

# Cancer burden in Europe: estimates 2022 and up to 2040

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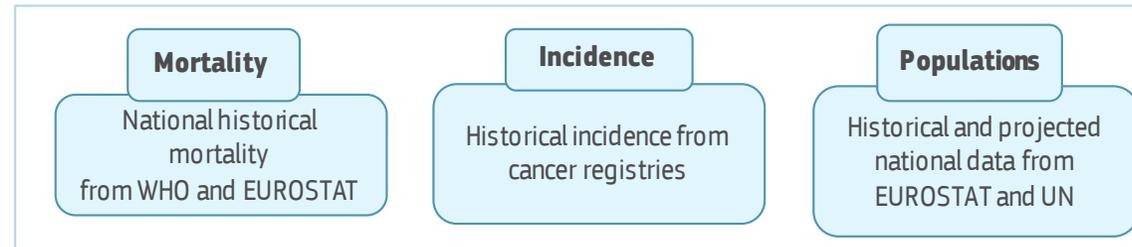
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# Cancer burden estimates

- WHY : to overcome the time lag due to CR and mortality data availability

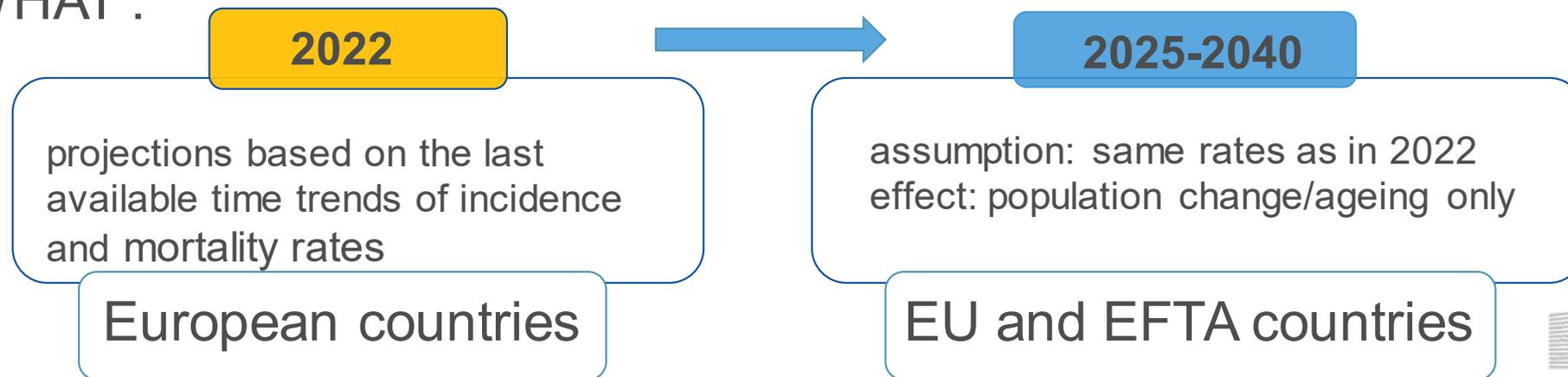
- HOW :



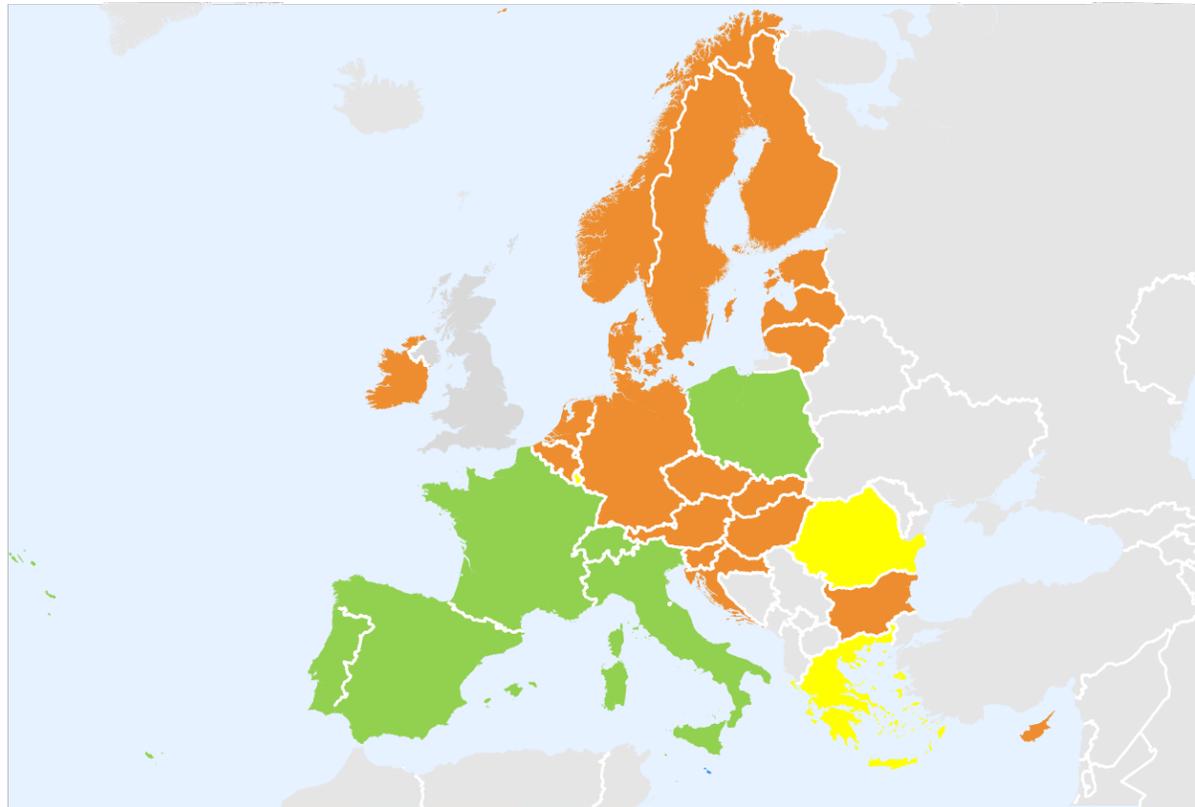
- WHEN : update every 2 years

- WHERE : ECIS and Globocan (collaboration between JRC/ENCR and IARC)

- WHAT :



