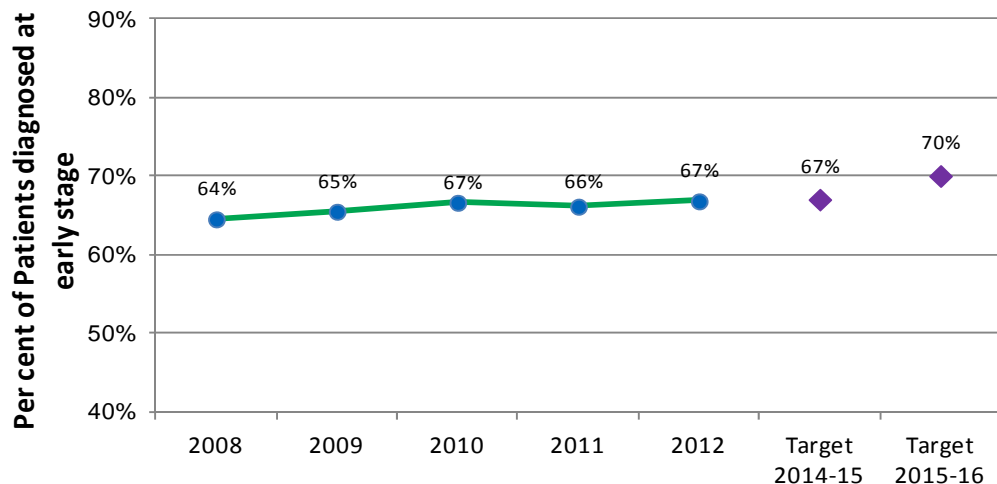


Early Detection of Cancer – Provincial Details

See below for additional zone details where available.

Early Detection of Cancer



Measure Definition

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This measure covers the three most common cancers; breast, cervical and colorectal. It represents the percentage of invasive cancer cases diagnosed in the stages (Stage I, and II (and stage 0 for breast cancer)) in relation to all patients diagnosed with these diseases in all stages.

Note: National Average not available.

Understanding this Measure

Patients whose cancers are captured at early stages have higher survival rates than those who were diagnosed at later stages. Provincial cancer screening programs aim to diagnose cancers at the earliest stage possible in the target population. This measure is developed to reflect both screening effectiveness and efficiency of clinical diagnosis pathways.

2014-15 Actions:

- Implement strategies to improve cancer screening participation rates among target populations.
- Engage physicians with implementation of Fecal Immunochemical Testing (FIT) and the new Alberta Colorectal Cancer Screening Program (ACRCSP) clinical practice guidelines.
- Work with Family Care Clinics, Primary Care Networks, physicians and Lab to increase uptake of FIT.
- Implement follow-up processes for patients with positive FIT results.
- Continue ongoing cancer prevention enhancements through provincial cancer screening initiatives:
 - Colorectal screening (FIT and colonoscopies)
 - Breast cancer screening -Mobile mammography
 - Cervical cancer screening
- Implement the Aboriginal Access Initiative to improve access to services.

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Zone	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2014-15 Target	2015-16 Target
Provincial	64%	65%	67%	66%	67%	67%	70%
South	60%	66%	68%	64%	63%	66%	70%
Calgary	66%	69%	66%	70%	70%	70%	71%
Central	62%	61%	63%	62%	63%	64%	69%
Edmonton	65%	65%	69%	66%	66%	67%	70%
North	65%	61%	65%	61%	64%	64%	69%

Note: 2012 most recent data available. Data dependent on Canadian Community Health Survey data reporting cycle.