CancerStats News

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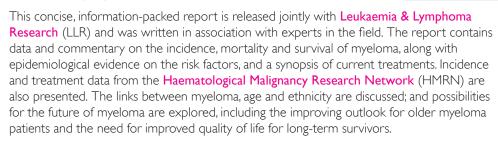
Now updating: Cancer incidence and survival up to 2009 and mortality up to 2010



New CancerStats Report

Myeloma – UK CancerStats Report

Our latest CancerStats Report shows that around **4,780 people** were diagnosed with myeloma in the UK in 2009. Other findings were that despite improving survival rates – thanks largely to new therapies – around **2,630 people** died from the disease in the UK in 2010.



- Download a free copy of the report, slides of the charts and tables, and Myeloma Key Facts: http://publications.cancerresearchuk.org/cancerstats/Myeloma/
- Our CancerStats website also contains all the data from the report: http://info.cancerresearchuk.org/cancerstats/types/myeloma/

CancerStats in the news

Support our plain packaging campaign

In 2010 almost 157,000 children in the UK started smoking. The Government is now consulting on removing all branding from cigarette packets to make them less attractive to children. Cancer Research UK have produced a video illustrating how powerful cigarette branding is as a marketing tool. The glitzy style and branding of packs helps persuade children to take up the deadly habit, which ultimately kills one in two long-term smokers. Please help us try to stop a new generation of children taking up smoking, by signing our petition supporting the use of plain packaging. This won't stop everyone from smoking, but it will give millions of kids one less reason to start.

• Watch our video to see why this is an opportunity we can't afford to miss, and sign our petition to show your support for our plain packaging campaign: http://action.cancerresearchuk.org/ea-action/action?ea.client.id=149&ea.campaign.id=13114

Lung cancer cases keep going up in women

Press release

Lung cancer cases continue to rise in women with more than 18,000 UK women diagnosed with the disease in 2009. Rates of the disease have risen to 39.4 for every 100,000 British women from 22.7 for every 100,000 in 1975, when there were fewer than 8,000 cases in Great Britain.



Lung cancer is still more common in men with more than 23,000 cases in 2009 in the UK, but rates in men have been falling fast. The differences between the sexes for lung cancer rates mirror the percentage of smokers around three decades earlier. We know that more than 80 per cent of cases are caused by tobacco.

• Our CancerStats website presents the latest incidence and mortality data and information on risk factors and survival: http://info.cancerresearchuk.org/cancerstats/types/lung/

Coming soon

Next CancerStats website updates:

- Updated UK cancer incidence (2009) CancerStats report
- Updated UK cancer incidence (2009) and mortality (2010) summary report and data tables



Online, on paper and on email

- Our CancerStats website is the leading source of UK cancer statistics
- Download over 500 charts and tables on incidence, mortality and survival in the UK, Europe and the World, covering 27 cancer sites and all cancers together
- Download our CancerStats
 Reports giving more in-depth
 detailed explanations about
 cancer stats and risk factors
- Find useful links to other data sources
- Find us online at http://info. cancerresearchuk.org/cancerstats/ or search for "CancerStats"
- Contact the Stats Team at stats.team@cancer.org.uk

Key Facts

CancerStats Key Facts is our expanding series of simple messages about the stats on common cancers. We now have nineteen in the series, providing key statements on incidence, survival, mortality and the main causes of cancer.

http://info.cancerresearchuk.org/cancerstats/keyfacts

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Premature deaths from cancer in the UK fall **below 14,000** for middle aged

Our latest figures show that the number of people in their 50s dying prematurely from cancer in the UK has fallen below 14,000 for the first time in 40 years, with their cancer mortality

rates falling by 40 per cent from 1971-73 to 2008-10. That had led to deaths in 50-59 year olds dropping from over 21,300 in 1971 to under 14,000 in 2010.

Probable reasons for this dramatic drop include better chemotherapy, falling smoking rates, the introduction of screening, better treatments such as tamoxifen, more effective radiotherapy, many new drugs, and better delivery of cancer diagnosis and treatment by the NHS.

• Our CancerStats website presents the latest UK mortality data on all cancers combined, common cancers and cancer mortality by age as well as comparisons of cancer with other causes of death: http://info.cancerresearchuk.org/cancerstats/mortality/

Prostate cancer cases hit 40,000 for the first time Press release

In 2009, around 40,800 men were diagnosed with prostate cancer, in the UK, rising from around 14,000 in 1989 in Great Britain.

Much of the increase has been linked to greater use of PSA (prostate specific antigen) testing. PSA testing first started in the UK around 1989.

Since then, prostate cancer rates more than doubled in Great Britain (from 1988-90 to 2007-09), though the rates have been fairly stable since around the turn of the millennium.

Prostate cancer mortality rates in the UK have fallen by a fifth from their peak in 1991-93.

· Our CancerStats website presents the latest incidence and mortality data and information on risk factors and survival: http://info.cancerresearchuk.org/cancerstats/types/prostate/

Uterine (womb) cancer deaths rise by a **fifth** in the last decade.

Deaths from uterine cancer have risen by nearly 20 per cent in the last decade. Since the late 1990s, the mortality rate from uterine cancer has risen from 3.1 to 3.7 per 100,000 in the UK in 2010. This means more than 1,900 women are now dying from the disease each year, compared with fewer than 1,500 at the turn of the millennium.

Obesity more than doubles the risk of uterine cancer, and has been linked to many other cancer types, leading us to believe it could be a key factor driving up incidence, which has led to the rise in mortality.

• Our CancerStats website presents the latest incidence and mortality data and information on risk factors and survival: http://info.cancerresearchuk.org/cancerstats/types/prostate/

Other recent news stories

HPV pushes oral cancer cases over 6,000 per year. Press release

 Our CancerStats website presents the latest incidence and mortality data and information on risk factors and survival: http://info.cancerresearchuk.org/cancerstats/types/oral/

Obesity helps drive kidney cancer cases to record high. Press release

· Our CancerStats website presents the latest incidence and mortality data and information on risk factors and survival: http://info.cancerresearchuk.org/cancerstats/types/kidney/



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The blog

Cancer Research UK's blog covers the latest cancer statistics and research. We highlight other relevant material, debunking myths and media scares, and provide links to other resources.

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Credits

Cancer Research UK would like to acknowledge the essential work of the cancer registries in the United Kingdom Association of Cancer Registries. http://www.ukacr.org/

Without these cancer registries, there would be no incidence or survival data.

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- CancerInsight for GPs and nurses: http://bit.ly/JN9ZjA
- e-Newsletter for general CR-UK news: http://bit.ly/J2124X



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