## Data availability and methods



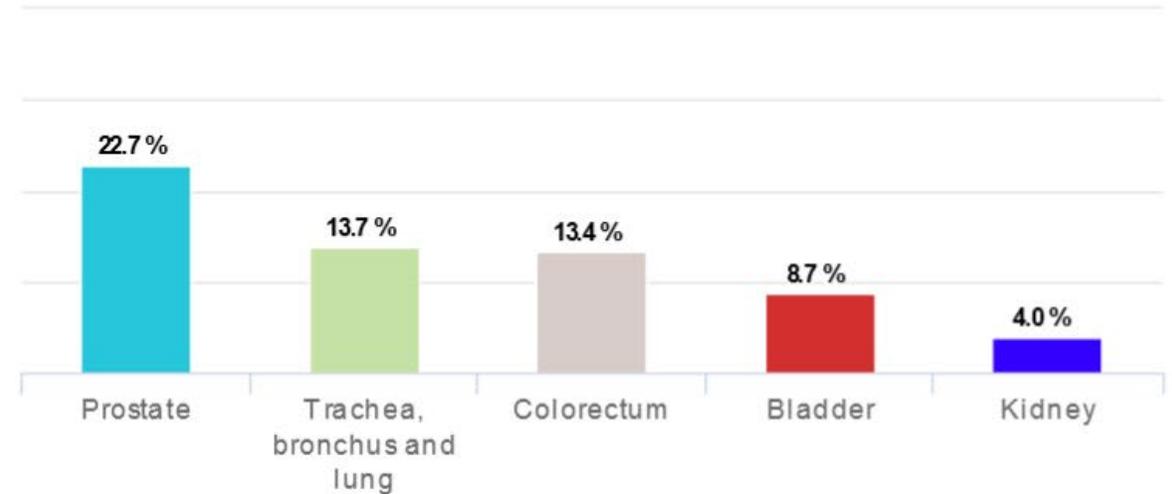
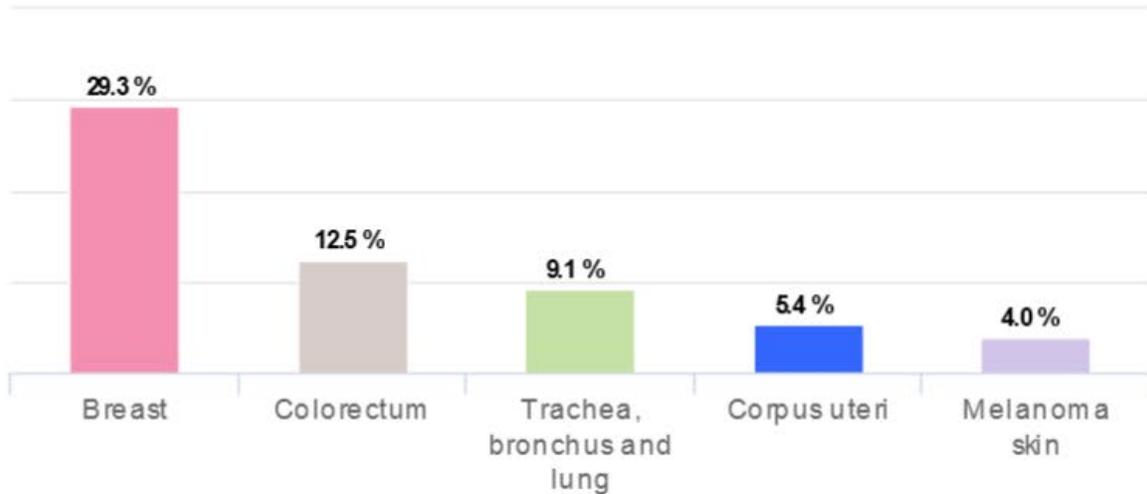
-  Estimates based on national and local incidence data
-  Estimates based on local incidence and national mortality data
-  Estimates based on national mortality and incidence data from neighboring countries

EU and EFTA\* countries

## Most commonly diagnosed cancers in 2022

 1 316 642 new cases

 1 513 070 new cases



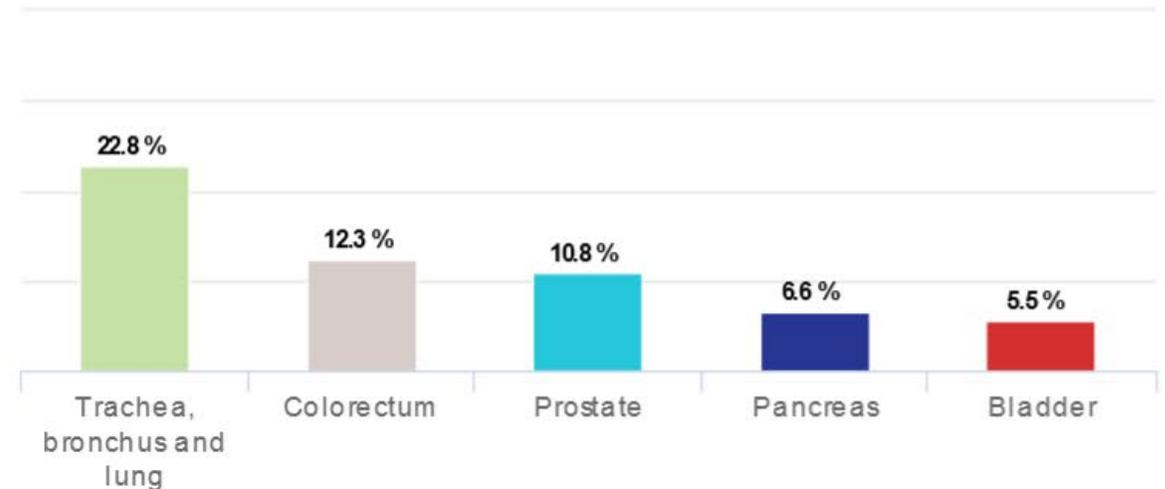
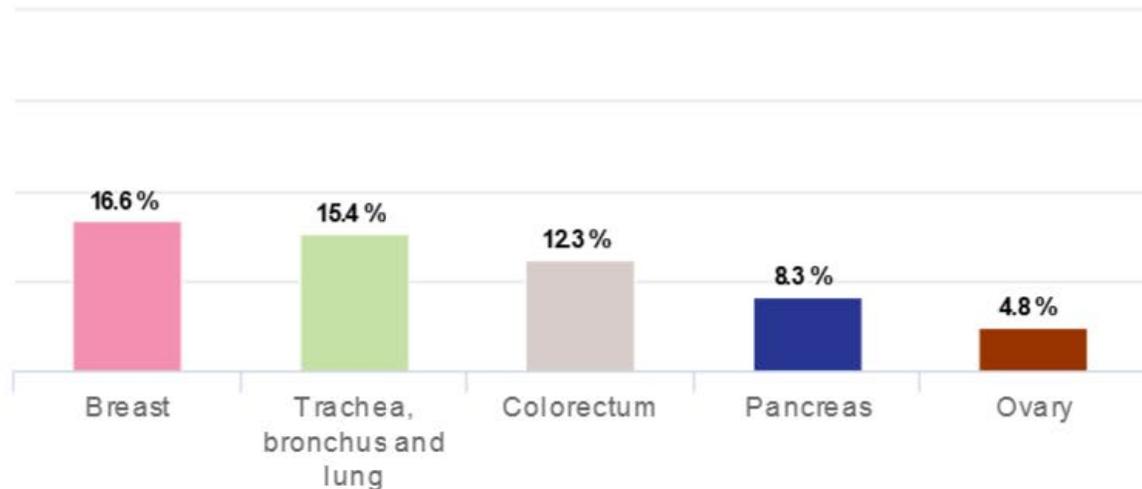
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## Most common cancer causes in 2022

 590 905 deaths

 734 953 deaths



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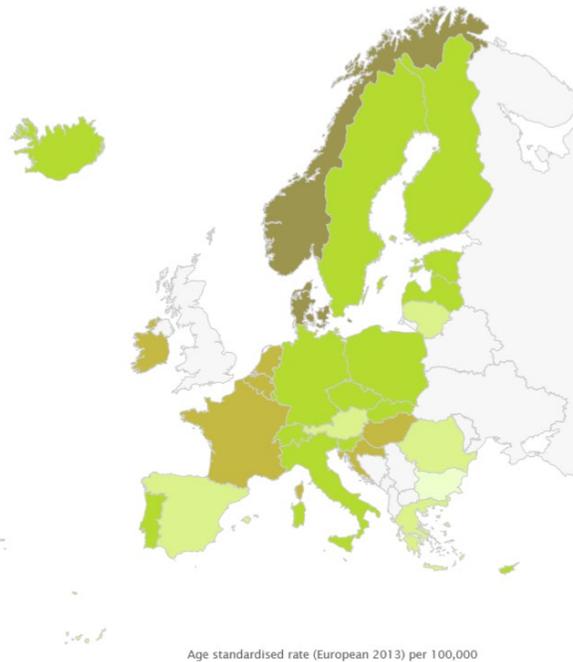
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## Geographical variation in 2022

