Lung Cancer Scorecard 2023





v 2018-2020 (25,680 lung cancer deaths; \$30.9m research funding). AIHW 2022 Cat. no: CAN 122; Cancer Australia 2023. Cancer Research in Australia

* Turn over to see how lung cancer screening will positively impact survivorship

[^] Lung Foundation Australia internal information

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Celebrating progress in lung cancer



Lung cancer screening

In the first 10 years, the lung cancer screening program will save over 12,000 lives. If Australians with lung cancer are diagnosed at Stage I, their five-year survival rate nears 70%. The screening program will detect lung cancers at an early stage.



Specialist Lung Cancer Nurses

In 2023, there will be 47 Specialist Lung Cancer Nurses in Australia.

"If it wasn't for [the specialist nurse service], it would have been much later before we got to see an oncologist" - Carer of a NSW resident living with lung cancer with access to a Specialist Lung Cancer Nurse.

What still needs to be done

More nurses

While 47 Specialist Lung Cancer Nurses (SLCN) is great progress, there are still equity and access issues. We would need over 230 nurses to ensure that all Australians with lung cancer have access to this vital service.

	+100 SLCN	+230 SLCN
Would Support	10,000 Australians (44% of patients)	All Australans with lung cancer
At an annual cost of:	\$15,381,250	\$34,321,030
While delivering health savings of:	\$18,101,850	\$41,140,560
Equating to:	428 life-years saved	973 life-years saved



Investment in research and treatment

Investment in research and new treatments is desperately needed.

Current funding for lung cancer does not match its burden and is not equitable. Research leads to improved care, treatment and outcomes. New treatments, including immunotherapies, are providing a life-saving solution for patients. Patients need access to comprehensive genomic profiling and new treatments in a timely and affordable manner.

On World Lung Cancer Day last year, we showed you a video from ten Australians living with lung cancer, and their ask of the 47th Parliament. While we have come a long way, there is more to be done, and we encourage you to re-watch their message on this important day. To watch, please scan the QR code:





For more information on Lung Foundation Australia's strategic blueprint for lung cancer, scan this QR code:

