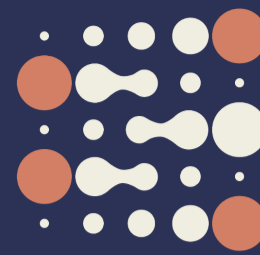


# SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA HUB



Number of new cases

**847 974**

Number of deaths

**558 878**

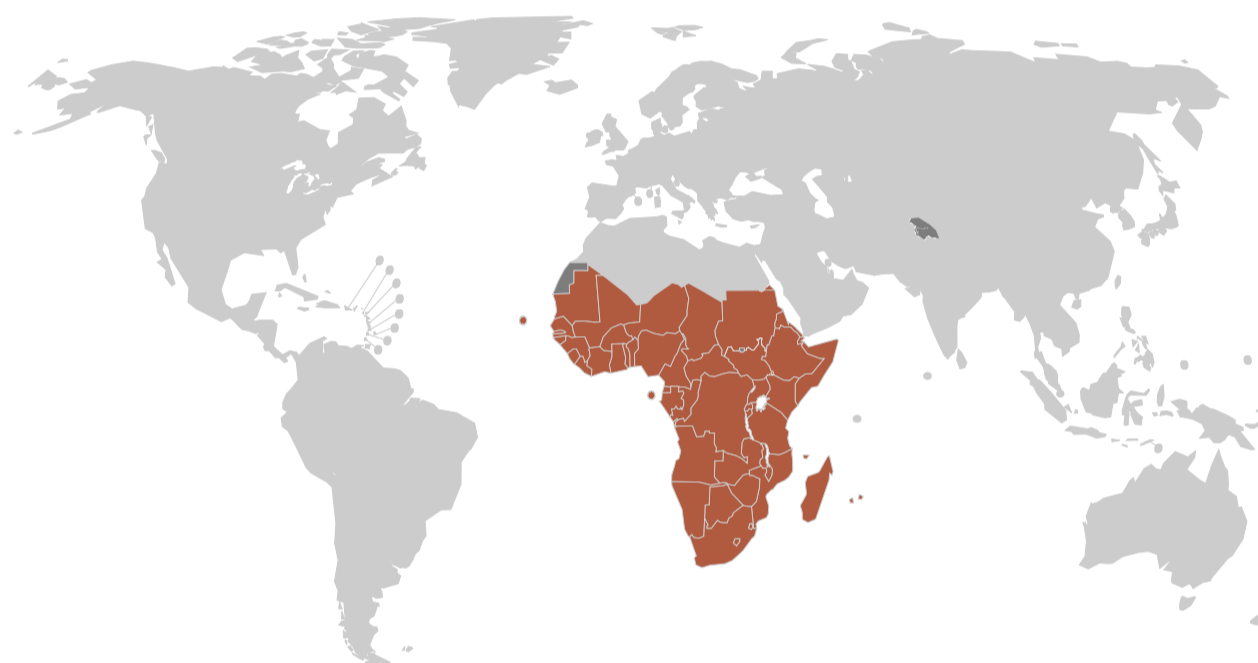
Number of prevalent cases (5-year)

**1 784 684**

## Statistics at a glance, 2022

	Males	Females	Both sexes
<b>Population</b>	574 789 075	576 562 709	1 151 351 784
<b>Incidence*</b>			
Number of new cancer cases	344 977	502 997	847 974
Age-standardized incidence rate	117.6	139.6	127.8
Risk of developing cancer before the age of 75 years (cum. risk %)	12.5	14.2	13.3
<b>Top 3 leading cancers (ranked by cases)**</b>	Prostate Liver Colorectum	Breast Cervix uteri Colorectum	Breast Cervix uteri Prostate
<b>Mortality*</b>			
Number of cancer deaths	236 305	322 573	558 878
Age-standardized mortality rate	84.1	93.5	88.2
Risk of dying from cancer before the age of 75 years (cum. risk %)	8.7	9.8	9.3
<b>Top 3 leading cancers (ranked by deaths)**</b>	Prostate Liver Colorectum	Cervix uteri Breast Colorectum	Cervix uteri Breast Prostate
<b>Prevalence*</b>			
5-year prevalent cases	677 206	1 107 478	1 784 684

