

# Key Facts about Breast Cancer in Australia

## Diagnosis of Breast Cancer

Breast Cancer is the most common cause of death from Cancer in Australian women. The number of women diagnosed with breast cancer in Australia is on the increase.

1983	5,318
2002	12,027
2006	13,216
2011 (projection)	14,818

- Breast cancer is the most common cancer in women with approximately 1 in 8 developing the disease before the age of 75 years.
- Breast cancer in males is rare. The number of new cases of breast cancer in males per year increased from 43 in 1983 to 84 in 2002
- The average age of first diagnosis was 60 years for a woman and 66 years for a man (2002)

*SOURCE: National Breast Cancer Centre 2007 - Breast Cancer in Australia: an overview , 2006 Visit [www.nbcc.org.au](http://www.nbcc.org.au) for full reports*

### COMPASSION, COMFORT & CARE FOR WOMEN WITH BREAST CANCER AT ST GEORGE PRIVATE HOSPITAL

Our multi-disciplinary service brings together expertise from the Departments of Surgery, Oncology, Radiology, genetic counsellors and breast care nurses. The team is dedicated to delivering state-of-the-art treatment in the comfort of our recently refurbished facilities.

**Specialised Breast Service includes:**

- Mammography & ultrasound breast screening
- Comprehensive, least invasive treatment
- Chemotherapy & reconstructive surgery
- Breast cancer education, counselling & support programs

**You can choose to come to St George Private Hospital for your care. Ask your GP to refer you to our team of specialists at St George Private.**  
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### BREAST CANCER IN ST GEORGE & SUTHERLAND SHIRE

2000-2004	Incidence of Breast Cancer	Mortality rate
Kogarah	161	40
Hurstville	265	65
Rockdale	310	69
Sutherland	718	146

*SOURCE: SEH Women's Health Plan for 2003/08*



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