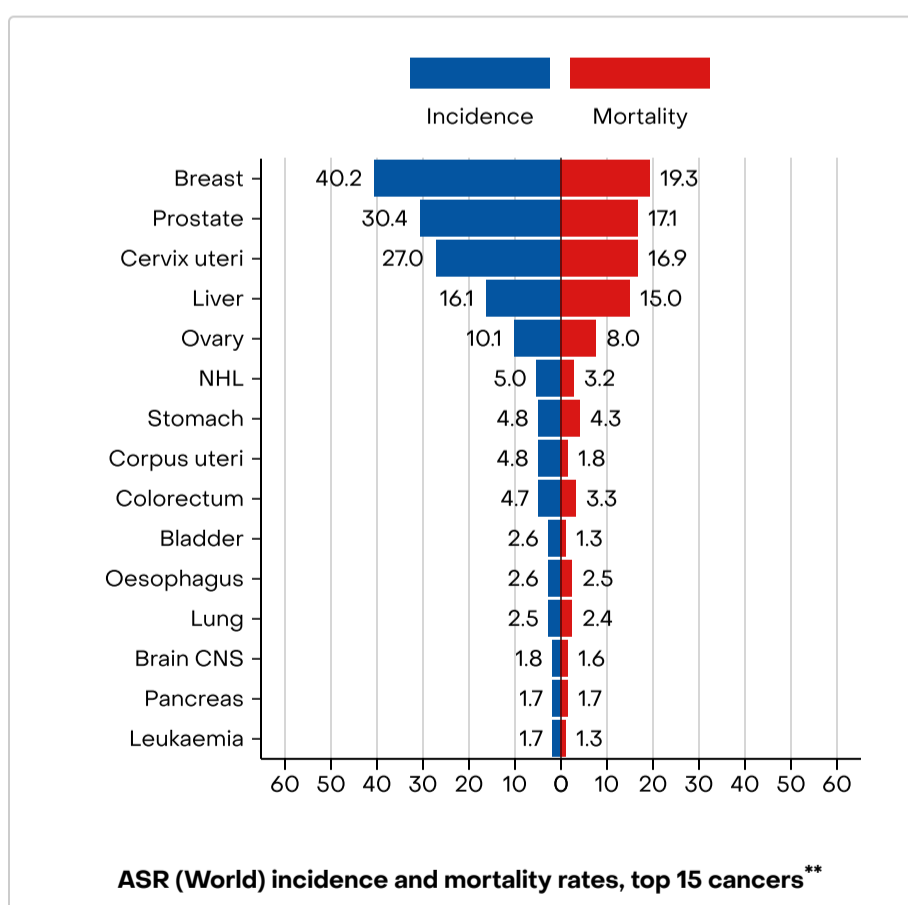
Country-specific data source: Kumasi cancer registry  
 Method: Most recent rates from a single registry applied to 2022 population

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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