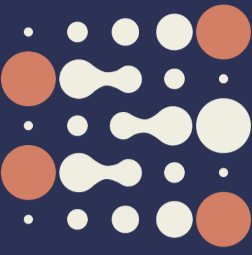


SOUTH AMERICA



Number of new cases

1 155 885

Number of deaths

549 121

Number of prevalent cases (5-year)

3 054 307

Statistics at a glance, 2022

	Males	Females	Both sexes
Population	215 420 706	222 273 730	437 694 436
Incidence*			
Number of new cancer cases	577 451	578 434	1 155 885
Age-standardized incidence rate	217.9	190.5	200.7
Risk of developing cancer before the age of 75 years (cum. risk %)	22.2	18.6	20.2
Top 3 leading cancers (ranked by cases)**	Prostate Colorectum Lung	Breast Colorectum Cervix uteri	Prostate Breast Colorectum
Mortality*			
Number of cancer deaths	282 956	266 165	549 121
Age-standardized mortality rate	103.7	81.2	90.5
Risk of dying from cancer before the age of 75 years (cum. risk %)	10.5	8.4	9.4
Top 3 leading cancers (ranked by deaths)**	Lung Prostate Colorectum	Breast Lung Colorectum	Lung Colorectum Breast
Prevalence*			
5-year prevalent cases	1 418 508	1 635 799	3 054 307

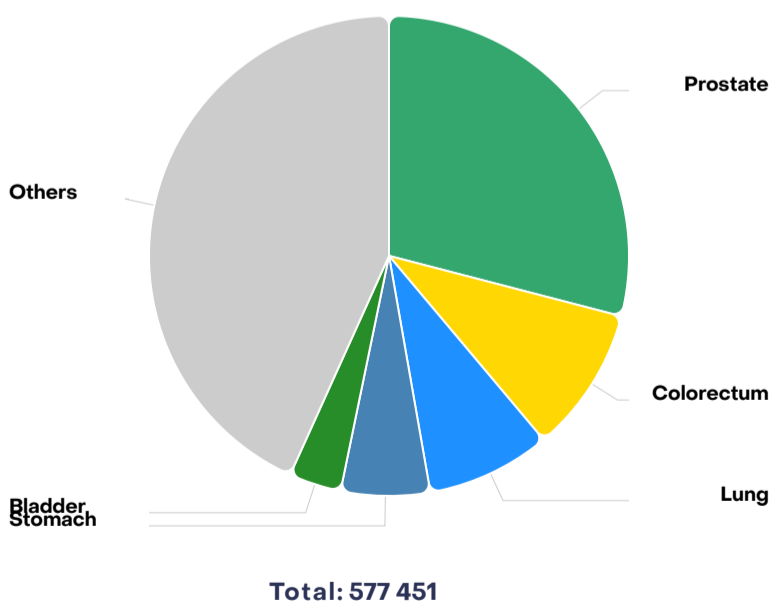
Population(s) included: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, French Guyana, Guyana, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Uruguay, Venezuela



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Top 5 most frequent cancers**

