

Recent trends in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer in Northern Ireland

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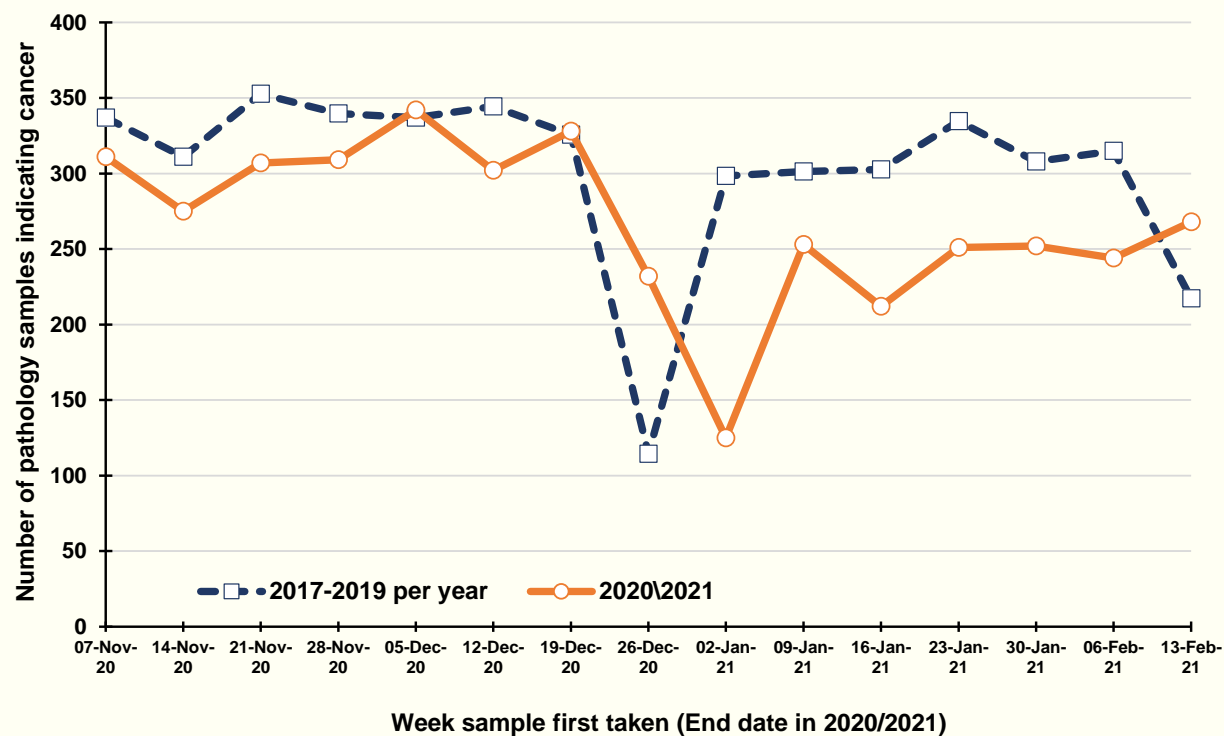
SUMMARY

Recent trends in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer: Feb-21

- 1) This summary provides an overview of recent trends in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer (excluding non-melanoma skin cancer, NMSC) which were taken from 01-Jan-20 to the week ending 13-Feb-21 in Northern Ireland.
- 2) These trends are contrasted with the annual average number of pathology samples indicating cancer (ex NMSC) during 2017-2019 in order to provide an indication of the potential impact of the Covid-19 restrictions on diagnostic cancer services.
- 3) Data are sourced from the four NHS pathology laboratories in Northern Ireland (Belfast, Altnagelvin, Antrim, Craigavon), which are usually provided to the NI Cancer Registry on a monthly basis.

Trends in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week first sample taken

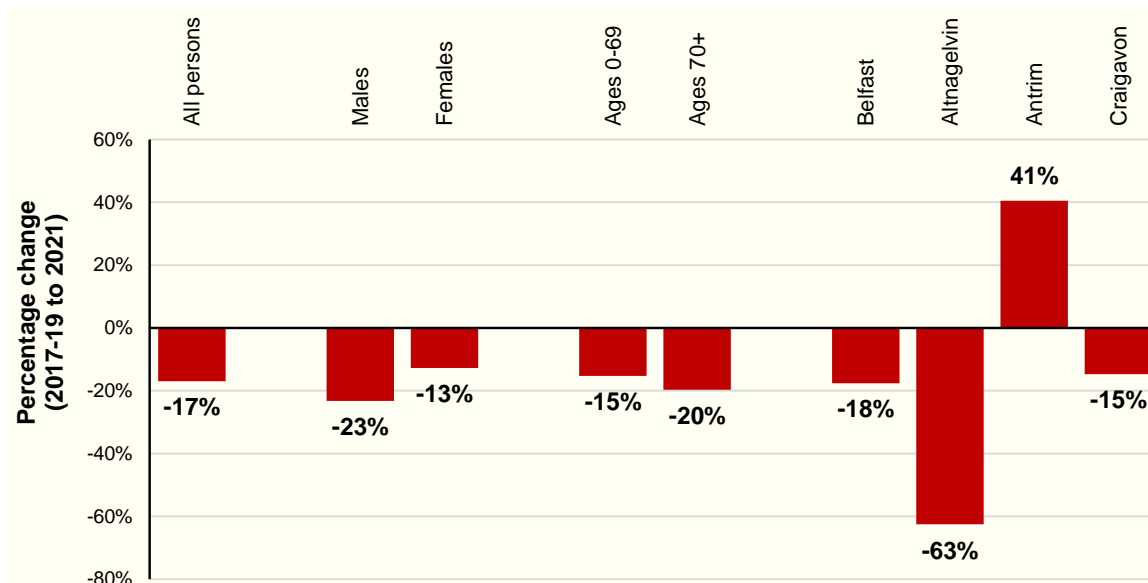
- 4) From 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21, the number of pathological samples indicating cancer was 17% lower than the average number of samples from the same period in 2017-2019.



Percentage change between 2017-2019 and 2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer, taken in the weeks ending 16-Jan-21 to 13-Feb-21

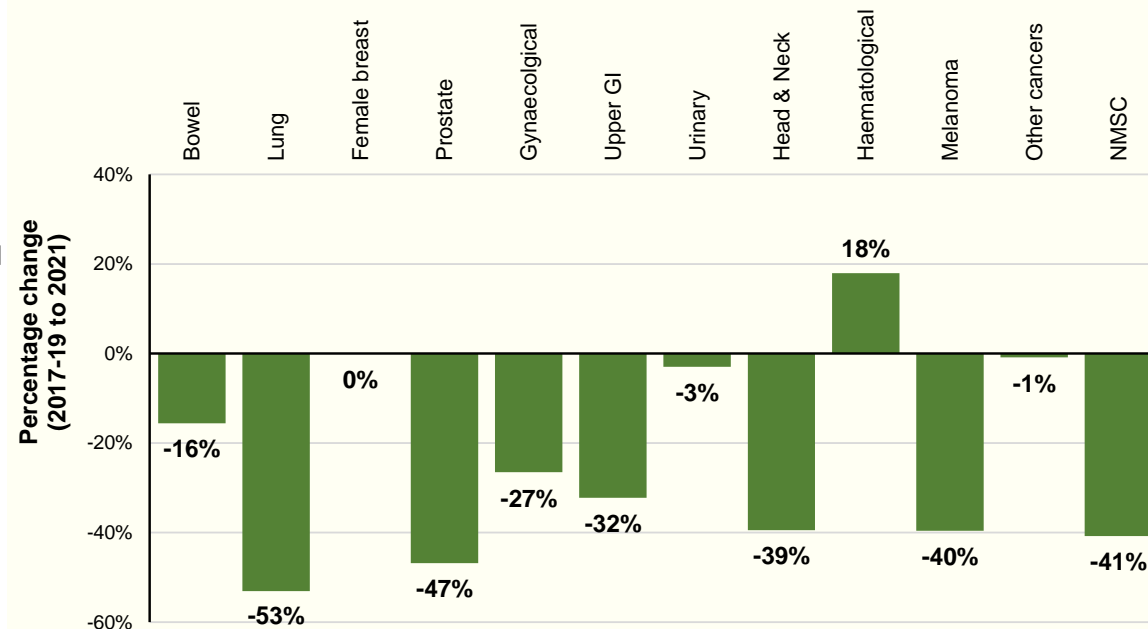
5) Patient demographics

There was an 17% reduction in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer in the weeks ending 16-Jan-21 to 13-Feb-21 compared to the average value in the equivalent weeks in 2017-2019. In particular, there was an 23% decrease among males and a 13% decrease among females. A decrease of 15% occurred in the number of samples among patients aged 0-69 years, while a decrease of 20% also occurred among those aged 70 and older. Reductions were greatest in Altnagelvin (63%), but decreases were also recorded in Belfast and Craigavon.



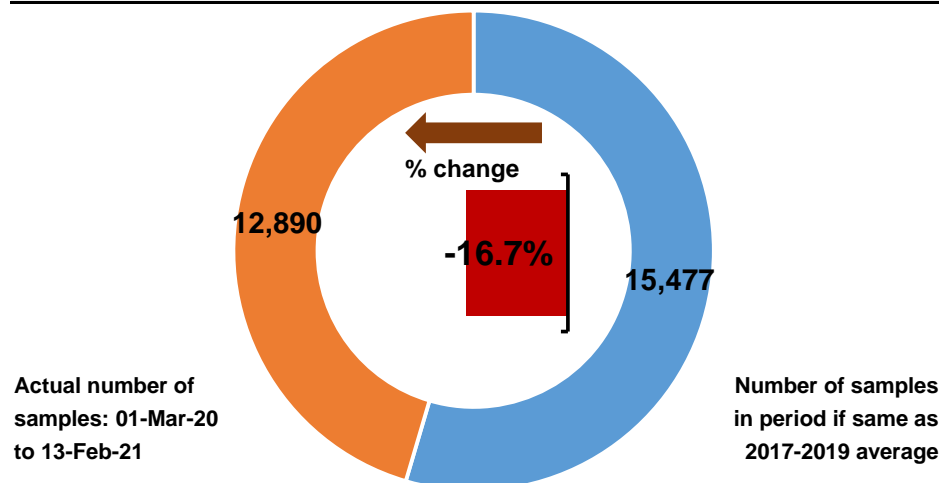
6) Cancer type

Compared to the annual average in 2017-2019, the number of pathology samples indicating bowel cancer in the weeks ending 16-Jan-21 to 13-Feb-21 decreased by 16%, while those indicating lung cancer decreased by 53% and those indicating prostate cancer decreased by 47%. Only haematological cancers had increases recorded in the number of positive samples.

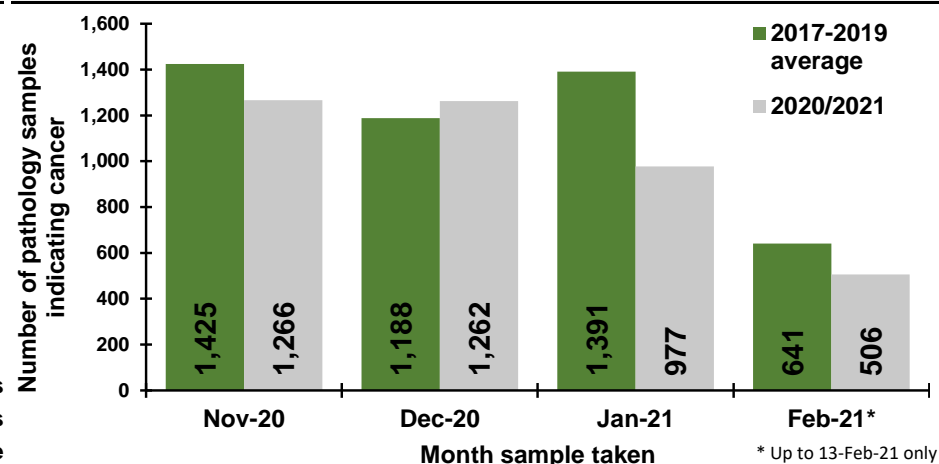


Number of pathology samples indicating cancer (ex NMSC): All persons

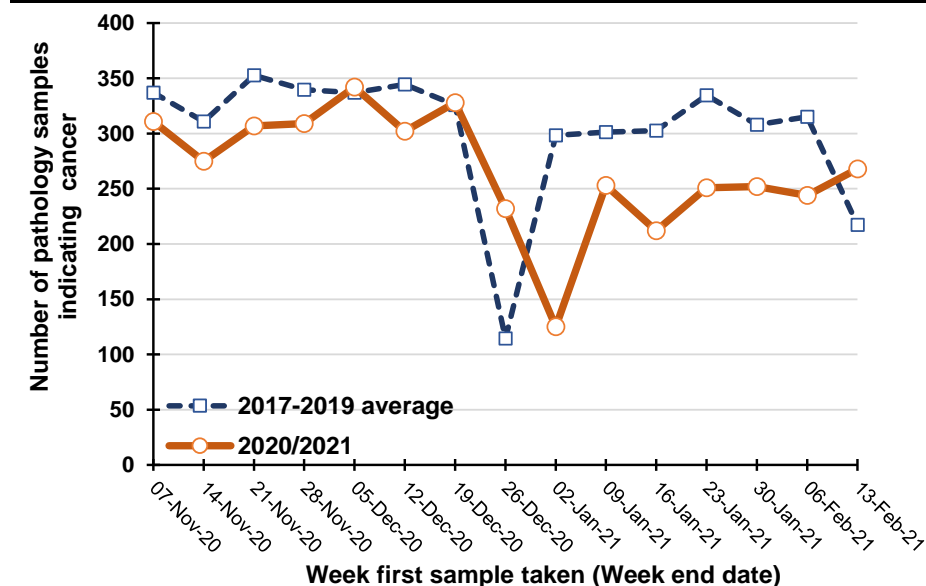
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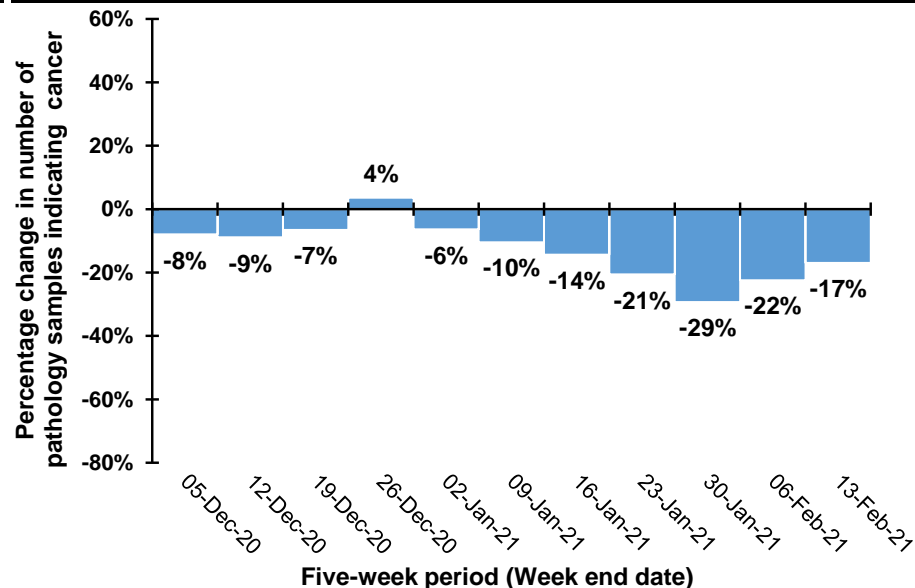
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

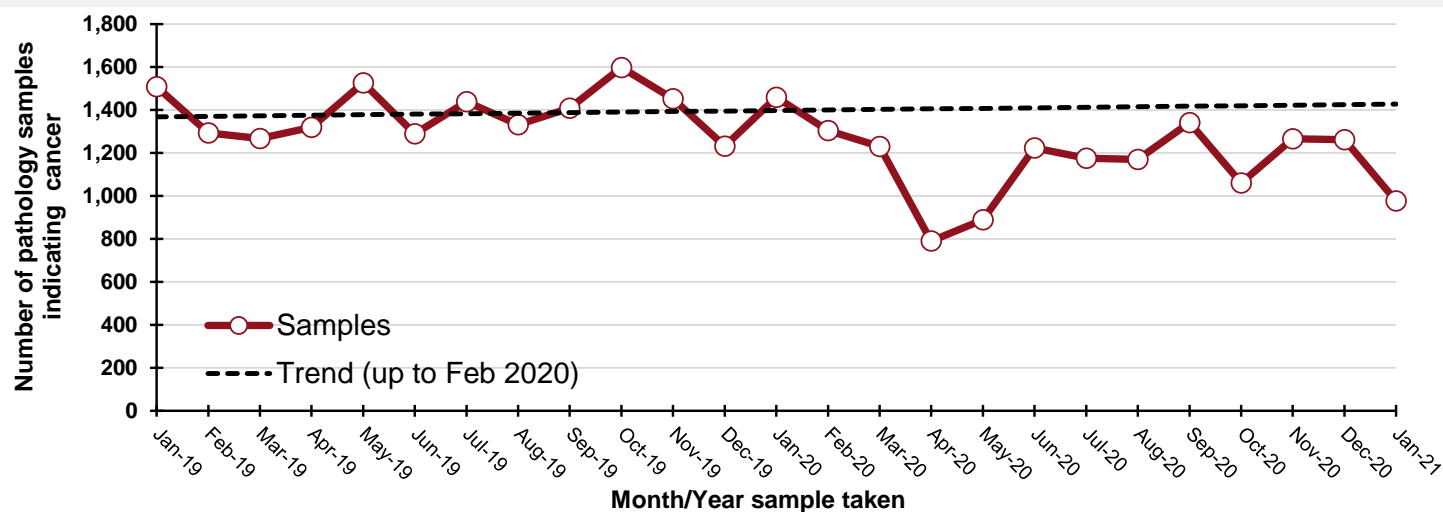


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



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Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 1,509 |
| Feb-19 | 1,293 |
| Mar-19 | 1,267 |
| Apr-19 | 1,320 |
| May-19 | 1,527 |
| Jun-19 | 1,290 |
| Jul-19 | 1,439 |
| Aug-19 | 1,332 |
| Sep-19 | 1,408 |
| Oct-19 | 1,598 |
| Nov-19 | 1,453 |
| Dec-19 | 1,232 |
| Jan-20 | 1,460 |
| Feb-20 | 1,304 |
| Mar-20 | 1,231 |
| Apr-20 | 790 |
| May-20 | 889 |
| Jun-20 | 1,223 |
| Jul-20 | 1,175 |
| Aug-20 | 1,170 |
| Sep-20 | 1,341 |
| Oct-20 | 1,060 |
| Nov-20 | 1,266 |
| Dec-20 | 1,262 |
| Jan-21 | 977 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 1,425 | 1,266 | -11% |
| Dec-20 | 1,188 | 1,262 | 6% |
| Jan-21 | 1,391 | 977 | -30% |
| Feb-21* | 641 | 506 | -21% |

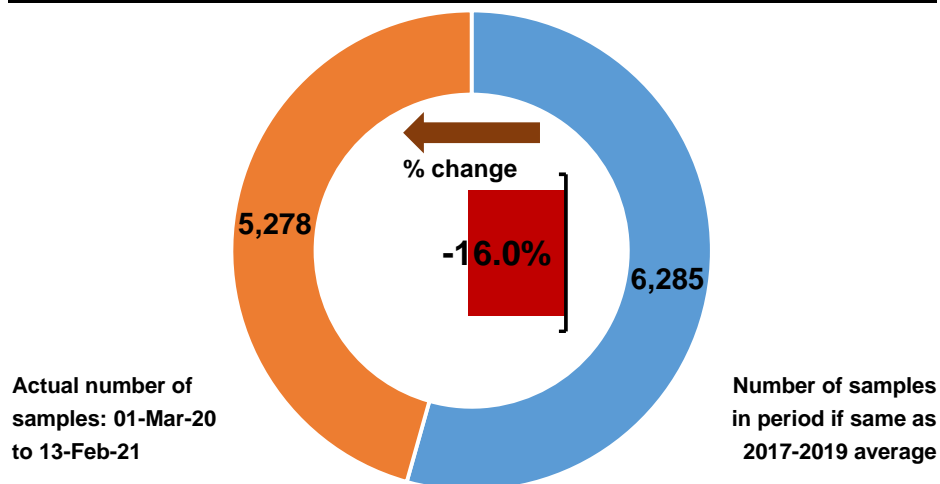
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By week sample taken

