







The burden of cancer in emerging economies: Productivity loss as an alternative perspective

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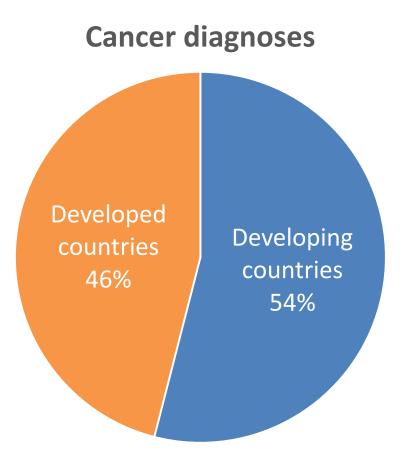


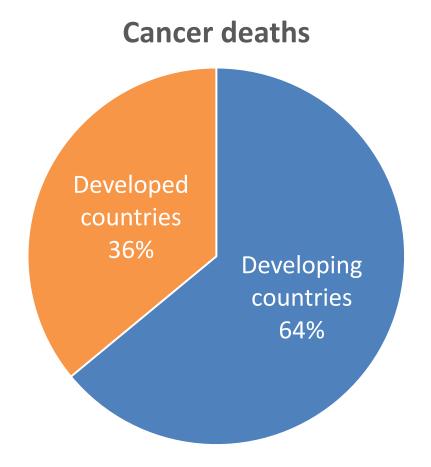




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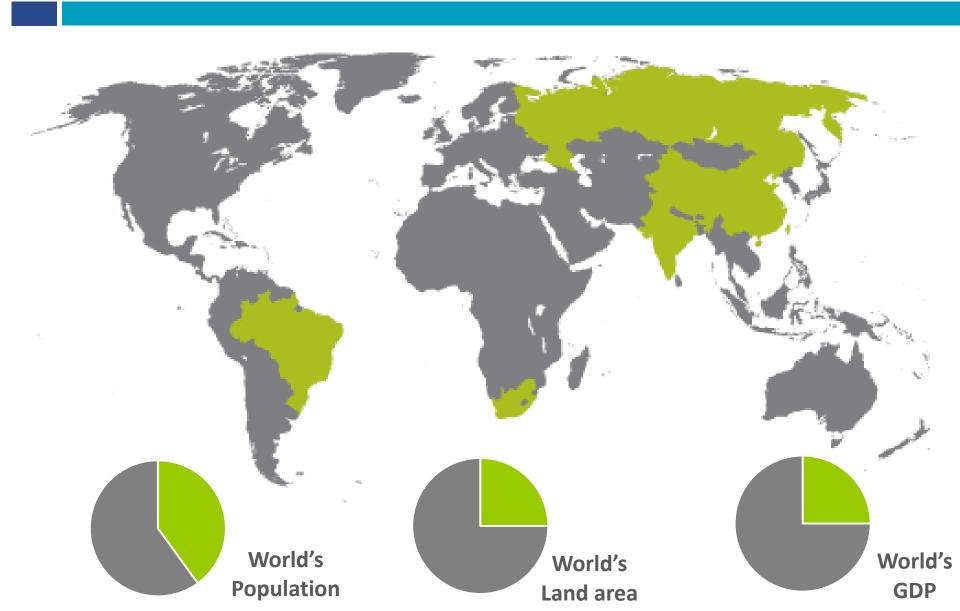






BRICS countries







Burden of cancer



Everyone's work contributes to the economy, and not working represents a loss of this contribution to society





Aim



To estimate the value of lost productivity due to cancer-related premature mortality in Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa (BRICS) in 2012



Methods & Data



- Incidence-based, human capital approach
- GLOBOCAN data
 - Cancer mortality rates
- OECD & ILO data
 - Workforce participation & unemployment
 - Wages & future wage growth
 - > Retirement ages
- Local currency calculations converted to USD using PPP and inflation to 2012
 - ≥ 3% discounting