Males

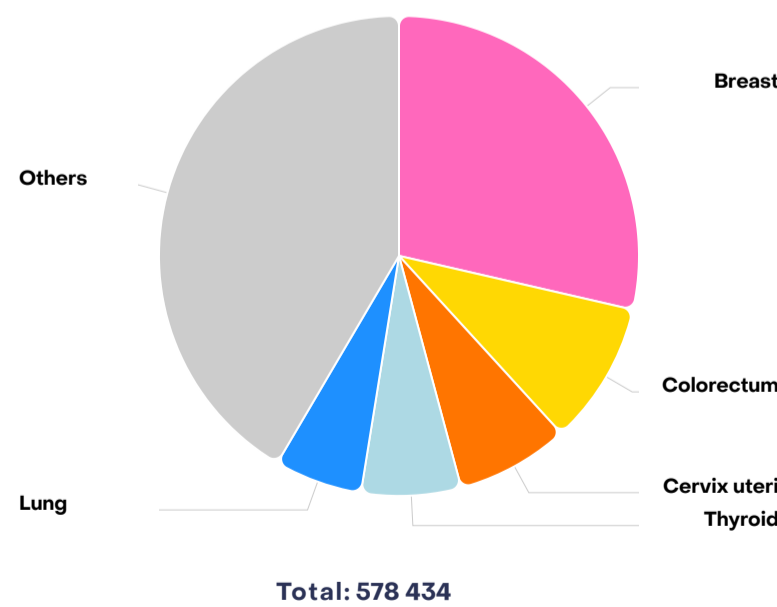


Total: 577 451

Rank	Cancer site	Number of cases	Percent
1st	Prostate	167 732	29.0%
2nd	Colorectum	56 725	9.8%
3rd	Lung	48 338	8.4%
4th	Stomach	34 631	6.0%
5th	Bladder	20 300	3.5%
-	Others	249 725	43.2%

Number of new cases in 2022, males, all ages

Females

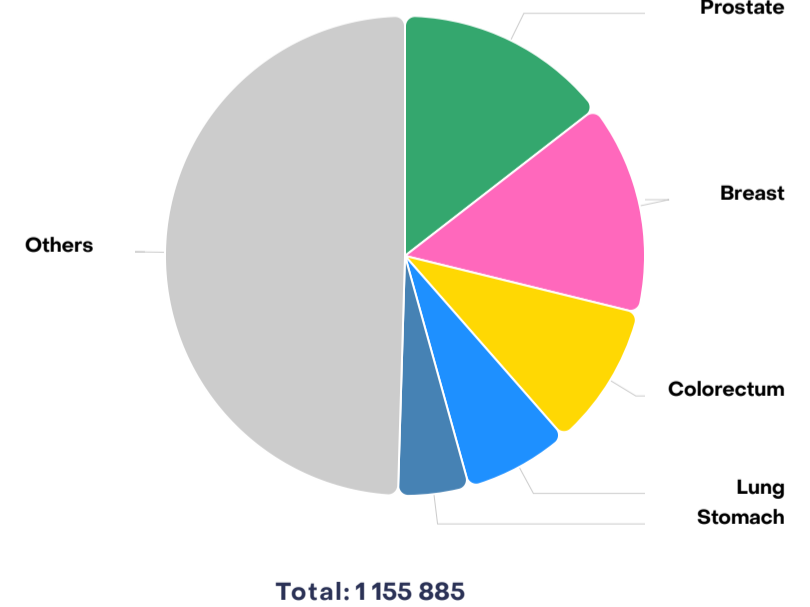


Total: 578 434

Rank	Cancer site	Number of cases	Percent
1st	Breast	165 427	28.6%
2nd	Colorectum	55 592	9.6%
3rd	Cervix uteri	44 040	7.6%
4th	Thyroid	38 866	6.7%
5th	Lung	34 237	5.9%
-	Others	240 272	41.5%

Number of new cases in 2022, females, all ages

Both sexes



Total: 1 155 885

Rank	Cancer site	Number of cases	Percent
1st	Prostate	167 732	14.5%
2nd	Breast	165 427	14.3%
3rd	Colorectum	112 317	9.7%
4th	Lung	82 575	7.1%
5th	Stomach	55 313	4.8%
-	Others	572 521	49.5%

