

Number and Causes of Death in the Sister Study (approximates Data Release 6)*

Cause of Death³	TOTAL		Confirmed¹		Not yet confirmed²	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
All deaths (any cause of death)	1593	100	1220	76.6	373	23.4
Causes of death:						
Breast Cancer ⁴	79	5.0	62	5.1	17	4.6
Ovarian Cancer ⁵	95	6.0	79	6.5	16	4.3
Other Cancer ⁶	555	34.8	475	38.9	80	21.4
Non-cancer ⁷	690	43.3	599	49.1	91	24.4
Unknown	174	10.9	5	0.4	169	45.3

Abbreviations: BrCa=breast cancer; CoD=cause of death; DC=death certificate; FU=follow-up; HD=Help Desk; MR=medical record; NOK=next of kin; NDI=National Death Index; OvCa=ovarian cancer

*Release 6 data excluding dates of death in 2017

¹ Confirmation by NDI (deaths up to Dec 31, 2014 only), medical record or death certificate

² Includes deaths reported to the Sister Study but not yet submitted to NDI

³ Single cause of death determined for confirmed deaths by priority order of source: MR, NDI, DC.

Single cause of death for not yet confirmed deaths (e.g. reports to study from NOK or other [NOK/HD/FU/Tracing]) is determined by selecting from all reported causes in priority order: any BrCa cause of death report, any OvCa CoD report, any other cancer CoD report, any non-cancer report, CoD reports with unknown cause.

⁴ Breast cancer includes ICD10 code: C50

⁵ Ovarian cancer includes fallopian tube and primary peritoneal cancer. ICD10 codes: Ovarian=C56, Fallopian tube=C57.0, Primary peritoneal=C48 excluding C48.0

⁶ Other cancers includes ICD10 code D46 plus all codes starting with "C" excluding non-melanoma skin cancer

⁷ Non-cancer = all ICD10 codes not included in Breast Cancer, Ovarian Cancer or Other Cancers (as above), excluding Cause Unknown (R99)