

# NAMIBIA

Number of new cases

**3 453**

Number of deaths

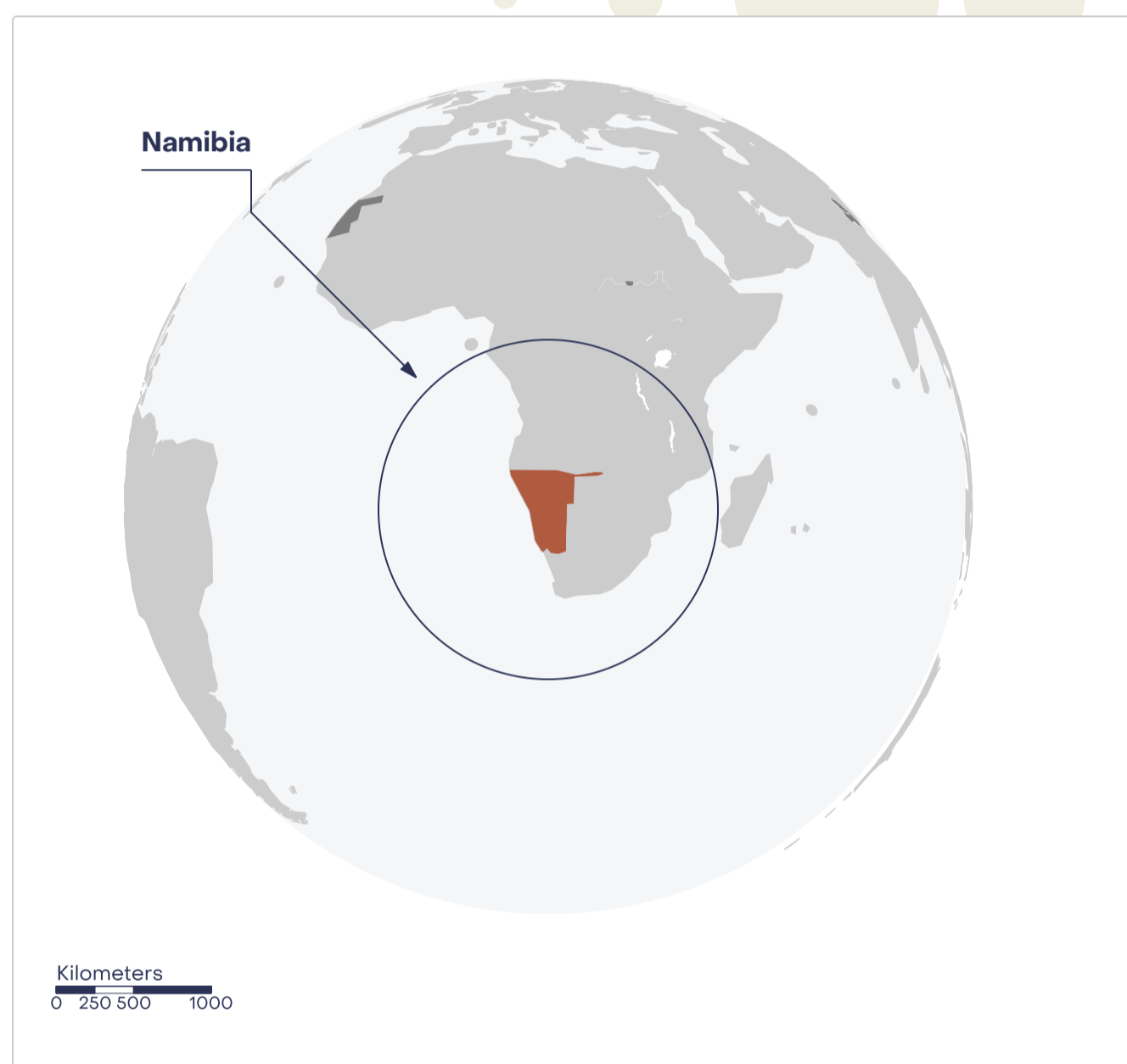
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Number of prevalent cases (5-year)

