

LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC



Number of new cases

9 101

Number of deaths

6 215

Number of prevalent cases (5-year)

19 483

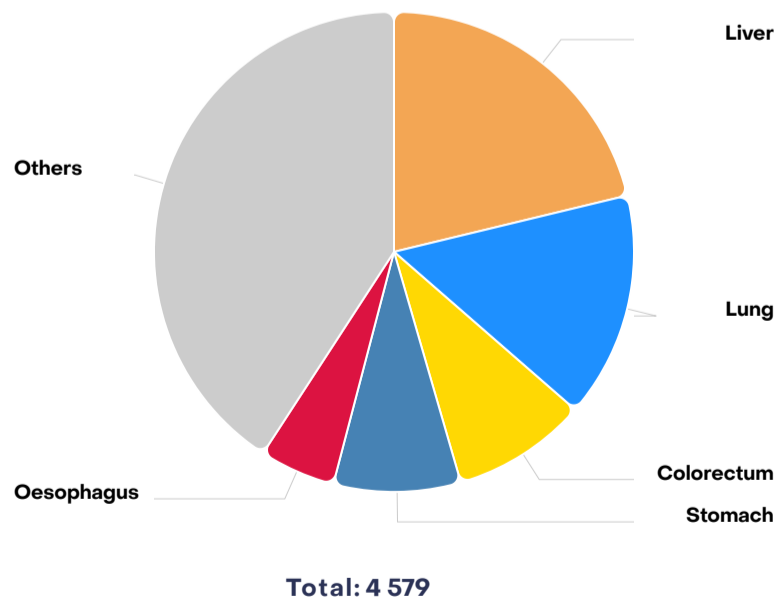
Statistics at a glance, 2022

	Males	Females	Both sexes
Population	3 755 080	3 725 946	7 481 026
Incidence*			
Number of new cancer cases	4 579	4 522	9 101
Age-standardized incidence rate	167.9	143.9	154.5
Risk of developing cancer before the age of 75 years (cum. risk %)	17.5	14.4	15.9
Top 3 leading cancers (ranked by cases)**	Liver Lung Colorectum	Breast Liver Cervix uteri	Liver Breast Lung
Mortality*			
Number of cancer deaths	3 544	2 671	6 215
Age-standardized mortality rate	132.9	89.4	109.9
Risk of dying from cancer before the age of 75 years (cum. risk %)	14.1	9.5	11.7
Top 3 leading cancers (ranked by deaths)**	Liver Lung Stomach	Liver Breast Lung	Liver Lung Stomach
Prevalence*			
5-year prevalent cases	8 788	10 695	19 483



Top 5 most frequent cancers**

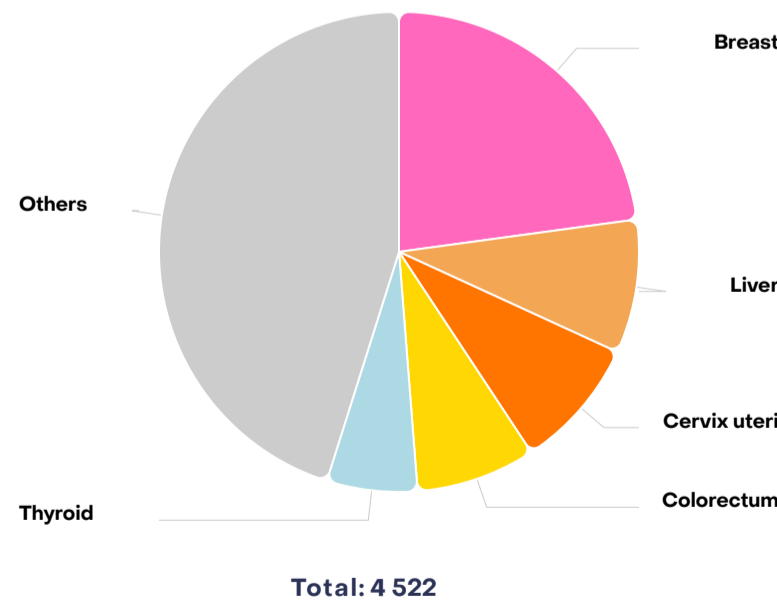
Males



Rank	Cancer site	Number of cases	Percent
1st	Liver	972	21.2%
2nd	Lung	695	15.2%
3rd	Colorectum	417	9.1%
4th	Stomach	392	8.6%
5th	Oesophagus	234	5.1%
-	Others	1 869	40.8%