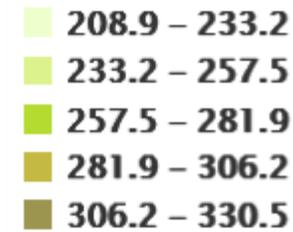
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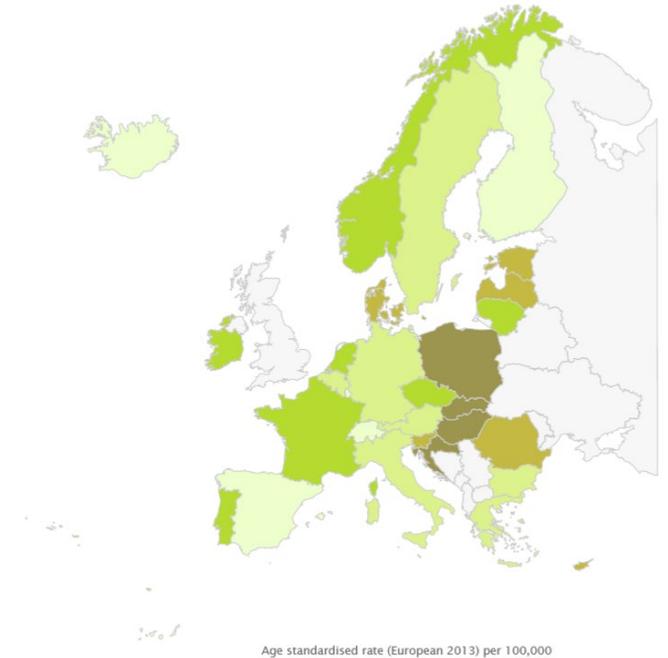
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EU and EFTA\* countries

# 2040 projected population in EU-27 + EFTA\* countries: baseline vs other demographic scenarios

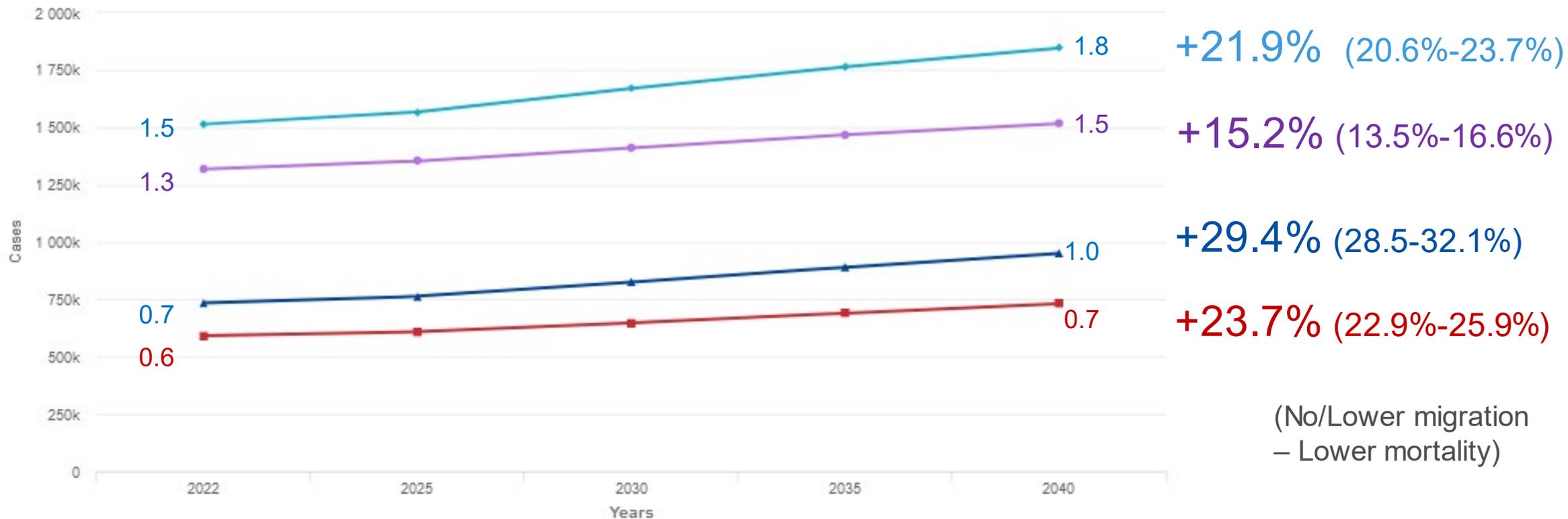
Possible alternative fertility, mortality and migration developments:

- Lower fertility - fertility rates 20% lower
- Lower mortality - life expectancy at birth +2 years by 2070
- Lower migration - net migration -33%
- Higher migration - net migration +33%
- No migration - net migration set to 0.

Each scenario has a different impact on age pyramid of the projected population

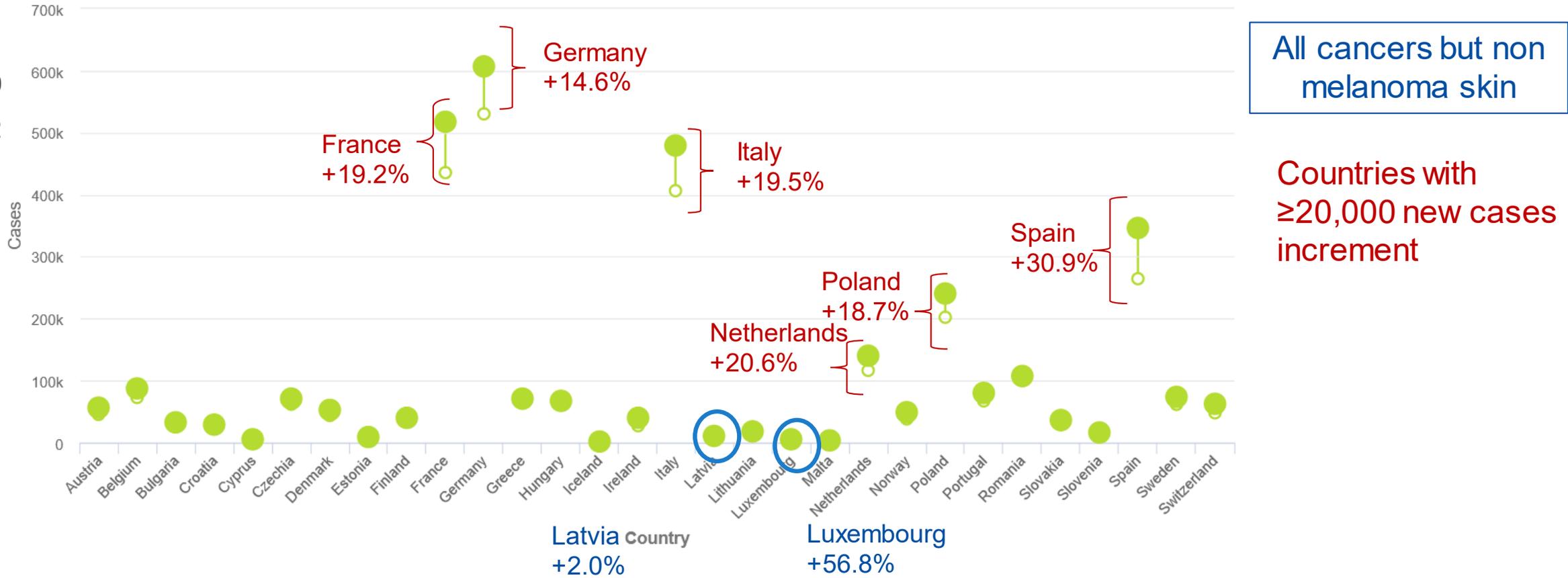
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All cancers but non melanoma skin