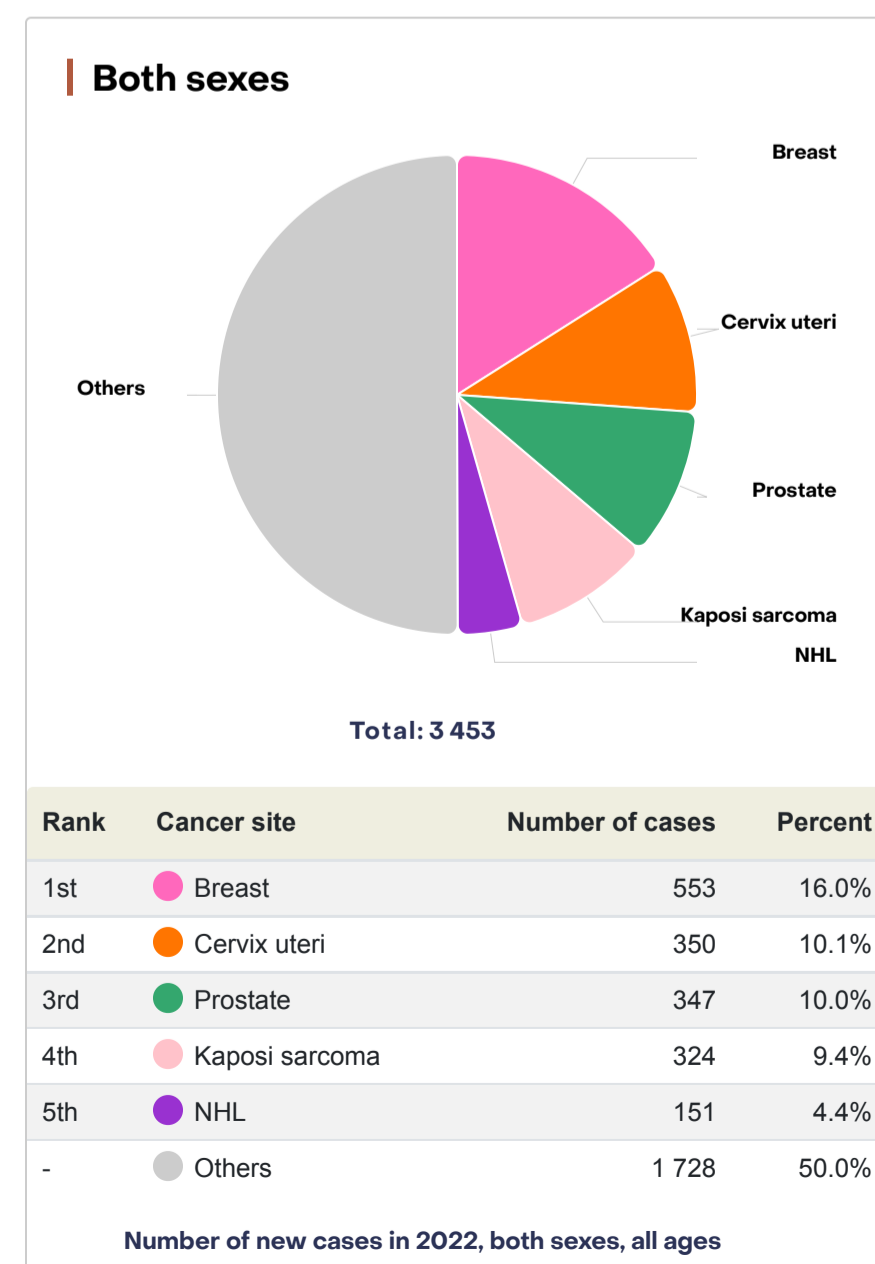
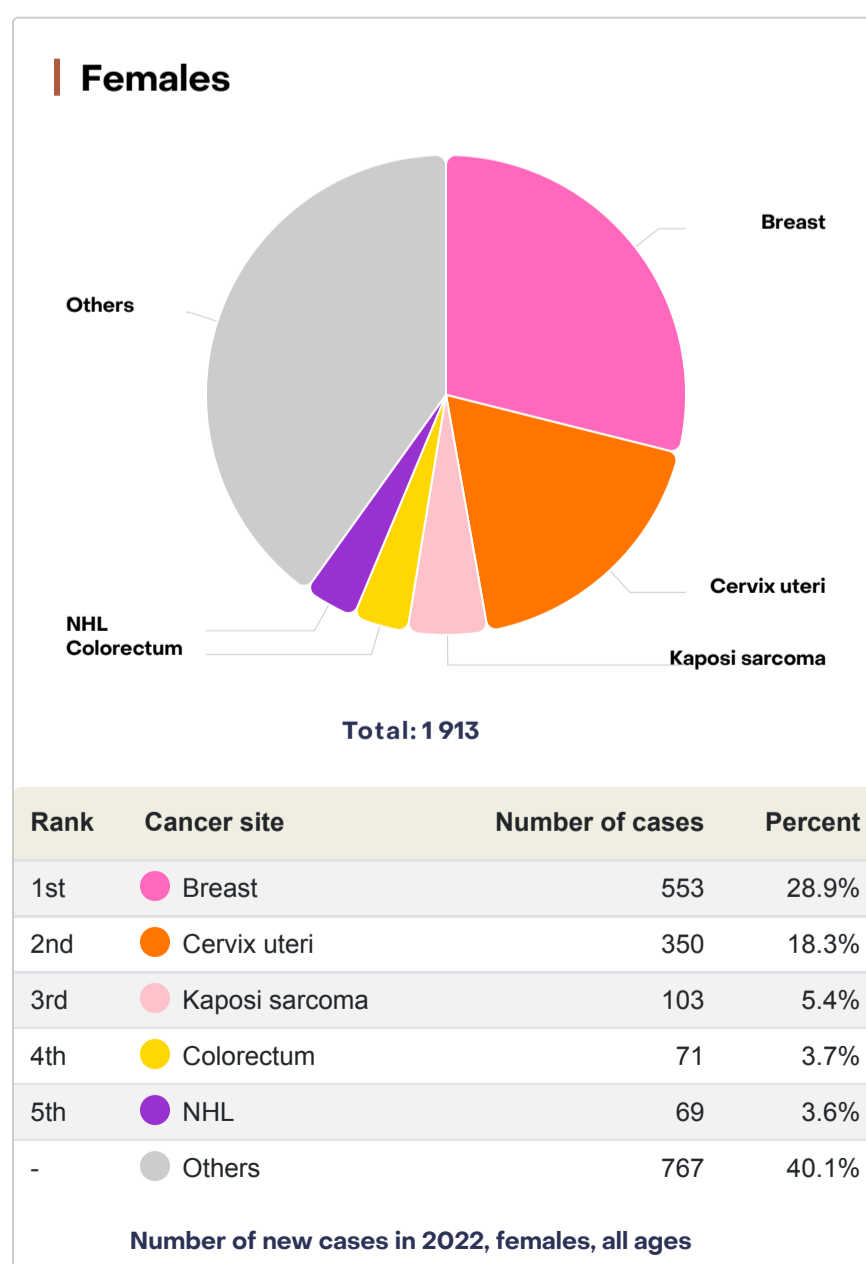
