

# Lung health in VICTORIA



**1,013,900** long-term respiratory diseases reported in the state (excl. lung cancer)

**595,300** people currently smoke tobacco (aged 15 years and over)

**742,600+** people potentially working in high risk industries



**\$3.7bn**

spent on lung conditions in Victoria in 2022-23

**8% of disease-related health spending**

## The impact of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)

**1,670** deaths in 2023

Cause of more deaths than diabetes

**5,450** years of life potentially lost in 2023

Early diagnosis and timely intervention can slow disease progression

**13,715** potentially preventable hospitalisations in 2022-23

**#4** cause among chronic conditions

## Lung cancer is Victoria's leading cause of cancer death, but lacks support compared to other common cancers

**12,656**

years of life potentially lost in 2023

**72,900+**

people potentially eligible for lung cancer screening in 2025



**Specialist lung cancer nurses**

urgently needed in at least **6 public hospitals**



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**1 in 3** people have a lung condition