

29,288

expected cancer deaths in 2016, nearly double the number of deaths in 1981

Mortality

While the number of cancer deaths in Ontario (mortality count) has increased annually since at least 1981, the mortality rate has declined.

In general, cancer mortality is affected by:

- the incidence of cancer;
- socio-demographic factors;
- the extent of early detection for cancer; and
- the availability of and access to effective treatment for cancer.

Mortality counts and rates

In 2012, there were 27,442 cancer deaths in Ontario, resulting in an age-standardized mortality rate (ASMR) of 202.4 per 100,000 (Table 3.1). For both sexes combined, the highest ASMR were for lung (49.9 per 100,000), colorectal (22.9 per 100,000) and pancreatic (12.1 per 100,000) cancers.

The ASMR for all cancers was higher for males (243.7 per 100,000) than for females (173.5 per 100,000). Males had higher mortality rates than females for every type of cancer analyzed. Among males the highest ASMR were for lung, colorectal and prostate cancers. For females, the highest ASMR were for lung, breast and colorectal cancers.

While the most commonly diagnosed cancers (lung, colorectal, breast and prostate) were responsible for almost 50% of all cancer mortality in 2012, some of the less commonly diagnosed cancers made a relatively large contribution to mortality due to their poor prognosis and low survival rates. For example, pancreatic, stomach and brain cancers combined accounted for more than 11% of all cancer deaths in 2012.

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Although the number of cancer deaths has been increasing since 1981, the ASMR for all cancers decreased between 1981 and 2016 for both sexes combined and for males and females individually (Figures 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3).

Projected mortality for 2016 estimates that 29,288 deaths will be caused by cancer, resulting in an ASMR of 190.4 per 100,000 (data not shown). The ASMR is projected to be significantly higher for males (227.3 per 100,000) than for females (163.1 per 100,000), but lower for each sex compared to actual rates in 2012. These lower anticipated rates in 2016 are mainly due to expected decreases in prostate cancer mortality.

Distribution of deaths for selected cancers, 2012

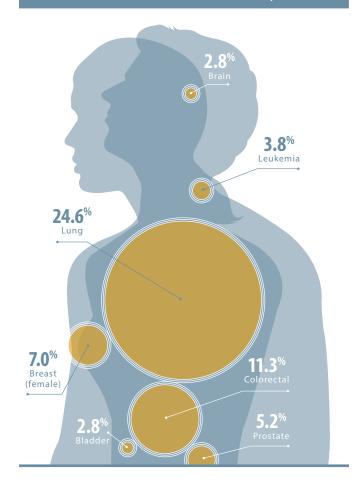


Figure 3.1 Mortality counts and age-standardized rates, all cancers combined, Ontario, 1981–2016

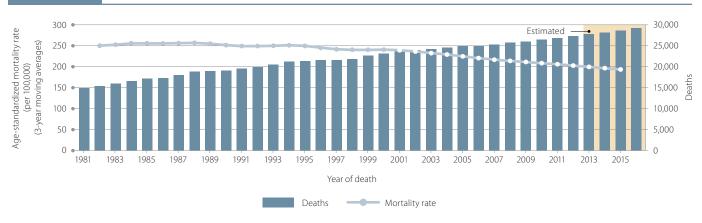


Figure 3.2 Mortality counts and age-standardized rates, all cancers combined, males, Ontario, 1981–2016

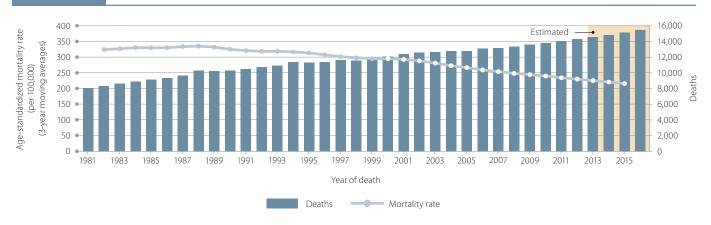
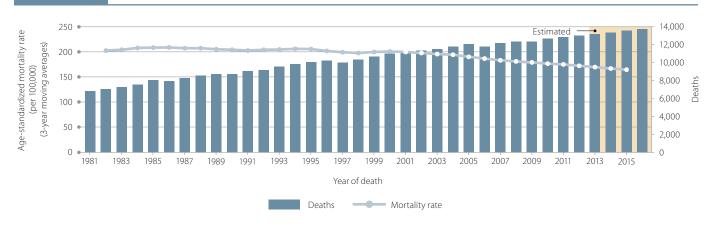


