

Statistics by Cancer Type - Brain

General Summary

In 2020, an estimated 420 British Columbians will be newly diagnosed with brain cancer About 19% of those diagnosed with brain cancer will be under the age of 40 when they are diagnosed. One in 171 females and one in 123 males is expected to develop brain cancer during their lifetime. One in 196 females and one in 145 males is expected to die of brain cancer.

Number of New Brain Cancer Cases Diagnosed in 2017

| Age at Diagnosis | Males | Females | Total |
|---------------------|-------|---------|-------|
| 0-19 | 10 | 10 | 25 |
| 20-39 | 15 | 25 | 35 |
| 40-59 | 55 | 40 | 95 |
| 60-79 | 110 | 60 | 175 |
| 80+ | 25 | 20 | 45 |
| Total | 220 | 155 | 375 |

Due to rounding, totals may not equal the sum of individual values

Number of Brain Cancer Deaths in 2017

| Age at Death | Males | Females | Total |
|-----------------|-------|---------|-------|
| 0-19 | 5 | 5 | 15 |
| 20-39 | 10 | 5 | 10 |
| 40-59 | 40 | 25 | 65 |
| 60-79 | 100 | 70 | 170 |
| 80+ | 25 | 30 | 55 |
| Total | 180 | 135 | 320 |

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Incidence Rates (per 100,000 population) for Brain Cancer Cases Diagnosed in 2017

| Age at Diagnosis | Males | Females | Total |
|---------------------|-------|---------|-------|
| 0-19 | 2.2 | 2.5 | 2.3 |
| 20-39 | 2.4 | 3.5 | 2.9 |
| 40-59 | 8.4 | 5.5 | 6.9 |
| 60-79 | 22.9 | 11.8 | 17.2 |
| 80+ | 29.5 | 16.6 | 22.0 |
| Total | 9.1 | 6.3 | 7.7 |

Mortality Rates (per 100,000 population) for Brain Cancer Deaths in 2017

| Age at Death | Males | Females | Total |
|-----------------|-------|---------|-------|
| 0-19 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.2 |
| 20-39 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.0 |
| 40-59 | 6.2 | 3.8 | 5.0 |
| 60-79 | 21.1 | 13.2 | 17.0 |
| 80+ | 28.4 | 23.7 | 25.7 |
| Total | 7.5 | 5.5 | 6.5 |



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Estimated New Brain Cancer Diagnoses in 2020 by Health Authority

| | Age at Diagnosis | | | | | |
|------------------|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-----|--------|
| Health Authority | 0-19 | 20-39 | 40-59 | 60-79 | 80+ | Total* |
| Interior | 0 | 10 | 15 | 35 | 10 | 75 |
| Fraser | 15 | 20 | 40 | 60 | 20 | 145 |
| Coastal | 10 | 5 | 25 | 35 | 15 | 90 |
| Island | 5 | 5 | 15 | 45 | 10 | 85 |
| Northern | 0 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 20 |
| BC | 30 | 50 | 100 | 195 | 50 | 420 |

*Due to rounding and unknown health authority of residence at time of diagnosis for some cases, totals may not equal the sum of individual values

1-, 3- and 5-year Observed Survival and Age-standardized Relative Survival for BC Adults (age 15-99) Diagnosed with Brain Cancer

| | Observed Survival Proportion % | | | Relative Survival Proportion % | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 1 Year | 3 Year | 5 Year | 1 Year | 3 Year | 5 Year |
| Survival Proportion | 44.1 | 24.1 | 20.4 | 53.9 | 32.5 | 28.3 |
| 95% Confidence Interval | 41.4 - 46.7 | 21.8 - 26.4 | 18.3 - 22.6 | 51.6 - 56.3 | 30.0 - 34.9 | 25.9 - 30.7 |