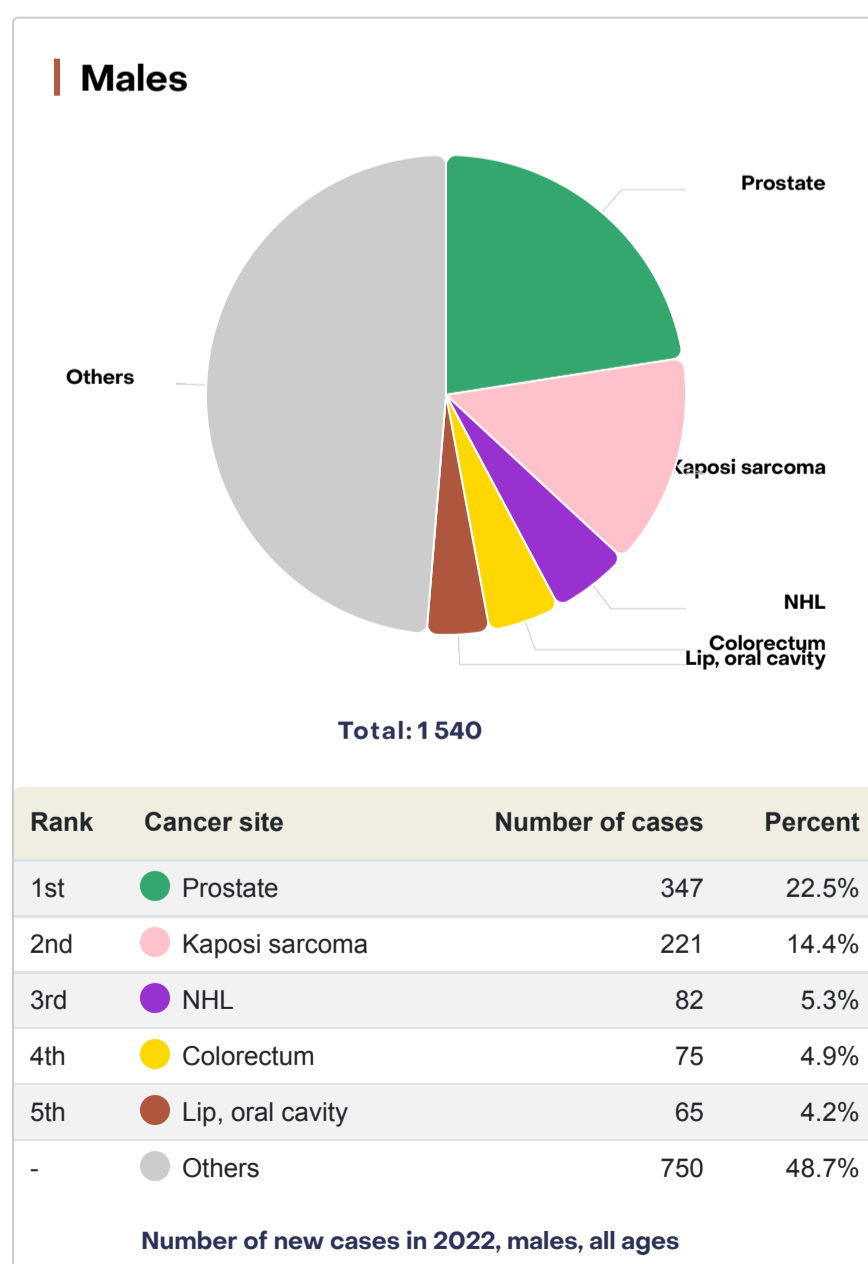
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## Statistics at a glance, 2022