Number of new cases in 2022, males, all ages

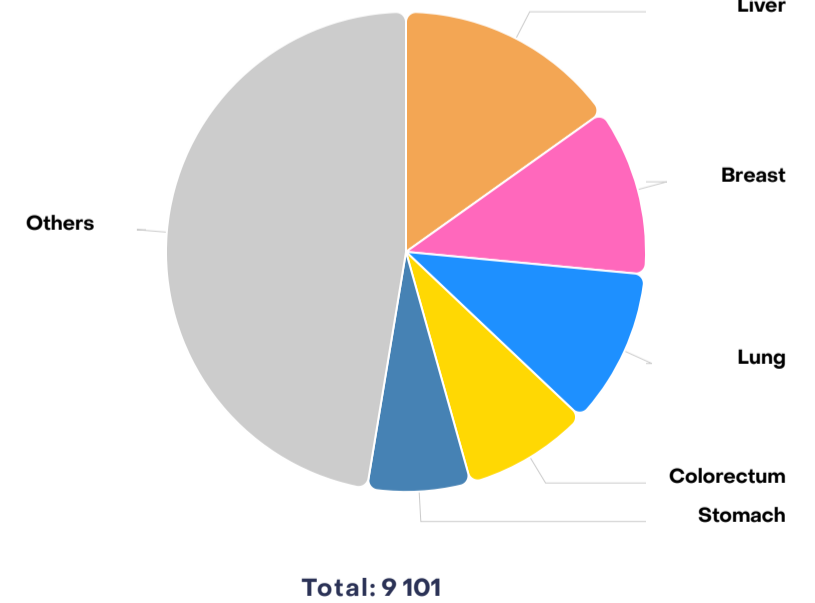
Females



Rank	Cancer site	Number of cases	Percent
1st	Breast	1 033	22.8%
2nd	Liver	407	9.0%
3rd	Cervix uteri	401	8.9%
4th	Colorectum	364	8.0%
5th	Thyroid	276	6.1%
-	Others	2 041	45.1%

Number of new cases in 2022, females, all ages

Both sexes



Rank	Cancer site	Number of cases	Percent
1st	Liver	1 379	15.2%
2nd	Breast	1 033	11.4%
3rd	Lung	961	10.6%
4th	Colorectum	781	8.6%
5th	Stomach	634	7.0%
-	Others	4 313	47.4%