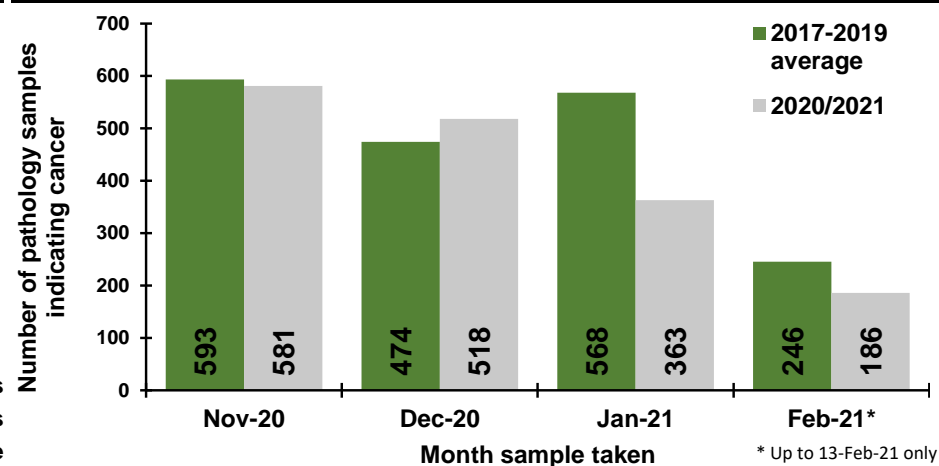
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|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 337 | 311 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 311 | 275 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 353 | 307 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 340 | 309 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 337 | 342 | 1,677 | 1,544 | -8% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 344 | 302 | 1,685 | 1,535 | -9% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 326 | 328 | 1,699 | 1,588 | -7% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 114 | 232 | 1,461 | 1,513 | 4% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 298 | 125 | 1,420 | 1,329 | -6% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 301 | 253 | 1,384 | 1,240 | -10% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 303 | 212 | 1,342 | 1,150 | -14% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 335 | 251 | 1,351 | 1,073 | -21% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 308 | 252 | 1,545 | 1,093 | -29% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 315 | 244 | 1,562 | 1,212 | -22% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 217 | 268 | 1,478 | 1,227 | -17% |

Number of pathology samples indicating cancer (ex NMSC): Males

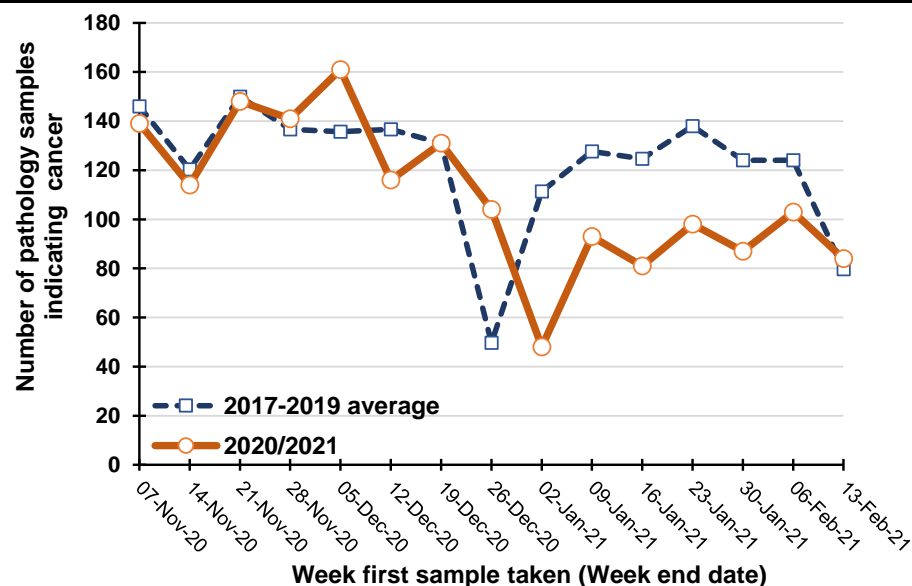
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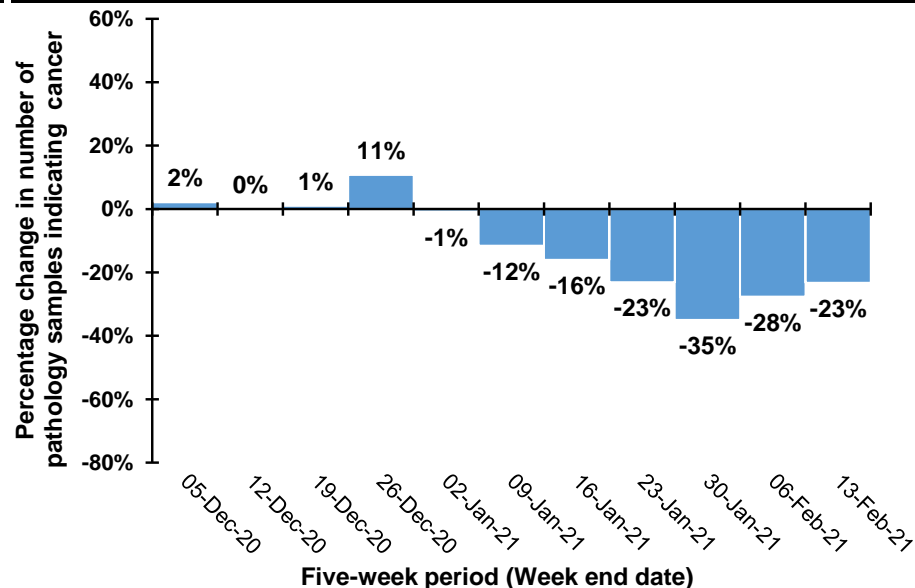
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

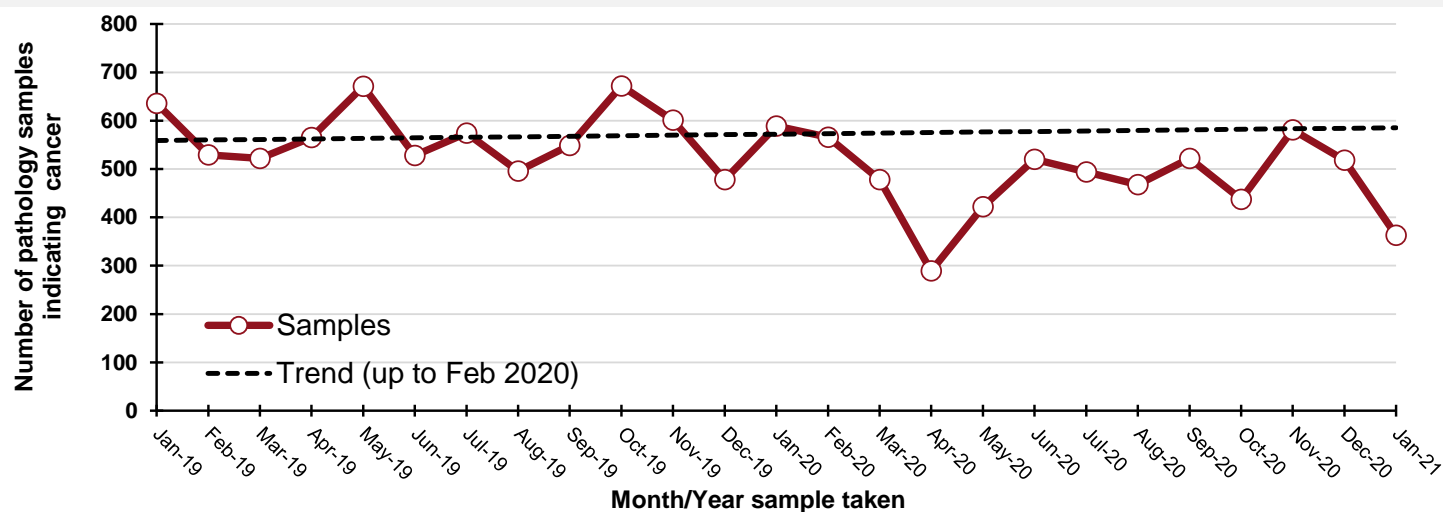


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Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 636 |
| Feb-19 | 529 |
| Mar-19 | 522 |
| Apr-19 | 565 |
| May-19 | 671 |
| Jun-19 | 528 |
| Jul-19 | 574 |
| Aug-19 | 496 |
| Sep-19 | 549 |
| Oct-19 | 672 |
| Nov-19 | 601 |
| Dec-19 | 478 |
| Jan-20 | 589 |
| Feb-20 | 566 |
| Mar-20 | 478 |
| Apr-20 | 289 |
| May-20 | 422 |
| Jun-20 | 520 |
| Jul-20 | 494 |
| Aug-20 | 468 |
| Sep-20 | 522 |
| Oct-20 | 437 |
| Nov-20 | 581 |
| Dec-20 | 518 |
| Jan-21 | 363 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 593 | 581 | -2% |
| Dec-20 | 474 | 518 | 9% |
| Jan-21 | 568 | 363 | -36% |
| Feb-21* | 246 | 186 | -24% |

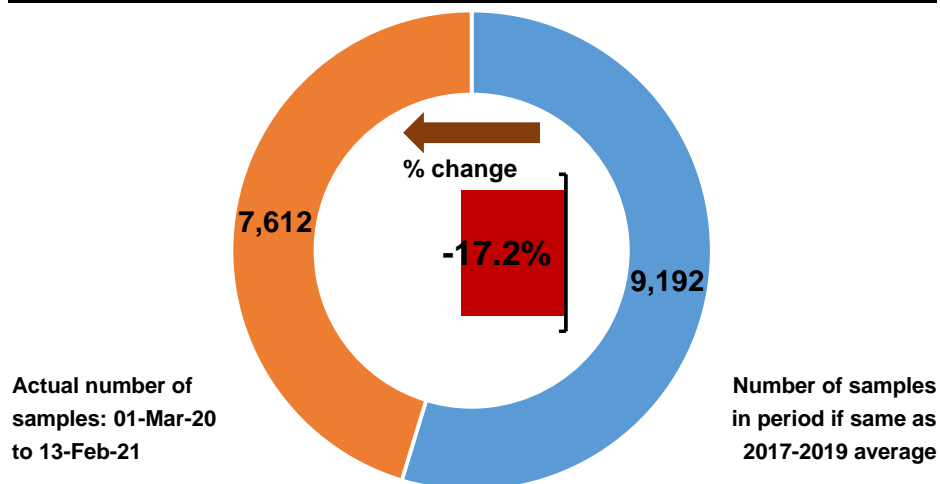
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By week sample taken

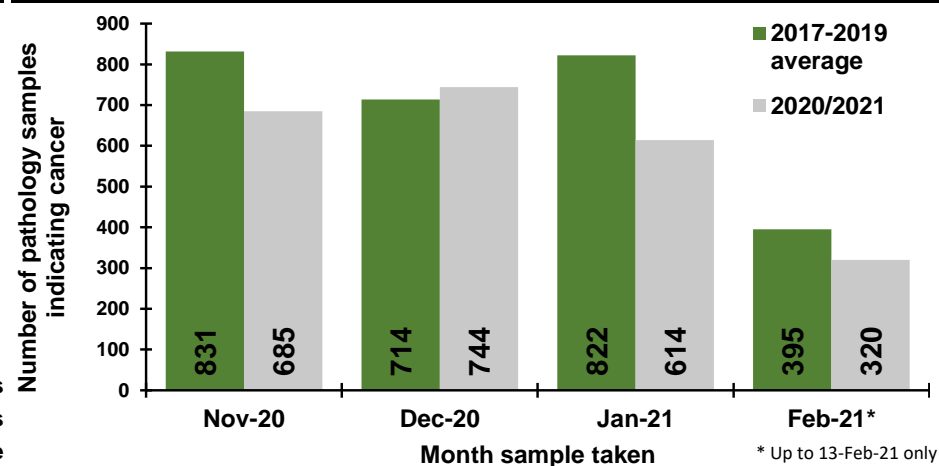
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| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
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| 14-Nov-20 | 120 | 114 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 150 | 148 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 137 | 141 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 136 | 161 | 689 | 703 | 2% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 137 | 116 | 679 | 680 | 0% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 131 | 131 | 690 | 697 | 1% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 50 | 104 | 590 | 653 | 11% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 111 | 48 | 564 | 560 | -1% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 128 | 93 | 556 | 492 | -12% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 125 | 81 | 544 | 457 | -16% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 138 | 98 | 551 | 424 | -23% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 124 | 87 | 626 | 407 | -35% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 124 | 103 | 638 | 462 | -28% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 80 | 84 | 590 | 453 | -23% |

Number of pathology samples indicating cancer (ex NMSC): Females

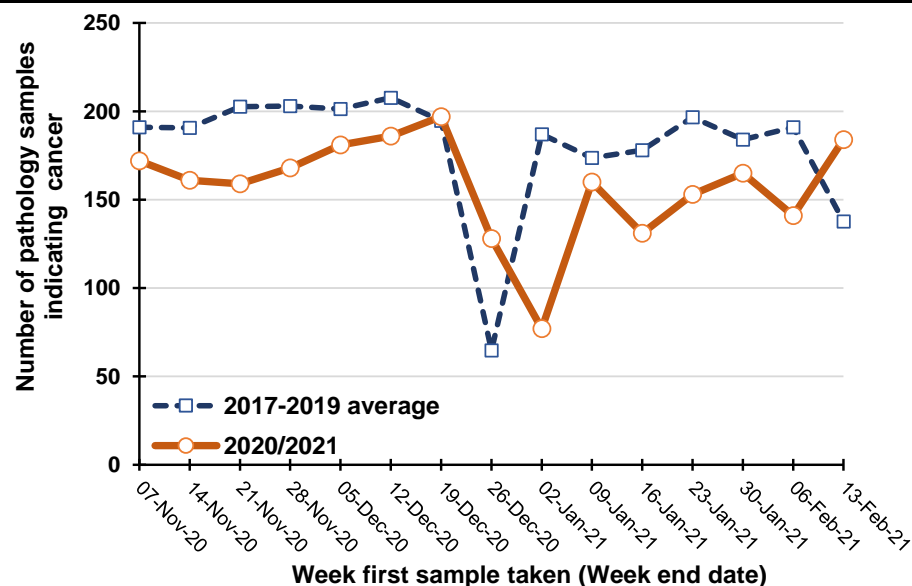
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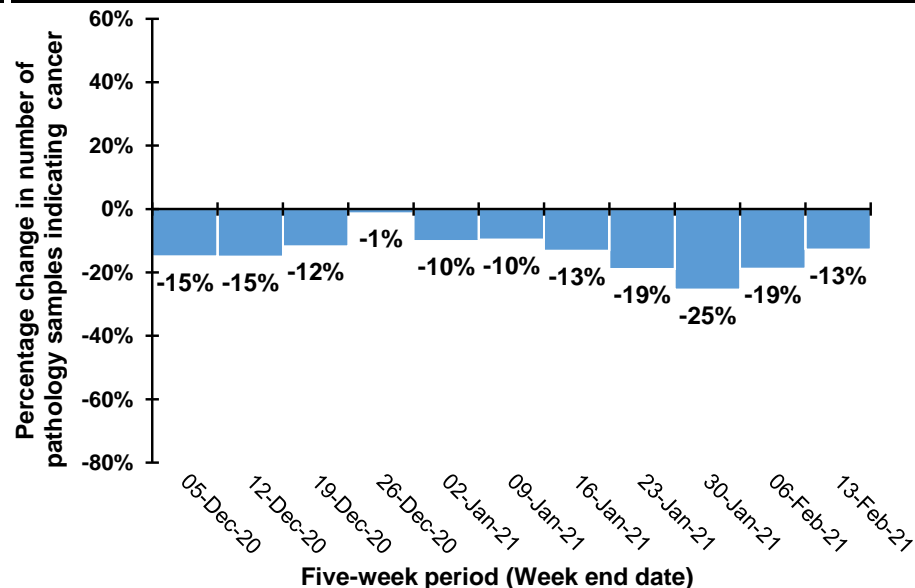
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Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

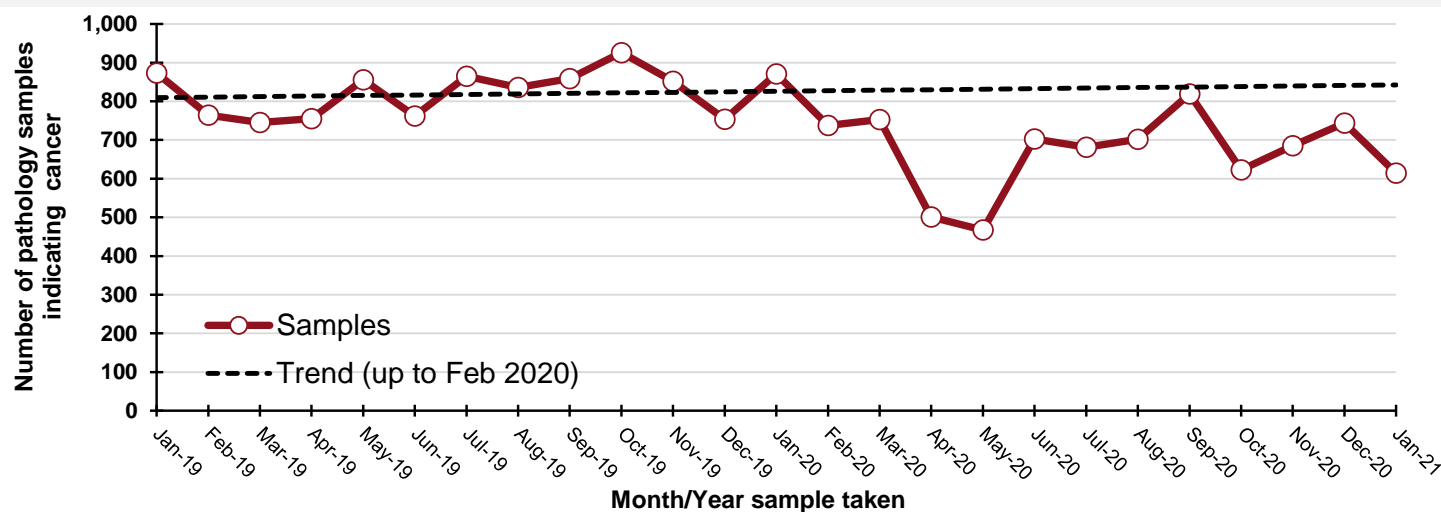


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Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 873 |
| Feb-19 | 764 |
| Mar-19 | 745 |
| Apr-19 | 755 |
| May-19 | 856 |
| Jun-19 | 762 |
| Jul-19 | 865 |
| Aug-19 | 836 |
| Sep-19 | 859 |
| Oct-19 | 926 |
| Nov-19 | 852 |
| Dec-19 | 754 |
| Jan-20 | 871 |
| Feb-20 | 738 |
| Mar-20 | 753 |
| Apr-20 | 501 |
| May-20 | 467 |
| Jun-20 | 703 |
| Jul-20 | 681 |
| Aug-20 | 702 |
| Sep-20 | 819 |
| Oct-20 | 623 |
| Nov-20 | 685 |
| Dec-20 | 744 |
| Jan-21 | 614 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 831 | 685 | -18% |
| Dec-20 | 714 | 744 | 4% |
| Jan-21 | 822 | 614 | -25% |
| Feb-21* | 395 | 320 | -19% |

