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OUR NEXT DATA UPDATES

- 2010 UK incidence and mortality data will be rolled out across our website.
- Cancer Statistics Reports on UK cancer mortality, non-Hodgkin lymphoma and cancers in teenagers and young adults.

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We are the leading source of UK cancer statistics. On our cancer statistics webpages you can:

- Download over 650 charts and tables on incidence, mortality and survival in the UK, Europe and the World, covering almost 30 cancer sites and all cancers together.
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- Find detailed statistics on the causes of cancer.

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CANCER STATS IN THE NEWS

Cancer death rates over a third higher in men than women

In the UK, men are 14% more likely to develop cancer than women and 37% more likely to die from it.

The increased risk in men is even starker when breast cancer and sex-specific cancers such as prostate, testicular and ovarian cancers are removed from the analysis – men were then 56% more likely to develop the disease and 67% more likely to die from it.

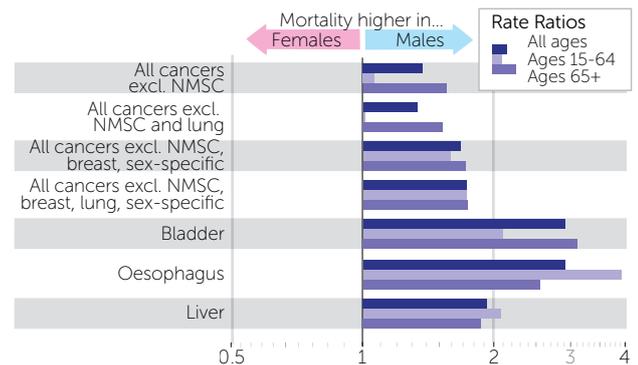
These along with other findings are available from our latest report **Excess Cancer Burden in Men**. The report was presented at the end of January at the Men's Health Forum conference in London and was produced by Cancer Research UK, the Men's Health Forum, Leeds Metropolitan University and the National Cancer Intelligence Network.

- The report can be downloaded from the publications section of our website: <http://bit.ly/YOIEIEN>
- The full story is available from our press release: <http://bit.ly/URhqqz>

We have also published a **Men's Cancer Briefing** that provides an overview of the latest statistics as well as looking at areas such as screening for men's cancers, the proportions of cancer cases caused by major risk factors and our research. It is also available to download from the **publications** section of our website.

Male-to-Female Mortality Rate Ratios

European age-standardised rate ratios of male to female cancer mortality, UK, 2010



Men's lifetime risk of cancer to climb to one in two

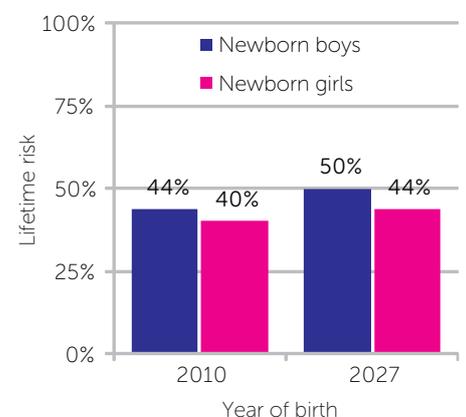
Data we published last December showed that a newborn boy's lifetime risk of developing cancer is set to reach one in two by 2027.

Our projections showed that within 15 years 50 newborn boys out of every 100 are likely to be diagnosed with cancer at some point in their lifetime as opposed to 44 out of every 100 born in 2010.

Women's lifetime cancer risk is also increasing and is predicted to rise from 40 to 44 out of every 100 newborn girls in 2027.

Age is the biggest risk factor for cancer and these figures provide a glimpse into the future. On the plus side our life expectancy is increasing but this also means more of us are likely to be diagnosed with cancer.

Cancer survival has doubled in the last 40 years thanks to research developing better techniques to detect the disease and improved treatments to increase survival and it's only through research that we will beat cancer.



