

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