Figure 3.3 Mortality counts and age-standardized rates, all cancers combined, females, Ontario, 1981–2016



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Mortality by age group

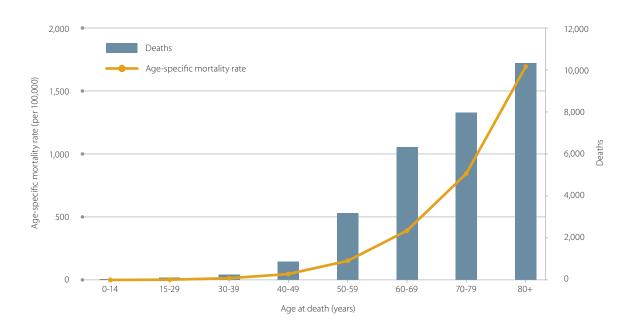
Mortality projections for the year 2016 estimate that more than 60% of all cancer deaths in Ontario will occur in people 70 years of age and older (**Figure 3.4**). Mortality by age group is projected as follows:

- 35.6% of all cancer deaths will occur in people 80 years of age or older.
- 27.4% of all cancer deaths will occur in people 70 to 79 years of age.
- 21.7% of all cancer deaths will occur in people 60 to 69 years of age.
- 10.9% of all cancer deaths will occur in people 50 to 59 years of age.
- 3.0% of all cancer deaths will occur in people 40 to 49 years of age.
- 1.4% of all cancer deaths will occur in people younger than 40 years of age.

Mortality projections for the year 2016 estimate that more than 60% of all cancer deaths in Ontario will occur in people 70 years of age and older.

Figure 3.4

Estimated mortality counts and age-specific rates, all cancers combined, by age group, Ontario, 2016



The greatest proportion of female breast cancer deaths (31.9%) will occur among women 80 years of age and older (**Figure 3.5**). However, 2.2% of all breast cancer deaths will occur in females under the age of 40, meaning that, of the four most common cancers, breast cancer will cause the most mortality in younger people.

While prostate cancer will be diagnosed most frequently in males 65 to 74 years of age in 2016, most deaths from prostate cancer will occur in males

80 years and older. These mortality patterns reflect the often slow progression of the disease.

For many cancers the number of deaths increases with age. Deaths from lung cancer, however, will peak in people 70 to 79 years of age. This peak is a result of high incidence in this age group and poor overall survival for lung cancer.

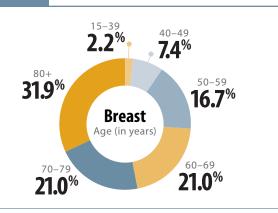
The majority of cancer deaths due to colorectal cancer will occur in Ontarians 70 to 79 years of age (25.2%) and 80 years

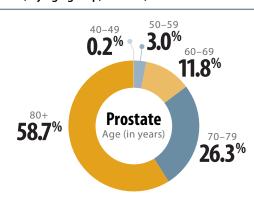
of age and older (42.6%). This reflects the large proportion of new colorectal cancer cases that occur in these particular age groups.

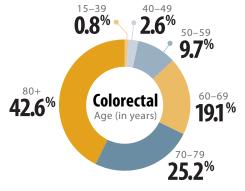
Between 1986 and 2016, the mortality rate for all cancers combined declined in people of all ages except those 80 years of age and older (**Table 3.2**). For those diagnosed at age 80 or older, the mortality rate remained fairly stable over this time period.

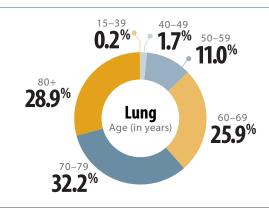
Figure 3.5

Estimated mortality distribution for most common cancers, by age group, Ontario, 2016









Note: There were no deaths from prostate cancer under the age of 40 Estimated number of deaths: breast n=1929; colorectal n=3342; lung n=7178; prostate n=1559 **Analysis by:** Surveillance, Analytics and Informatics, CCO **Data source:** CCO SEER*Stat Package Release 10—OCR (August 2015)

Mortality trends over time

After a period of increase, the cancer mortality rate in Ontario has been decreasing in recent decades. Between 1981 and 1985, the ASMR increased by 1.1% per year. The rate then decreased by 0.5% per year between 1985 and 2001, and by 1.5% between 2001 and 2012 (**Table 3.3**).

PROSTATE CANCER

The prostate cancer ASMR increased between 1981 and 1994 by 1.6% per year and then decreased by 2.8% per year from 1994 to 2012. This decline in mortality is likely due to early detection and improved treatments.