Number of new cases in 2022, both sexes, all ages

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)
Liver	1 379	1	15.2	2.9	1 313	1	21.1	2.8	1 950	26.1
Breast	1 033	2	11.4	3.3	384	5	6.2	1.4	2 728	73.2
Lung	961	3	10.6	2.1	853	2	13.7	1.8	1 442	19.3
Colorectum	781	4	8.6	1.6	444	4	7.1	0.90	1 871	25.0
Stomach	634	5	7.0	1.3	530	3	8.5	1.1	1 025	13.7
Cervix uteri	401	6	4.4	1.2	200	8	3.2	0.73	1 081	29.0
Leukaemia	343	7	3.8	0.43	286	6	4.6	0.39	916	12.2
Thyroid	338	8	3.7	0.48	41	20	0.66	0.08	964	12.9
NHL	267	9	2.9	0.45	158	11	2.5	0.28	730	9.8
Oesophagus	253	10	2.8	0.52	251	7	4.0	0.52	418	5.6
Nasopharynx	236	11	2.6	0.42	170	9	2.7	0.34	612	8.2
Lip, oral cavity	210	12	2.3	0.39	122	13	2.0	0.21	512	6.8
Brain CNS	193	13	2.1	0.29	167	10	2.7	0.27	588	7.9
Ovary	184	14	2.0	0.57	125	12	2.0	0.47	469	12.6
Bladder	101	15	1.1	0.21	49	17	0.79	0.10	263	3.5
Corpus uteri	100	16	1.1	0.39	33	23	0.53	0.13	296	7.9
Prostate	91	17	1.0	0.48	39	22	0.63	0.13	178	4.7
Pancreas	78	18	0.86	0.15	73	14	1.2	0.14	106	1.4
Larynx	74	19	0.81	0.16	47	18	0.76	0.10	190	2.5
Kidney	74	19	0.81	0.14	42	19	0.68	0.08	185	2.5
Gallbladder	72	21	0.79	0.15	51	16	0.82	0.11	105	1.4
Multiple myeloma	64	22	0.70	0.16	52	15	0.84	0.14	159	2.1
Hypopharynx	58	23	0.64	0.12	41	20	0.66	0.08	107	1.4
Salivary glands	36	24	0.40	0.07	13	26	0.21	0.03	95	1.3
Oropharynx	35	25	0.39	0.07	18	24	0.29	0.04	94	1.3
Penis	35	25	0.39	0.13	17	25	0.27	0.05	89	2.4
Melanoma	25	27	0.28	0.04	9	27	0.14	0.02	70	0.94
Hodgkin lymphoma	23	28	0.25	0.03	7	29	0.11	0.01	68	0.91
Testis	20	29	0.22	0.04	4	31	0.06	0.01	60	1.6
Vulva	19	30	0.21	0.07	9	27	0.14	0.03	50	1.3
Vagina	8	31	0.09	0.04	7	29	0.11	0.03	19	0.51
Kaposi sarcoma	2	32	0.02	0.00	2	32	0.03	0.00	0	0.00
All cancers	9 101	-	-	15.9	6 215	-	-	11.7	19 483	-
All cancers excl. NMSC	8 993	-	-	15.7	6 176	-	-	11.7	19 187	-