Demographic inputs



		Population (millions)	Cancer deaths	Life expectancy
	Brazil	201	222,505	73.8
*:	China	1,357	2,194,746	75.3
③	India	1,211	673,098	66.4
	Russia	144	294,522	68.0
	South Africa	52	46,953	57.0



Wage inputs



		Monthly wage (USD)	Wage growth rate	
	Brazil	\$1,069	2.0%	
★ **	China	\$172	3.7%	
*	India	\$415	4.2%	
	Russia	\$7,100	2.4%	
	South Africa	\$2,631	2.8%	



Workforce inputs

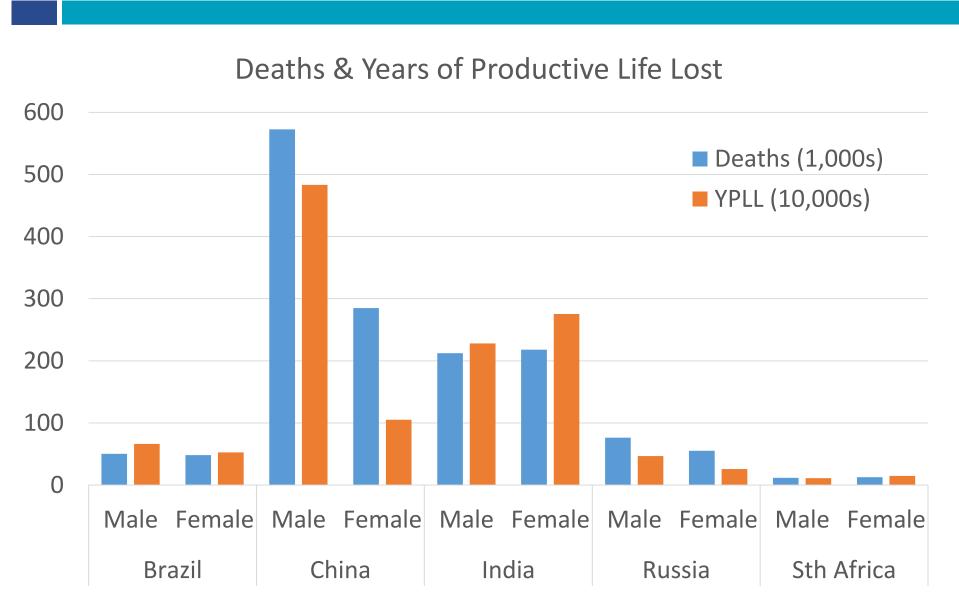


		Gender	Participation	Unemployment	Retire
			(eg 40-45)	(eg 40-45)	age
	Brazil	Male	93.56	2.24	65
		Female	71.44	4.83	60
**	China	Male	96.50	1.87	60
		Female	84.82	2.60	50
●	India	Male	98.10	1.12	60
		Female	37.10	1.35	58
	Russia	Male	94.23	4.07	58
		Female	91.24	3.47	55
	South	Male	85.45	15.96	60
	Africa	Female	67.07	17.24	60