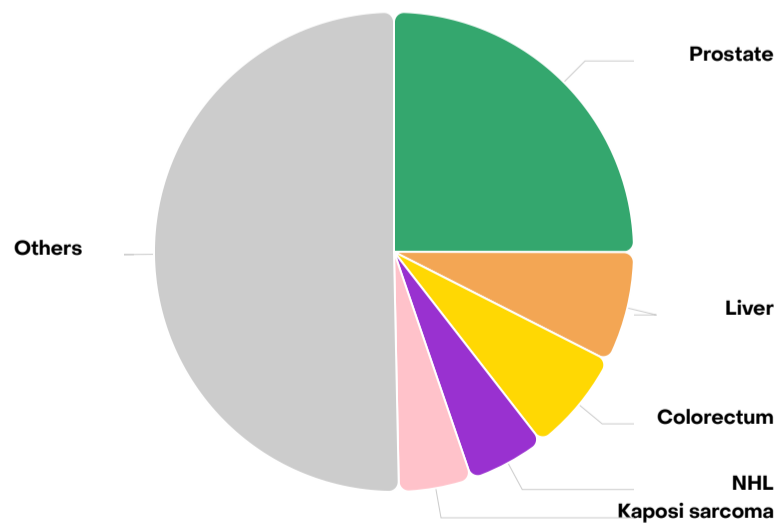
**Population(s) included:** Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Democratic Republic of, Congo, Republic of, Côte d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, France, La Réunion, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Eswatini, Tanzania, United Republic of, The Republic of the Gambia, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe



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## Top 5 most frequent cancers\*\*

**Males**

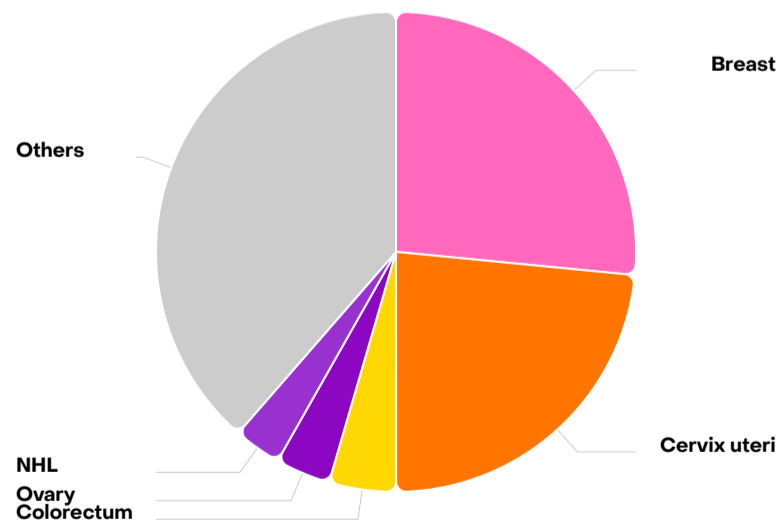


Total: 344 977

Rank	Cancer site	Number of cases	Percent
1st	Prostate	86 321	25.0%
2nd	Liver	25 756	7.5%
3rd	Colorectum	24 151	7.0%
4th	NHL	18 169	5.3%
5th	Kaposi sarcoma	16 973	4.9%
-	Others	173 607	50.3%