EU and EFTA\* countries

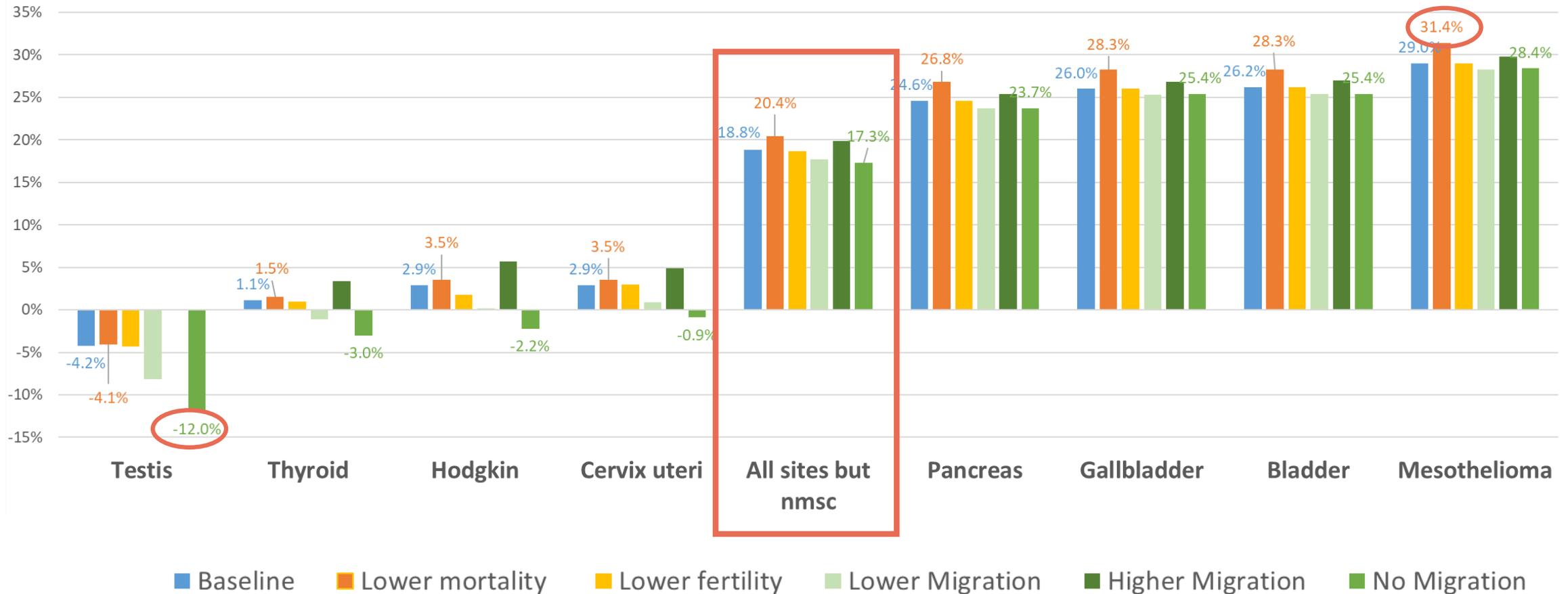
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EU and EFTA\* countries

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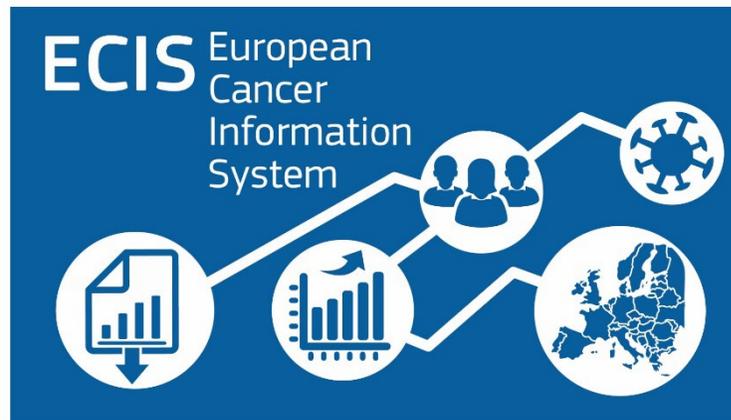
# Estimates of cancer burden in EU and EFTA countries

- 2022 cancer estimates of breast, colorectal, cervical, prostate, lung and gastric cancers account for 54% of all new cancer cases and 50% of cancer deaths in the EU and EFTA countries.
- Cancer diagnoses expected to increase of 19% and cancer deaths of 27% by 2040 due to population ageing in EU and EFTA countries
- **High value of short/long-term estimates for EU cancer health policies**

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# Cancer burden : population-ageing effect up to 2040



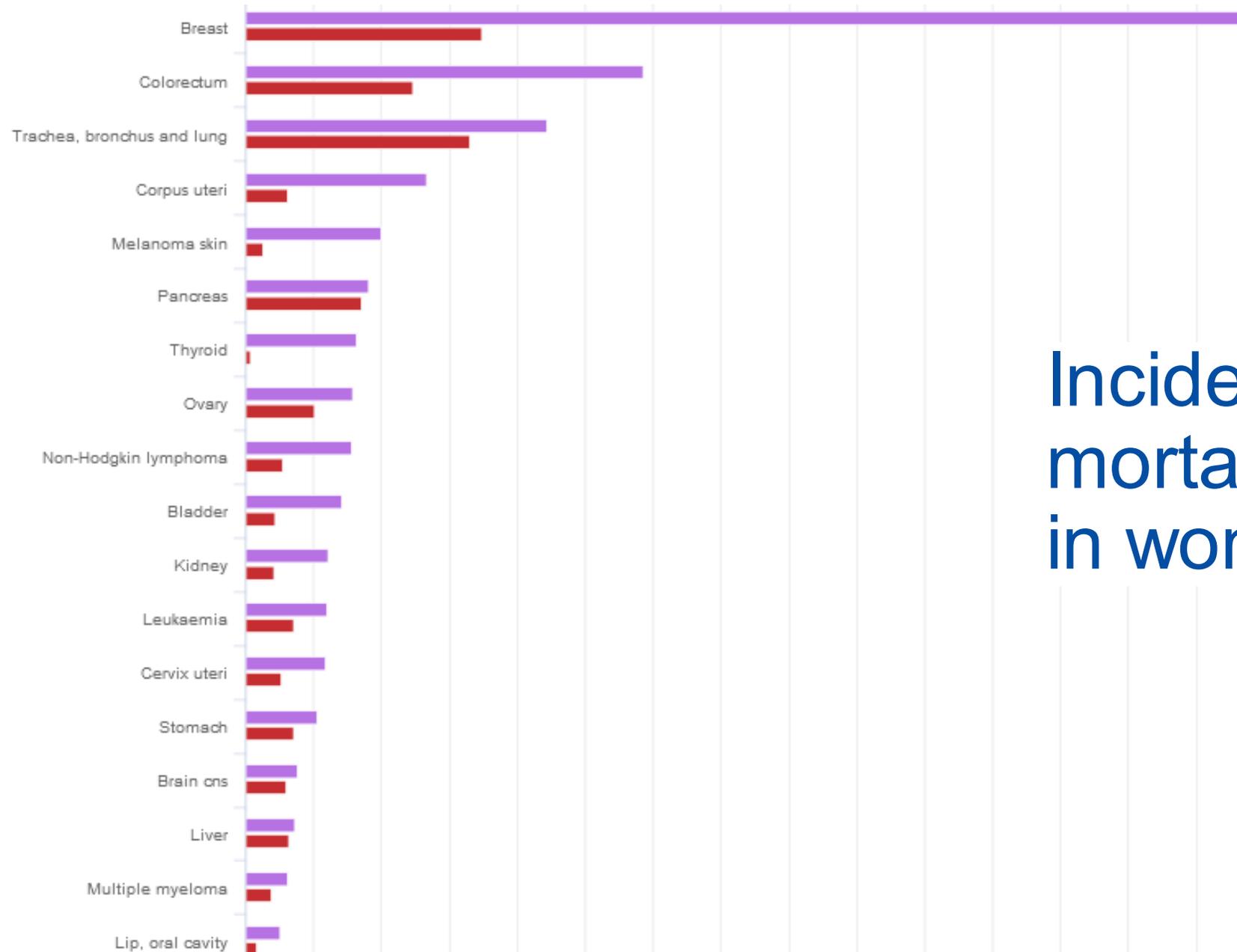
## 2040 projected population in EU-27 + EFTA\* countries: baseline vs other demographic scenarios

- Baseline males
- Baseline females
- Lower Fertility
- Lower Mortality
- Lower Migration
- No Migration
- Higher Migration