Deaths & YPLL

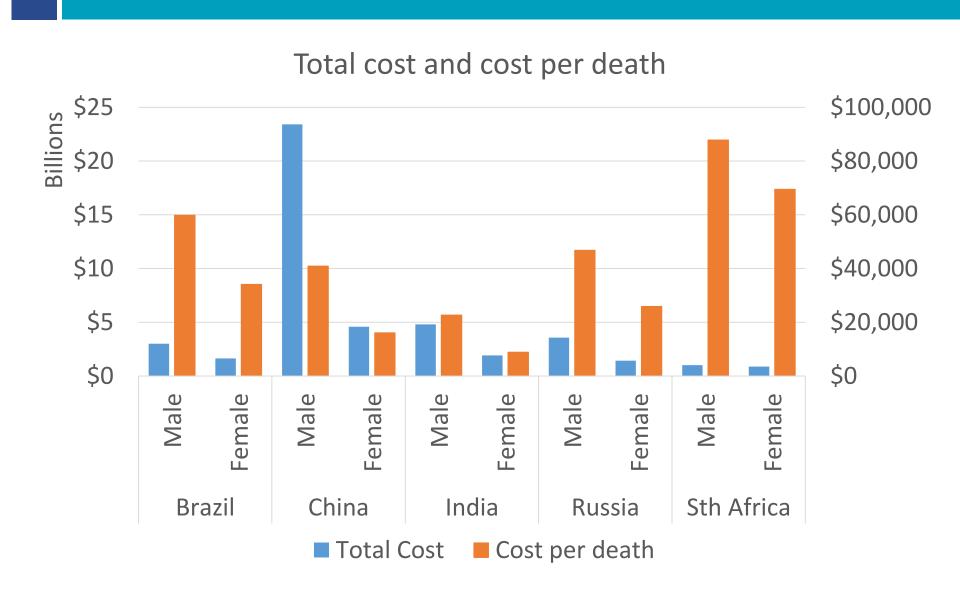






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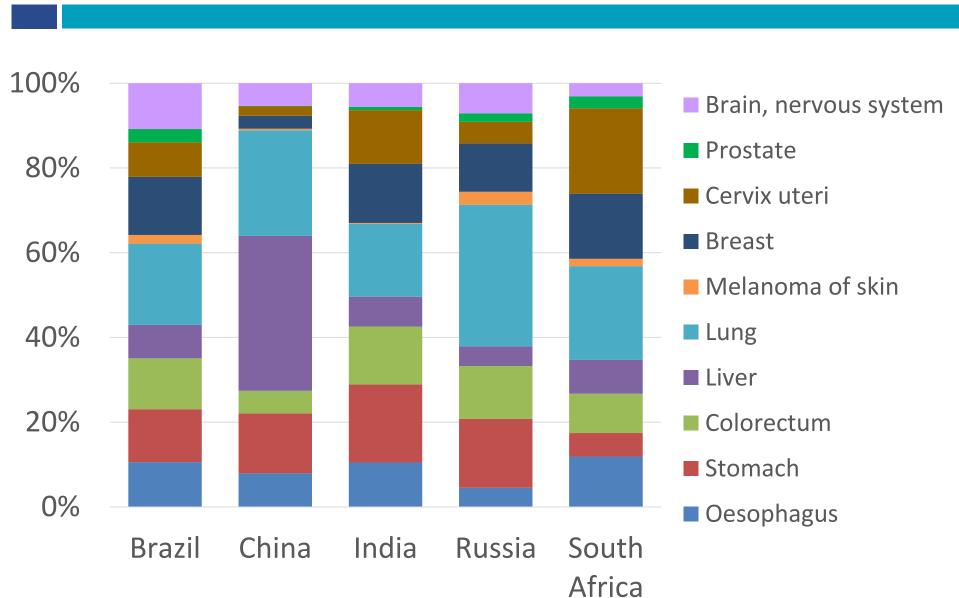






Results by cancer



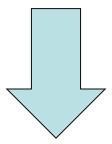




Sensitivity Analyses



- Divide Chinese data by urban and rural
- Increase workforce participation in India
- Increase retirement ages in China & Russia
- Changing growth rates & discounting



No major changes to the findings



Limitations



- Concerns about equity with the Human Capital Approach
- Lack of data
- Assumptions around employment (informal economies and household production)

 But... valuing cancer related lost productivity can provide policy makers with an additional perspective when identifying priorities for cancer prevention and control



Implications



 Prevention activities are important, and need to extend beyond tobacco control

 Earlier detection and improved treatment availability to reduce mortality may be economically efficient

 Potential increase in cancer burden through ageing, urbanisation and westernisation



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