

Letter to the editor

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OPEN LETTER TO THE EDITOR OF ARCHIVE OF ONCOLOGY FROM CANCER REGISTRY OF VOJVODINA

Dear Editor,

Following our previous data reports, in this issue we presented the mortality data from Cancer Registry of Vojvodina (CRV) for 2010. The total number of deaths from cancer in Vojvodina in 2010, was 5957. Out of that, 57.8% belonged to men and male/female ratio was 1.37. Lung, colorectal, and prostate were the leading cancer sites in men. Rank of mortality sites was similar to the incidence. Differences were noticed in proportions for certain cancers. Therefore, every third case was a lung cancer. Breast, lung, and colorectal cancers were the leading sites among women. Lung and colorectal cancers changed the position in regard to incident data. Every fifth cancer was a breast cancer.

Our data are similar to data from the countries in region (1, 2). For comparison with other countries, standardization procedure must be used. Archive of Oncology is the source of cancer epidemiology data from CRV and it will be in the future.

Table 2. Number of death cancer cases by leading sites in females, Vojvodina, 2010

Sites of the cancers	Number	%
Breast (C50)	506	20.14
Lung/Bronchus (C34)	346	13.76
Colon/Rectum (C18-C20)	301	11.97
Cervix uteri (C53)	147	5.85
Ovary (C56)	117	4.65
Pancreas (C25)	97	3.86
Corpus uteri (C54)	96	3.82
Stomach (C16)	83	3.30
Liver (C22)	49	1.95
Leukemia (C91-C95)	41	1.63
Kidney/Renal pelvis (C64-C65)	38	1.51
Gallbladder (C23)	36	1.43
Lymphoma (C81-C85)	34	1.35
Melanoma skin (C43)	32	1.27
Unknown primary (C80)	100	3.98
Other sites	491	19.53
TOTAL	2514	100.00

Table 1. Number of death cancer cases by leading sites in males, Vojvodina, 2010

Sites of the cancers	Number	%
Lung/Bronchus (C34)	1120	32.52
Colon/Rectum (C18-C20)	440	12.78
Prostate (C61)	260	7.55
Stomach (C16)	165	4.79
Urinary bladder (C67)	138	4.01
Pancreas (C25)	120	3.48
Larynx (C32)	99	2.88
Brain (C71)	88	2.56
Liver (C22)	80	2.32
Esophagus (C15)	65	1.89
Leukemia (C91-C95)	63	1.83
Kidney/Renal pelvis (C64-C65)	62	1.80
Lymphoma (C81-C85)	57	1.66
Melanoma skin (C43)	43	1.25
Unknown primary (C80)	139	4.04
Other sites	504	14.64
TOTAL	3443	100.00

Conflicts of Interest

We declare no conflicts of interest.

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