FEMALE BREAST CANCER

The breast cancer ASMR has been declining since the mid-1980s. From 1986 to 1995 it decreased by 1.1% per year, and the decrease accelerated to 2.5% per year from 1995 to 2012. This fall in the mortality rate is likely due to increased participation in mammography screening, especially after the introduction of the provincial organized screening program. In addition, improved treatment and the use of more effective therapies following breast cancer surgery likely also contributed to the improvement in the mortality rate.¹

COLORECTAL CANCER

The colorectal cancer ASMR has continuously declined in both sexes since 1981. In males, the rate decreased by 1.2% per year from 1981 to 2003 and accelerated to 2.8% per year from 2003 to 2012. In females, the mortality rate has decreased by 1.9% per year since 1981. These strong declines are consistent with changes in risk factors and protective factors, earlier diagnosis due to greater uptake of screening and improvements in treatment.²

Prostate cancer ASMR decreased 2.8% per year between 1994 to 2012



Breast cancer ASMR decreased 2.5% per year between 1995 to 2012



Colorectal cancer ASMR in males decreased 2.8% per year between 2003 to 2012



Lung cancer ASMR decreased by 1.3% between 2001 and 2012



Liver cancer ASMR increased by 2.4% between 1994 and 2012



Stomach cancer ASMR decreased by 2.3% between 1993 and 2012



LUNG CANCER

In males, the lung cancer ASMR began to level off in the late 1980s and declined by 2.1% per year between 1988 and 2012. The mortality rate in females increased by 7.4% per year from 1981 to 1985 and slowed to 1.9% per year from 1985 to 2000. The rate then stabilized between 2000 and 2012. Decreases in lung cancer mortality are largely attributable to decreased tobacco use. Tobacco use began to decline in the late 1950s for males and in the mid-1970s for females.^{3,4} This approximately 15-year gap in peak

smoking rates between males and females corresponds to the gap in the stabilization of lung cancer mortality rates between males and females.

OTHER TYPES OF CANCER

The liver cancer ASMR increased significantly after 1981. It increased by 4.2% per year between 1981 and 1994 but slowed to 2.4% per year between 1994 and 2012. This increase was probably at least partially driven by changes in the incidence rate, which increased over the same time period.

The stomach cancer mortality rate, on the other hand, decreased significantly between 1981 and 2012. It declined by 3.6% per year between 1981 and 1993 and slowed to 2.3% per year between 1993 and 2012. The decline in the stomach cancer mortality rate has been attributed to decreased exposure to *Helicobacter pylori (H.pylori)* infection, improvements in food preservation and refrigeration, lifestyle changes and better treatment.⁵

Changes in mortality rates between 1981 and 2012 for other cancer types are provided in **Table 3.3**.

Ten-year trends

Over the most recent 10-year period of 2003 to 2012 (**Figure 3.6**) the average annual percent change (AAPC) in the ASMR for males:

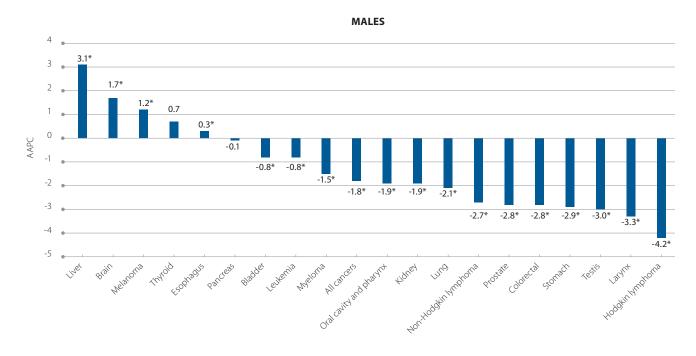
- decreased for most types of cancer, including Hodgkin lymphoma (4.2% per year), laryngeal cancer (3.3%) and testicular cancer (3.0%);
- increased for liver cancer (3.1%), brain cancer (1.7%), melanoma (1.2%) and esophageal cancer (0.3%); and
- was stable for thyroid and pancreatic cancers.