	Males	Females	Both sexes
<b>Population</b>	1 277 365	1 356 509	2 633 874
<b>Incidence*</b>			
Number of new cancer cases	1 540	1 913	3 453
Age-standardized incidence rate	221.4	183.1	193.5
Risk of developing cancer before the age of 75 years (cum. risk %)	21.0	17.7	18.8
Top 3 leading cancers (ranked by cases)**	Prostate Kaposi sarcoma NHL	Breast Cervix uteri Kaposi sarcoma	Breast Cervix uteri Prostate
<b>Mortality*</b>			
Number of cancer deaths	897	1 043	1 940
Age-standardized mortality rate	134.0	103.4	113.0
Risk of dying from cancer before the age of 75 years (cum. risk %)	12.9	10.6	11.4
Top 3 leading cancers (ranked by deaths)**	Prostate Kaposi sarcoma NHL	Breast Cervix uteri Kaposi sarcoma	Breast Cervix uteri Kaposi sarcoma
<b>Prevalence*</b>			
5-year prevalent cases	3 590	5 013	8 603



## 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	553	1	16.0	5.7	227	1	11.7	2.5	1 518	111.9
Cervix uteri	350	2	10.1	3.5	203	2	10.5	2.2	946	69.7
Prostate	347	3	10.0	6.5	143	4	7.4	2.3	699	54.7
Kaposi sarcoma	324	4	9.4	1.2	199	3	10.3	0.77	814	30.9
NHL	151	5	4.4	0.73	92	5	4.7	0.50	438	16.6
Colorectum	146	6	4.2	1.0	92	5	4.7	0.72	374	14.2
Lip, oral cavity	107	7	3.1	0.72	53	9	2.7	0.38	276	10.5
Lung	90	8	2.6	0.71	83	7	4.3	0.69	133	5.1
Liver	67	9	1.9	0.40	65	8	3.4	0.40	107	4.1
Melanoma	65	10	1.9	0.39	22	17	1.1	0.12	181	6.9
Leukaemia	60	11	1.7	0.27	46	10	2.4	0.24	165	6.3
Corpus uteri	53	12	1.5	0.76	16	21	0.83	0.21	159	11.7
Bladder	50	13	1.4	0.35	27	16	1.4	0.15	134	5.1
Kidney	49	14	1.4	0.27	30	14	1.5	0.17	136	5.2
Ovary	48	15	1.4	0.43	32	13	1.6	0.38	115	8.5
Oesophagus	43	16	1.2	0.33	42	11	2.2	0.33	64	2.4
Stomach	42	17	1.2	0.28	37	12	1.9	0.25	70	2.7
Larynx	36	18	1.0	0.33	21	18	1.1	0.21	96	3.6
Brain CNS	33	19	0.96	0.14	29	15	1.5	0.13	109	4.1
Thyroid	25	20	0.72	0.11	9	24	0.46	0.05	73	2.8
Multiple myeloma	21	21	0.61	0.18	18	20	0.93	0.16	55	2.1
Oropharynx	20	22	0.58	0.16	11	22	0.57	0.12	49	1.9
Salivary glands	19	23	0.55	0.12	11	22	0.57	0.09	53	2.0
Pancreas	19	23	0.55	0.17	19	19	0.98	0.17	23	0.87
Vulva	19	23	0.55	0.18	9	24	0.46	0.07	56	4.1
Penis	16	26	0.46	0.21	5	28	0.26	0.04	42	3.3
Hodgkin lymphoma	14	27	0.41	0.04	5	28	0.26	0.02	43	1.6
Vagina	12	28	0.35	0.14	6	26	0.31	0.06	31	2.3
Testis	10	29	0.29	0.10	3	32	0.16	0.05	32	2.5
Nasopharynx	8	30	0.23	0.05	6	26	0.31	0.03	24	0.91
Gallbladder	7	31	0.20	0.06	5	28	0.26	0.05	10	0.38
Hypopharynx	6	32	0.17	0.04	5	28	0.26	0.04	11	0.42
<b>All cancers</b>	<b>3 453</b>	-	-	<b>18.8</b>	<b>1 940</b>	-	-	<b>11.4</b>	<b>8 603</b>	-
<b>All cancers excl. NMSC</b>	<b>3 222</b>	-	-	<b>17.5</b>	<b>1 873</b>	-	-	<b>11.0</b>	<b>7 936</b>	-

