

Lung health in the NORTHERN TERRITORY



17,100 long-term respiratory diseases
reported in the territory (excl. lung cancer)

21,800 people currently smoke tobacco
(aged 15 years and over)

20,300+ people potentially working in
high risk industries



\$147m

spent on lung conditions
in the NT in 2022-23

**8% of disease-related
health spending**

The impact of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)

72 deaths in 2023

#3 cause of death

798 years of life potentially lost
in 2023

**Early diagnosis and timely intervention
can slow disease progression**

1,533 potentially preventable
hospitalisations in 2022-23

#1 cause among chronic conditions

**Lung cancer is the NT's leading cause of cancer death,
but lacks support compared to other common cancers**

807

years of life
potentially
lost in 2023

2,400+

people potentially
eligible for lung
cancer screening
in 2025



**Specialist lung
cancer nurses**

**urgently needed
in at least
1 public
hospital**



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condition.



1 in 3
people have a
lung condition