Fastest increase in mortality rates over the past 10 years



Figure 3.6

Average annual percent change (AAPC) in mortality rates, by cancer type and sex, Ontario, 2003–2012



*Statistically significant AAPC

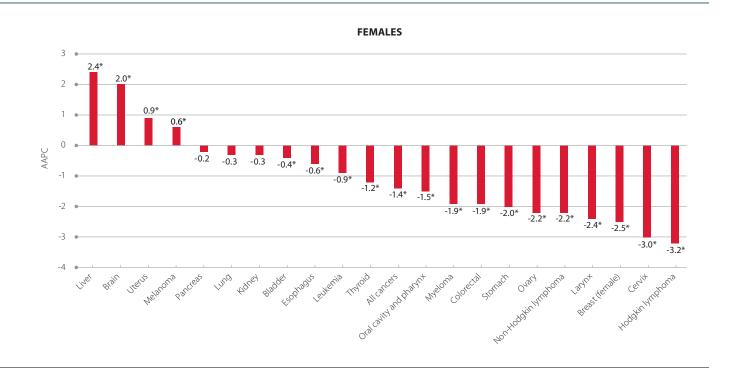
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Over the most recent 10-year period of 2003 to 2012 (**Figure 3.6**), the AAPC in the ASMR for females:

- decreased for most types of cancer, including Hodgkin lymphoma (3.2% per year), cervical cancer (3.0%) and breast cancer (2.5%);
- increased for liver cancer (2.4%), brain cancer (2.0%), uterine cancer (0.9%) and melanoma (0.6%); and
- was stable for pancreatic, lung and kidney cancers.

For some cancers, such as liver cancer and melanoma, the increase in mortality rates are likely reflective of increases in incidence rates.



Potential years of life lost

One frequently used measure of premature death in a population is the potential years of life lost (PYLL), which is the number of years of life lost when a person dies prematurely (defined in this report as before the average life expectancy for the population). PYLL gives more weight to deaths that occur among younger people. More years of life are lost due to cancers that are more common, have an earlier age of onset or have high mortality.

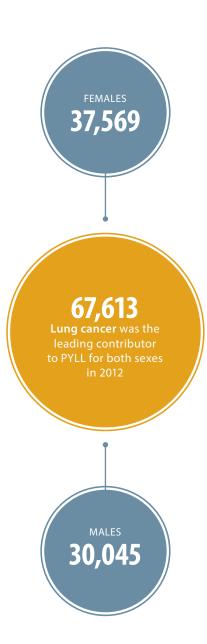
In 2012, the PYLL due to cancer in Ontario was 286,009 years for both sexes combined. The PYLL for females was 162,465 years, which was higher than the 123,544 years for males (**Table 3.4**). This difference was likely because women generally live longer than men and some female cancers, such as breast cancer, tend to cause death at a younger age.

Lung cancer was the leading contributor to PYLL for both sexes (67,613 years), accounting for 23.6% of all PYLL caused by cancer. Even though pancreatic cancer made up only 2.4% of the total cancer cases diagnosed in Ontario in 2012, it was the fourth highest contributor to PYLL (16,159 years) among all cancers. In both cases, the high PYLL number is the reflection of poor survival and the resulting high mortality. On the other

hand, prostate was the fourth most commonly diagnosed cancer in 2012 but contributed only 1.7% of the total PYLL. This is because prostate cancer has high survival and tends to occur most often in older men.

Among males, lung cancer had the highest PYLL (30,045 years), followed by colorectal, stomach and pancreatic cancers. These four cancers together accounted for 50.2% of the total PYLL due to cancer in males. Although prostate cancer is more common than lung cancer among males (the number of new prostate cancer cases was more than 1.5 times higher than the number of new lung cancer cases in males in 2012), the PYLL due to lung cancer is more than six times higher than the PYLL due to prostate cancer (4,802 years).

Among females, lung (37,569 years), breast (29,450 years) and colorectal (13,569 years) cancers were the three most common causes of premature death from cancer, accounting for 49.6% of the total PYLL due to cancer. In comparison to males, the PYLL from female breast cancer far exceeds the PYLL from prostate cancer, reflecting the relatively young age at which women die from breast cancer.



Mortality by geography

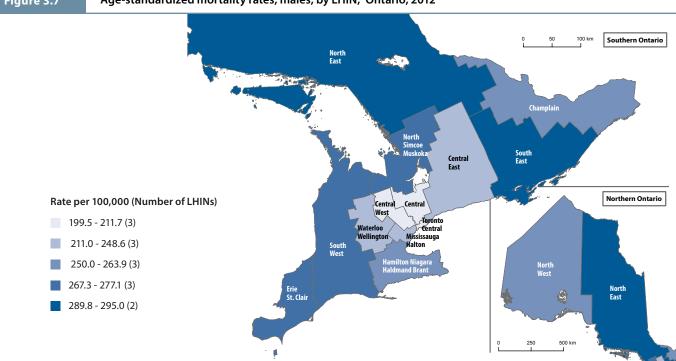
The same geographic factors that influence incidence—the prevalence of risk factors, the demographic makeup and regional differences in diagnostic and treatment practices—also affect mortality. Mortality rates by geography are presented for all cancers combined.