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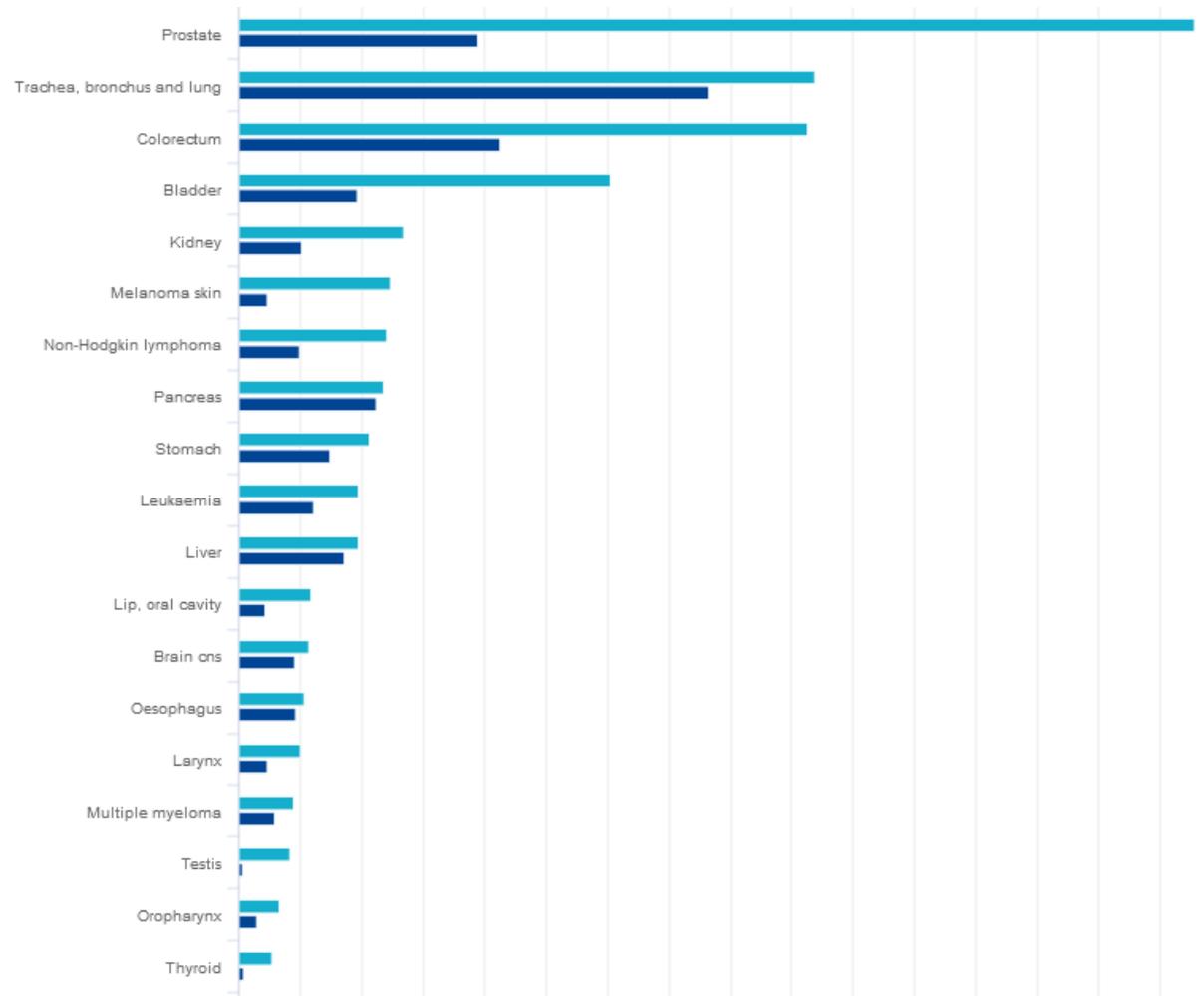
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# Cancer burden : projections to 2022