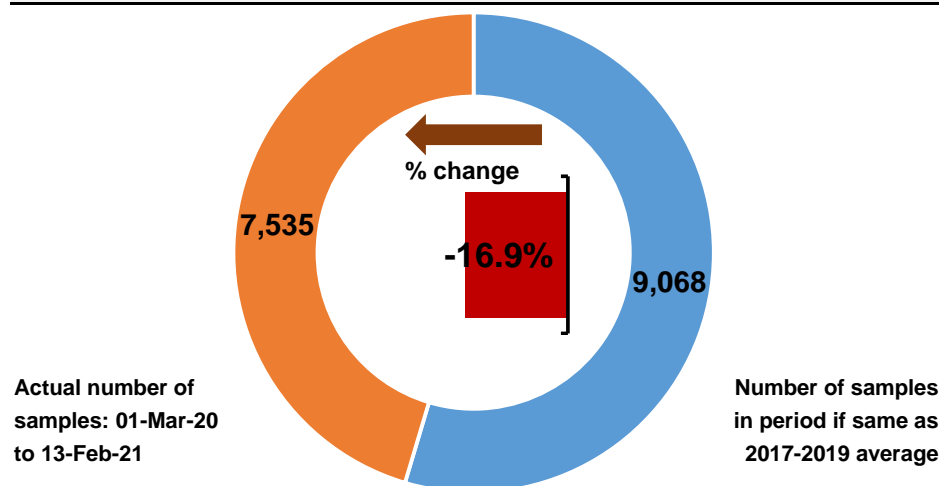
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By week sample taken

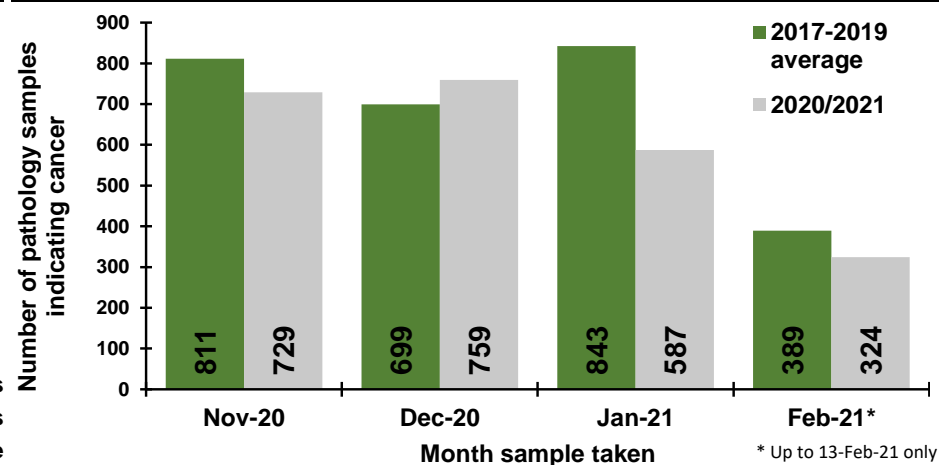
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|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 191 | 172 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 191 | 161 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 203 | 159 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 203 | 168 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 201 | 181 | 989 | 841 | -15% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 208 | 186 | 1,005 | 855 | -15% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 195 | 197 | 1,009 | 891 | -12% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 65 | 128 | 871 | 860 | -1% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 187 | 77 | 855 | 769 | -10% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 174 | 160 | 828 | 748 | -10% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 178 | 131 | 798 | 693 | -13% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 197 | 153 | 800 | 649 | -19% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 184 | 165 | 919 | 686 | -25% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 191 | 141 | 923 | 750 | -19% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 138 | 184 | 887 | 774 | -13% |

Number of pathology samples indicating cancer (ex NMSC): Ages 0 to 69

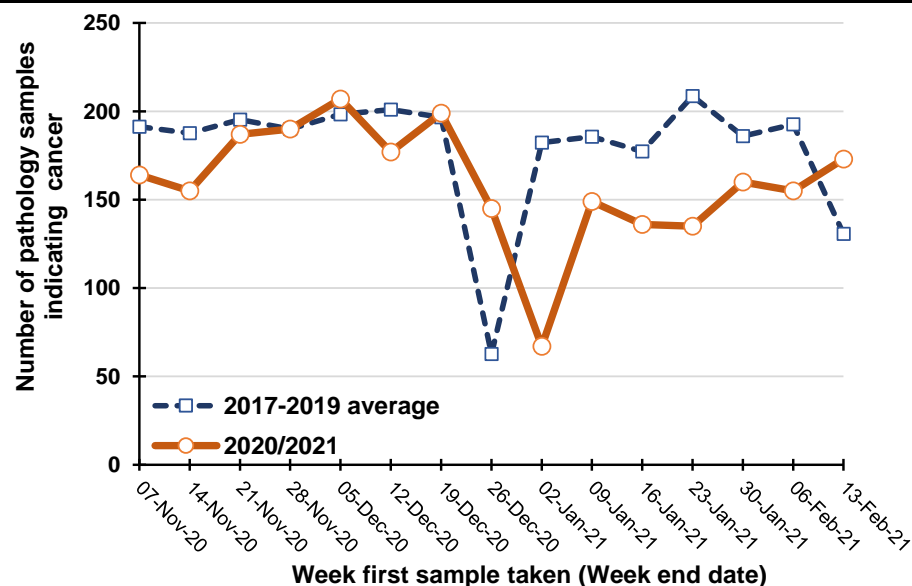
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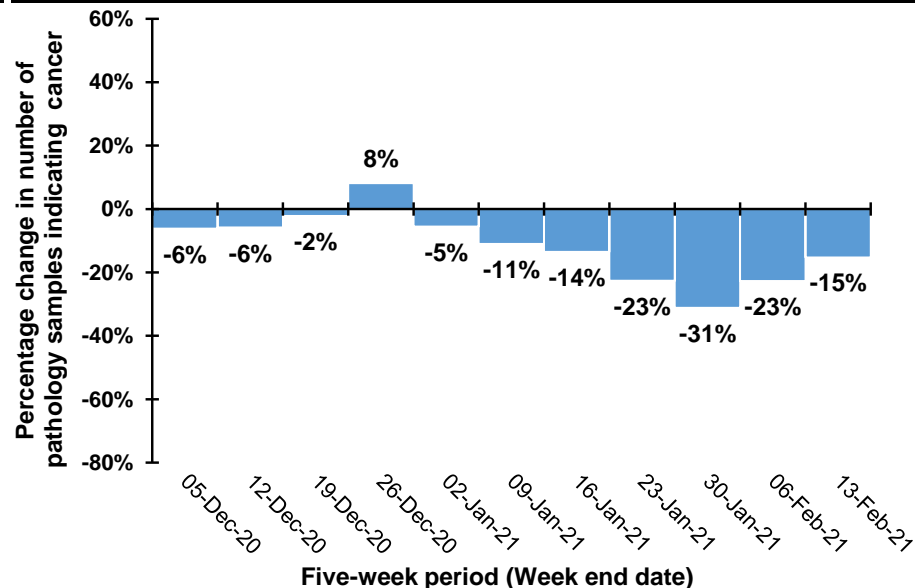
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

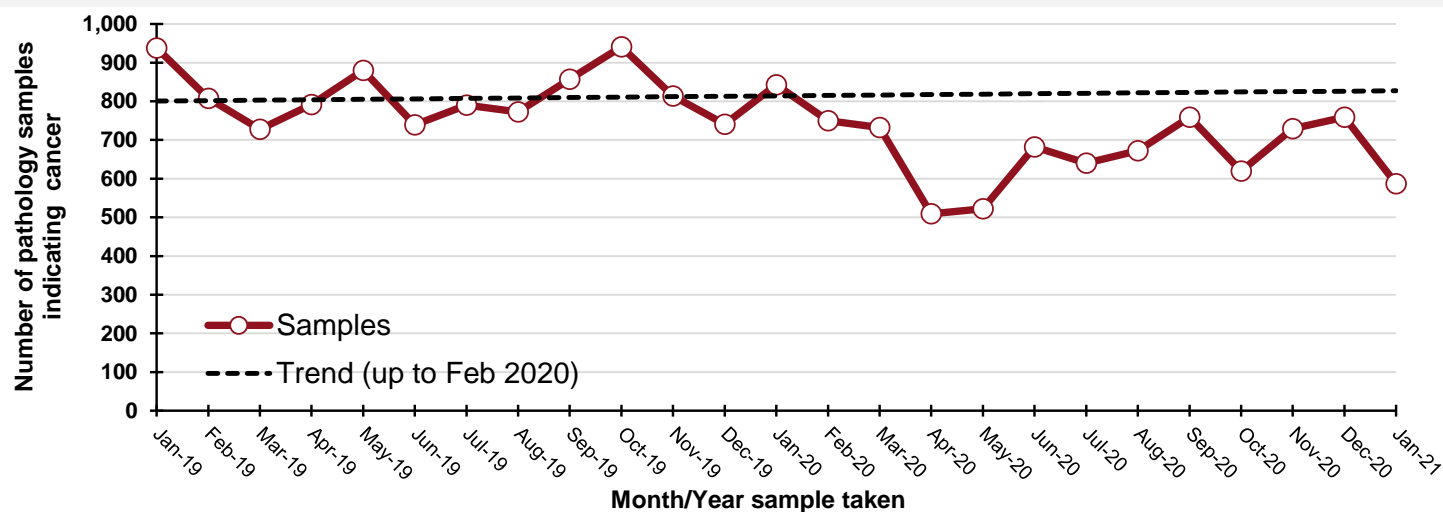


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Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 811 | 729 | -10% |
| Dec-20 | 699 | 759 | 9% |
| Jan-21 | 843 | 587 | -30% |
| Feb-21* | 389 | 324 | -17% |

* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

By week sample taken

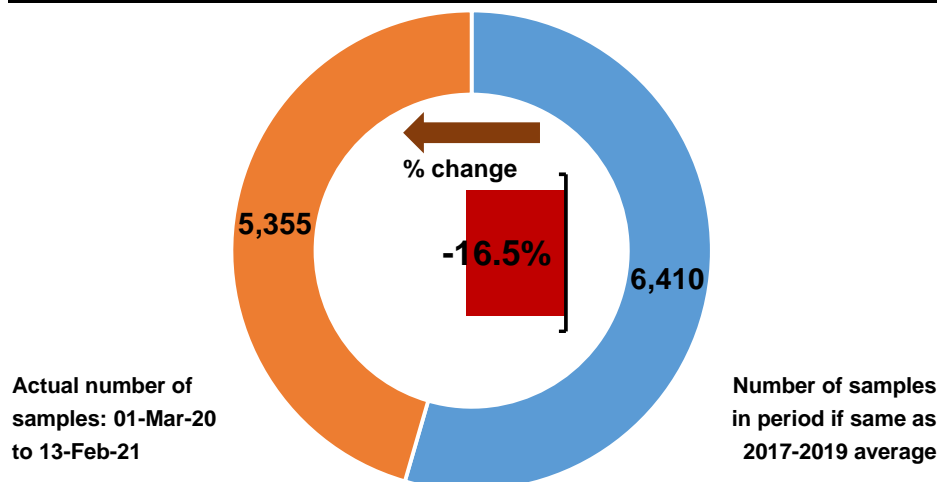
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| 07-Nov-20 | 191 | 164 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 188 | 155 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 195 | 187 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 190 | 190 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 198 | 207 | 963 | 903 | -6% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 201 | 177 | 972 | 916 | -6% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 197 | 199 | 981 | 960 | -2% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 63 | 145 | 849 | 918 | 8% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 182 | 67 | 841 | 795 | -5% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 186 | 149 | 828 | 737 | -11% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 177 | 136 | 805 | 696 | -14% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 209 | 135 | 817 | 632 | -23% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 186 | 160 | 940 | 647 | -31% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 193 | 155 | 950 | 735 | -23% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 131 | 173 | 895 | 759 | -15% |

By month and year sample taken

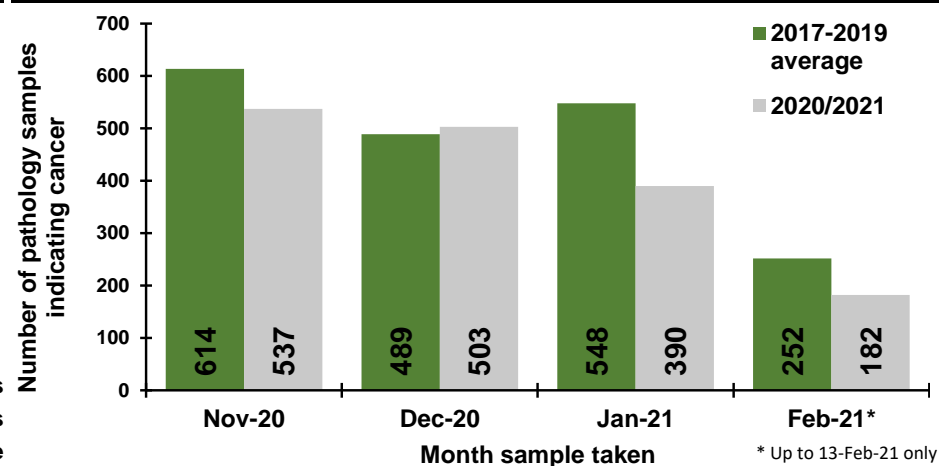
| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 938 |
| Feb-19 | 808 |
| Mar-19 | 728 |
| Apr-19 | 792 |
| May-19 | 880 |
| Jun-19 | 739 |
| Jul-19 | 790 |
| Aug-19 | 773 |
| Sep-19 | 857 |
| Oct-19 | 941 |
| Nov-19 | 814 |
| Dec-19 | 741 |
| Jan-20 | 843 |
| Feb-20 | 750 |
| Mar-20 | 732 |
| Apr-20 | 509 |
| May-20 | 522 |
| Jun-20 | 682 |
| Jul-20 | 640 |
| Aug-20 | 672 |
| Sep-20 | 759 |
| Oct-20 | 620 |
| Nov-20 | 729 |
| Dec-20 | 759 |
| Jan-21 | 587 |

Number of pathology samples indicating cancer (ex NMSC): Ages 70 and over

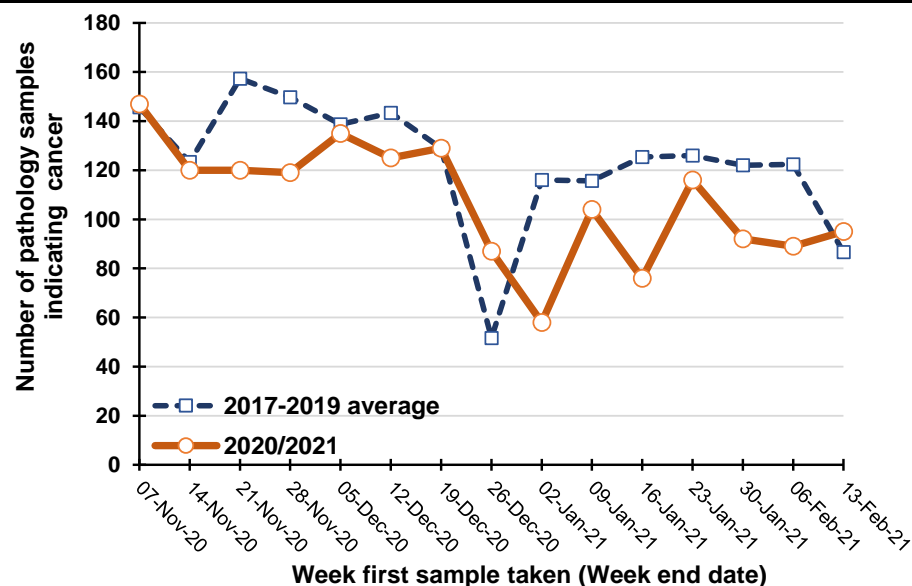
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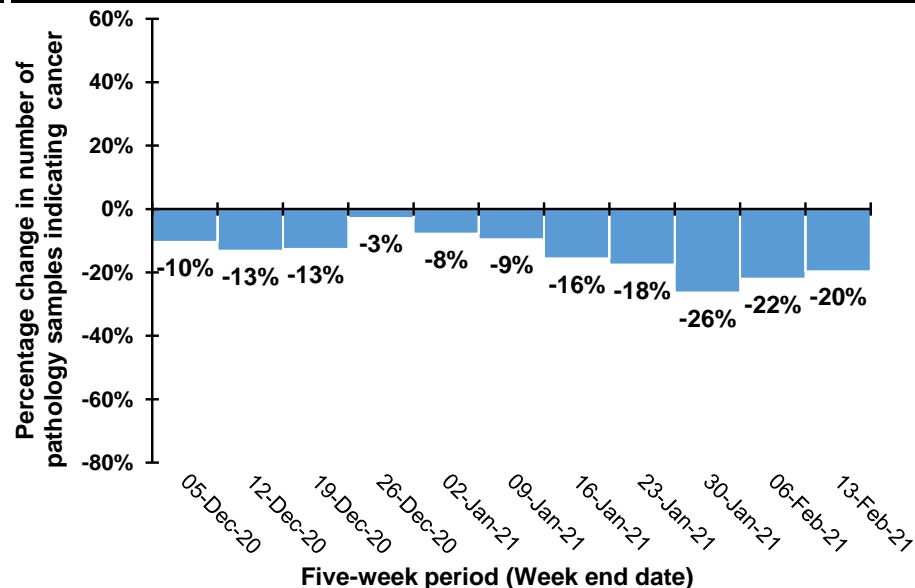
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Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

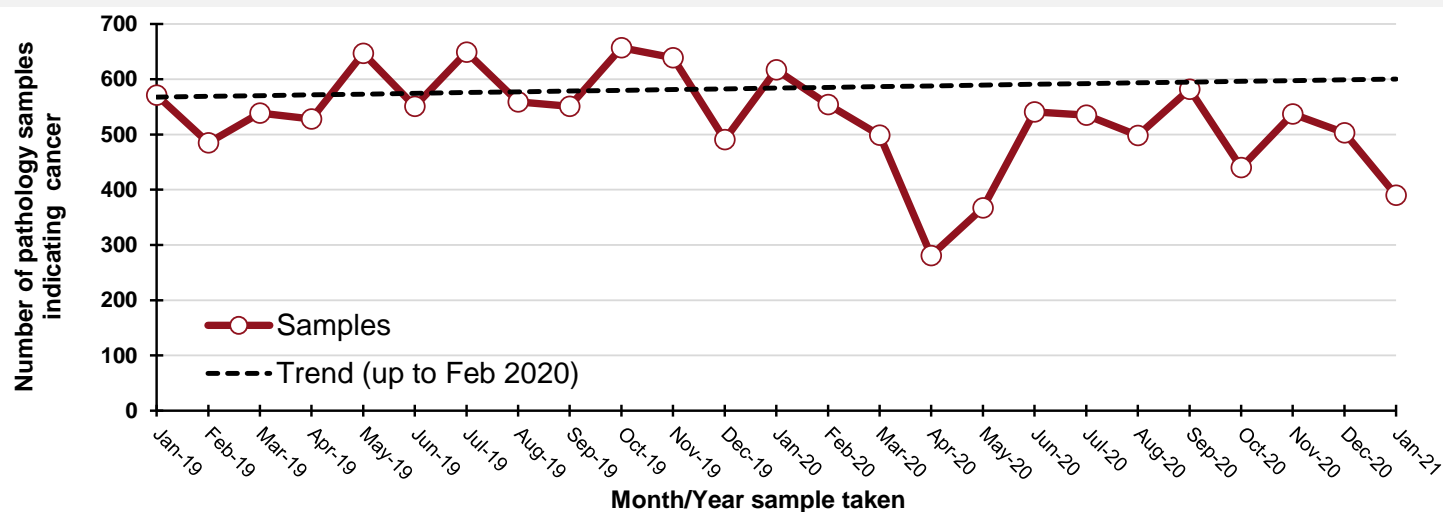


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Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 571 |
| Feb-19 | 485 |
| Mar-19 | 539 |
| Apr-19 | 528 |
| May-19 | 647 |
| Jun-19 | 551 |
| Jul-19 | 649 |
| Aug-19 | 559 |
| Sep-19 | 551 |
| Oct-19 | 657 |
| Nov-19 | 639 |
| Dec-19 | 491 |
| Jan-20 | 617 |
| Feb-20 | 554 |
| Mar-20 | 499 |
| Apr-20 | 281 |
| May-20 | 367 |
| Jun-20 | 541 |
| Jul-20 | 535 |
| Aug-20 | 498 |
| Sep-20 | 582 |
| Oct-20 | 440 |
| Nov-20 | 537 |
| Dec-20 | 503 |
| Jan-21 | 390 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 614 | 537 | -12% |
| Dec-20 | 489 | 503 | 3% |
| Jan-21 | 548 | 390 | -29% |
| Feb-21* | 252 | 182 | -28% |

