

Lung health in

WESTERN AUSTRALIA



353,300

long-term respiratory diseases
reported in the state (excl. lung cancer)

255,700

people currently smoke tobacco
(aged 15 years and over)

370,600+

people potentially working in
high risk industries



\$1.4bn

spent on lung conditions
in WA in 2022-23

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

The impact of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)

662

deaths in 2023

Cause of more deaths than diabetes

2,164

years of life potentially lost
in 2023

**Early diagnosis and timely intervention
can slow disease progression**

5,577

potentially preventable
hospitalisations in 2022-23

#3 cause among chronic conditions

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

4,633

years of life
potentially
lost in 2023

31,300+

people potentially
eligible for lung
cancer screening
in 2025



**Specialist lung
cancer nurses**

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



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condition.



1 in 3

people have a
lung condition