## Data source and methods

### Incidence

Country-specific data source: [{"dt\_list": "National cancer registry"}]

Method: National (or sub-national with coverage greater than 50%) rates projected to 2022

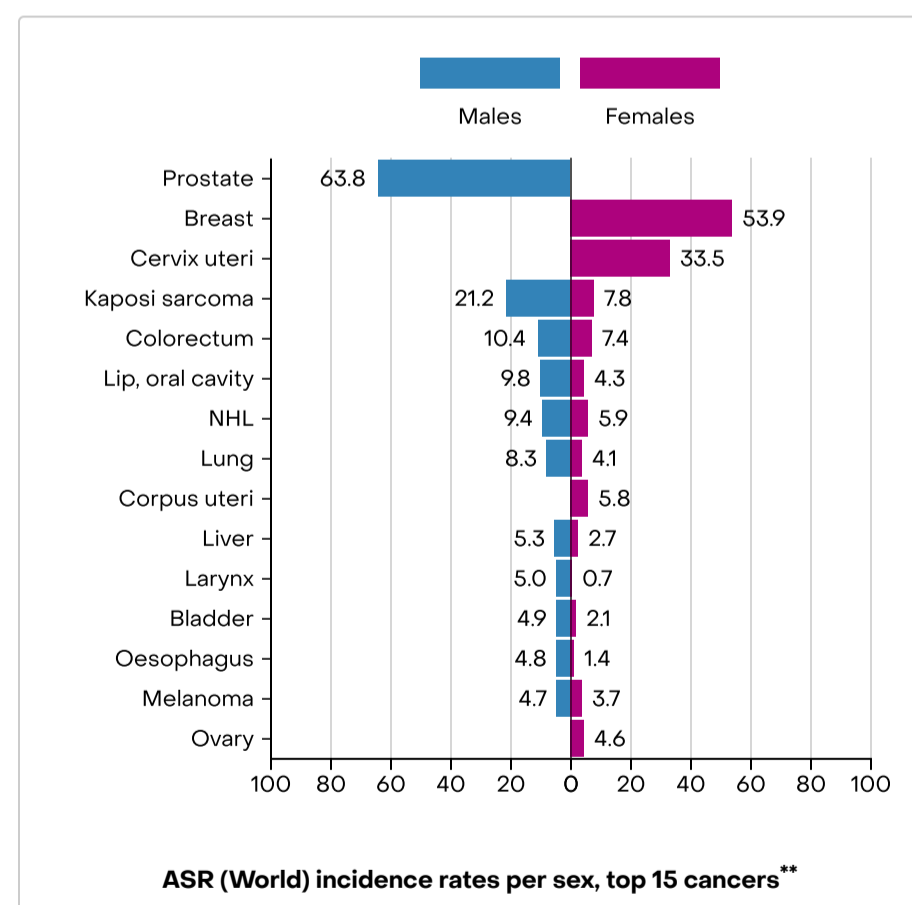
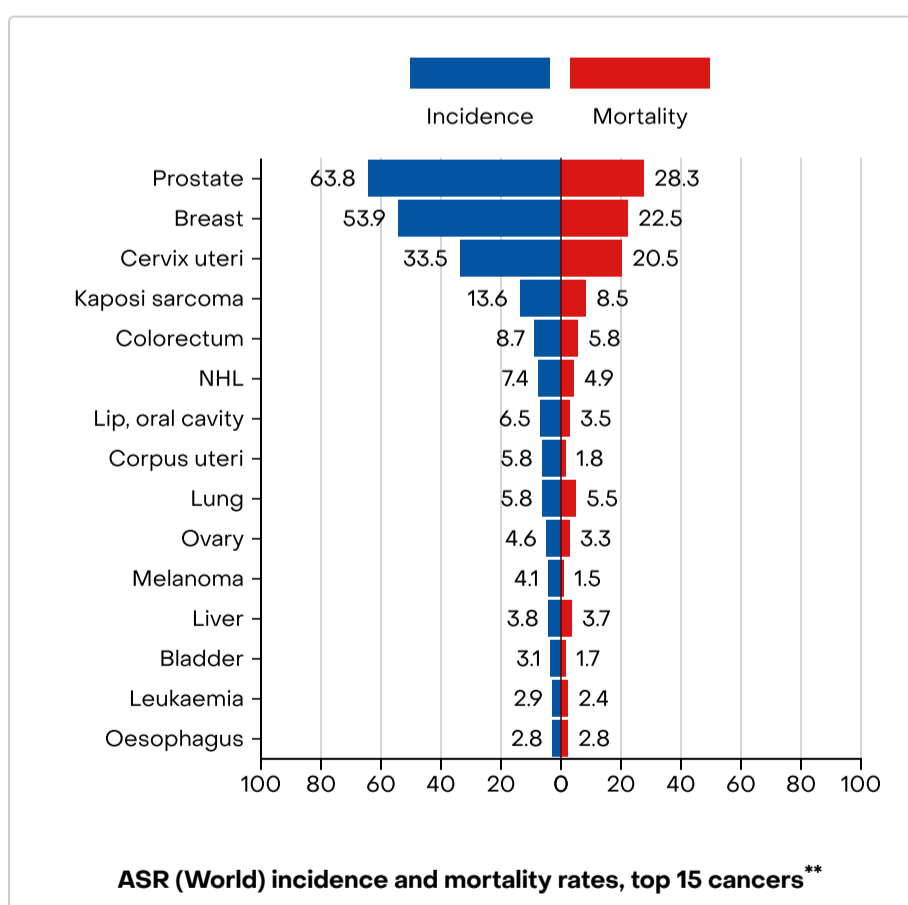
### Mortality

Country-specific data source: No data

Method: Estimated from national 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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