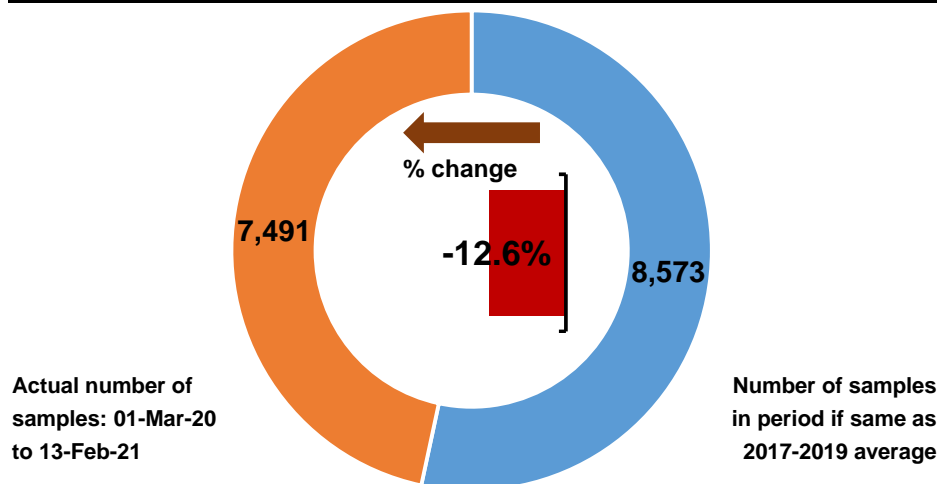
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By week sample taken

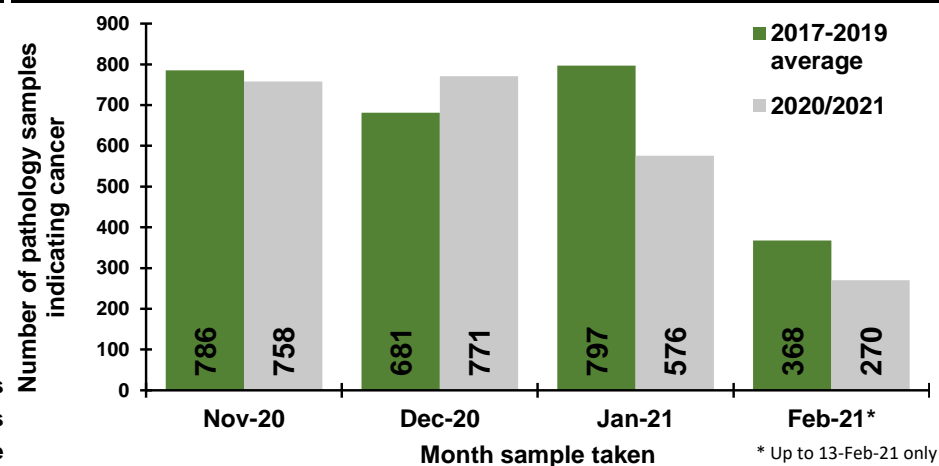
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| 05-Dec-20 | 139 | 135 | 715 | 641 | -10% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 143 | 125 | 712 | 619 | -13% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 129 | 129 | 718 | 628 | -13% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 52 | 87 | 612 | 595 | -3% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 116 | 58 | 579 | 534 | -8% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 116 | 104 | 556 | 503 | -9% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 125 | 76 | 538 | 454 | -16% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 126 | 116 | 535 | 441 | -18% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 122 | 92 | 605 | 446 | -26% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 122 | 89 | 611 | 477 | -22% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 87 | 95 | 582 | 468 | -20% |

Number of pathology samples indicating cancer (ex NMSC): Belfast laboratory

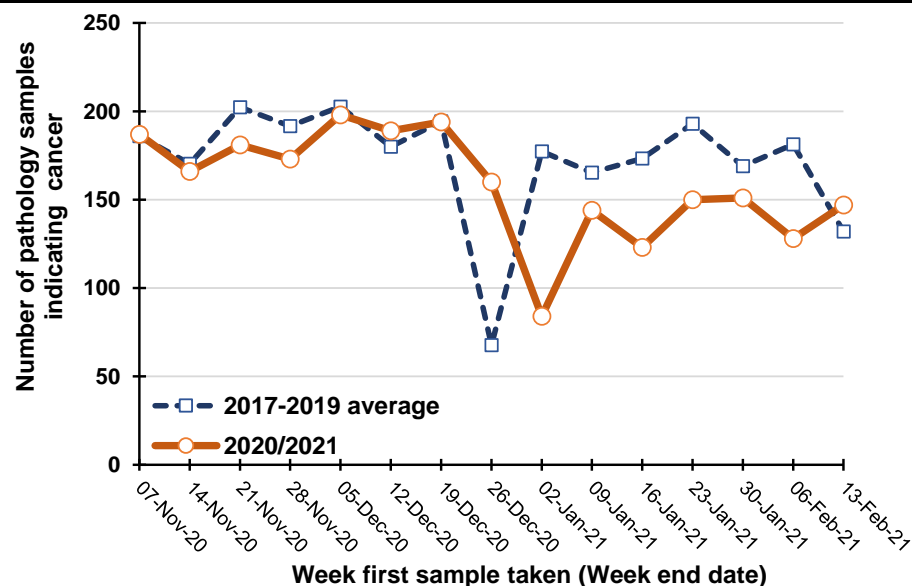
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



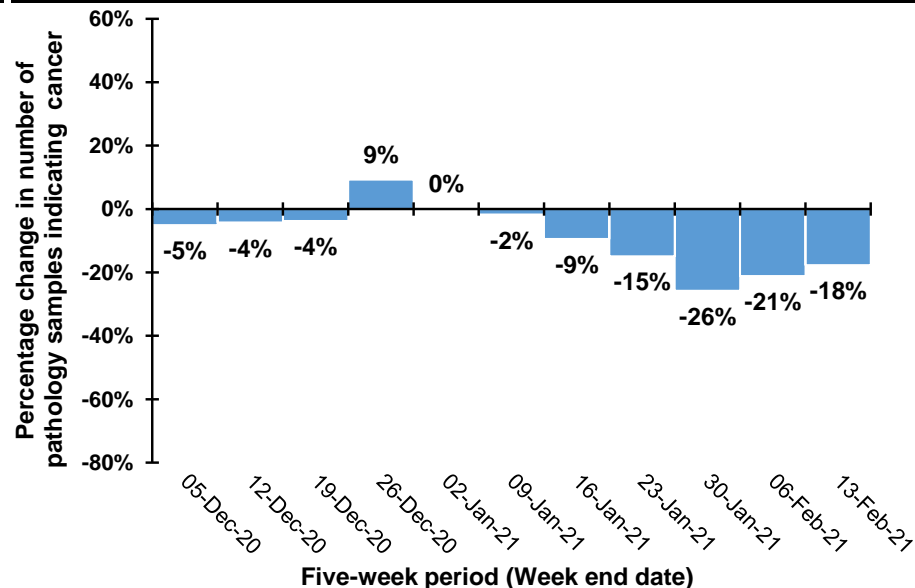
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

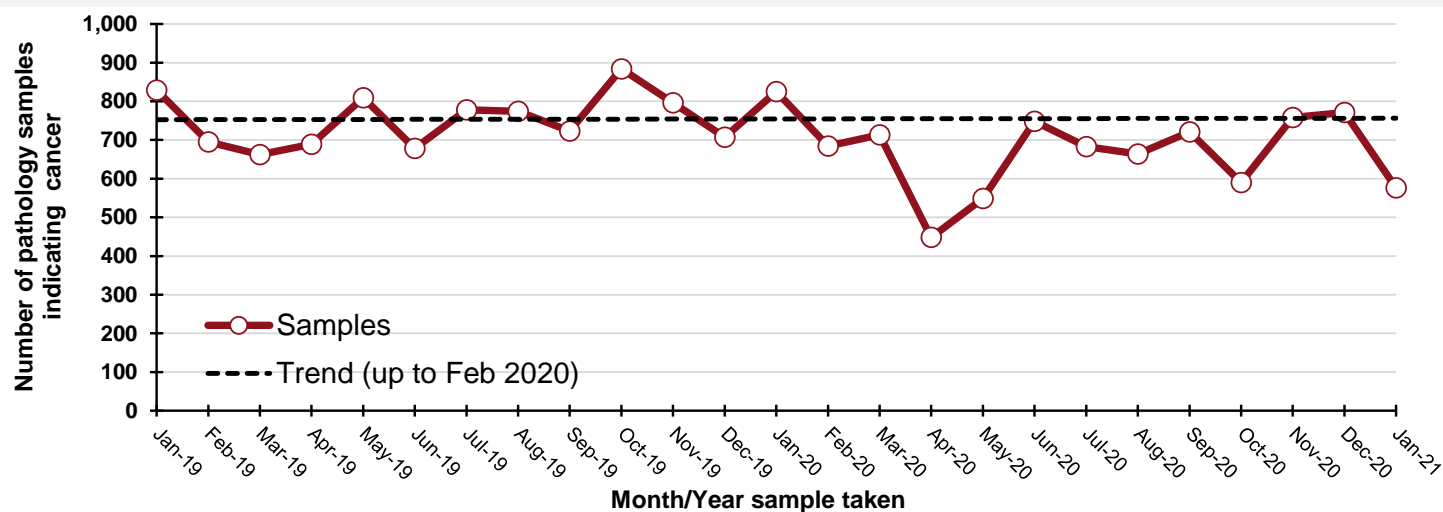


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



Note: Caution should be exercised in comparisons for the weeks ending 26/12/20 and 2/1/21 as Christmas occurs on different days in previous years. For example, in 2020 Christmas was on a Friday meaning holidays may have been taken in the following week, while in 2019 Christmas was on a Wednesday meaning that holidays may have been taken in the same week.

Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 829 |
| Feb-19 | 695 |
| Mar-19 | 662 |
| Apr-19 | 689 |
| May-19 | 809 |
| Jun-19 | 678 |
| Jul-19 | 778 |
| Aug-19 | 774 |
| Sep-19 | 723 |
| Oct-19 | 884 |
| Nov-19 | 796 |
| Dec-19 | 707 |
| Jan-20 | 825 |
| Feb-20 | 684 |
| Mar-20 | 713 |
| Apr-20 | 448 |
| May-20 | 549 |
| Jun-20 | 748 |
| Jul-20 | 683 |
| Aug-20 | 664 |
| Sep-20 | 721 |
| Oct-20 | 590 |
| Nov-20 | 758 |
| Dec-20 | 771 |
| Jan-21 | 576 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 786 | 758 | -4% |
| Dec-20 | 681 | 771 | 13% |
| Jan-21 | 797 | 576 | -28% |
| Feb-21* | 368 | 270 | -27% |

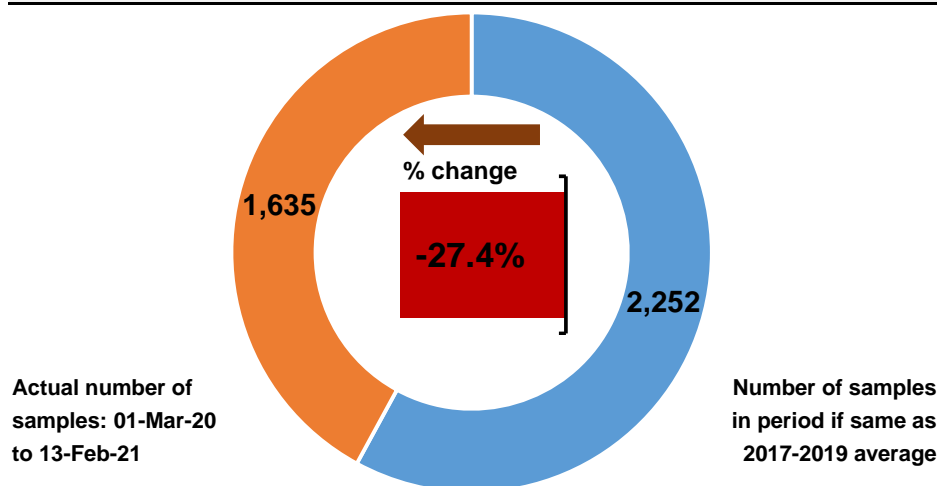
* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

By week sample taken

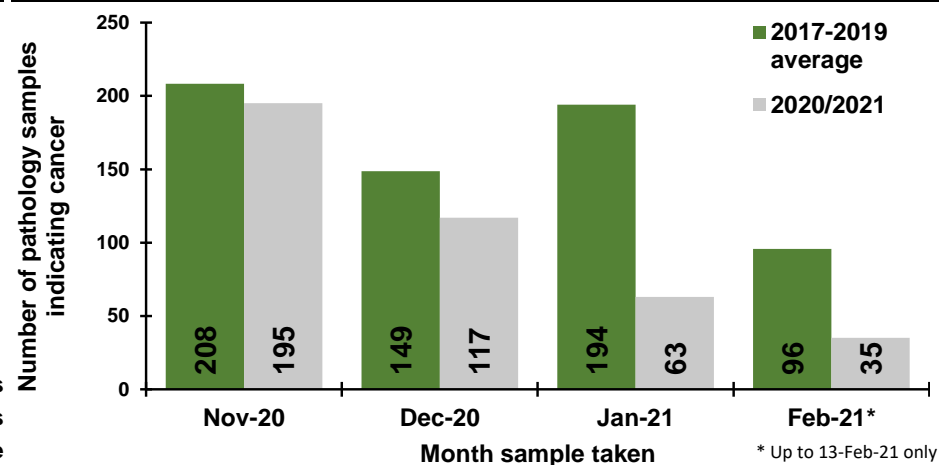
| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 186 | 187 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 170 | 166 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 202 | 181 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 192 | 173 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 203 | 198 | 953 | 905 | -5% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 180 | 189 | 947 | 907 | -4% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 194 | 194 | 971 | 935 | -4% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 68 | 160 | 836 | 914 | 9% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 177 | 84 | 822 | 825 | 0% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 165 | 144 | 785 | 771 | -2% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 173 | 123 | 778 | 705 | -9% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 193 | 150 | 777 | 661 | -15% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 169 | 151 | 878 | 652 | -26% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 181 | 128 | 882 | 696 | -21% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 132 | 147 | 849 | 699 | -18% |

Number of pathology samples indicating cancer (ex NMSC): Altnagelvin laboratory

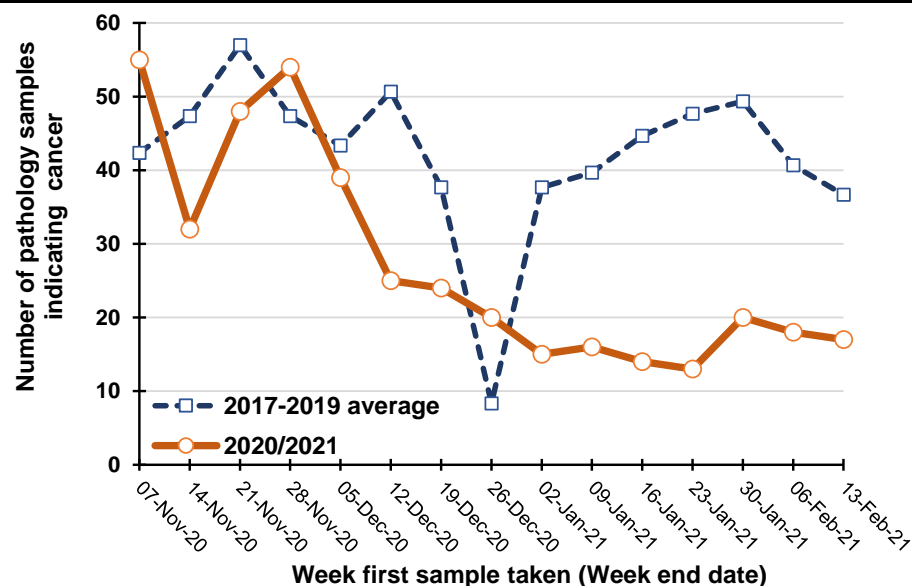
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



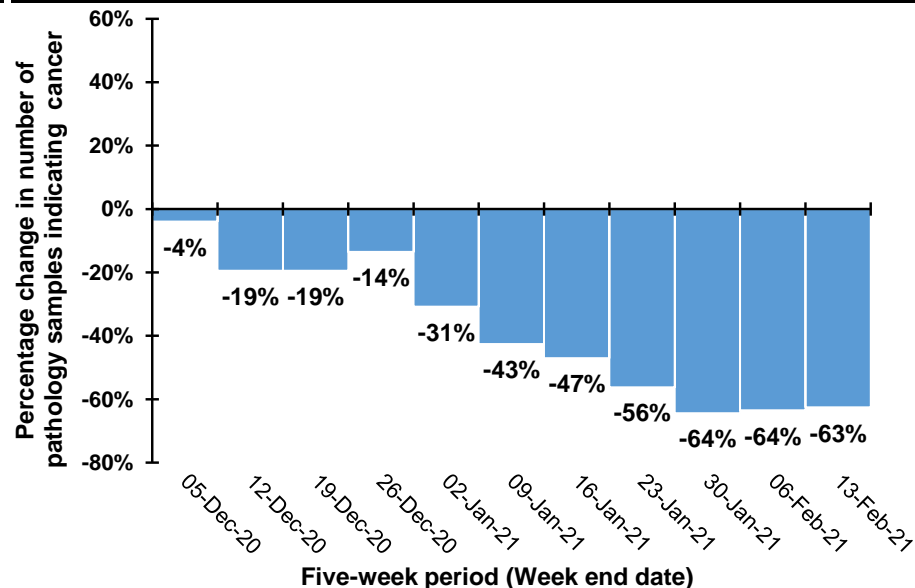
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

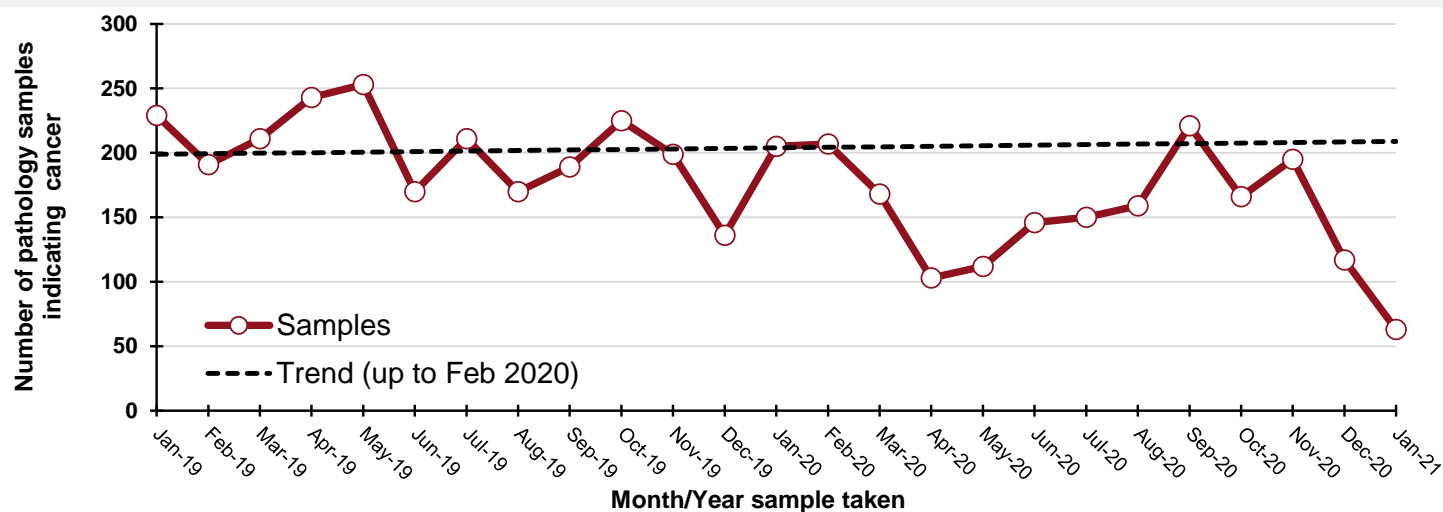


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



Note: Caution should be exercised in comparisons for the weeks ending 26/12/20 and 2/1/21 as Christmas occurs on different days in previous years. For example, in 2020 Christmas was on a Friday meaning holidays may have been taken in the following week, while in 2019 Christmas was on a Wednesday meaning that holidays may have been taken in the same week.

Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 229 |
| Feb-19 | 191 |
| Mar-19 | 211 |
| Apr-19 | 243 |
| May-19 | 253 |
| Jun-19 | 170 |
| Jul-19 | 211 |
| Aug-19 | 170 |
| Sep-19 | 189 |
| Oct-19 | 225 |
| Nov-19 | 199 |
| Dec-19 | 136 |
| Jan-20 | 205 |
| Feb-20 | 207 |
| Mar-20 | 168 |
| Apr-20 | 103 |
| May-20 | 112 |
| Jun-20 | 146 |
| Jul-20 | 150 |
| Aug-20 | 159 |
| Sep-20 | 221 |
| Oct-20 | 166 |
| Nov-20 | 195 |
| Dec-20 | 117 |
| Jan-21 | 63 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 208 | 195 | -6% |
| Dec-20 | 149 | 117 | -21% |
| Jan-21 | 194 | 63 | -68% |
| Feb-21* | 96 | 35 | -63% |

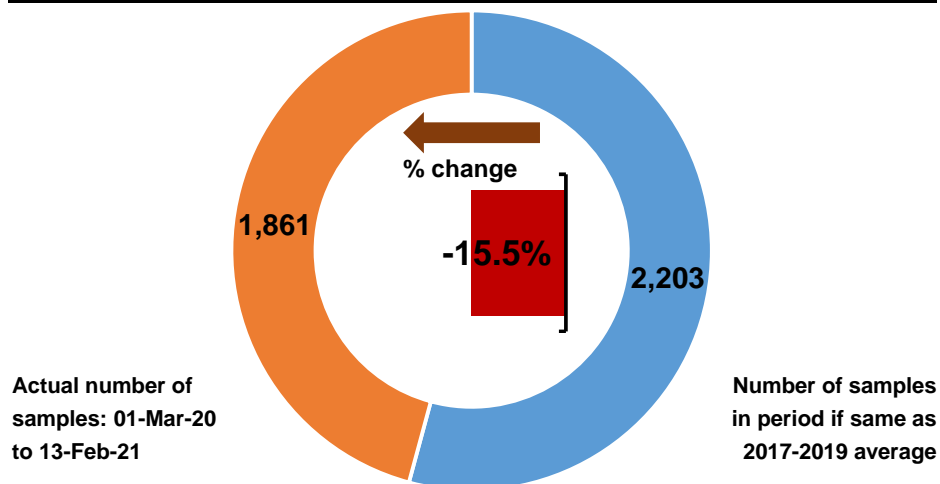
* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

By week sample taken

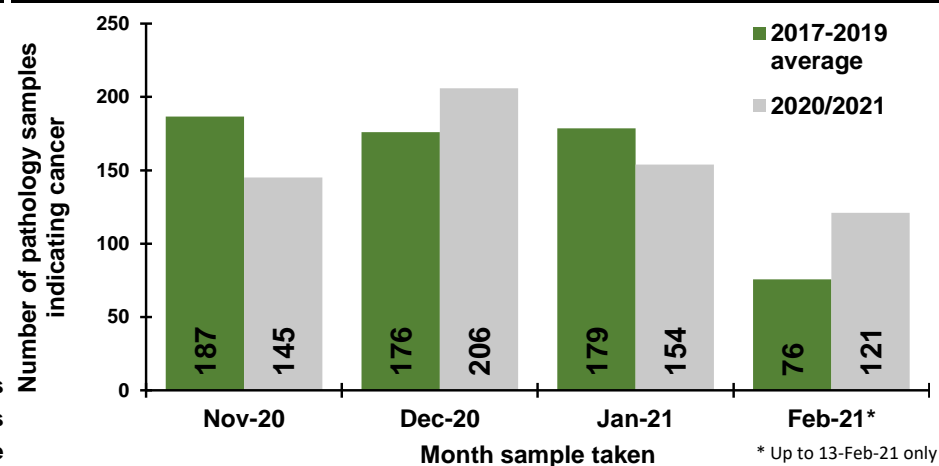
| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 42 | 55 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 47 | 32 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 57 | 48 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 47 | 54 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 43 | 39 | 237 | 228 | -4% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 51 | 25 | 246 | 198 | -19% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 38 | 24 | 236 | 190 | -19% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 8 | 20 | 187 | 162 | -14% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 38 | 15 | 178 | 123 | -31% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 40 | 16 | 174 | 100 | -43% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 45 | 14 | 168 | 89 | -47% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 48 | 13 | 178 | 78 | -56% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 49 | 20 | 219 | 78 | -64% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 41 | 18 | 222 | 81 | -64% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 37 | 17 | 219 | 82 | -63% |

Number of pathology samples indicating cancer (ex NMSC): Antrim laboratory

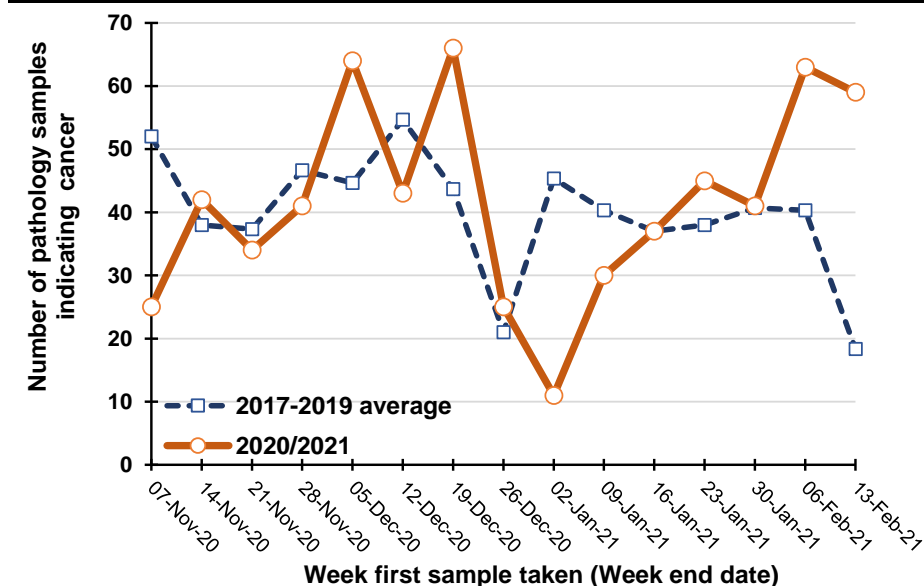
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



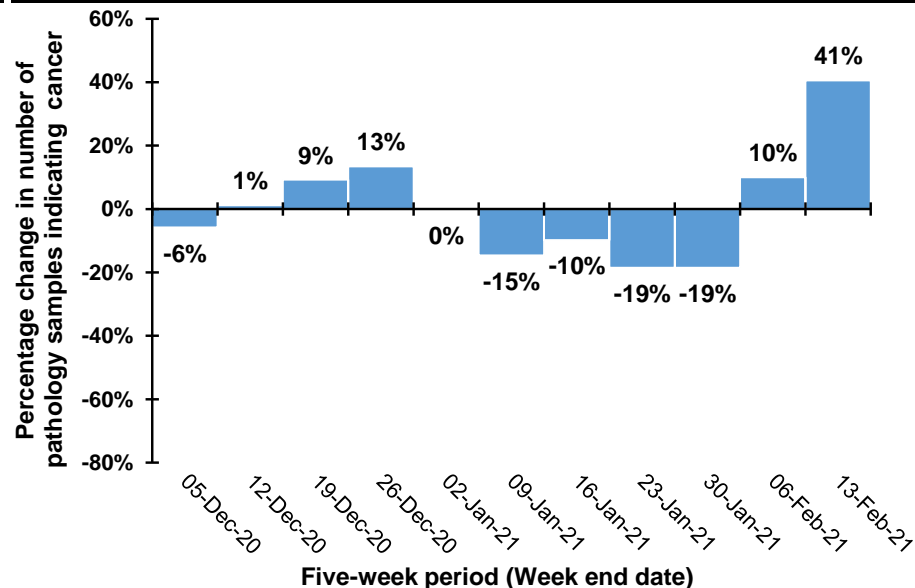
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

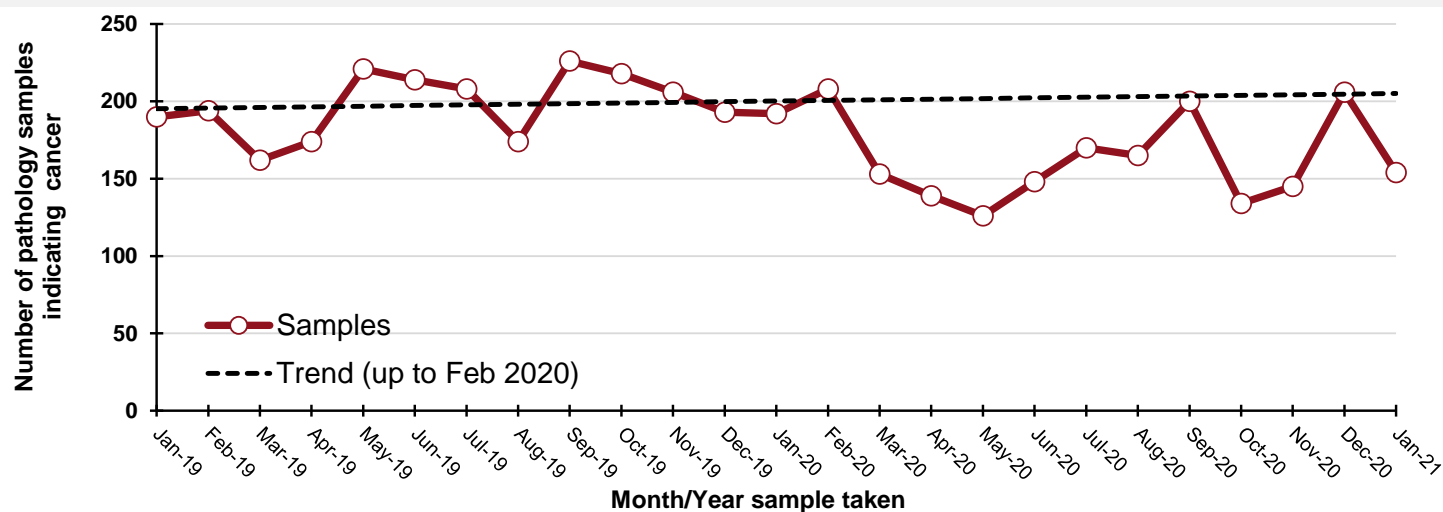


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



Note: Caution should be exercised in comparisons for the weeks ending 26/12/20 and 2/1/21 as Christmas occurs on different days in previous years. For example, in 2020 Christmas was on a Friday meaning holidays may have been taken in the following week, while in 2019 Christmas was on a Wednesday meaning that holidays may have been taken in the same week.

Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 190 |
| Feb-19 | 194 |
| Mar-19 | 162 |
| Apr-19 | 174 |
| May-19 | 221 |
| Jun-19 | 214 |
| Jul-19 | 208 |
| Aug-19 | 174 |
| Sep-19 | 226 |
| Oct-19 | 218 |
| Nov-19 | 206 |
| Dec-19 | 193 |
| Jan-20 | 192 |
| Feb-20 | 208 |
| Mar-20 | 153 |
| Apr-20 | 139 |
| May-20 | 126 |
| Jun-20 | 148 |
| Jul-20 | 170 |
| Aug-20 | 165 |
| Sep-20 | 200 |
| Oct-20 | 134 |
| Nov-20 | 145 |
| Dec-20 | 206 |
| Jan-21 | 154 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 187 | 145 | -22% |
| Dec-20 | 176 | 206 | 17% |
| Jan-21 | 179 | 154 | -14% |
| Feb-21* | 76 | 121 | 60% |

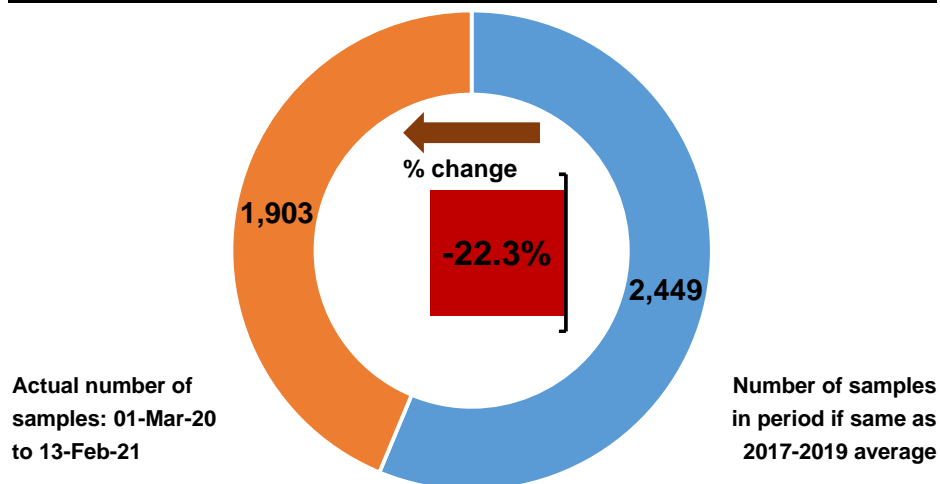
* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

By week sample taken

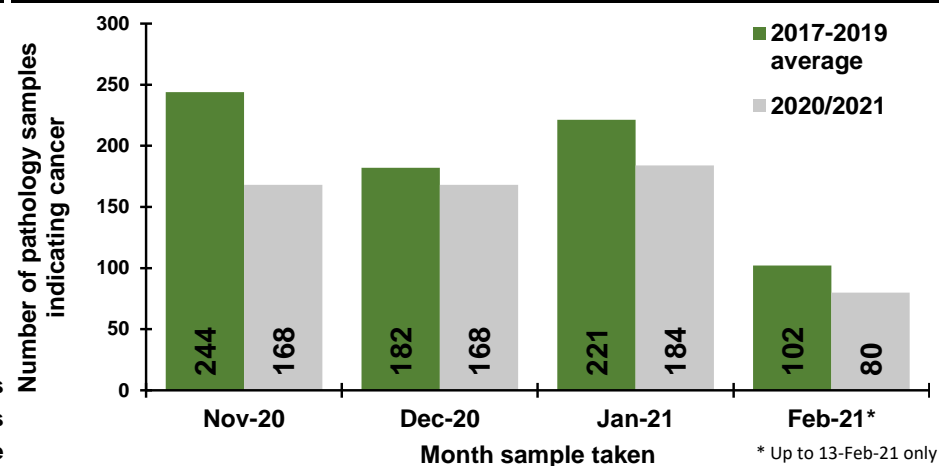
| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 52 | 25 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 38 | 42 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 37 | 34 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 47 | 41 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 45 | 64 | 219 | 206 | -6% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 55 | 43 | 221 | 224 | 1% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 44 | 66 | 227 | 248 | 9% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 21 | 25 | 211 | 239 | 13% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 45 | 11 | 209 | 209 | 0% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 40 | 30 | 205 | 175 | -15% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 37 | 37 | 187 | 169 | -10% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 38 | 45 | 182 | 148 | -19% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 41 | 41 | 201 | 164 | -19% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 40 | 63 | 196 | 216 | 10% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 18 | 59 | 174 | 245 | 41% |

Number of pathology samples indicating cancer (ex NMSC): Craigavon laboratory

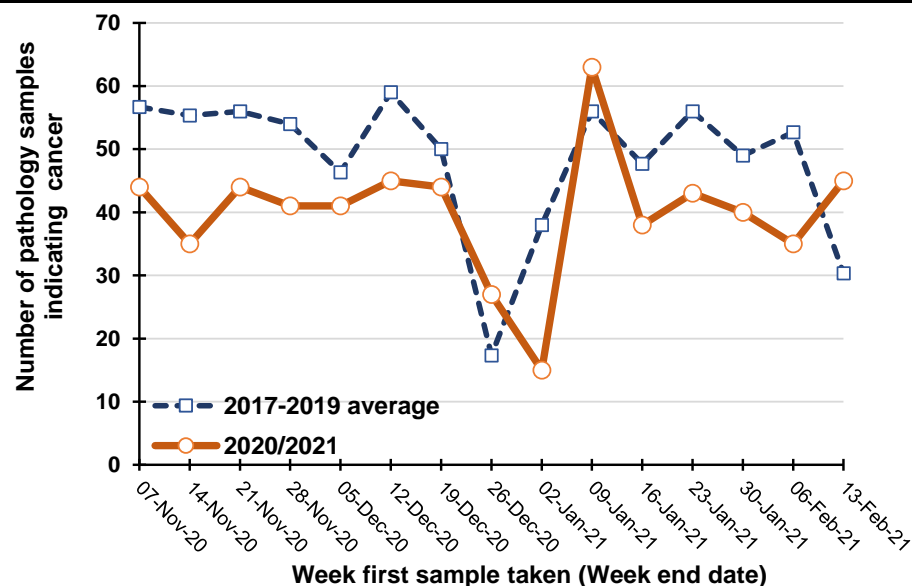
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



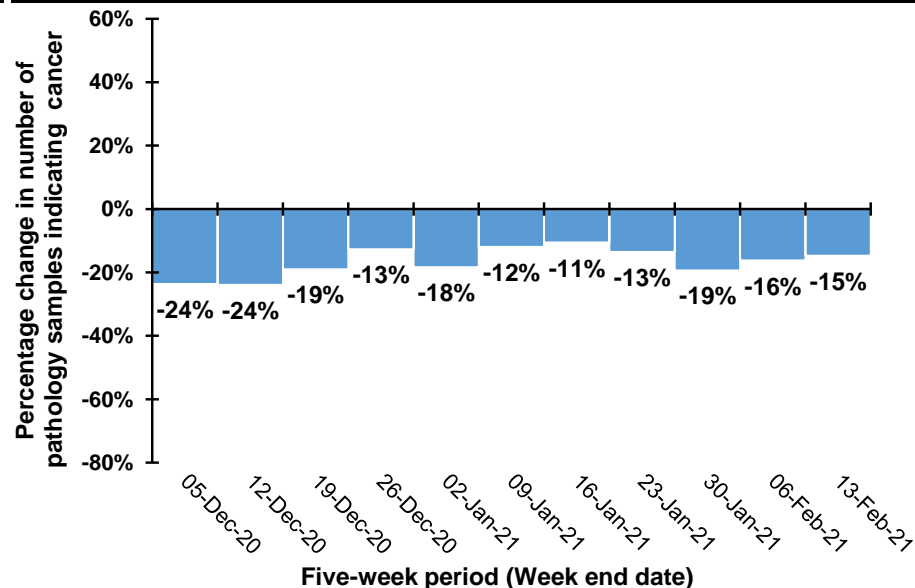
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

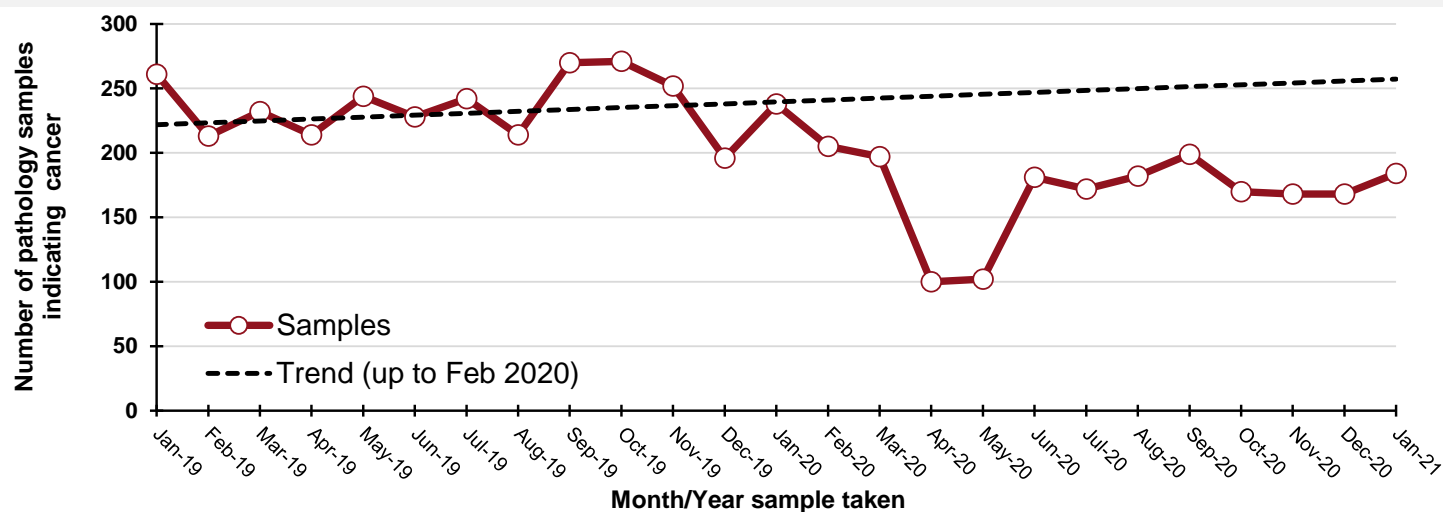


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



Note: Caution should be exercised in comparisons for the weeks ending 26/12/20 and 2/1/21 as Christmas occurs on different days in previous years. For example, in 2020 Christmas was on a Friday meaning holidays may have been taken in the following week, while in 2019 Christmas was on a Wednesday meaning that holidays may have been taken in the same week.

Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 261 |
| Feb-19 | 213 |
| Mar-19 | 232 |
| Apr-19 | 214 |
| May-19 | 244 |
| Jun-19 | 228 |
| Jul-19 | 242 |
| Aug-19 | 214 |
| Sep-19 | 270 |
| Oct-19 | 271 |
| Nov-19 | 252 |
| Dec-19 | 196 |
| Jan-20 | 238 |
| Feb-20 | 205 |
| Mar-20 | 197 |
| Apr-20 | 100 |
| May-20 | 102 |
| Jun-20 | 181 |
| Jul-20 | 172 |
| Aug-20 | 182 |
| Sep-20 | 199 |
| Oct-20 | 170 |
| Nov-20 | 168 |
| Dec-20 | 168 |
| Jan-21 | 184 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 244 | 168 | -31% |
| Dec-20 | 182 | 168 | -8% |
| Jan-21 | 221 | 184 | -17% |
| Feb-21* | 102 | 80 | -22% |

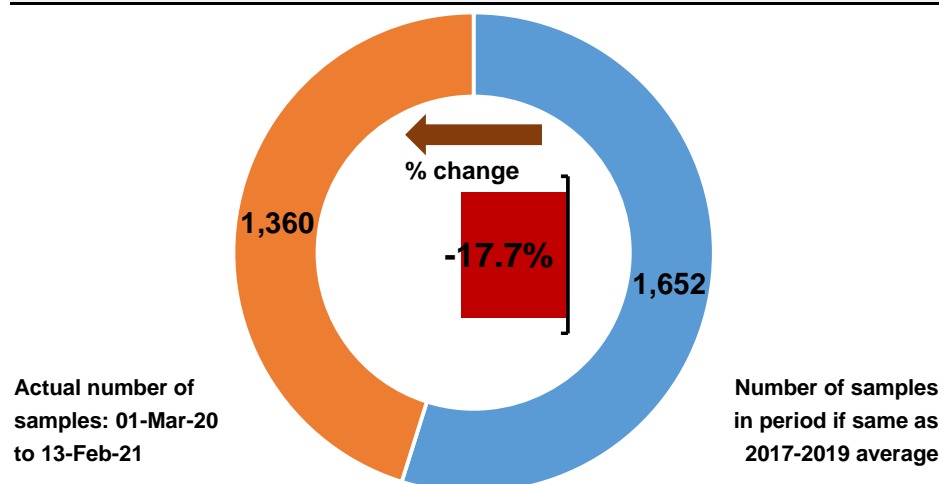
* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

By week sample taken

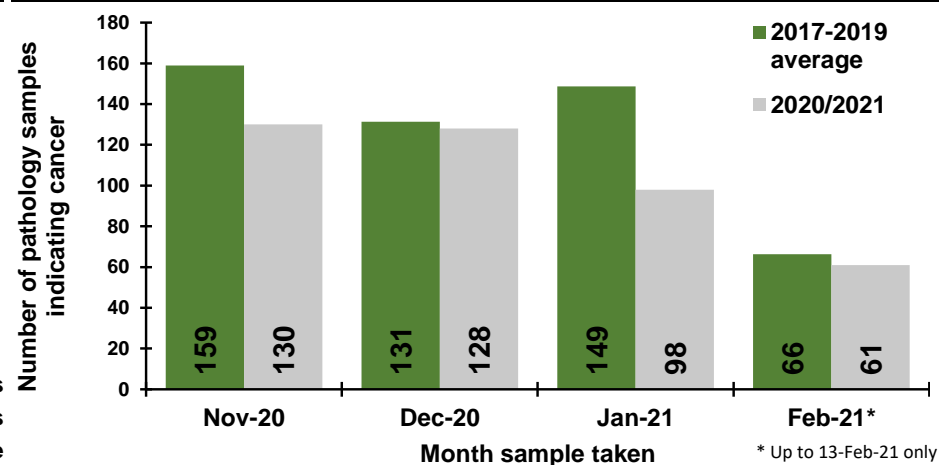
| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 57 | 44 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 55 | 35 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 56 | 44 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 54 | 41 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 46 | 41 | 268 | 205 | -24% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 59 | 45 | 271 | 206 | -24% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 50 | 44 | 265 | 215 | -19% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 17 | 27 | 227 | 198 | -13% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 38 | 15 | 211 | 172 | -18% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 56 | 63 | 220 | 194 | -12% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 48 | 38 | 209 | 187 | -11% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 56 | 43 | 215 | 186 | -13% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 49 | 40 | 247 | 199 | -19% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 53 | 35 | 261 | 219 | -16% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 30 | 45 | 236 | 201 | -15% |

Number of pathology samples indicating bowel cancer: All persons

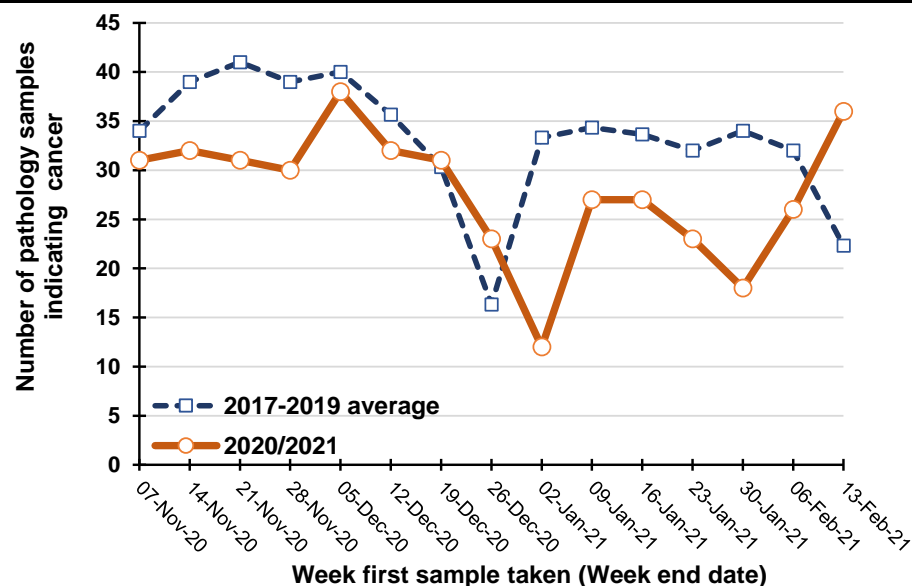
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



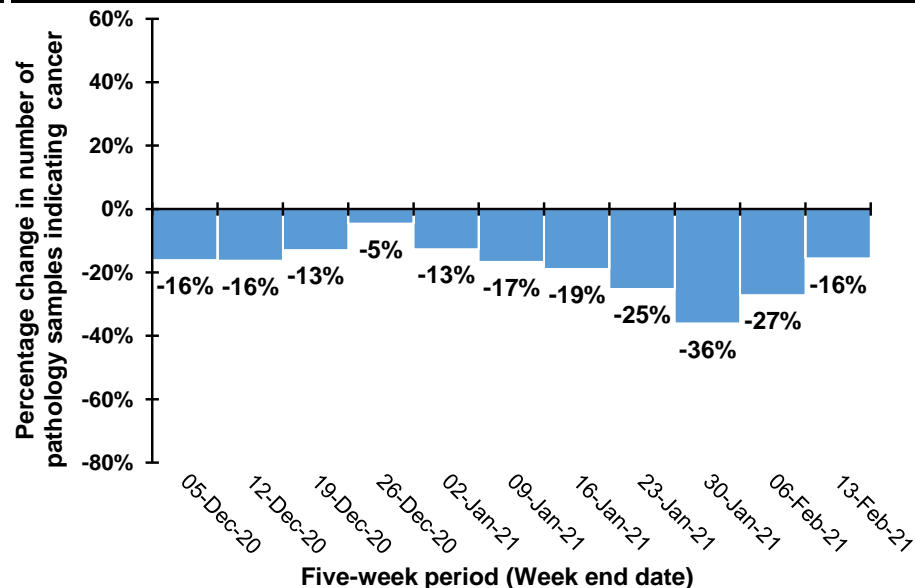
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

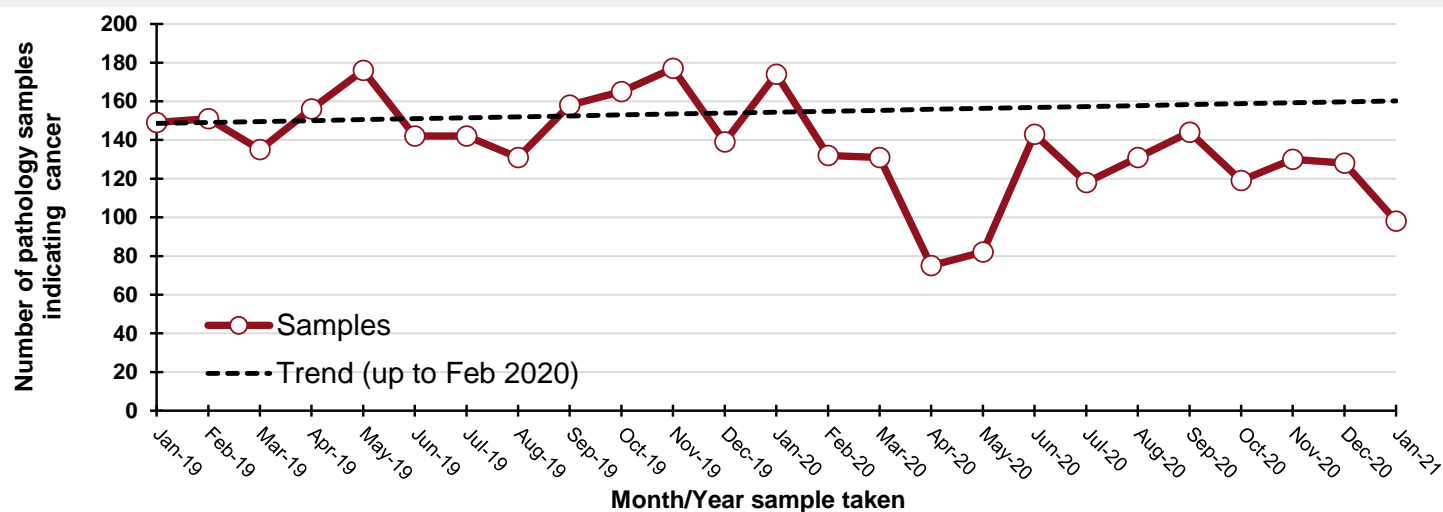


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



Note: Caution should be exercised in comparisons for the weeks ending 26/12/20 and 2/1/21 as Christmas occurs on different days in previous years. For example, in 2020 Christmas was on a Friday meaning holidays may have been taken in the following week, while in 2019 Christmas was on a Wednesday meaning that holidays may have been taken in the same week.

Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 149 |
| Feb-19 | 151 |
| Mar-19 | 135 |
| Apr-19 | 156 |
| May-19 | 176 |
| Jun-19 | 142 |
| Jul-19 | 142 |
| Aug-19 | 131 |
| Sep-19 | 158 |
| Oct-19 | 165 |
| Nov-19 | 177 |
| Dec-19 | 139 |
| Jan-20 | 174 |
| Feb-20 | 132 |
| Mar-20 | 131 |
| Apr-20 | 75 |
| May-20 | 82 |
| Jun-20 | 143 |
| Jul-20 | 118 |
| Aug-20 | 131 |
| Sep-20 | 144 |
| Oct-20 | 119 |
| Nov-20 | 130 |
| Dec-20 | 128 |
| Jan-21 | 98 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 159 | 130 | -18% |
| Dec-20 | 131 | 128 | -3% |
| Jan-21 | 149 | 98 | -34% |
| Feb-21* | 66 | 61 | -8% |

* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

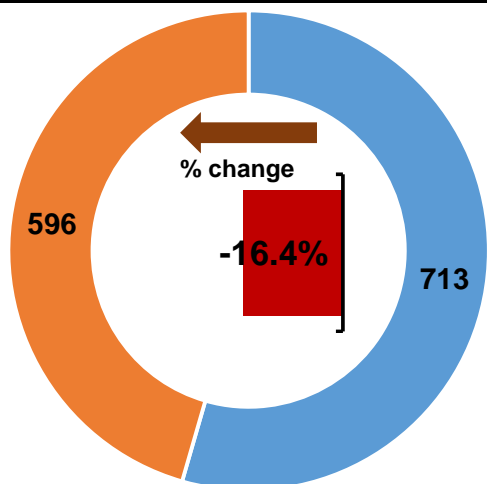
By week sample taken

| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 34 | 31 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 39 | 32 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 41 | 31 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 39 | 30 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 40 | 38 | 193 | 162 | -16% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 36 | 32 | 195 | 163 | -16% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 30 | 31 | 186 | 162 | -13% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 16 | 23 | 161 | 154 | -5% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 33 | 12 | 156 | 136 | -13% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 34 | 27 | 150 | 125 | -17% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 34 | 27 | 148 | 120 | -19% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 32 | 23 | 150 | 112 | -25% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 34 | 18 | 167 | 107 | -36% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 32 | 26 | 166 | 121 | -27% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 22 | 36 | 154 | 130 | -16% |

Note: Includes colon, rectum and rectosigmoid junction (ICD10 codes: C18-C20).

Number of pathology samples indicating bowel cancer: All persons, screening age (60-74)

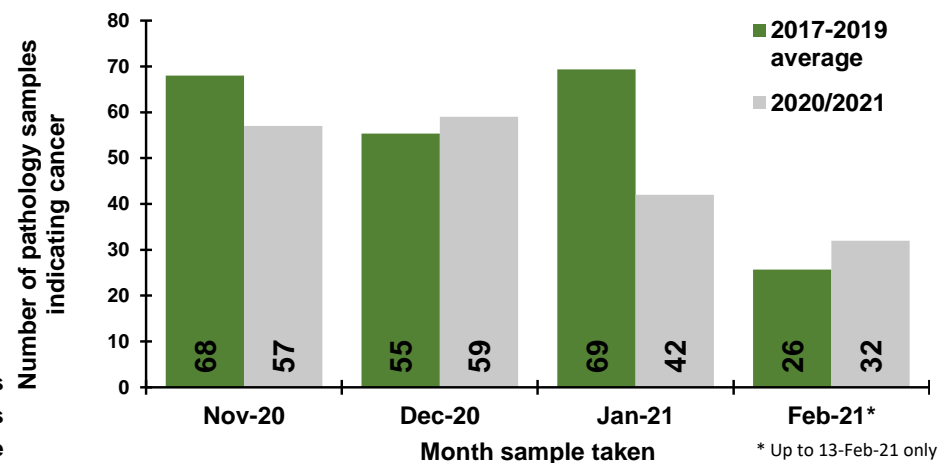
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



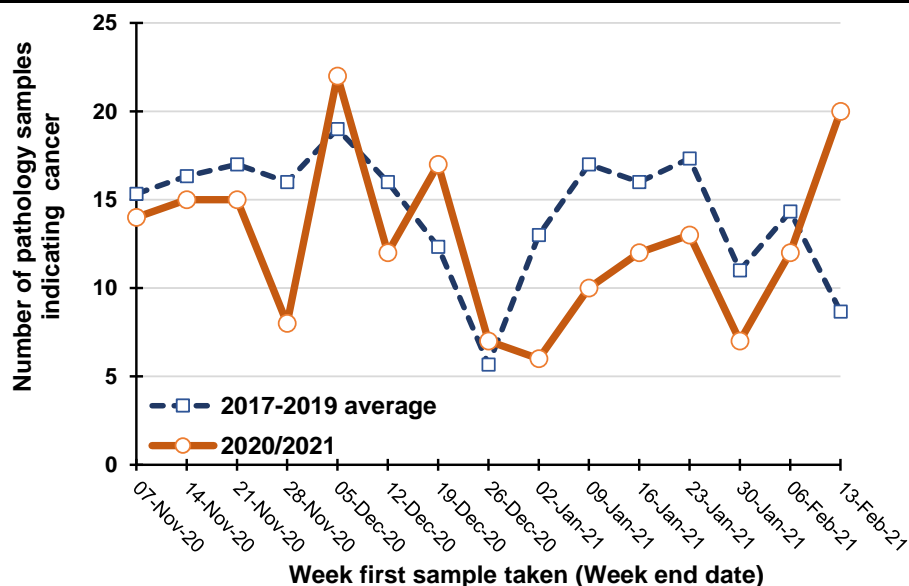
Actual number of samples: 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21

Number of samples in period if same as 2017-2019 average

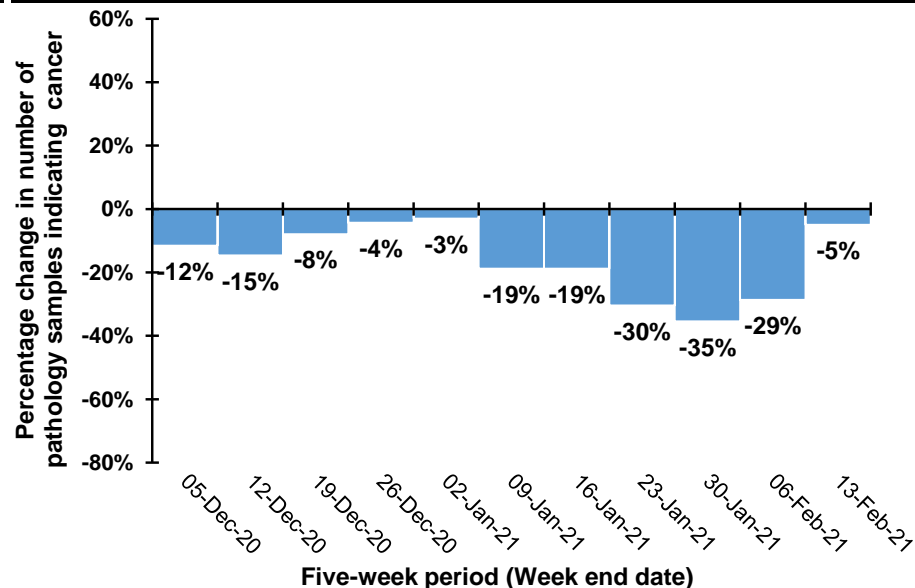
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

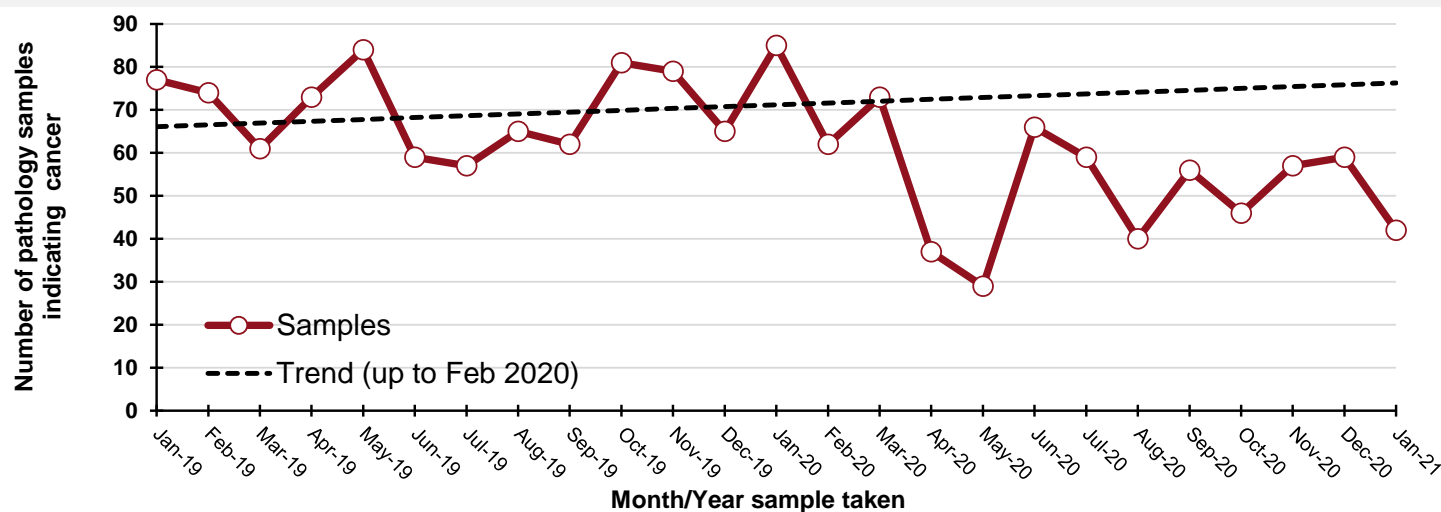


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



Note: Caution should be exercised in comparisons for the weeks ending 26/12/20 and 2/1/21 as Christmas occurs on different days in previous years. For example, in 2020 Christmas was on a Friday meaning holidays may have been taken in the following week, while in 2019 Christmas was on a Wednesday meaning that holidays may have been taken in the same week.

Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 77 |
| Feb-19 | 74 |
| Mar-19 | 61 |
| Apr-19 | 73 |
| May-19 | 84 |
| Jun-19 | 59 |
| Jul-19 | 57 |
| Aug-19 | 65 |
| Sep-19 | 62 |
| Oct-19 | 81 |
| Nov-19 | 79 |
| Dec-19 | 65 |
| Jan-20 | 85 |
| Feb-20 | 62 |
| Mar-20 | 73 |
| Apr-20 | 37 |
| May-20 | 29 |
| Jun-20 | 66 |
| Jul-20 | 59 |
| Aug-20 | 40 |
| Sep-20 | 56 |
| Oct-20 | 46 |
| Nov-20 | 57 |
| Dec-20 | 59 |
| Jan-21 | 42 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 68 | 57 | -16% |
| Dec-20 | 55 | 59 | 7% |
| Jan-21 | 69 | 42 | -39% |
| Feb-21* | 26 | 32 | 25% |

* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

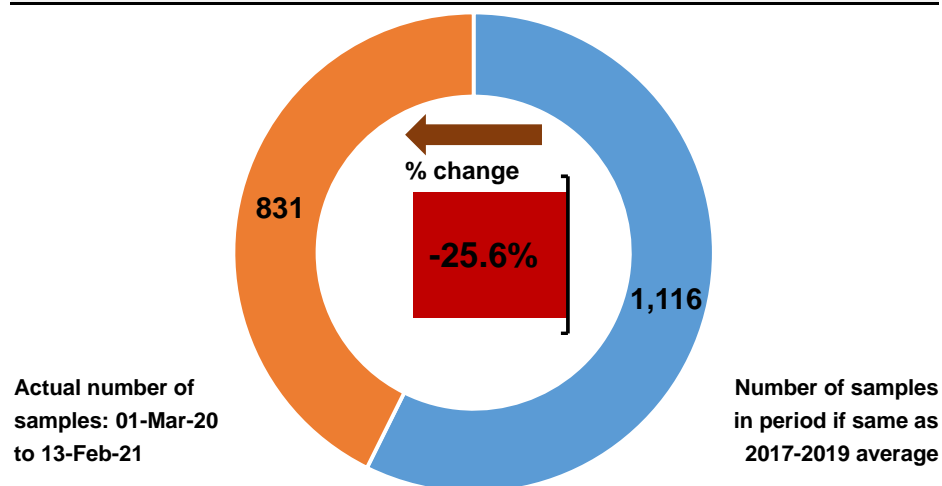
By week sample taken

| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 15 | 14 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 16 | 15 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 17 | 15 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 16 | 8 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 19 | 22 | 84 | 74 | -12% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 16 | 12 | 84 | 72 | -15% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 12 | 17 | 80 | 74 | -8% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 6 | 7 | 69 | 66 | -4% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 13 | 6 | 66 | 64 | -3% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 17 | 10 | 64 | 52 | -19% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 16 | 12 | 64 | 52 | -19% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 17 | 13 | 69 | 48 | -30% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 11 | 7 | 74 | 48 | -35% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 14 | 12 | 76 | 54 | -29% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 9 | 20 | 67 | 64 | -5% |

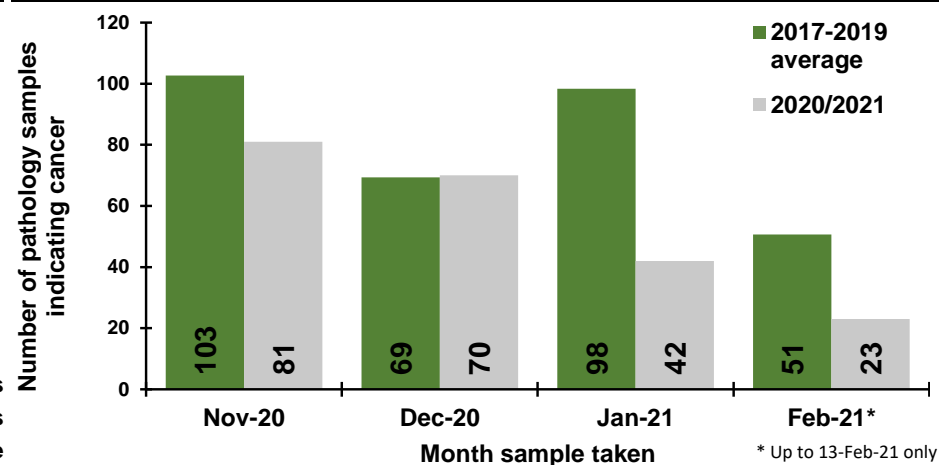
Note: Includes colon, rectum and rectosigmoid junction (ICD10 codes: C18-C20).

Number of pathology samples indicating lung cancer: All persons

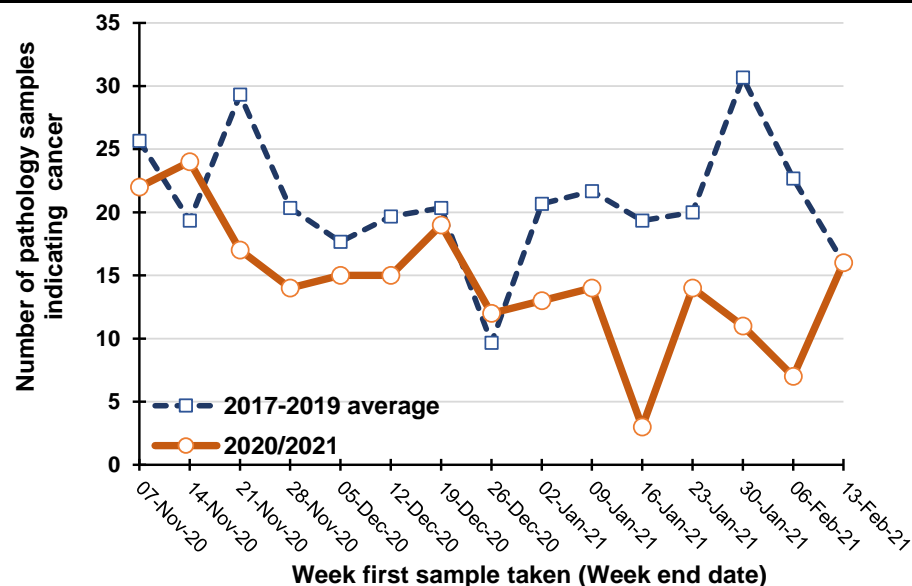
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



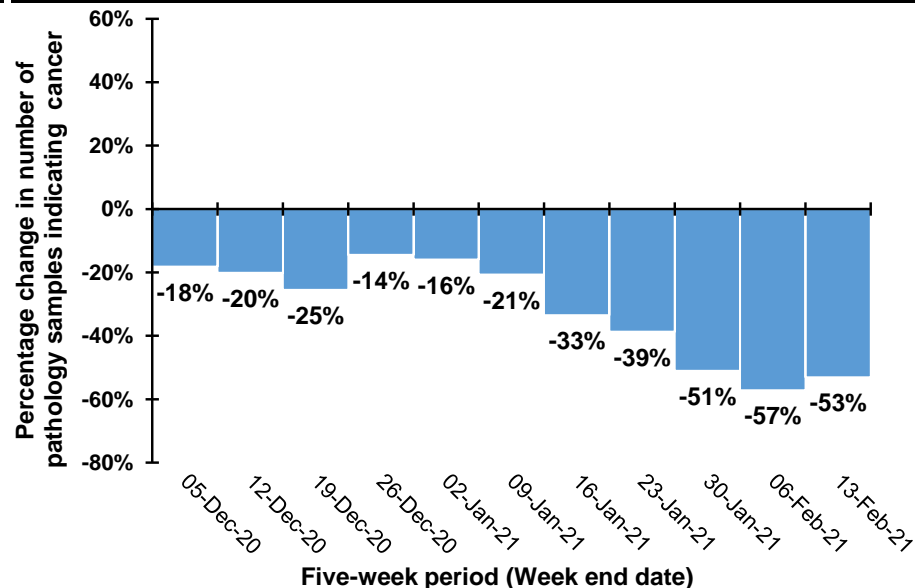
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

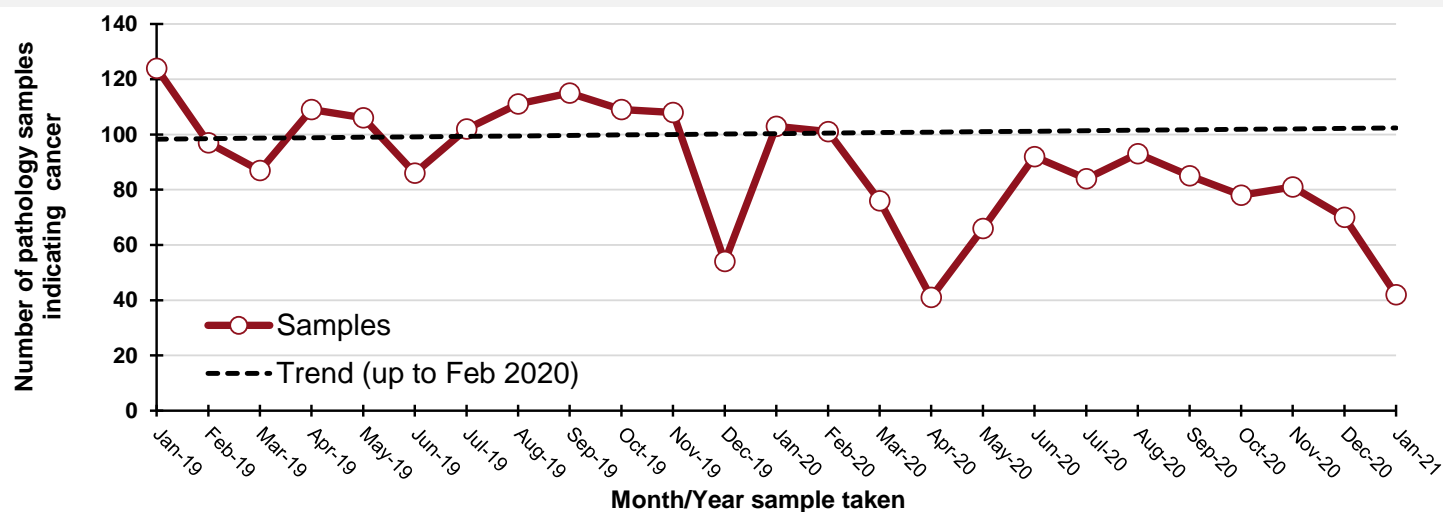


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



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Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 124 |
| Feb-19 | 97 |
| Mar-19 | 87 |
| Apr-19 | 109 |
| May-19 | 106 |
| Jun-19 | 86 |
| Jul-19 | 102 |
| Aug-19 | 111 |
| Sep-19 | 115 |
| Oct-19 | 109 |
| Nov-19 | 108 |
| Dec-19 | 54 |
| Jan-20 | 103 |
| Feb-20 | 101 |
| Mar-20 | 76 |
| Apr-20 | 41 |
| May-20 | 66 |
| Jun-20 | 92 |
| Jul-20 | 84 |
| Aug-20 | 93 |
| Sep-20 | 85 |
| Oct-20 | 78 |
| Nov-20 | 81 |
| Dec-20 | 70 |
| Jan-21 | 42 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 103 | 81 | -21% |
| Dec-20 | 69 | 70 | 1% |
| Jan-21 | 98 | 42 | -57% |
| Feb-21* | 51 | 23 | -55% |

* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

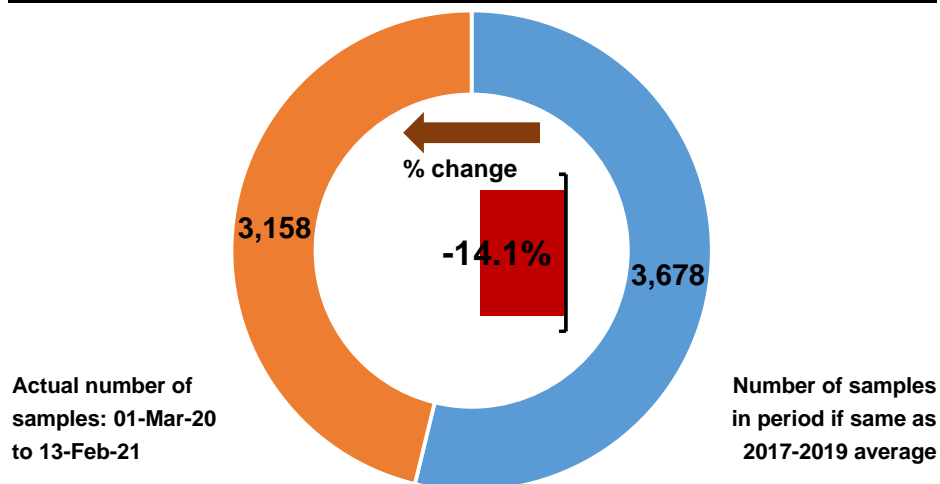
By week sample taken

| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 26 | 22 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 19 | 24 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 29 | 17 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 20 | 14 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 18 | 15 | 112 | 92 | -18% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 20 | 15 | 106 | 85 | -20% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 20 | 19 | 107 | 80 | -25% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 10 | 12 | 88 | 75 | -14% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 21 | 13 | 88 | 74 | -16% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 22 | 14 | 92 | 73 | -21% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 19 | 3 | 92 | 61 | -33% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 20 | 14 | 91 | 56 | -39% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 31 | 11 | 112 | 55 | -51% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 23 | 7 | 114 | 49 | -57% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 16 | 16 | 109 | 51 | -53% |

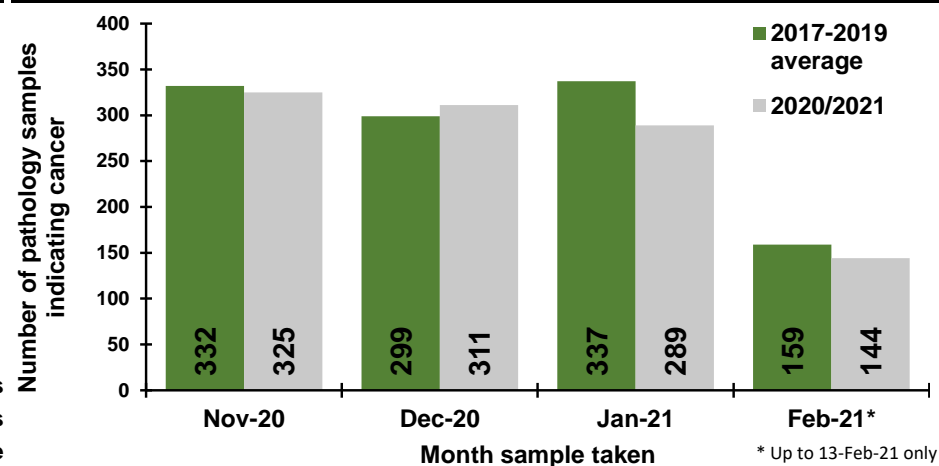
Note: Includes lung and trachea (ICD10 codes: C33-C34).

Number of pathology samples indicating breast cancer: Females

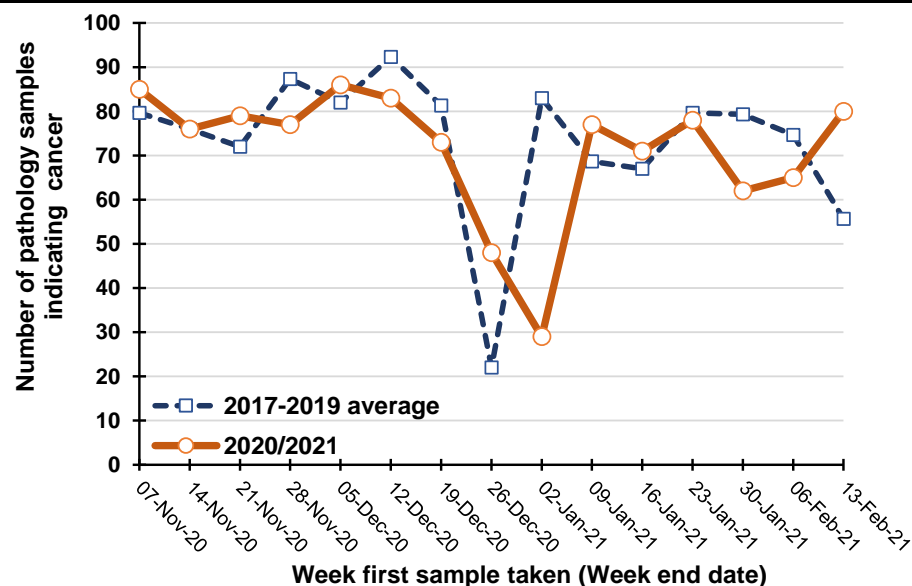
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



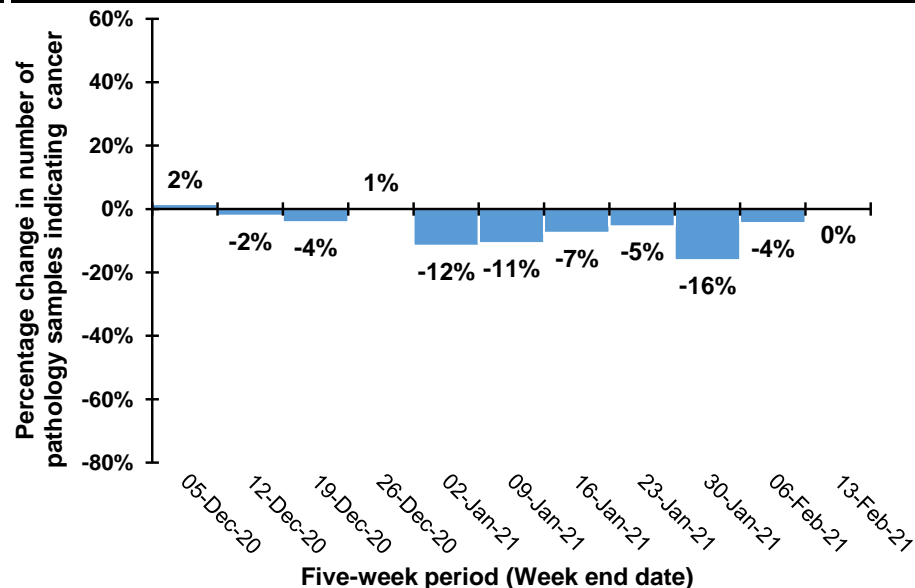
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

