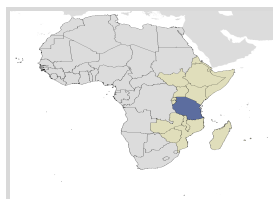


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I. Key data on HPV and HPV-related cancers



Tanzania has a population of 14.88 millions women ages 15 years and older who are at risk of developing cervical cancer. Current estimates indicate that every year 7304 women are diagnosed with cervical cancer and 4216 die

from the disease. Cervical cancer ranks as the 1st most frequent cancer among women in Tanzania and the 1st most frequent cancer among women between 15 and 44 years of age. About 3.3% of women in the general population are estimated to harbour cervical HPV-16/18 infection at a given time, and 68.0% of invasive cervical cancers are attributed to HPVs 16 or 18.

Table 1. Crude incidence rates of HPV-related cancers

	Male	Female
Cervical cancer	-	30.6
Anal cancer	-	-
Vulva cancer	-	-
Vaginal cancer	-	-
Penile cancer	-	-
Pharynx (excluding nasopharynx)	0.5	0.7

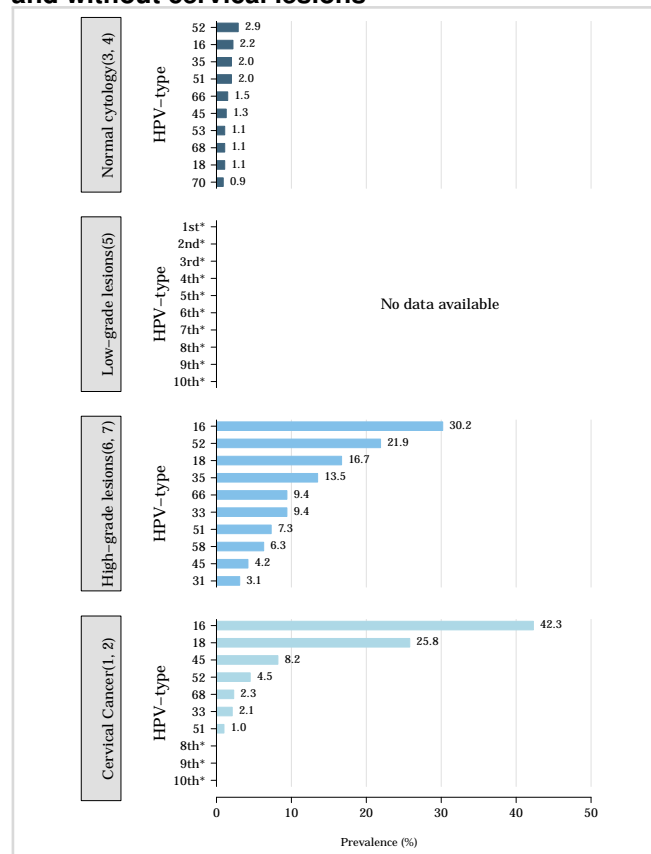
Table 2. Burden of cervical cancer

	Incidence	Mortality
Annual number of new cases/deaths	7304	4216
Crude rate	30.6	17.7
Age-standardized rate	54.0	32.4
Cumulative risk 0-74 years (%)	5.8	3.6
Ranking of cervical cancer (all years)	1st	1st
Ranking of cervical cancer (15-44 years)	1st	1st

Table 3. Burden of cervical HPV infection Tanzania

	No. Tested	% (95% CI)
HPV prevalence in women with normal cytology	3002	15.2 (14.0-16.6)
HPV 16/18 prevalence:		
Normal cytology	2854	3.3 (2.7-4.0)
Low-grade cervical lesions	-	-
High-grade cervical lesions	96	46.9 (37.2-56.8)
Cervical cancer	97	68.0 (58.2-76.5)

Figure 1. Comparison of the ten most frequent HPV oncogenic types in Tanzania among women with and without cervical lesions



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II. Complementary data on cervical cancer prevention

Table 4. Factors contributing to cervical cancer (co-factors)

Smoking prevalence (%), women	3.9
Total fertility rate (live births per women)	5.4
Hormonal contraception use (%) (pill, injectable or implant), among women	19.6
HIV prevalence (%), adults (15-49 years)	5.3 [4.8 - 5.9]

Table 5. Sexual behaviour

MEN	
Percentage of 15-year-old who have had sexual intercourse	13.8
Range of median age at first sexual intercourse	17.2-18.7
WOMEN	
Percentage of 15-year-old who have had sexual intercourse	12.7
Range of median age at first sexual intercourse	16.7-18.0

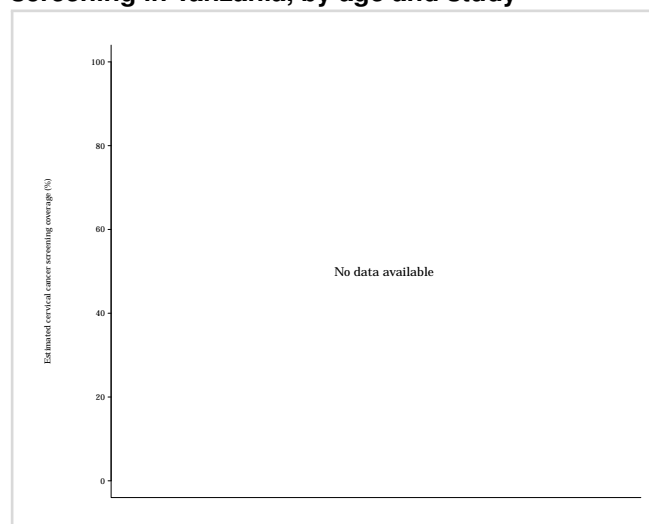
Table 6. HPV vaccine introduction

HPV vaccination programme	Pilot program
Date of HPV vaccination routine immunization programme start	-
HPV vaccination target age for routine immunization	-
Full course HPV vaccination coverage for routine immunization: % (calendar year)	-

Table 7. Cervical screening practices and recommendations

Cervical cancer screening coverage, % (age and screening interval, reference)	-
Screening ages (years)	30-50
Screening interval (years) or frequency of screens	3 years

Figure 2. Estimated coverage of cervical cancer screening in Tanzania, by age and study



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