Number of new cases in 2022, males, all ages

**Females**

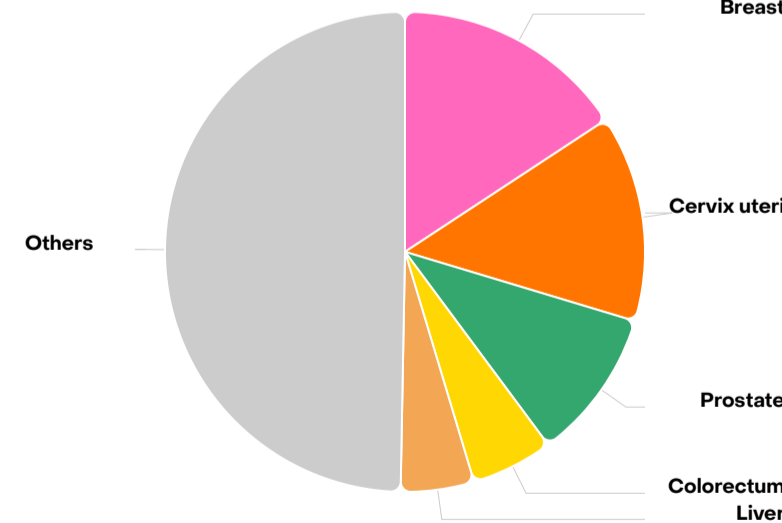


Total: 502 997

Rank	Cancer site	Number of cases	Percent
1st	Breast	133 520	26.5%
2nd	Cervix uteri	117 944	23.4%
3rd	Colorectum	22 701	4.5%
4th	Ovary	18 607	3.7%
5th	NHL	16 087	3.2%
-	Others	194 138	38.6%

Number of new cases in 2022, females, all ages

**Both sexes**



Total: 847 974

Rank	Cancer site	Number of cases	Percent
1st	Breast	133 520	15.7%
2nd	Cervix uteri	117 944	13.9%
3rd	Prostate	86 321	10.2%
4th	Colorectum	46 852	5.5%
5th	Liver	41 825	4.9%
-	Others	421 512	49.7%

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

Cancer	New cases				Deaths				5-year prevalence	
	Number	Rank	(%)	Cum.risk	Number	Rank	(%)	Cum.risk	Number	Prop. (per 100 000)
Breast	133 520	1	15.7	3.9	68 036	2	12.2	2.1	314 064	54.5
Cervix uteri	117 944	2	13.9	3.7	76 140	1	13.6	2.5	265 559	46.1
Prostate	86 321	3	10.2	4.4	48 762	3	8.7	2.3	157 332	27.4
Colorectum	46 852	4	5.5	0.86	32 996	5	5.9	0.60	102 218	8.9
Liver	41 825	5	4.9	0.69	39 523	4	7.1	0.67	65 130	5.7
NHL	34 256	6	4.0	0.42	21 963	7	3.9	0.30	83 979	7.3
Oesophagus	26 709	7	3.2	0.53	25 128	6	4.5	0.50	42 233	3.7
Kaposi sarcoma	26 118	8	3.1	0.26	13 736	11	2.5	0.13	54 507	4.7
Lung	23 542	9	2.8	0.49	21 761	8	3.9	0.45	34 750	3.0
Stomach	23 481	10	2.8	0.46	20 681	9	3.7	0.40	37 844	3.3
Leukaemia	21 225	11	2.5	0.25	16 210	10	2.9	0.22	47 973	4.2