- Our Cancer Statistics web pages present the data behind this story: <http://bit.ly/Wlh1I0>
- The full story is available from our press release: <http://bit.ly/YwzEnj>
- We take a closer look at the figures in our Science Update blog: <http://bit.ly/11k3scf>

OTHER CRUK NEWS:

CANCER SERVICES: REVERSE, PAUSE OR PROGRESS?

Next April, the Government's much-discussed NHS reforms come in to full effect and preparation is already underway for what many see as one of the biggest changes to the NHS's structure in its lifetime.

We asked a team of independent academics at the Health Services Management Centre at the University of Birmingham to investigate how they were affecting cancer care on the ground.

Their findings are mixed. As well as good news, **there are areas of real concern.**

We've published their final report on our website at:

<http://bit.ly/12fe0se>

DID YOU KNOW?

Funded entirely by the public, we're working to bring forward the day when all cancers are cured

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Cancer Research UK would like to acknowledge the essential work of the cancer registries in the United Kingdom Association of Cancer Registries.

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

The results of the independent breast screening review

In response to the debate about the effectiveness of the Breast Cancer Screening Programmes in the UK Cancer Research UK worked with the National Cancer Director to set up an independent review of breast screening to assess the benefits and harms of breast screening. The findings were published last October.

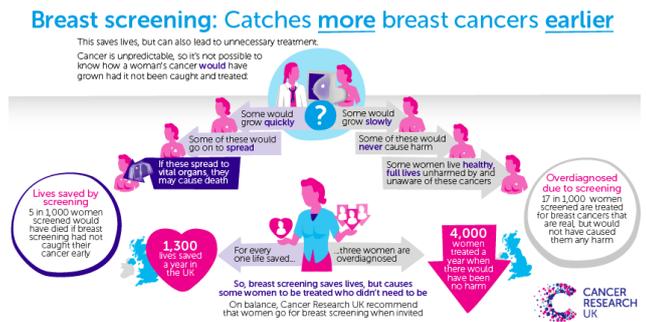
The Panel's best estimate is that the breast screening programmes in the UK, inviting women aged 50-70 every three years, prevent about 1300 breast cancer deaths a year, a most welcome benefit to women and to the public health.

Yet, the review also found that around 4,000 cancers a year will be diagnosed and treated that would never have caused any harm. Clearly, everyone wants to minimise this.

But because we can't yet tell which cancers are harmful and which are not, we cannot predict what will happen in an individual woman's case.

We think it's vitally important for women to have access to clear information about breast screening, knowledge of the benefits and harms, including the fact that they could be diagnosed with and treated for a cancer that might not cause them harm.

- We produced an **infographic** to help people understand the panel's findings: <http://bit.ly/WSD5FE>
- The **full findings of the review** and our response can be found on our website: <http://bit.ly/YOjU2O>
- **Cancer statistics** on breast and in situ breast cancer are available from our website: <http://bit.ly/XEh8bC>



OTHER RECENT NEWS STORIES

Prostate cancer lifetime risk trebles in 25 years

Data we published in January shows that the lifetime risk of prostate cancer will rise from 5% (1 in 20) for boys born in 1990 to just over 14% (1 in 7) for boys born in 2015.

- Our Cancer Statistics web pages present the data behind this story: <http://bit.ly/WSE2xC>
- The full story is available from our press release: <http://bit.ly/XEhM8N>

Cancer death rates set to drop 17% by 2030

Mortality projections we published last September showed that rates of people dying from cancer are predicted to fall by 17% in the UK by 2030.

- Our Cancer Statistics web pages present the data on projected mortality: <http://bit.ly/11HRPGz>
- The full story is available from our press release: <http://bit.ly/URntSI>

More than 33,000 childhood cancer survivors living in the UK

Data from the Childhood Cancer Research Group, published last November, showed that an estimated 33,000 long-term survivors of childhood cancer - the vast majority of whom are cured - will be living in the UK by the end of 2012.

- Our Cancer Statistics web pages present a wide range of data on childhood cancers including incidence, mortality and survival: <http://bit.ly/VylE98>
- The full story is available from our press release: <http://bit.ly/XiF0zO>