

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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1 in 3 people have a lung condition