Ovary	18 607	12	2.2	0.56	13 331	12	2.4	0.46	40 256	7.0
Bladder	15 994	13	1.9	0.31	8 799	14	1.6	0.17	35 980	3.1
Kidney	12 258	14	1.4	0.14	7 701	16	1.4	0.10	29 556	2.6
Pancreas	12 205	15	1.4	0.24	11 289	13	2.0	0.23	15 012	1.3
Lip, oral cavity	11 147	16	1.3	0.20	6 924	17	1.2	0.13	24 871	2.2
Corpus uteri	10 598	17	1.3	0.43	3 700	20	0.66	0.15	27 962	4.9
Thyroid	10 417	18	1.2	0.17	3 442	22	0.62	0.07	24 311	2.1
Brain CNS	10 153	19	1.2	0.13	8 549	15	1.5	0.12	28 009	2.4
Hodgkin lymphoma	7 170	20	0.85	0.08	3 199	23	0.57	0.04	18 559	1.6
Nasopharynx	6 750	21	0.80	0.10	4 617	19	0.83	0.08	15 746	1.4
Melanoma	6 443	22	0.76	0.12	2 411	26	0.43	0.05	16 918	1.5
Multiple myeloma	6 151	23	0.73	0.12	5 200	18	0.93	0.11	13 761	1.2
Larynx	5 728	24	0.68	0.12	3 693	21	0.66	0.08	13 717	1.2
Vulva	4 852	25	0.57	0.14	2 628	25	0.47	0.08	12 106	2.1
Salivary glands	4 175	26	0.49	0.07	2 703	24	0.48	0.05	9 792	0.85
Oropharynx	2 589	27	0.31	0.05	1 511	28	0.27	0.03	6 139	0.53
Gallbladder	2 426	28	0.29	0.05	1 991	27	0.36	0.04	3 824	0.33
Testis	2 340	29	0.28	0.06	921	31	0.17	0.03	6 324	1.1
Penis	2 028	30	0.24	0.07	871	32	0.16	0.03	4 840	0.84
Vagina	1 770	31	0.21	0.06	994	30	0.18	0.03	3 657	0.63
Hypopharynx	1 414	32	0.17	0.03	1 025	29	0.18	0.02	2 005	0.17
<b>All cancers</b>	<b>847 974</b>	-	-	<b>13.3</b>	<b>558 878</b>	-	-	<b>9.3</b>	<b>1 784 684</b>	-
<b>All cancers excl. NMSC</b>	<b>822 235</b>	-	-	<b>13.0</b>	<b>551 882</b>	-	-	<b>9.1</b>	<b>1 714 558</b>	-