Among males (**Figure 3.7** and **Table DA.9** in the *Data appendix*):

 The LHINs with the lowest ASMR were Central, Central West and Toronto Central. Additionally, the mortality rates were significantly lower than the Ontario ASMR in the Mississauga Halton and Central East LHINs. Therefore, lower mortality

- rates occurred around the south-central Ontario region, somewhat coincident with lower incidence rates.
- Corresponding to the male incidence rates (Figure 2.10), the North East and the South East LHINs had the highest ASMR, both of which were significantly higher than the Ontario rate. Mortality rates were also significantly higher in the Erie St. Clair, the South West and the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant LHINs.
- Similar to the incidence rates (Figure 2.10), the ASMR varied substantially across the LHINs in northern Ontario.





†LHIN=Local Health Integration Network

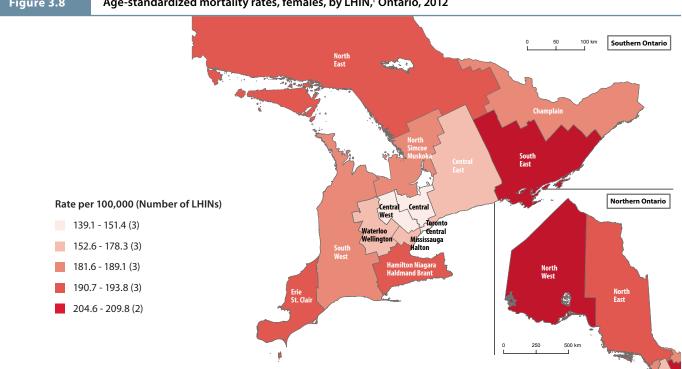
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Among females (Figure 3.8 and Table DA.10 in the Data appendix):

- The Central, Central West, Mississauga Halton and Toronto Central LHINs recorded ASMR significantly lower than the Ontario ASMR.
- The North West, South East and North East LHINs recorded the highest ASMR among females. Rates were significantly higher than the Ontario rate in these LHINs, and the Erie St. Clair and Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant LHINs.
- In general, female mortality rates paralleled male mortality rates across the LHIN's, with two exceptions. The North West LHIN's ASMR for females was significantly higher than the Ontario rate, but there was so significant difference in rates among males. The South West LHIN's ASMR for males was significantly higher than the Ontario rate, but there was no significant difference in rates among females.



Age-standardized mortality rates, females, by LHIN,† Ontario, 2012



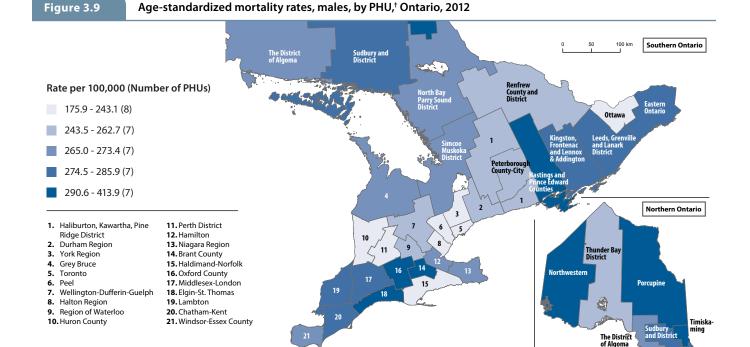
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The smaller geographical unit of PHUs allow for more detailed patterns to be analyzed. Among males (**Figure 3.9** and **Table DA.11** in the *Data appendix*):

- PHUS in the Greater Toronto Area, (York Region, Peel and Toronto) had ASMR significantly lower than the Ontario ASMR.
- Thirteen PHUs had significantly higher ASMR among males compared to the Ontario rate: Timiskaming;
- Porcupine; Brant County; Elgin-St Thomas; Hastings and Prince Edward Counties; Oxford County; Kingston, Frontenac and Lennox & Addington; Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District; Eastern Ontario; Middlesex-London; Windsor-Essex County; Simcoe Muskoka District and City of Hamilton. Generally, higher rates tended to be found in small groups of adjacent PHUs across Ontario.
- Within the remaining south Ontario PHUs, the male ASMR were not significantly different than the Ontario rate and were geographically dispersed.
- High variability in ASMR among males was found in northern Ontario PHUs, and the pattern did not correspond to incidence rates found among males (see Figure 2.12).