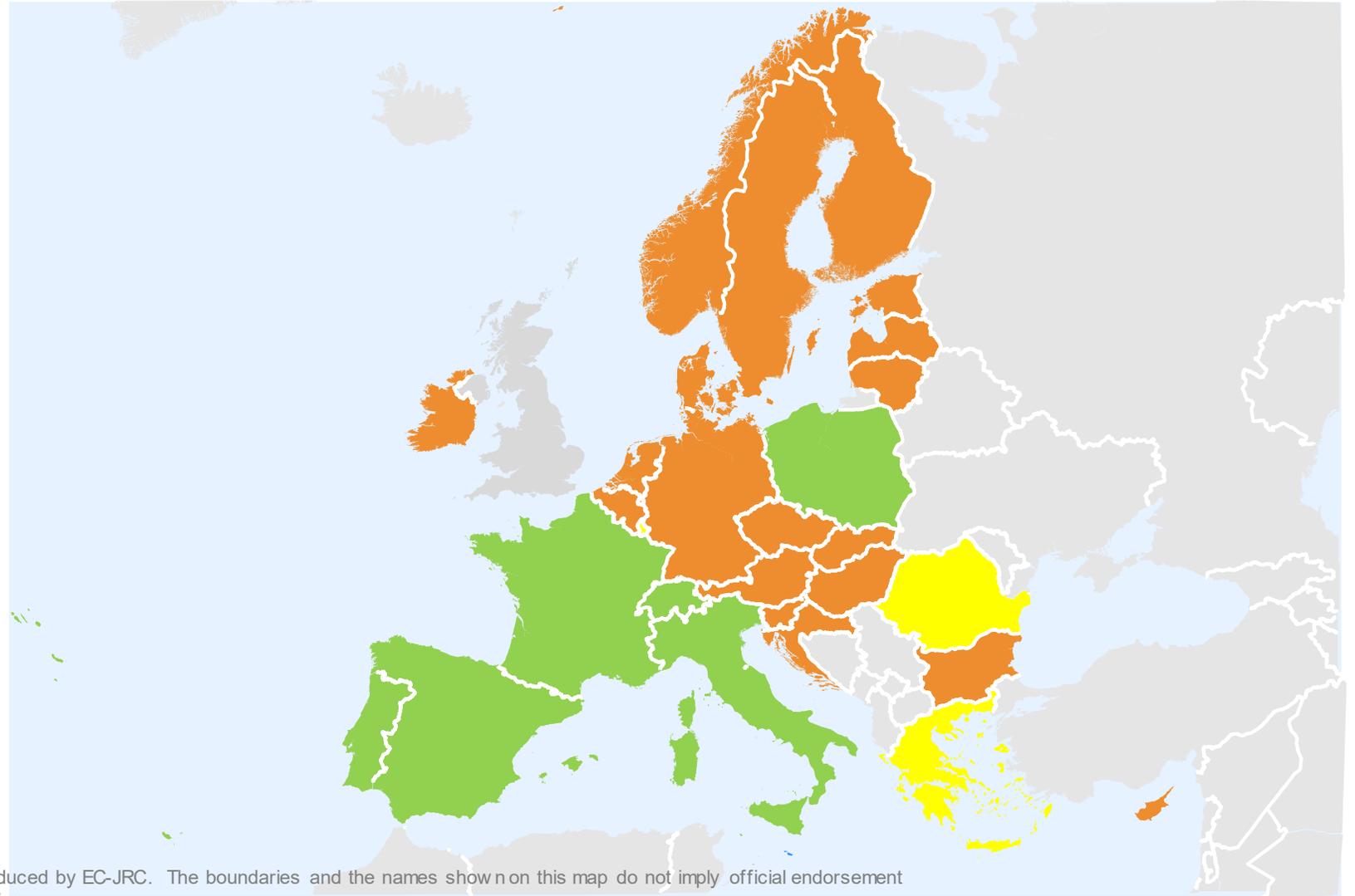


Incidence vs mortality rates in women

## Incidence vs mortality rates in men



# EU countries



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0 250 500 1,000 Km

**Other cancers but nmsc  
26.6%**

**Stomach 2.7%  
Kidney 3.3%**

**Pancreas 3.7%**

**Melanoma 3.8%**

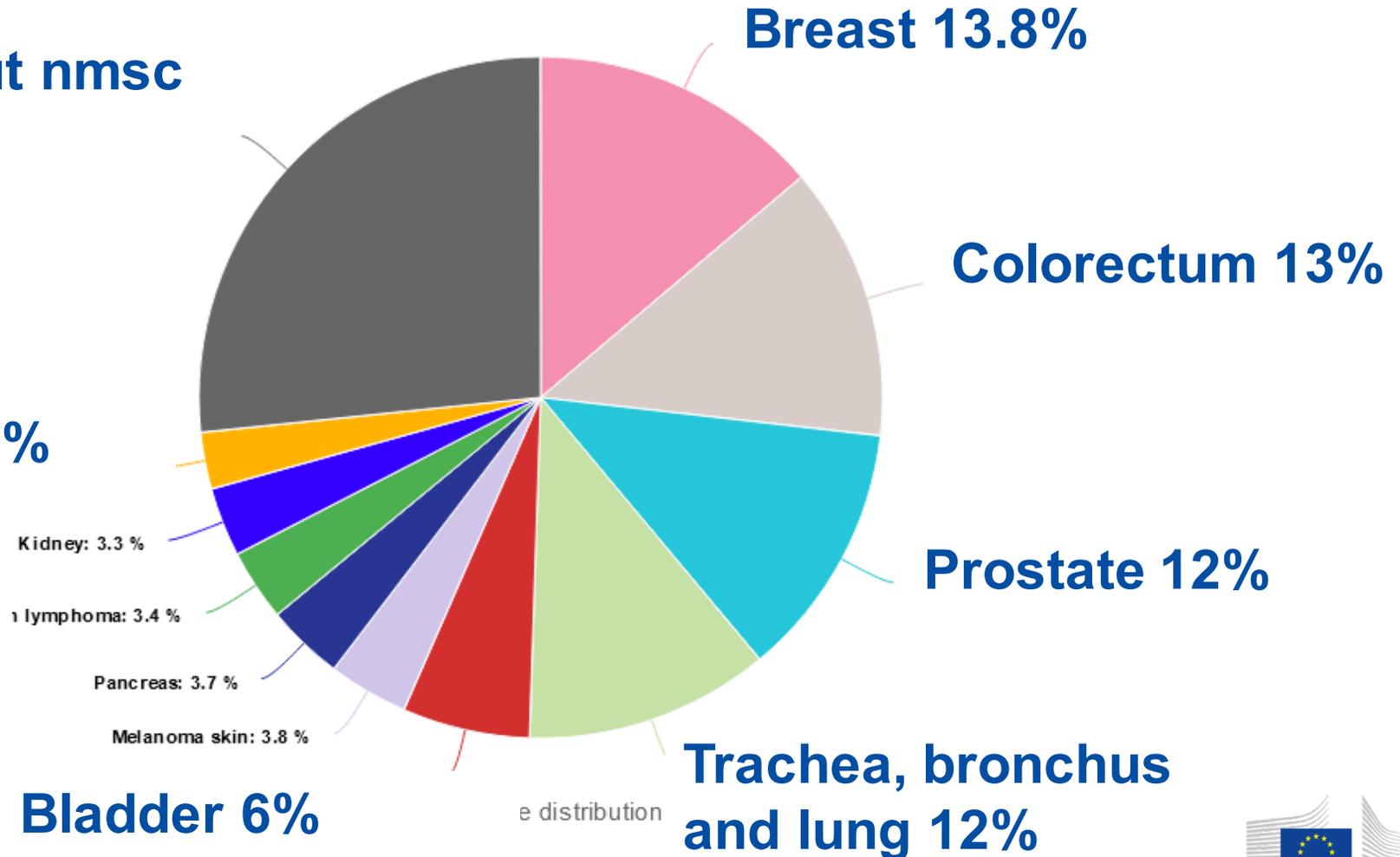
**Bladder 6%**

**Breast 13.8%**

**Colorectum 13%**

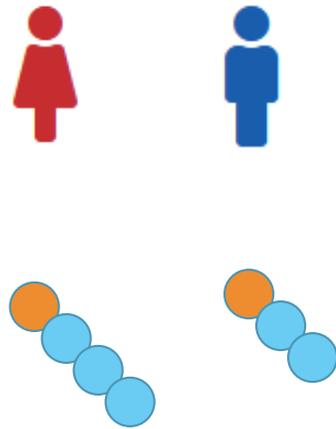
**Prostate 12%**

**Trachea, bronchus  
and lung 12%**

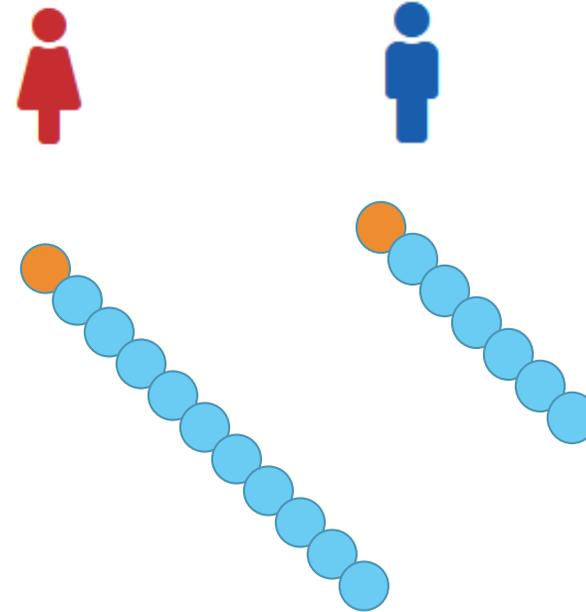


## Lifetime risk for all cancers\* in 2022

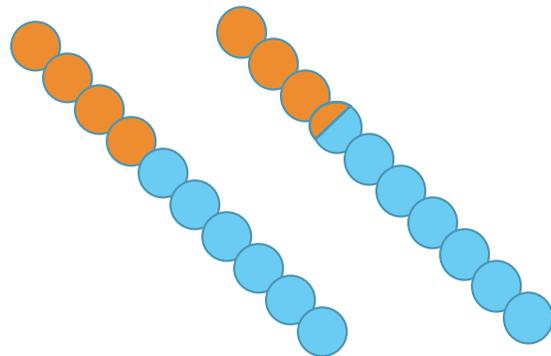
0-74 years



- 1:4 incidence female
- 1:3 incidence male
- 1:11 mortality female
- 1:7 mortality male



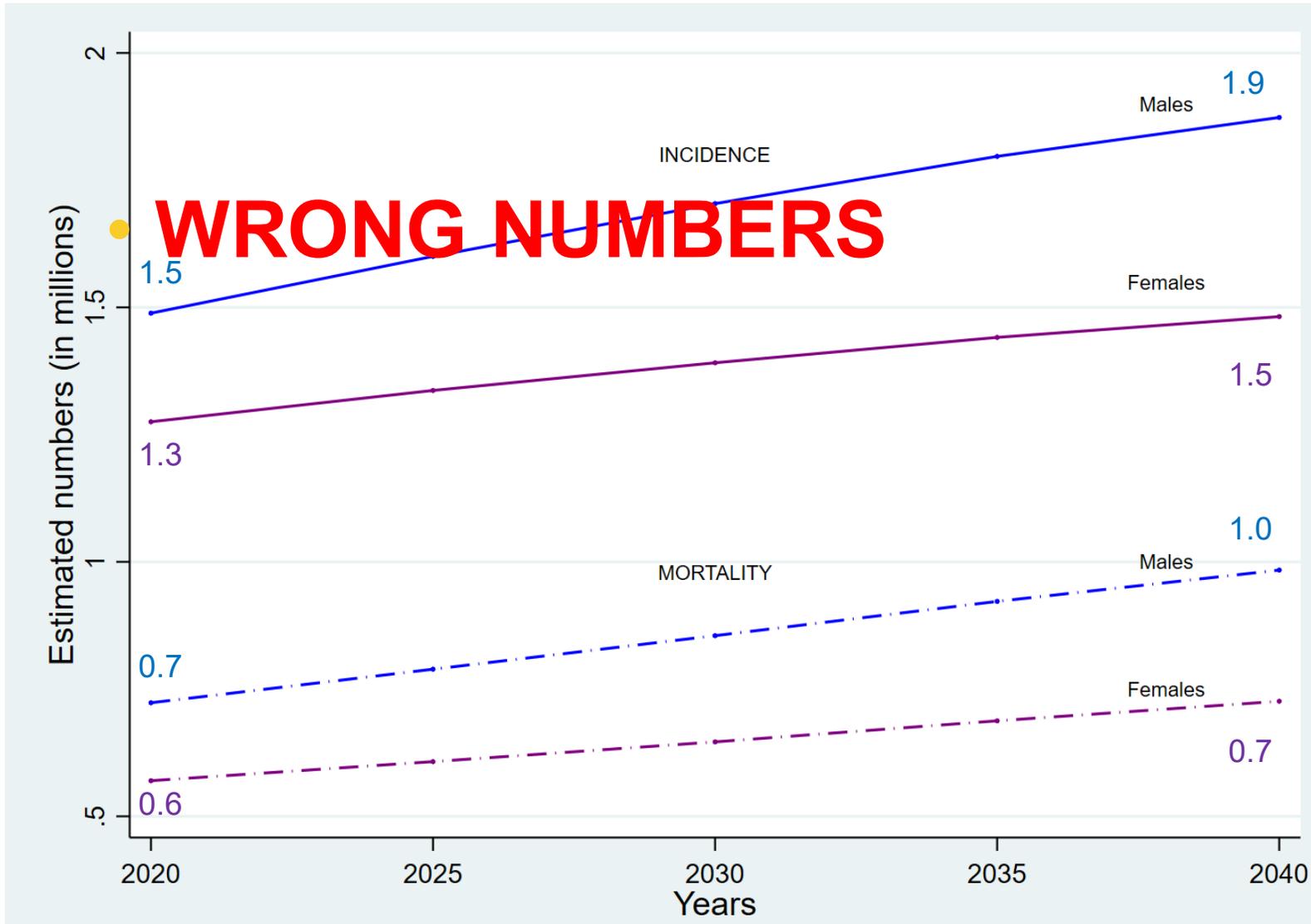
- 25% incidence female
- 31% incidence male
- 9% mortality female
- 13% mortality male



