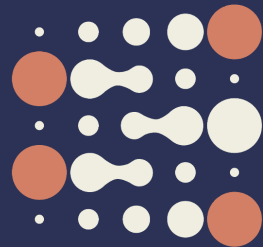


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Number of new cases

263 255

Number of deaths

173 606

Number of prevalent cases (5-year)

542 306

Statistics at a glance, 2022

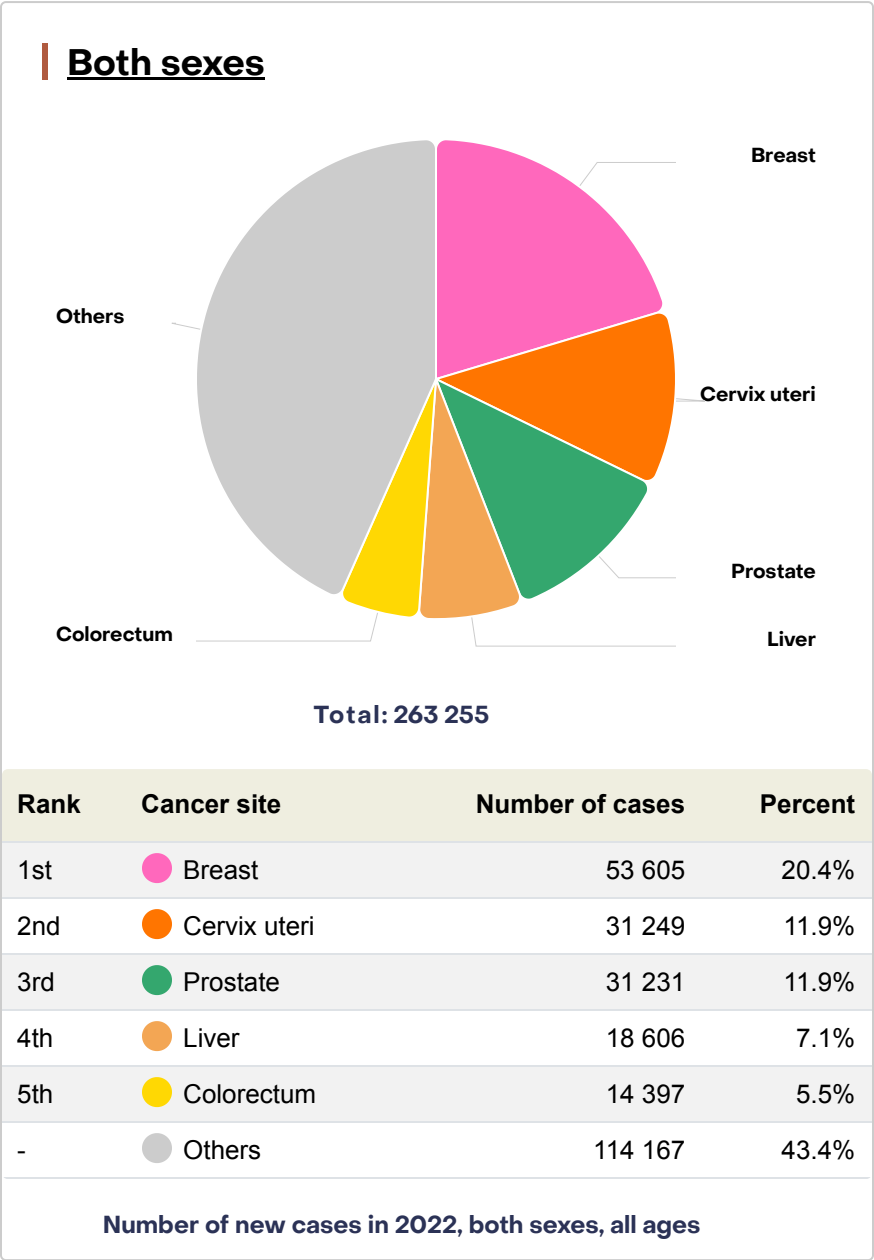
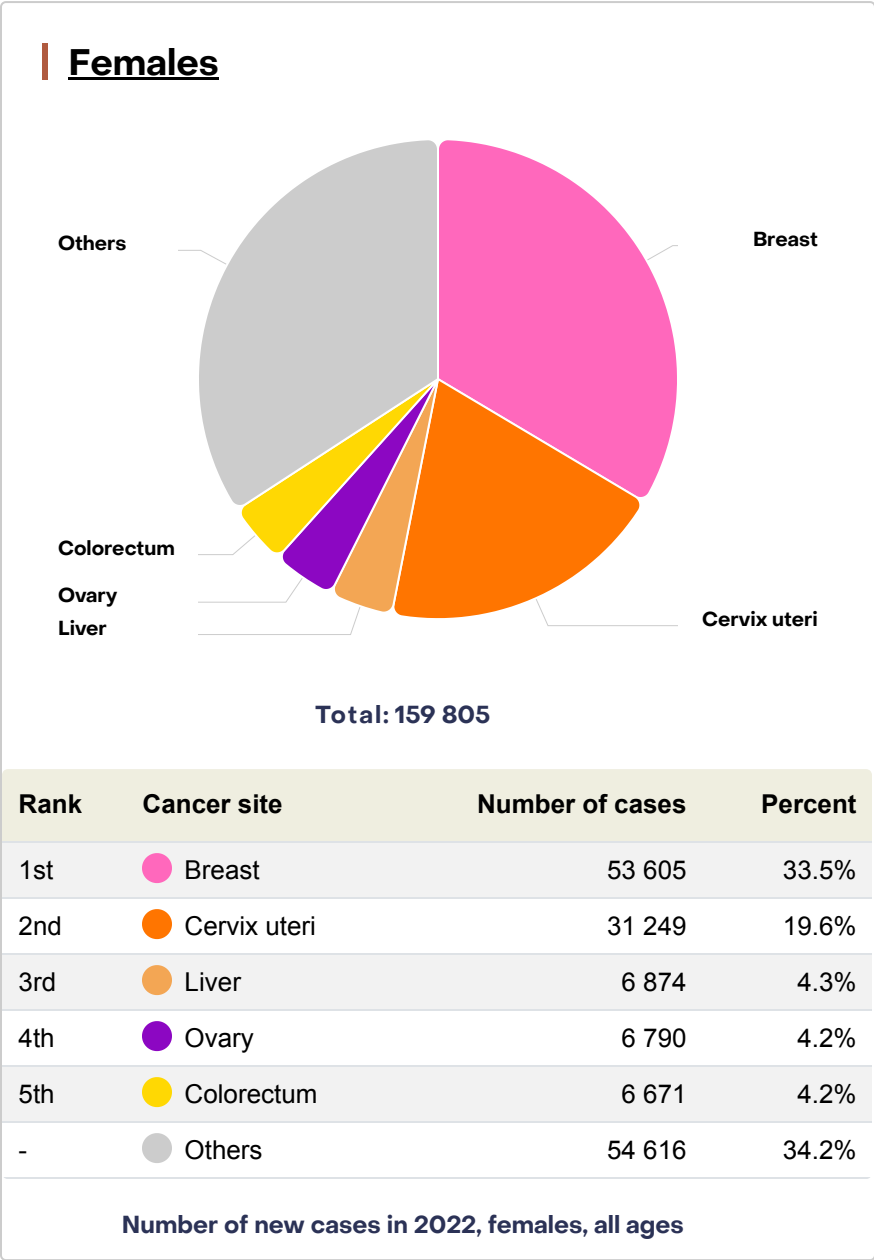
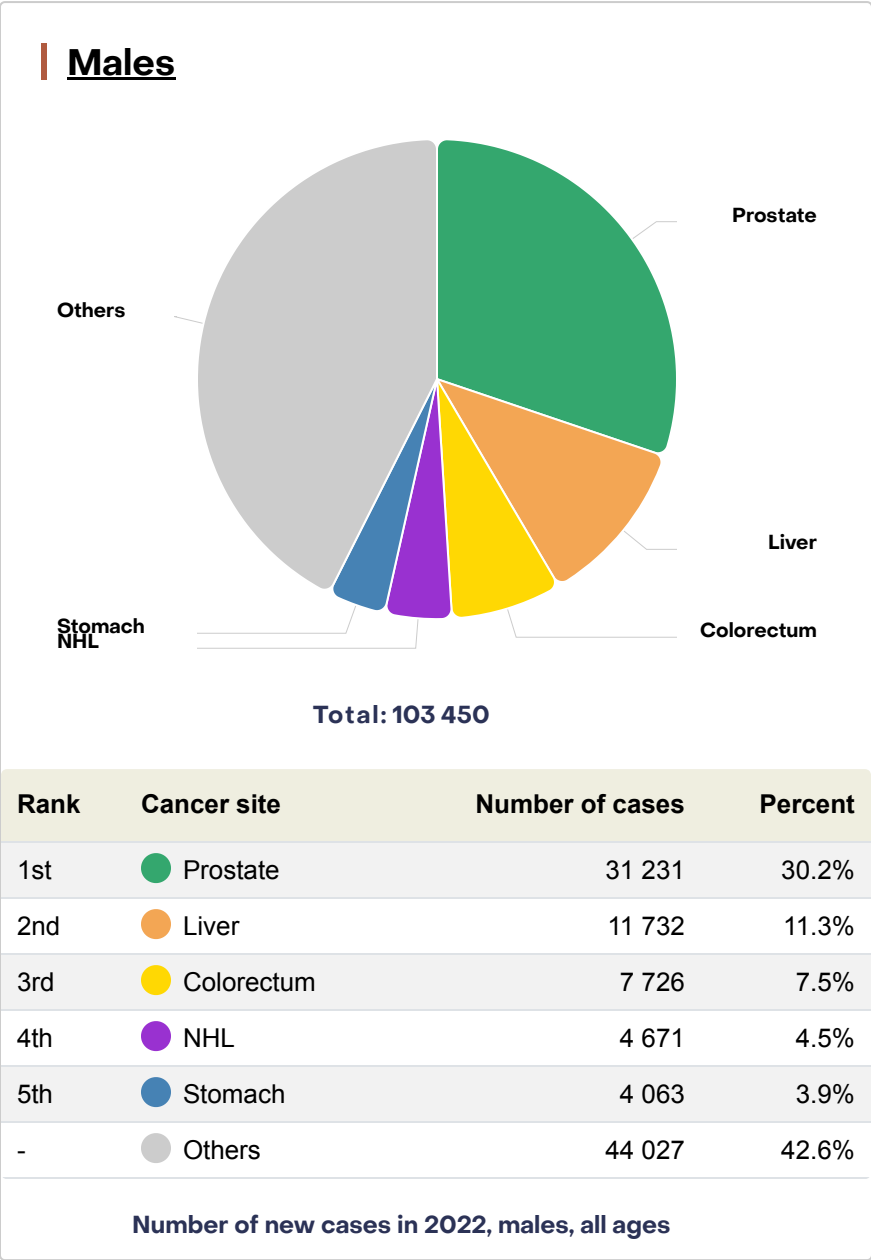
	Males	Females	Both sexes
Population	213 130 457	210 108 604	423 239 061
Incidence*			
Number of new cancer cases	103 450	159 805	263 255
Age-standardized incidence rate	98.3	128.1	113.0
Risk of developing cancer before the age of 75 years (cum. risk %)	10.7	13.3	12.0
Top 3 leading cancers (ranked by cases)**	Prostate Liver Colorectum	Breast Cervix uteri Liver	Breast Cervix uteri Prostate
Mortality*			
Number of cancer deaths	73 502	100 104	173 606
Age-standardized mortality rate	72.7	83.5	77.8
Risk of dying from cancer before the age of 75 years (cum. risk %)	7.7	9.0	8.4
Top 3 leading cancers (ranked by deaths)**	Prostate Liver Colorectum	Breast Cervix uteri Liver	Breast Prostate Cervix uteri
Prevalence*			
5-year prevalent cases	197 372	344 934	542 306

