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State of the Nation Report 2025

The second **NKCA State of the Nation report** was published on Thursday 11th September 2025. More information is available on our [new website](#).

Report includes results for eight performance indicators for people diagnosed with kidney cancer between **January 2018 and December 2022 in England**, and **January 2022 to December 2023 in Wales**. It also describes the national picture and variation between **NHS trusts in England from January 2019 to September 2024** and **health boards in Wales in 2022-2023**.

This year, results for individual organisations are available on our [data dashboard](#). We encourage kidney cancer service providers to review the findings of this report and their results on the dashboard to explore reasons for unwarranted variations in practice.

The report outlines **five recommendations to support improvements in the quality of kidney cancer care**. One of the key recommendations is:

Diagnosis & staging (England 2020-2022 and Wales 2022-2023)

England in
2020-2022

28,485

people were diagnosed
with kidney cancer

Wales in
2022-2023

986

69
years

age at diagnosis
(median)
Interquartile range
59 - 77 years

64%

of people were
male

59% E
47% W

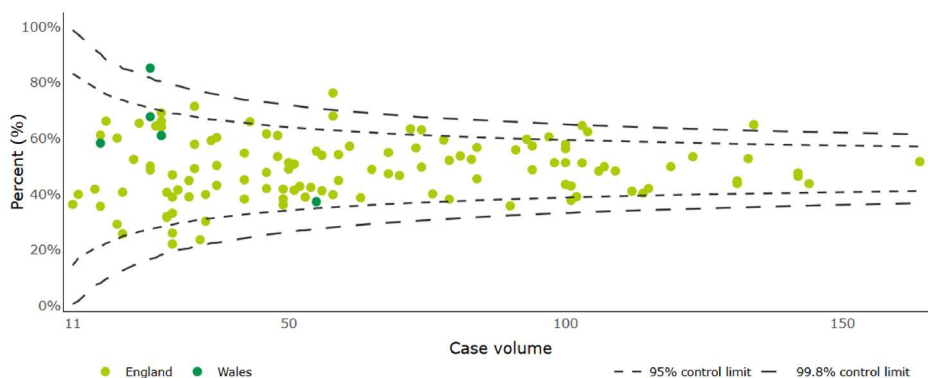
of people with kidney
cancer were diagnosed
at stage T1 and any N/M
category

21% E
23% W

of people had
metastatic
disease (M1)

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PI7: Percentage of people with metastatic RCC receiving initial SACT within 12 months of diagnosis



"Ensure people diagnosed with metastatic RCC are evaluated by a medical/clinical oncologist with expertise in renal cancer management to increase the proportion of people considered for receipt of systemic anti-cancer therapy (SACT) if appropriate."

British Uro-oncology Group (BUG) Annual Meeting

NKCA Clinical Fellow **Dr Raghav Varma** presented the latest results from the State of the Nation Report 2025 at the BUG 22nd Annual Meeting in Birmingham on 13th September 2025.



Quarterly Dashboard

The October update of the **NKCA data dashboard** is live. The next quarterly update will be released on **Thursday 8th January 2026**.

Quality Improvement

NKCA will launch a quality improvement initiative in early 2026, implementing an audit-and-feedback approach with NHS trusts.

Watch this space for updates and ways to get involved.