Data source and methods

Incidence

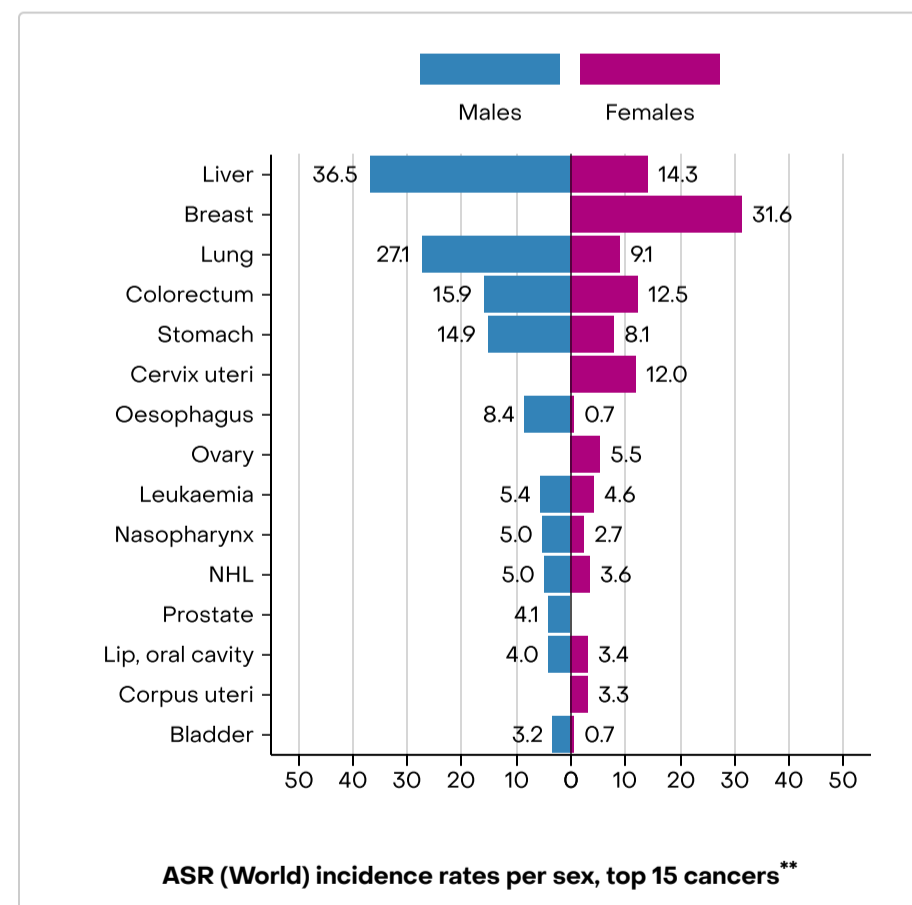
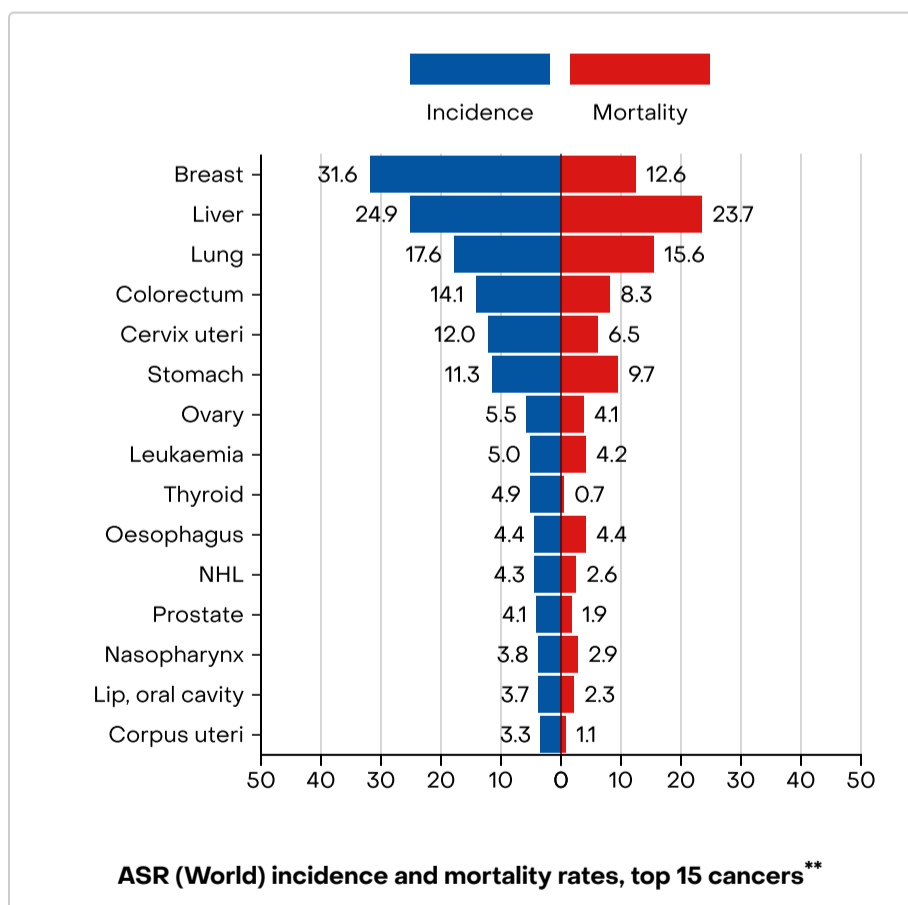
Country-specific data source: No data
 Method: No data: the rates are those of neighbouring countries or registries in the same area

Mortality

Country-specific data source: No data
 Method: Estimated from national incidence 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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