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)
Prostate	167 732	1	14.5	7.6	41 050	5	7.5	1.1	441 832	205.1
Breast	165 427	2	14.3	6.2	43 253	3	7.9	1.5	549 304	247.1
Colorectum	112 317	3	9.7	2.1	55 543	2	10.1	0.95	320 617	73.3
Lung	82 575	4	7.1	1.7	70 934	1	12.9	1.4	107 280	24.5
Stomach	55 313	5	4.8	1.0	43 030	4	7.8	0.77	78 116	17.9
Thyroid	47 581	6	4.1	0.93	3 056	23	0.56	0.05	165 591	37.8
Cervix uteri	44 040	7	3.8	1.6	23 471	8	4.3	0.83	139 640	62.8
Pancreas	30 618	8	2.6	0.56	28 832	6	5.3	0.53	28 117	6.4
NHL	29 066	9	2.5	0.56	13 451	12	2.5	0.25	91 214	20.8
Bladder	28 381	10	2.5	0.52	10 834	15	2.0	0.16	83 942	19.2
Leukaemia	27 104	11	2.3	0.47	19 135	9	3.5	0.32	80 107	18.3
Kidney	26 758	12	2.3	0.55	11 051	13	2.0	0.21	79 744	18.2
Liver	26 257	13	2.3	0.50	24 448	7	4.5	0.46	31 838	7.3
Corpus uteri	24 151	14	2.1	0.99	6 389	19	1.2	0.24	86 240	38.8
Brain CNS	20 319	15	1.8	0.39	17 350	10	3.2	0.34	74 929	17.1
Melanoma	17 193	16	1.5	0.32	4 606	21	0.84	0.08	57 913	13.2
Oesophagus	16 649	17	1.4	0.33	15 515	11	2.8	0.31	22 779	5.2
Ovary	16 447	18	1.4	0.62	10 866	14	2.0	0.41	47 148	21.2
Lip, oral cavity	15 479	19	1.3	0.30	6 732	18	1.2	0.13	44 725	10.2
Larynx	12 975	20	1.1	0.28	7 979	17	1.5	0.17	39 944	9.1
Multiple myeloma	11 021	21	0.95	0.23	8 390	16	1.5	0.17	30 831	7.0
Testis	9 207	22	0.80	0.29	1 243	25	0.23	0.04	36 270	16.8
Gallbladder	8 349	23	0.72	0.16	5 638	20	1.0	0.11	11 170	2.6
Oropharynx	7 735	24	0.67	0.16	4 368	22	0.80	0.09	21 733	5.0
Hodgkin lymphoma	6 281	25	0.54	0.11	1 672	24	0.30	0.03	21 755	5.0
Penis	3 814	26	0.33	0.13	1 236	26	0.23	0.05	10 965	5.1
Salivary glands	3 258	27	0.28	0.06	988	28	0.18	0.02	9 877	2.3
Vulva	2 858	28	0.25	0.09	1 058	27	0.19	0.03	8 160	3.7
Kaposi sarcoma	2 090	29	0.18	0.03	374	33	0.07	0.01	5 891	1.4
Hypopharynx	2 004	30	0.17	0.04	890	29	0.16	0.02	3 815	0.87
Nasopharynx	1 571	31	0.14	0.03	871	30	0.16	0.02	4 714	1.1
Vagina	1 100	32	0.10	0.04	387	32	0.07	0.01	2 788	1.3
All cancers	1 155 885	-	-	20.2	549 121	-	-	9.4	3 054 307	-
All cancers excl. NMSC	1 099 741	-	-	19.5	543 122	-	-	9.3	2 880 460	-