## Data source and methods

### Incidence

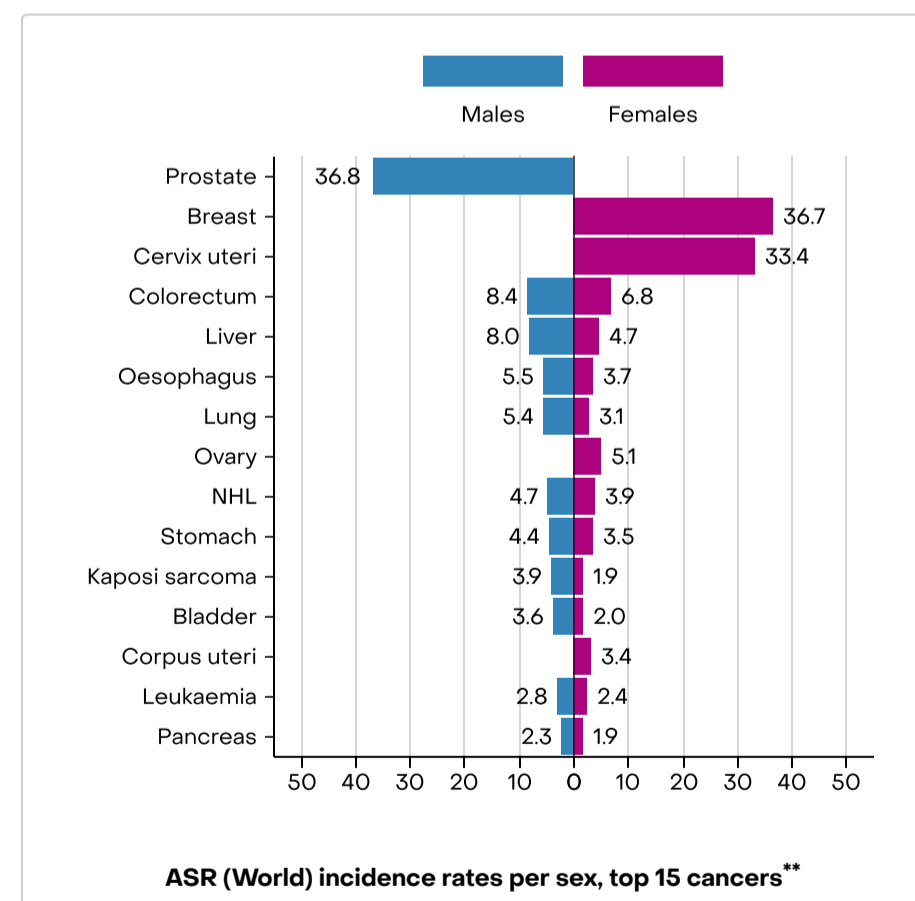
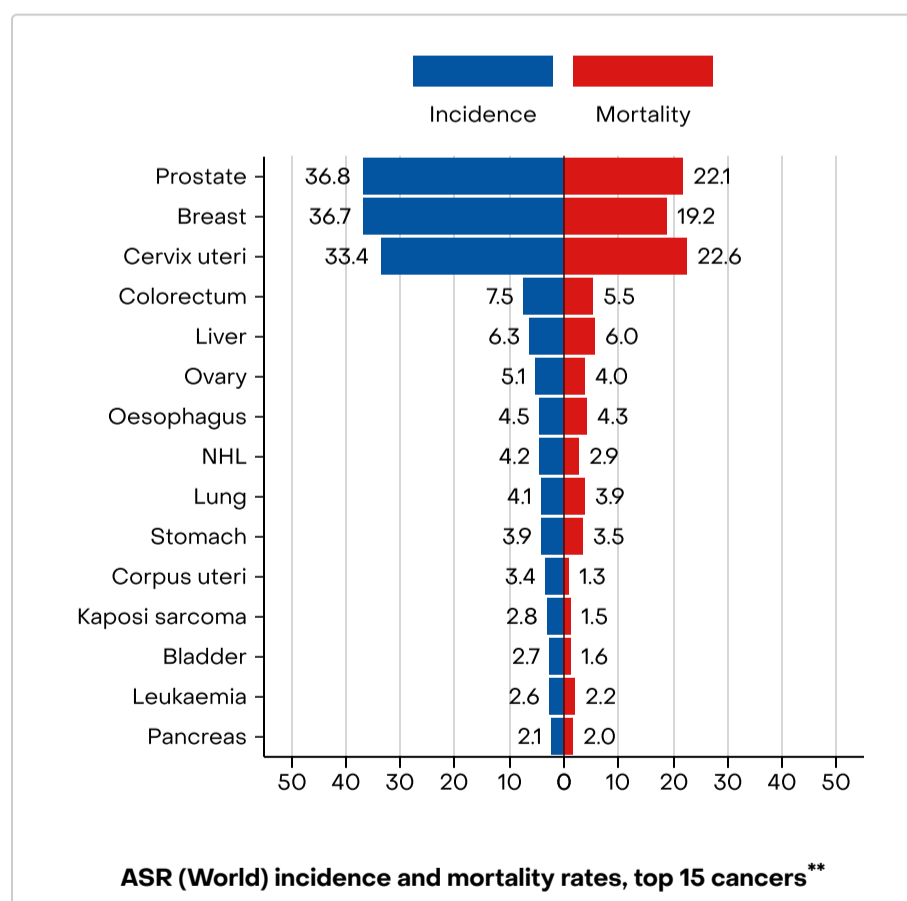
Sum of country-specific cases.

### Mortality

Sum of country-specific deaths

### Prevalence

Sum of country-specific prevalent cases.



\* includes non-melanoma skin cancer (NMSC)

\*\* NMSC included in other cancers

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

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