\*but non-melanoma skin cancers



# Long-term cancer burden estimates in EU-27 + EFTA\* countries (baseline scenario)



All cancers but non melanoma skin

+25.8%

+16.2%

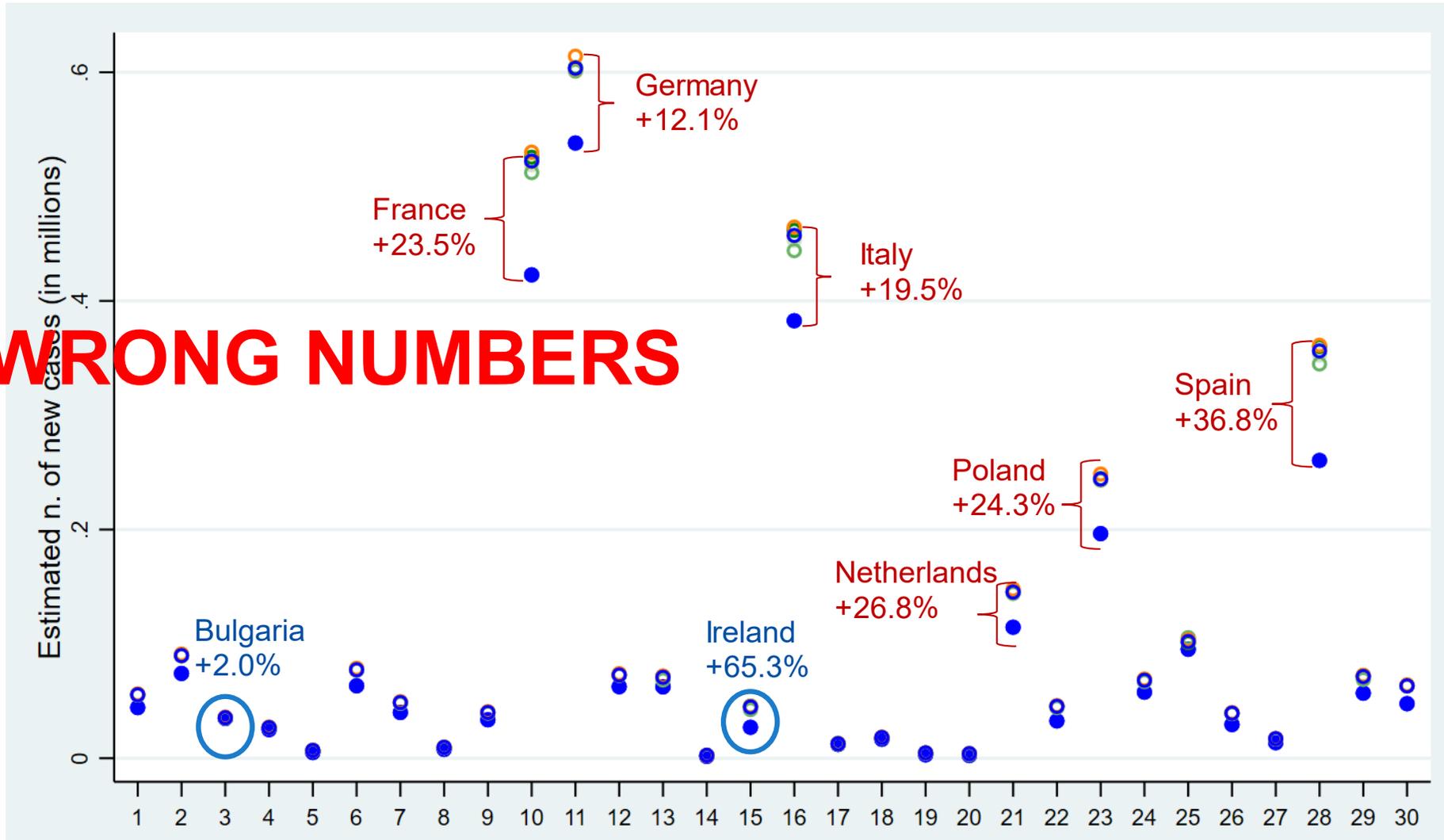
+36.1%

+27.4%

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# Relative change (2040 vs 2020) in cancer incidence by scenario and country – EU-27+EFTA\* countries

● **WRONG NUMBERS**



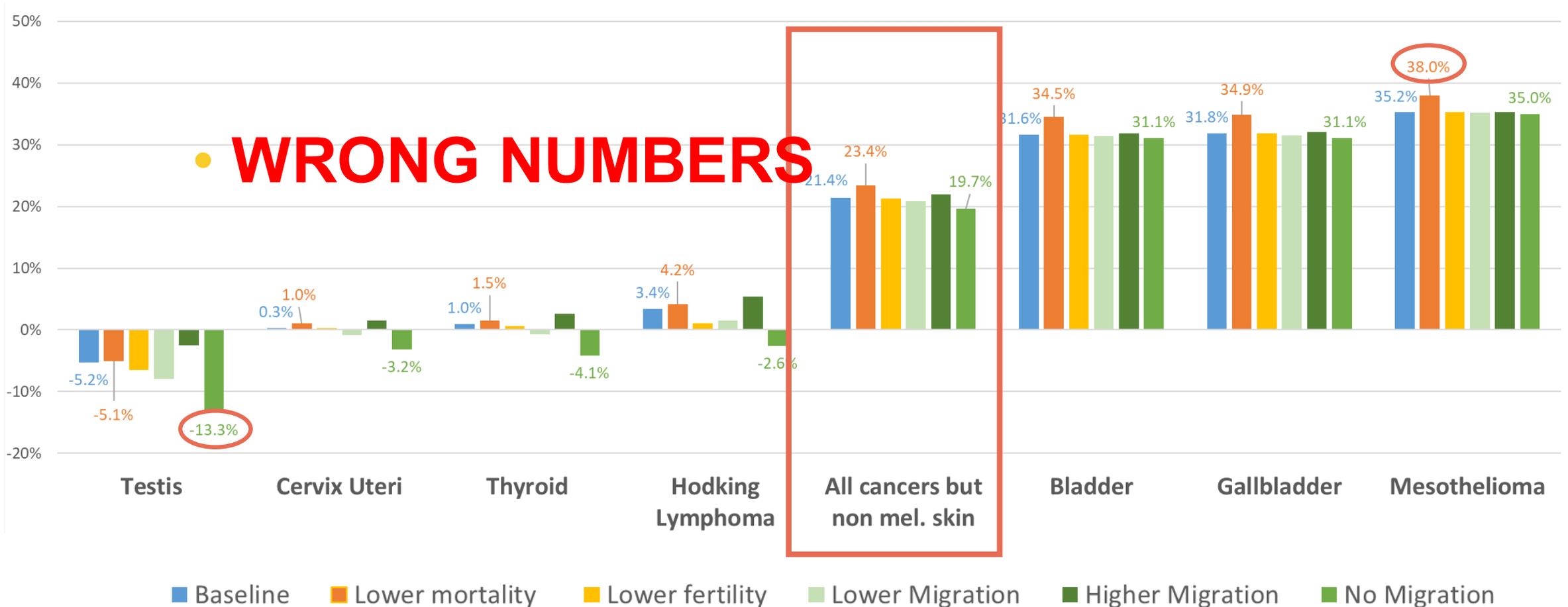
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- 2040 lower mortality
- 2040 lower fertility
- 2040 higher migration
- 2040 lower migration
- 2040 no migration
- 2040 baseline
- 2020

