

Summary of projected number of cancer cases and deaths in Nova Scotia (NS) in 2026*

Cancer	Both sexes		Males		Females	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
All cancers	7,800	3,000	4,000	1,600	3,800	1,450
Bladder	380	70	280	45	100	25
Brain and other nervous system	100	75	55	50	45	35
Breast	870	190	10	5	860	190
Cervix	45	15	N/A	N/A	45	15
Colorectal	910	330	440	170	460	160
Esophagus	140	130	110	110	30	25
Head and neck	220	65	160	50	65	20
Hodgkin lymphoma	30	5	20	5	15	—
Kidney and renal pelvis	360	85	220	55	140	30
Leukemia	190	100	120	70	75	30
Liver and intrahepatic bile duct	150	110	100	60	45	50
Lung and bronchus	1,200	760	530	370	650	390
Melanoma	480	50	260	35	220	15
Myeloma	100	60	60	35	40	25
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	350	110	190	60	160	50
Ovary	85	50	N/A	N/A	85	50
Pancreas	210	200	110	100	100	90
Prostate	830	170	830	170	N/A	N/A
Soft tissue (including heart)	40	20	25	10	20	10
Stomach	95	55	60	30	30	25
Testis	30	—	30	—	N/A	N/A
Thyroid	140	10	40	5	95	5
Uterus (body, NOS)	240	50	N/A	N/A	240	50
Source**	Males + Females		Supplementary Tables A-2-2 (cases) and A2-4 (deaths)			

NOS=not otherwise specified; NA=not applicable; — fewer than 3 cases or deaths

*Estimates of cases and deaths are from [Projected estimates of cancer in Canada in 2026](https://cancer.ca/statistics), available through cancer.ca/statistics. Please email any questions to stats@cancer.ca.

Cases	Projected number of cancer diagnoses in 2026 (based on data to 2019)
Deaths	Projected number of cancer deaths in 2026 (based on data to 2022)

[Canadian Cancer Statistics Dashboard](#) presents the above cancer statistics in a new user-friendly format with interactive visualizations.

When using any of the above statistics, the following reference is recommended:

****Source:** Brenner DR, Gillis JL, Demers A, Ellison LF, Ng C, Zhang SX, Finley C, Fitzgerald N, Saint-Jacques N, Shack L, Turner D, Urquhart R, Woods RR; for the Canadian Cancer Statistics Advisory Committee. Projected estimates of cancer in Canada in 2026. CMAJ 2026 April 13;198:E526-34. doi: 10.1503/cmaj.252152.

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