

StatsUpdate

Topic: **New Cases of Primary Cancer**
2010
Released by Statistics Canada – July 10, 2014

Background: For Nunavut, in 2010 the rate of new cases of primary cancer was **164.9** per 100,000 persons, down by **2.3%** from 2009. Nunavut tends to have the lowest incidence of primary cancer cases out of all provinces and territories.

For all of Canada, the rate of new cases was **504.7** per 100,000 persons, down by **1.2%** from the previous year.

Detail:

Cancer Incidence in Canada, 2010			
	2010	2009	2010 Compared to 2009
	Rate per 100,000 Population		% change
Nunavut	164.9	168.7	-2.3
Canada	498.7	504.7	-1.2
Newfoundland and Labrador	562.3	559.3	0.5
Prince Edward Island	561.1	586.1	-4.3
Nova Scotia	598.1	580.4	3.0
New Brunswick	569.7	594.7	-4.2
Quebec	555.0	565.6	-1.9
Ontario	494.3	487.1	1.5
Manitoba	496.8	509.3	-2.5
Saskatchewan	469.4	497.7	-5.7
Alberta	392.5	403.4	-2.7
British Columbia	471.5	498.2	-5.4
Yukon	332.4	385.4	-13.8
Northwest Territories	277.3	301.3	-8.0

Note to Readers:

1. Incidence refers to the number of newly diagnosed cases of cancer.
2. Since cancer is more likely to occur in older people, the age structure of a population will have a strong influence on the cancer incidence rates observed. To allow more valid comparisons over time, age-standardized rates are used to control for differences in population age-structure. The age-standardized rate is the rate that would occur if the population of interest had the same age-structure as the standard population. The current standard population used here is the July 1, 1991 Canadian Standard.

For more statistical information, visit our website at <http://www.stats.gov.nu.ca/en/home.aspx>.