Population(s) included: Benin, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, The Republic of the Gambia, Togo



Kilometers
0 250 500 1000

Top 5 most frequent cancers**



Incidence, Mortality and Prevalence by cancer site										
	New cases				Deaths				5-year prevalence	
Cancer	Number	Rank	(%)	Cum.risk	Number	Rank	(%)	Cum.risk	Number	Prop. (per 100 000)
Breast	53 605	1	20.4	4.5	27 901	1	16.1	2.4	124 243	59.1
Cervix uteri	31 249	2	11.9	3.0	18 306	3	10.5	1.8	66 473	31.6
Prostate	31 231	3	11.9	4.5	18 787	2	10.8	2.6	55 803	26.2
Liver	18 606	4	7.1	0.85	17 751	4	10.2	0.83	28 585	6.8
Colorectum	14 397	5	5.5	0.75	10 531	5	6.1	0.56	30 205	7.1
NHL	10 106	6	3.8	0.36	6 571	7	3.8	0.27	24 683	5.8
Stomach	7 752	7	2.9	0.42	6 933	6	4.0	0.38	12 780	3.0
Ovary	6 790	8	2.6	0.54	4 601	8	2.7	0.43	14 833	7.1
Leukaemia	5 161	9	2.0	0.20	4 048	9	2.3	0.18	11 464	2.7
Bladder	4 708	10	1.8	0.26	2 690	13	1.5	0.15	10 194	2.4
Lung	4 251	11	1.6	0.24	3 988	10	2.3	0.23	6 612	1.6
Pancreas	3 968	12	1.5	0.22	3 777	11	2.2	0.21	5 065	1.2
Corpus uteri	3 672	13	1.4	0.44	1 219	21	0.70	0.16	9 226	4.4
Kidney	3 653	14	1.4	0.10	2 304	15	1.3	0.08	8 762	2.1
Brain CNS	3 610	15	1.4	0.13	2 997	12	1.7	0.12	9 733	2.3
Lip, oral cavity	3 030	16	1.2	0.16	2 049	16	1.2	0.11	6 398	1.5
Hodgkin lymphoma	2 781	17	1.1	0.11	1 276	19	0.74	0.05	6 740	1.6
Oesophagus	2 560	18	0.97	0.14	2 416	14	1.4	0.13	4 116	0.97
Kaposi sarcoma	2 413	19	0.92	0.08	1 257	20	0.72	0.04	4 860	1.2
Thyroid	2 138	20	0.81	0.11	947	24	0.55	0.06	4 931	1.2
Nasopharynx	2 073	21	0.79	0.09	1 462	18	0.84	0.08	4 843	1.1
Multiple myeloma	1 755	22	0.67	0.09	1 495	17	0.86	0.08	3 767	0.89
Larynx	1 709	23	0.65	0.10	1 156	22	0.67	0.07	3 942	0.93
Salivary glands	1 646	24	0.63	0.08	1 119	23	0.65	0.06	3 854	0.91
Vulva	1 390	25	0.53	0.14	755	25	0.44	0.06	3 165	1.5
Testis	1 205	26	0.46	0.09	588	26	0.34	0.05	3 183	1.5
Melanoma	939	27	0.36	0.05	429	28	0.25	0.02	2 195	0.52
Gallbladder	596	28	0.23	0.03	545	27	0.31	0.03	991	0.23
Oropharynx	585	29	0.22	0.02	332	29	0.19	0.02	1 401	0.33
Vagina	451	30	0.17	0.04	277	30	0.16	0.03	933	0.44
Hypopharynx	216	31	0.08	0.01	157	31	0.09	0.01	329	0.08
Mesothelioma	120	32	0.05	0.01	87	32	0.05	0.00	182	0.04
All cancers	263 255	-	-	12.0	173 606	-	-	8.4	542 306	-
All cancers excl. NMSC	257 732	-	-	11.8	171 360	-	-	8.2	528 372	-