Countries with ≥30,000 new cases increment

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# Relative change (2040 vs 2020) in cancer incidence for selected cancers in EU-27+EFTA\* countries



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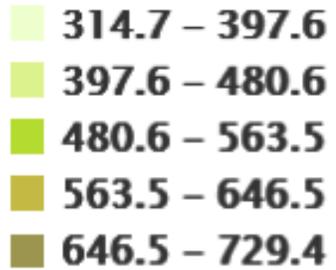
- Different assumptions for fertility, mortality, and migration impact the age pyramid structure of projected population of EU-27 + EFTA\* countries.
- Number of new cancer cases and cancer deaths is expected to increase by 2040 and the increase is country, cancer site and population assumptions specific:
  - biggest increments for **lower mortality** scenario, smallest increments for **no migration** scenario
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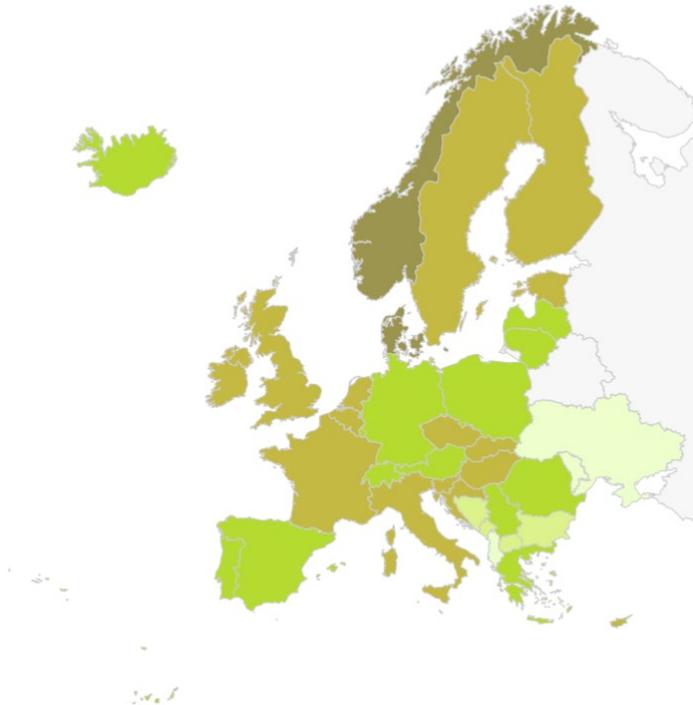
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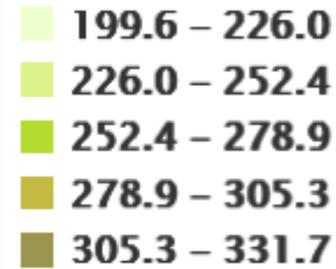
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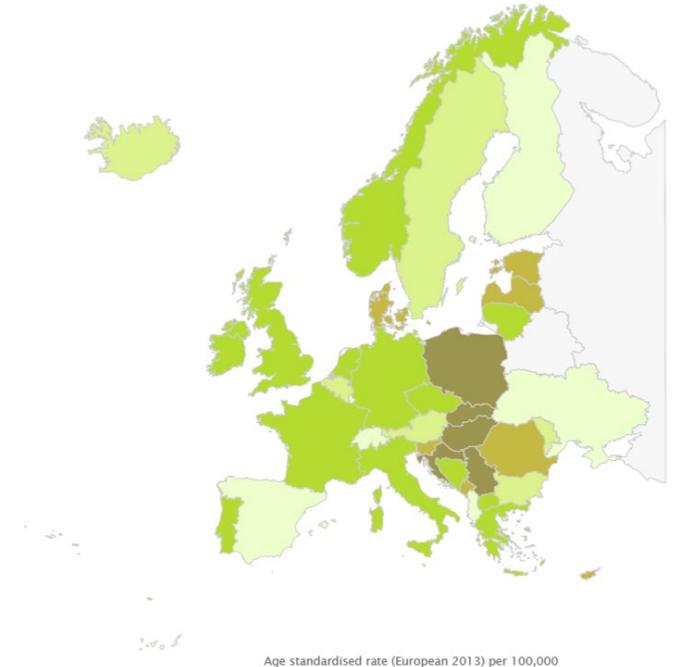
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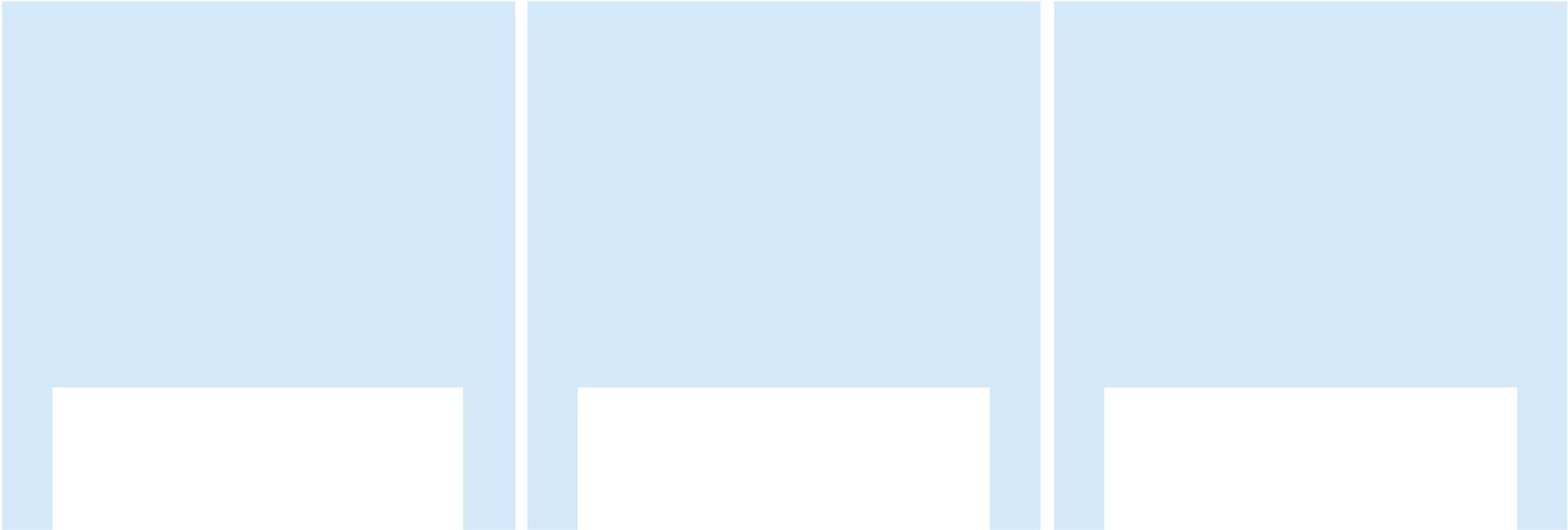


Age standardised rate (European 2013) per 100,000

European countries









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