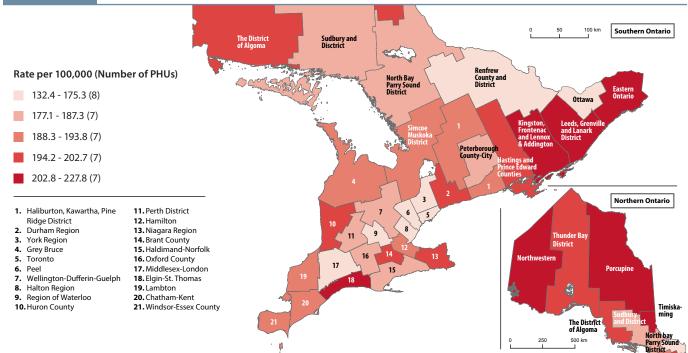
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Among females (Figure 3.10 and Table **DA.12** in the *Data appendix*):

- The same PHUs that had significantly lower ASMR compared to the Ontario ASMR for males also had lower ASMR for females: York Region, Peel and Toronto.
- Several of the PHUs that had significantly higher mortality rates compared to the Ontario rate for males also had higher mortality rates for females: Elgin-St. Thomas; Leeds,
- Grenville and Lanark District; City of Hamilton; Kingston, Frontenac and Lennox & Addington; and Eastern Ontario. However, the following PHUs also had female mortality rates that were significantly higher than the Ontario rate: Northwestern; Durham Region; and Niagara Region. In general, the PHUs in south-eastern Ontario had higher mortality rates among females compared to Ontario.
- The pattern of high mortality rate variability across the northern Ontario PHUs was different compared to the distribution of incidence rates among females in that region, particularly in the Northwestern PHU where the female incidence rate was significantly lower than Ontario while the female mortality rate was significantly higher than Ontario (Figure 2.13).





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Table 3.1 Cancer mortality counts and rates, by cancer type and sex, Ontario, 2012 Total Males **Females** Cancer type Crude Crude Crude % of ASMR† (per % of ASMR (per % of ASMR (per Deaths Rate (per Deaths Rate (per Deaths Rate (per deaths 100,000) deaths 100,000) deaths 100,000) 100,000) 100,000) 100,000) All cancers 27,442 100.0% 204.6 202.4 14,360 100.0% 218.0 243.7 13,082 100.0% 191.7 173.5 761 3.8% 1.7% 2.7 Bladder 2.8% 5.7 5.6 543 8.2 9.6 218 3.2 2.8% Brain 762 3.0% 2.6% 5.7 5.7 427 6.5 6.8 335 4.9 4.6 Breast (female) 1,912 7.0% 28.0 25.7 1,912 14.6% 28.0 25.7 187 0.7% 187 1.4% Cervix 2.7 2.6 2.7 2.6 1,411 Colorectal 3,103 11.3% 1,692 11.8% 10.8% 20.7 18.1 23.1 22.9 25.7 29.0 Esophagus 758 2.8% 5.7 5.6 583 4.1% 8.9 9.6 175 1.3% 2.6 2.3 Hodgkin lymphoma 0.2% 0.5 0.5 35 0.2% 0.5 26 0.4 0.3 61 0.6 0.2% Kidney 352 2.5% 1.6% 556 2.0% 4.1 4.1 5.3 5.9 204 3.0 2.7 Larynx 132 0.5% 1.0 1.0 106 0.7% 1.6 1.8 26 0.2% 0.4 0.3 Leukemia 1,052 3.8% 7.8 7.7 599 4.2% 9.1 10.2 453 3.5% 6.6 6.0 Liver 1,004 3.7% 7.5 7.4 672 4.7% 10.2 11.0 332 2.5% 4.9 4.4 Lung 6,764 24.6% 50.4 49.9 3,638 25.3% 55.2 60.6 3,126 23.9% 45.8 42.0 Melanoma 460 1.7% 286 2.0% 4.3 174 1.3% 3.4 3.4 4.7 2.6 2.3 293 Myeloma 526 1.9% 3.9 2.0% 233 1.8% 3.0 3.9 4.4 4.9 3.4 Non-Hodgkin 1,014 3.7% 7.6 7.5 556 3.9% 8.4 9.5 458 3.5% 6.7 6.0 lymphoma Oral cavity & pharynx 1.6% 304 2.1% 128 1.0% 1.9 432 3.2 3.2 4.6 4.9 1.7 Ovary 629 2.3% 9.2 86 629 4.8% 9.2 86 790 **Pancreas** 1,638 6.0% 12.2 12.1 5.5% 12.0 13.1 848 6.5% 12.4 11.1 Prostate 1,415 5.2% 21.5 26.0 1,415 9.9% 21.5 26.0 Stomach 691 2.5% 5.2 5.1 413 2.9% 6.3 7.0 278 2.1% 4.1 3.7 Testis 18 0.1% 0.3 0.3 18 0.1% 0.3 0.3 Thyroid 62 0.2% 0.5 29 0.2% 0.4 0.5 33 0.3% 0.5 0.4 Uterus 408 1.5% 6.0 5.5 408 3.1% 6.0 5.5