Data source and methods

Incidence

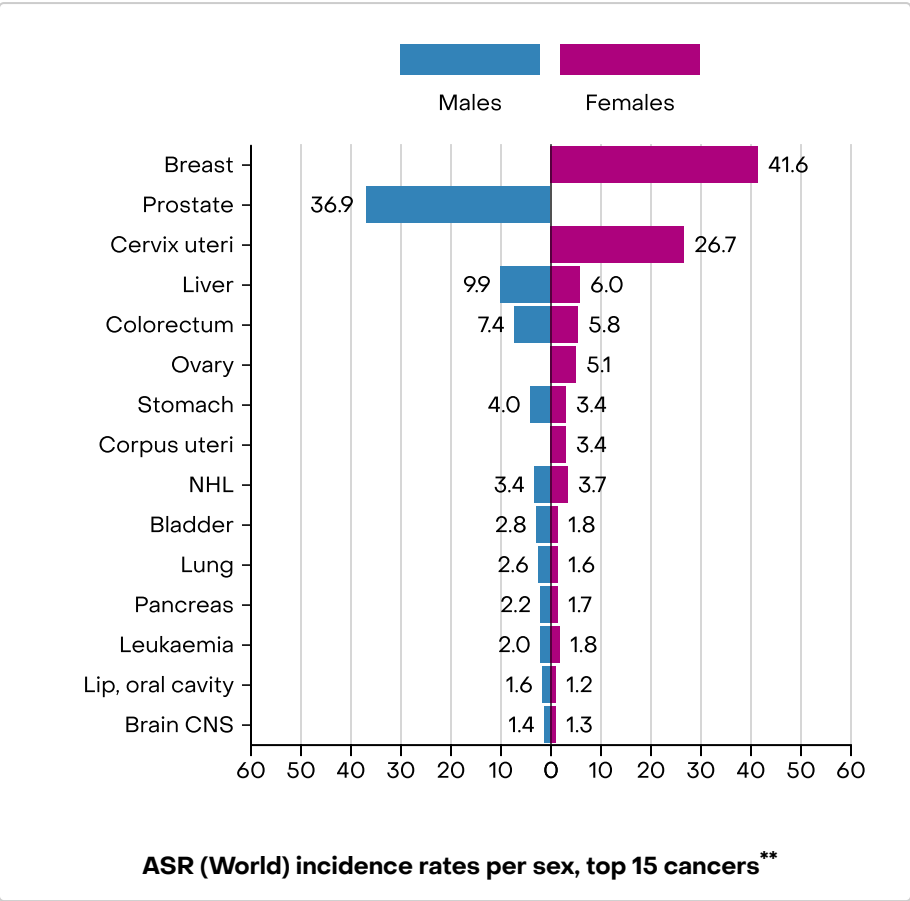
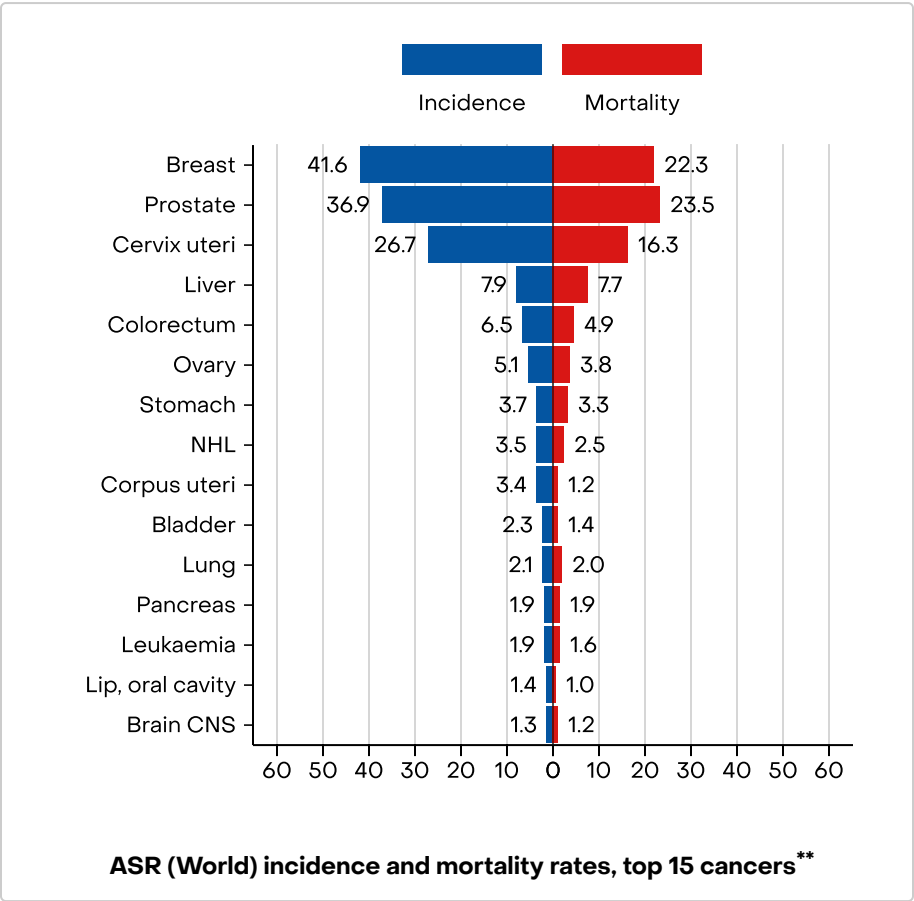
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Mortality

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Prevalence

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* includes non-melanoma skin cancer (NMSC)

** NMSC included in other cancers

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

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