Data source and methods

Incidence

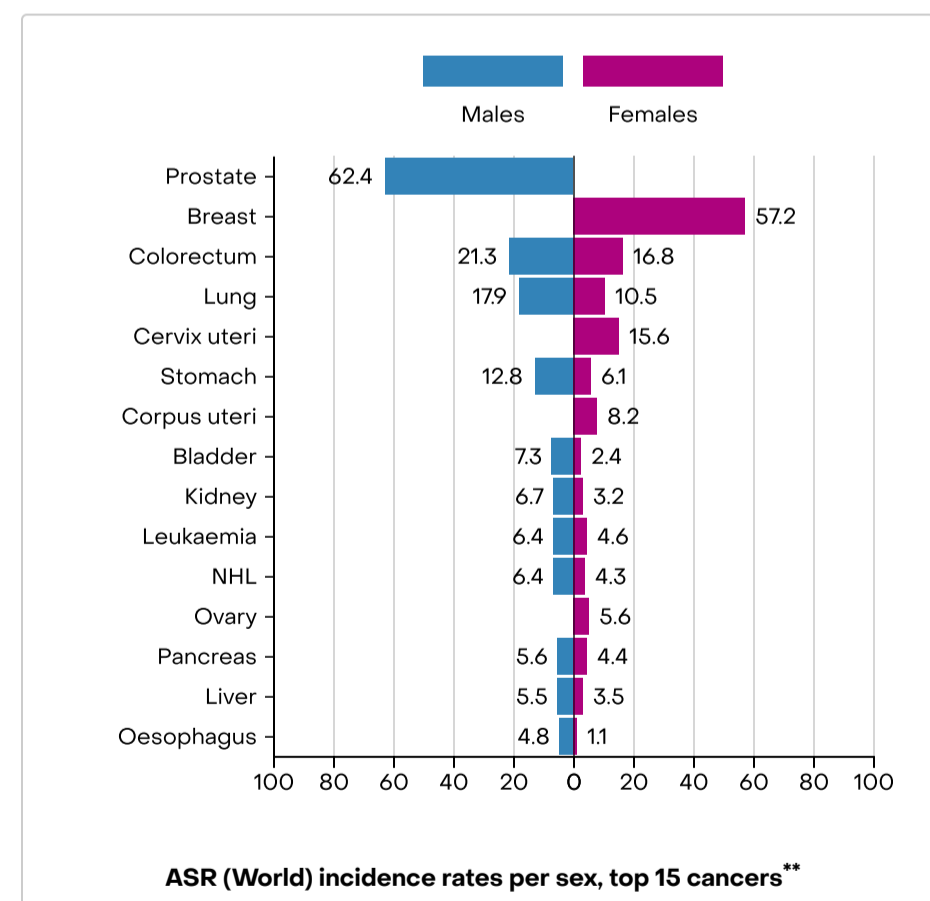
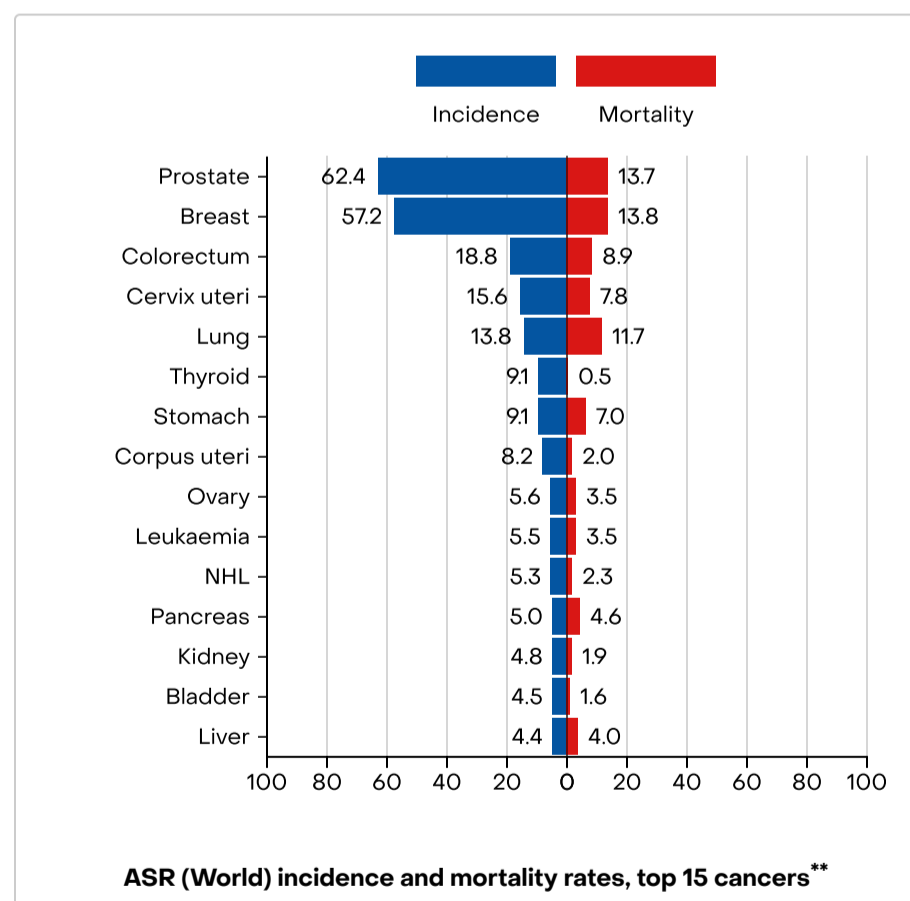
Population weighted average of the rates of the region-specific countries included in GLOBOCAN 2022.

Mortality

Population weighted average of the rates of the region-specific countries included in GLOBOCAN 2022.

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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