

NEW ZEALAND BREAST CANCER REGISTER

For more information about the
New Zealand Breast Cancer Register
or breast cancer, please contact:

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breastcancerfoundation.org.nz/breastcancerregister

Acknowledgement of support

- Breast cancer clinicians and members of the Clinical Advisory Group
- Ministry of Health
- Breast Cancer Foundation NZ - Primary funder of the Breast Cancer Register since 2000

For more information

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OUR MISSION: TO IMPROVE THE CARE AND OUTCOME
OF BREAST CANCER PATIENTS IN NEW ZEALAND

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Breast cancer facts in New Zealand

- Breast cancer is the most common cancer in women with one in nine women diagnosed in their lifetime and over 3,000 registrations per year.
- Breast cancer in men is less common, with about 25 men diagnosed per year.
- Breast cancer survival rates are amongst the highest of all cancers due to scientific advances, and ever improving standards of treatment and care.

There are steady improvements in breast cancer management as we learn from clinical trials and studies. However future progress depends on ongoing audit of standards of care and research, including careful recording of what happens to individual patients diagnosed with breast cancer.

What can you do to help?

The New Zealand Breast Cancer Register collects information on patients who are diagnosed with breast cancer in New Zealand. It is a confidential resource, vital in helping doctors and researchers better understand how breast cancer is diagnosed, treated, and patient outcomes or survival. The Register aims to ensure best standards of care are met for New Zealand patients with breast cancer.

Data is also sent to a quality audit, directed and funded by Breast Surgeons of Australia and New Zealand, to ensure that breast surgeons can achieve the highest standards of patient care.

Additional information about your health status may be sought from other agencies. If the Register attempts to obtain data in this way, we will provide the other agency managers with the minimum identifying information necessary to ensure matching of records. Any additional data gained will be securely stored.

We are asking you to allow your information to be included in the register, and this may include data managers contacting your GP for annual follow-up data. Annual follow-up data will allow recurrent and new breast cancers to be identified and added to the register. The more complete the data, the greater the value of the Register for improving treatment and care.

If at any stage you do not wish to be included in the Register,

Please email:

Data Manager Auckland at
breastcancerregister@adhb.govt.nz

or call:

Auckland - (09) 630 9943 ext. 26730
Christchurch - (03) 378 6389
Waikato - (07) 839 8726 ext. 97503
Wellington - (04) 918 5114

Or write to:

Free Post 104
NZ Breast Cancer Register
Private Bag 92189
Breast Clinic, Level 6, Building 4
Greenlane Clinic Centre
Auckland 1142

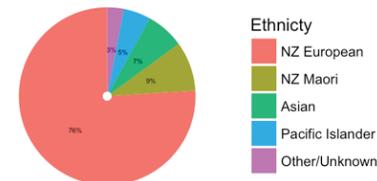
Representatives from the following Specialities comprise the Clinical Advisory Group membership:

Breast Surgery	Chair Medical Advisory Committee (BCFNZ)
Breast Pathology	Scientific Representative
Medical Oncology	Consumer Representative
Data Managers	Moari Representative
Breast Physician	Pacific Representative
Epidemiology	Funding Representative (BCFNZ)

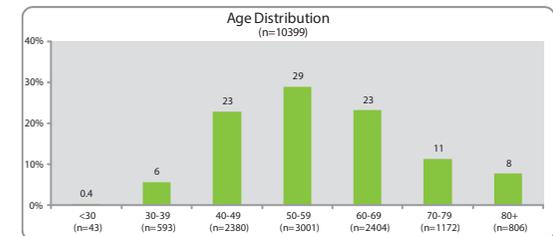
Useful information from the Breast Cancer Register

Diagnosed by Ethnicity

NZ Register (63% of registrations)
(N=19809)



Demographics (by patient)



At Diagnosis: Patients aged under 45 years 2% / Patients aged over 69 years 8%
Family History: Family history of a first degree relative with breast and/or ovarian cancer was reported by 17% of patients. Of these, 14% reported more than one first degree relative with breast and/or ovarian cancer.

Breast Cancer Survival by Method of Detection

Presentation/Detection Method	5 Year (%) Survival	10 Year (%) Survival
Screen Detected (n=3364, 38.3%)	96.1	92.2
Other** (n=5419, 61.7%)	82.8	75.2

*(Auckland region)

