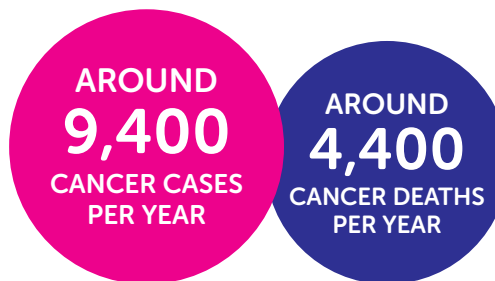


OVERVIEW OF CANCER IN NORTHERN IRELAND

Cancer Research UK is committed to accelerating progress so that 3 in 4 people survive cancer by 2034.



CANCER STRATEGY

Northern Ireland's last cancer strategy dates from 2008 and is out of date. Northern Ireland must develop a new comprehensive cancer strategy including prevention, early diagnosis, treatment and research.

DATA

Data is crucial for driving improved outcomes in cancer care. We are calling for better collection, publication and use of data in Northern Ireland.

PREVENTION

Alcohol

80% of adults drink alcohol (2016/17). This is an increase from 74% in 2015/16.

ACTION: Alcohol contributes to 7 different types of cancer. Northern Ireland should consider minimum unit pricing for alcohol.

Smoking

20% of adults currently smoke.

ACTION: Media campaigns help drive people to stop smoking services. We want regular media campaigns on tobacco and increased support for stop smoking services.

Obesity

63% of adults are classified as overweight or obese.

25% of children aged 2-15 are overweight or obese.

ACTION: Northern Ireland should support UK-wide legislation to ban junk food TV advertising before the 9pm watershed.

EARLY DIAGNOSIS

Bowel screening

Bowel screening uptake (% of invited people aged 60-74 years screened adequately within 6 months of invitation) is 59.4%.

ACTION: The UK National Screening Committee has recommended all nations switch to the FIT test for bowel screening and the HPV test for cervical screening. NI should plan to switch to these two tests as soon as possible.

Breast screening

Breast screening uptake (% of invited women aged 50 to 70 screened adequately within 6 months of invitation) is 76%.

Cervical screening

Cervical screening coverage (% of eligible women whose most recent adequate test was not more than 5 years ago) is 76.8%.

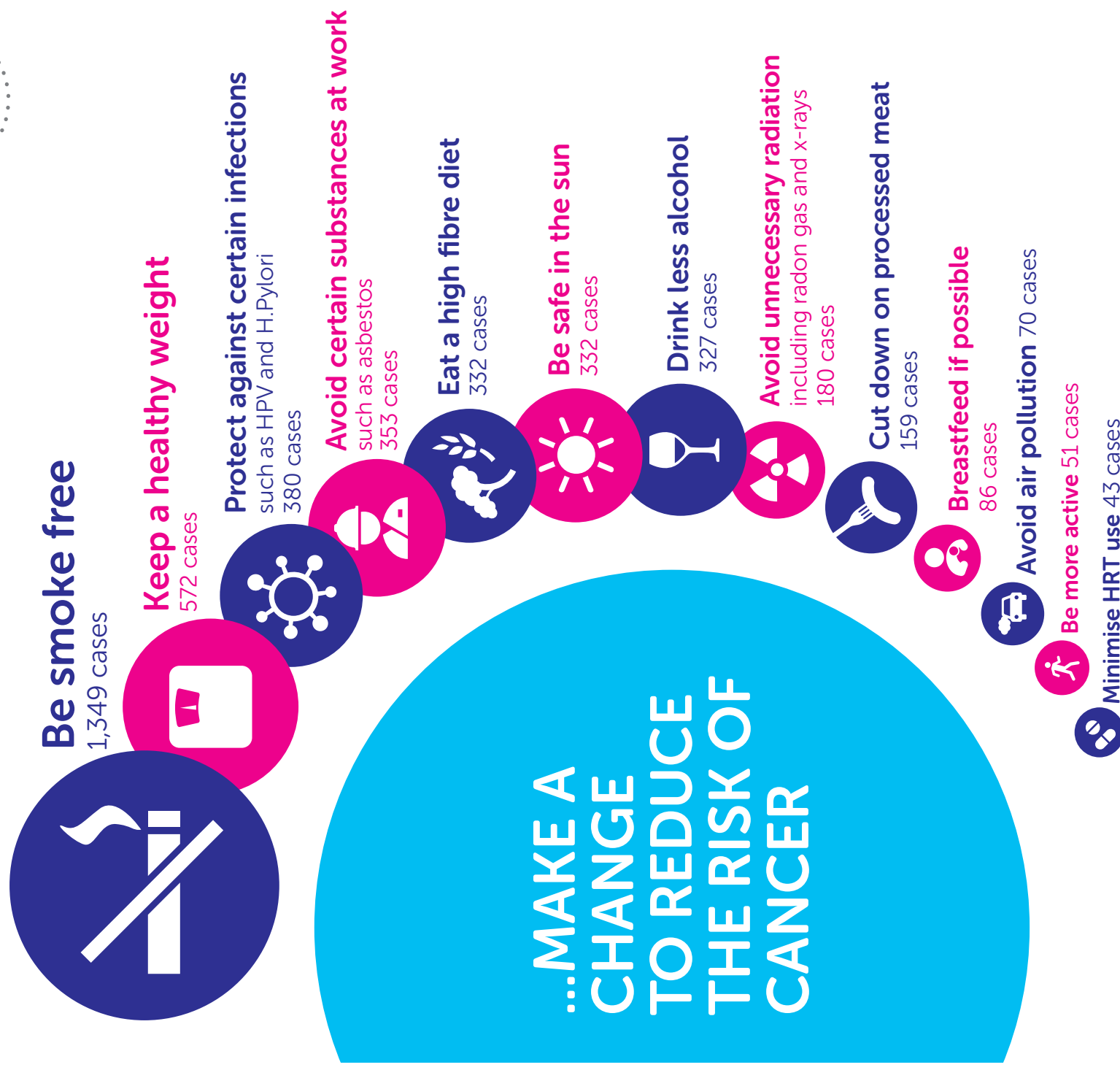
April 2018

For more information please contact margaret.carr@cancer.org.uk

LET'S BEAT CANCER SOONER

cruk.org/ni

4 IN 10 CANCER CASES IN NORTHERN IRELAND CAN BE PREVENTED...



Circle size here is not relative to other infographics based on Brown et al 2018.

Source: Brown et al, British Journal of Cancer, 2018

LET'S BEAT CANCER SOONER
cruk.org/prevention



CANCER
RESEARCH
UK