[†]ASMR=Age-standardized mortality rate

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Table 3.2 Mortality counts and age-specific rates, all cancers combined, by age group, Ontario, 1986, 1996, 2006, 2016

Year								
	1986		1996		2006		2016 (estimates)	
Age group	Deaths	Age-specific rate (per 100,000)	Deaths	Age-specific rate (per 100,000)	Deaths	Age-specific rate (per 100,000)	Deaths	Age-specific rate (per 100,000)
0–14	69	3.6	73	3.3	45	2.0	45	2.0
15–29	146	5.8	133	5.7	108	4.3	103	3.7
30-39	347	22.5	371	18.9	244	13.3	248	13.5
40-49	919	88.0	1,153	72.0	1,082	53.1	882	47.7
50-59	2,574	271.3	2,477	225.3	3,050	182.5	3,202	151.0
60-69	4,850	623.4	5,208	571.9	5,108	479.4	6,366	388.5
70-79	4,996	1088.1	7,049	1129.7	7,612	1022.9	8,024	857.2
80+	3,438	1675.4	5,201	1783.7	7,722	1779.0	10,418	1685.5

Table 3.3 Annual percent change (APC) in age-standardized mortality rates, by cancer type and sex, Ontario, 1981–2012 **Females Both Sexes** Males

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Cancer type	Period	AF	PC	Period	AP	PC	Period	APC	
All Cancers	1981-1985	1.1	↑	1981-1988	0.5	↑	1981-1985	1.0	
	1985-2001	-0.5	\downarrow	1988-2001	-0.9	\downarrow	1985-2002	-0.3	V
	2001-2012	-1.5	\	2001-2012	-1.8	\downarrow	2002-2012	-1.4	Ψ
	1981-1992	-1.7	\downarrow	1981-2012	-0.8	\downarrow	1981-2012	-0.4	\downarrow
Bladder	1992-2012	-0.2							
	1981-2005	-1.0	\downarrow	1981-2004	-1.0	\downarrow	1981-2006	-1.1	\downarrow
Brain	2005-2012	2.6	\uparrow	2004-2012	2.0	↑	2006-2012	3.6	\uparrow
							1981-1986	1.3	
Breast (female)							1986-1995	-1.1	\downarrow
							1995-2012	-2.5	\downarrow
Cervix							1981-2012	-3.0	\downarrow
Colorectal	1981-2004	-1.4	\downarrow	1981-2003	-1.2	\downarrow	1981-2012	-1.9	\downarrow
Colorectal	2004-2012	-2.8	\downarrow	2003-2012	-2.8	\downarrow			
Esophagus	1981-2012	0.2		1981-2012	0.3	\uparrow	1981-2012	-0.6	\downarrow
Hodgkin lymphoma	1981-2012	-3.8	\downarrow	1981-2012	-4.2	\downarrow	1981-2012	-3.2	\downarrow
Kidney	1981-2012	-0.2	\downarrow	1981-2008	0.1		1981-2012	-0.3	
Ridiley				2008-2012	-4.3	\downarrow			
Lammy	1981-1991	0.5		1981-1989	1.6		1981-2012	-2.4	\downarrow
Larynx	1991-2012	-3.3	\downarrow	1989-2012	-3.3	\downarrow			
Leukemia	1981-2012	-0.8	\downarrow	1981-2012	-0.8	\downarrow	1981-2012	-0.9	\downarrow
Liver	1981-1994	4.2	\uparrow	1981-2012	3.1	\uparrow	1981-2012	2.4	\uparrow
Livei	1994-2012	2.4	\uparrow						
Lung	1981-1988	1.5	\uparrow	1981-1988	0.4		1981-1985	7.4	\uparrow
	1988-2001	-0.7	\downarrow	1988-2012	-2.1	\downarrow	1985-2000	1.9	\uparrow
	2001-2012	-1.3	\downarrow				2000-2012	-0.3	
Melanoma	1981-2012	0.9	\uparrow	1981-2012	1.2	\uparrow	1981-2012	0.6	\uparrow
Myoloma	1981-1999	0.5		1981-1998	0.5		1981-1999	0.6	
Myeloma	1999-2012	-1.5	\downarrow	1998-2012	-1.5	\downarrow	1999-2012	-1.9	\downarrow
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Rates standardized to the 2011 Canadian population

