

Statistics by Cancer Type - Breast

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General Summary

2 per 100,000 males will be diagnosed with breast cancer, compared to 150 per 100,000 females. Due to the small number of male breast cancers the rest of this report refers to breast cancer in females.

Breast cancer accounts for 27% of all cancer diagnoses for BC women and is the most common cancer in BC women. In 2017, an estimated 3800 BC women will be newly diagnosed with breast cancer and 640 will die of it.

One in 8 women is expected to develop breast cancer during their lifetime and one in 36 is expected to die of breast cancer. An estimated 97% of BC women who will be diagnosed with breast cancer will be over the age of 40 when they are diagnosed.

Number of New Breast Cancer Cases Diagnosed in 2014

Age at	
Diagnosis	Total
0-19	0
20-39	130
40-59	1210
60-79	1725
80+	440
Total	3510

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

Number of Breast Cancer Deaths in 2014

Age at	
Death	Total
0-19	0
20-39	10
40-59	155
60-79	280
80+	165
Total	605

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Incidence Rates (per 100,000 population) for Breast Cancer Cases Diagnosed in 2014

Age at	
Diagnosis	Total
0-19	0
20-39	21.6
40-59	177.8
60-79	385.9
80+	362.7
Total	150.4

Mortality Rates (per 100,000 population) for Breast Cancer Deaths in 2014

Age at	
Death	Total
0-19	0
20-39	1.9
40-59	22.3
60-79	61.7
80+	137.9
Total	26

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Estimated New Breast Cancer Diagnoses in 2017 by Health Authority

		Age at Diagnosis				
Health Authority	0-19	20-39	40-59	60-79	80+	Total*
Interior	0	15	200	380	95	690
Fraser	0	45	450	610	150	1250
Coastal	0	35	320	440	120	910
Island	0	20	210	420	110	750
Northern	0	5	60	80	15	160
BC	0	120	1250	1950	490	3800

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Estimated Breast Cancer Deaths in 2017 by Health Authority

	Age at Diagnosis					
Health Authority	0-19	20-39	40-59	60-79	80+	Total*
Interior	0	0	25	60	35	130
Fraser	0	5	55	95	60	220
Coastal	0	5	35	60	40	140
Island	0	0	25	65	40	130
Northern	0	0	10	15	5	30
BC	0	10	150	300	190	640

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

	Observed	Survival Prop	oortion %	Relative Survival Proportion %		
	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year
Survival Proportion	95.9	88.5	82.5	96.9	92.5	88.9
95% Confidence	95.1 - 96.5	87.3 - 89.5	81.1 - 83.8	95.9 - 97.7	90.9 - 93.8	86.9 - 90.7

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