(Cont'd) Annual percent change (APC) in age-standardized mortality rates, by cancer type and sex, Ontario, 1981–2012 Table 3.3

Cancer type	Both	Sexes	Ma	iles	Females		
	Period	APC	Period	APC	Period	APC	
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	1981-2000	1.9 ↑	1981-2001	1.8 ↑	1981-1998	2.2 ↑	
	2000-2012	-2.5 ↓	2001-2012	-2.7 ↓	1998-2012	-2.2 ↓	
Oral cavity and pharynx	1981-2012	-1.7 ↓	1981-2012	-1.9 🗼	1981-2012	-1.5 ↓	
					1981-2003	-0.5 🗼	
Ovary					2003-2012	-2.2 	
D	1981-2006	-0.7 ↓	1981-1999	-1.4 ↓	1981-2012	-0.2	
Pancreas	2006-2012	0.9	1999-2012	-0.1			
Prostate			1981-1994	1.6 ↑			
			1994-2012	-2.8 ↓			
Stomach	1981-1993	-3.6 ↓	1981-2012	-2.9 🗼	1981-1993	-4.1 	
	1993-2012	-2.3 ↓			1993-2012	-2.0 ↓	
Testis			1981-2012	-3.0 ↓			
Thyroid	1981-2012	-0.6 ↓	1981-2012	0.7	1981-2012	-1.2 ↓	
Uterus					1981-1992	-1.9 ↓	
					1992-2012	0.9 ↑	

Note: Statistically significant changes in trend and their direction are indicated by corresponding arrows Rates standardized to the 2011 Canadian population **Analysis by:** Surveillance, Analytics and Informatics, CCO

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Table 3.4 Potential years of life lost (PYLL), by cancer type and sex, Ontario, 2012

Company	То	tal	Ma	les	Females		
Cancer type	Years	% of all PYLL	Years	% of all male PYLL	Years	% of all female PYLL	
All cancers	286,009	100%	123,544	100%	162,465	100%	
Bladder	4,231	1.5%	2,665	2.2%	1,566	1.0%	
Brain	14,004	4.9%	7,323	5.9%	6,681	4.1%	
Breast (female)	29,450	10.3%	_	_	29,450	18.1%	
Cervix	4,407	1.5%	_	_	4,407	2.7%	
Colorectal	26,858	9.4%	13,290	10.8%	13,569	8.4%	
Esophagus	8,392	2.9%	6,718	5.4%	1,674	1.0%	
Hodgkin lymphoma	1,252	0.4%	785	0.6%	467	0.3%	
Kidney	5,587	2.0%	3,592	2.9%	1,996	1.2%	
Larynx	1,209	0.4%	1,069	0.9%	141	0.1%	
Leukemia	11,862	4.1%	6,049	4.9%	5,813	3.6%	
Liver	11,085	3.9%	7,030	5.7%	4,055	2.5%	
Lung	67,613	23.6%	30,045	24.3%	37,569	23.1%	
Melanoma	6,202	2.2%	3,445	2.8%	2,757	1.7%	
Myeloma	4,502	1.6%	2,622	2.1%	1,881	1.2%	
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	9,994	3.5%	5,089	4.1%	4,905	3.0%	
Oral cavity and pharynx	5,637	2.0%	3,898	3.2%	1,740	1.1%	
Ovary	9,850	3.4%	_	_	9,850	6.1%	
Pancreas	16,159	5.6%	7,445	6.0%	8,715	5.4%	
Prostate	4,802	1.7%	4,802	3.9%	_	_	
Stomach	18,315	6.4%	11,261	9.1%	7,054	4.3%	
Testis	594	0.2%	594	0.5%	_	_	
Thyroid	827	0.3%	302	0.2%	525	0.3%	
Uterus	5,736	2.0%	_	_	5,736	4.6%	

Note: Premature death is defined as dying before the average life expectancy for the population.