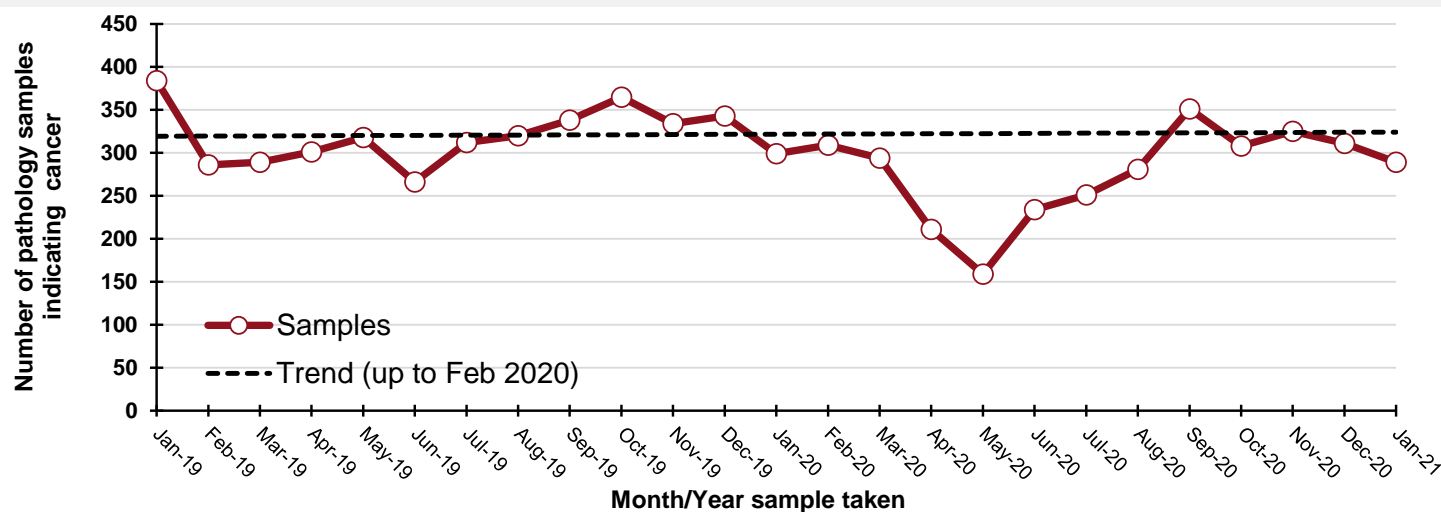


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



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Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 384 |
| Feb-19 | 286 |
| Mar-19 | 289 |
| Apr-19 | 301 |
| May-19 | 318 |
| Jun-19 | 266 |
| Jul-19 | 312 |
| Aug-19 | 320 |
| Sep-19 | 338 |
| Oct-19 | 365 |
| Nov-19 | 334 |
| Dec-19 | 343 |
| Jan-20 | 299 |
| Feb-20 | 309 |
| Mar-20 | 294 |
| Apr-20 | 211 |
| May-20 | 159 |
| Jun-20 | 234 |
| Jul-20 | 251 |
| Aug-20 | 281 |
| Sep-20 | 351 |
| Oct-20 | 308 |
| Nov-20 | 325 |
| Dec-20 | 311 |
| Jan-21 | 289 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 332 | 325 | -2% |
| Dec-20 | 299 | 311 | 4% |
| Jan-21 | 337 | 289 | -14% |
| Feb-21* | 159 | 144 | -9% |

* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

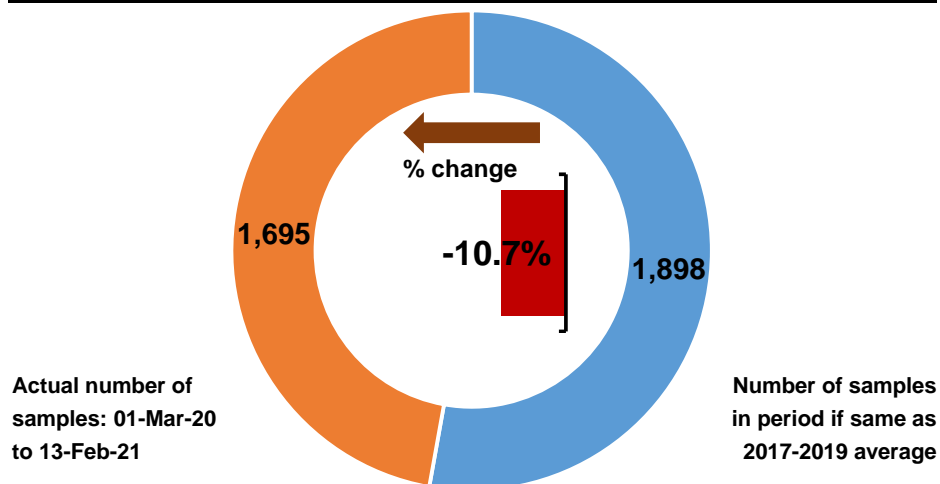
By week sample taken

| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 80 | 85 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 76 | 76 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 72 | 79 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 87 | 77 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 82 | 86 | 397 | 403 | 2% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 92 | 83 | 410 | 401 | -2% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 81 | 73 | 415 | 398 | -4% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 22 | 48 | 365 | 367 | 1% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 83 | 29 | 361 | 319 | -12% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 69 | 77 | 347 | 310 | -11% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 67 | 71 | 322 | 298 | -7% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 80 | 78 | 320 | 303 | -5% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 79 | 62 | 378 | 317 | -16% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 75 | 65 | 369 | 353 | -4% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 56 | 80 | 356 | 356 | 0% |

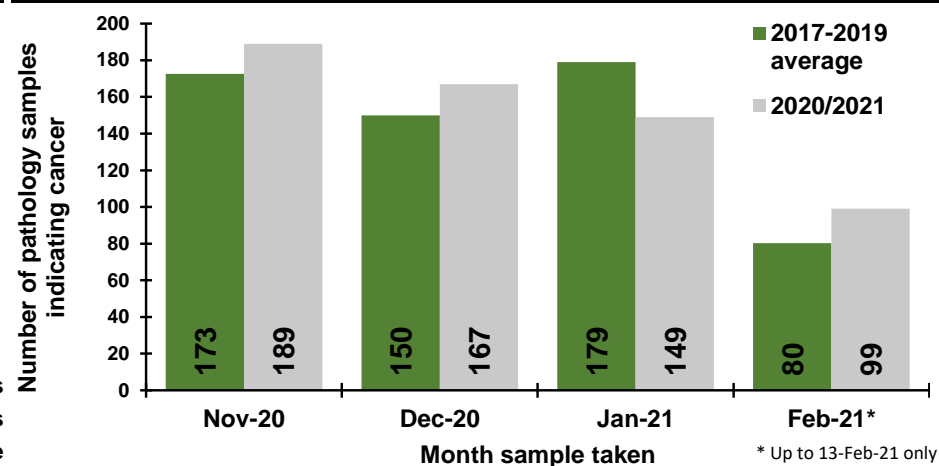
Note: Includes female breast only (ICD10 codes: C50).

Number of pathology samples indicating breast cancer: Females, screening age (50-70)

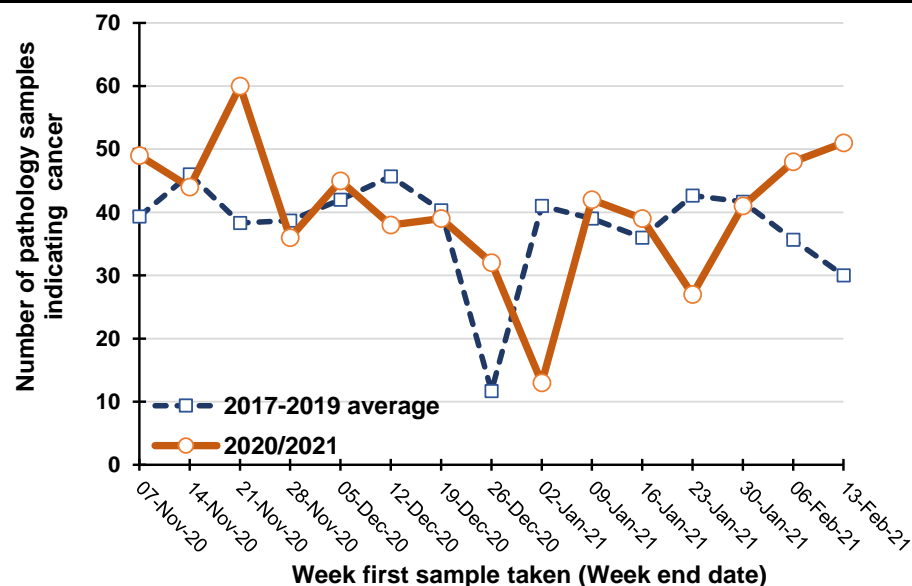
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



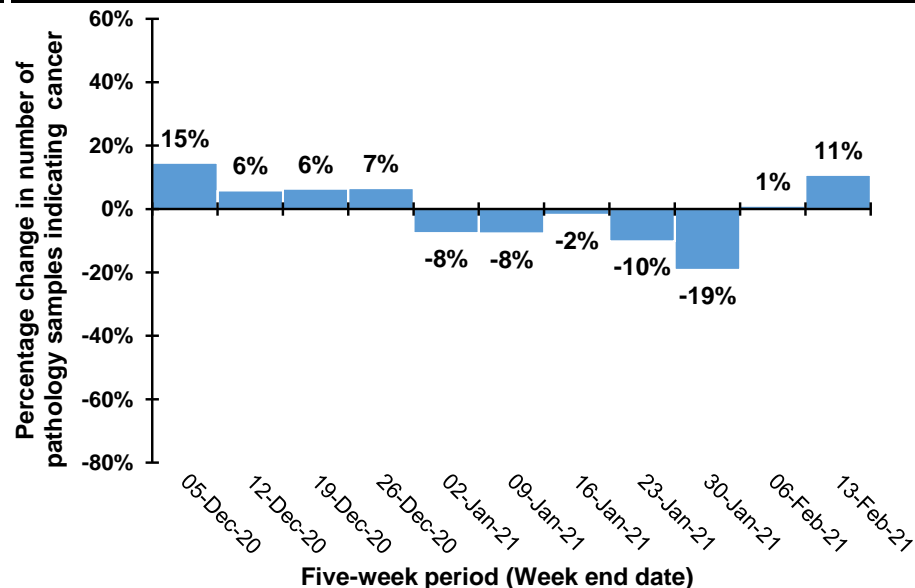
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

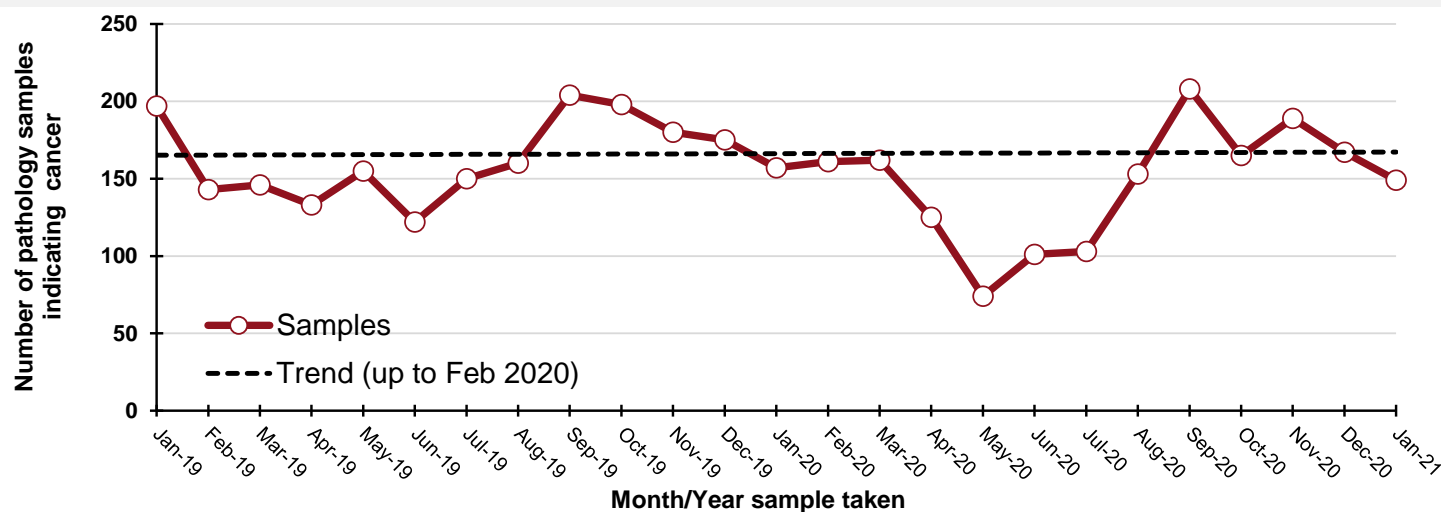


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



Note: Caution should be exercised in comparisons for the weeks ending 26/12/20 and 2/1/21 as Christmas occurs on different days in previous years. For example, in 2020 Christmas was on a Friday meaning holidays may have been taken in the following week, while in 2019 Christmas was on a Wednesday meaning that holidays may have been taken in the same week.

Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 197 |
| Feb-19 | 143 |
| Mar-19 | 146 |
| Apr-19 | 133 |
| May-19 | 155 |
| Jun-19 | 122 |
| Jul-19 | 150 |
| Aug-19 | 160 |
| Sep-19 | 204 |
| Oct-19 | 198 |
| Nov-19 | 180 |
| Dec-19 | 175 |
| Jan-20 | 157 |
| Feb-20 | 161 |
| Mar-20 | 162 |
| Apr-20 | 125 |
| May-20 | 74 |
| Jun-20 | 101 |
| Jul-20 | 103 |
| Aug-20 | 153 |
| Sep-20 | 208 |
| Oct-20 | 165 |
| Nov-20 | 189 |
| Dec-20 | 167 |
| Jan-21 | 149 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 173 | 189 | 9% |
| Dec-20 | 150 | 167 | 11% |
| Jan-21 | 179 | 149 | -17% |
| Feb-21* | 80 | 99 | 23% |

* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

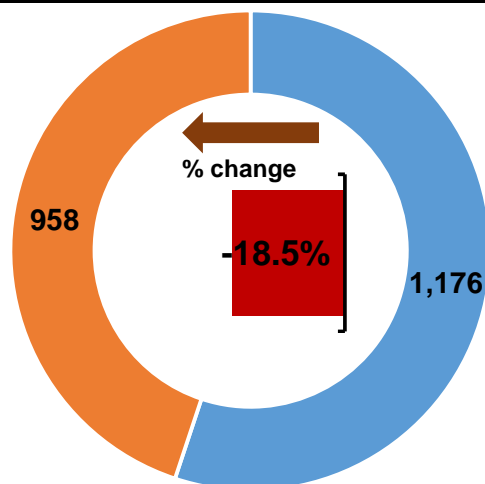
By week sample taken

| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 39 | 49 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 46 | 44 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 38 | 60 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 39 | 36 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 42 | 45 | 204 | 234 | 15% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 46 | 38 | 211 | 223 | 6% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 40 | 39 | 205 | 218 | 6% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 12 | 32 | 178 | 190 | 7% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 41 | 13 | 181 | 167 | -8% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 39 | 42 | 178 | 164 | -8% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 36 | 39 | 168 | 165 | -2% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 43 | 27 | 170 | 153 | -10% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 42 | 41 | 200 | 162 | -19% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 36 | 48 | 195 | 197 | 1% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 30 | 51 | 186 | 206 | 11% |

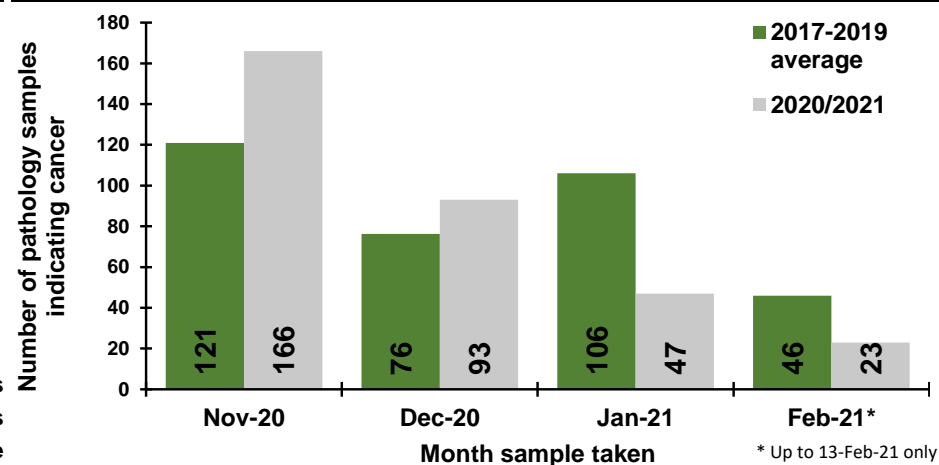
Note: Includes female breast only (ICD10 codes: C50).

Number of pathology samples indicating prostate cancer: Males

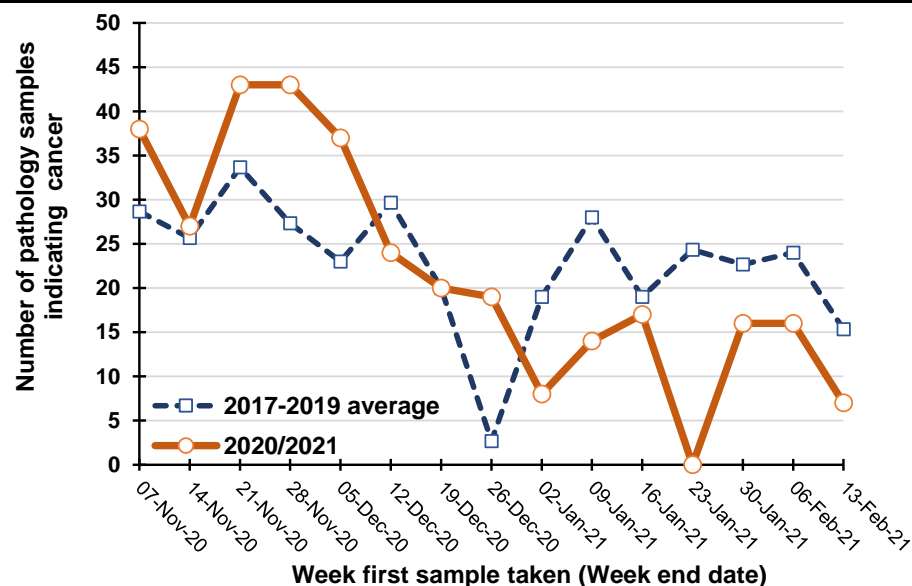
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



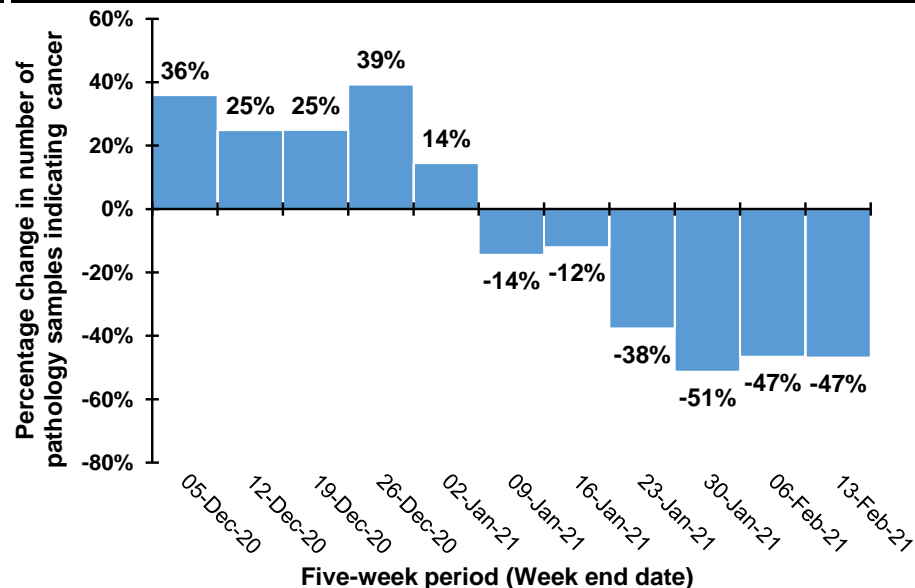
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

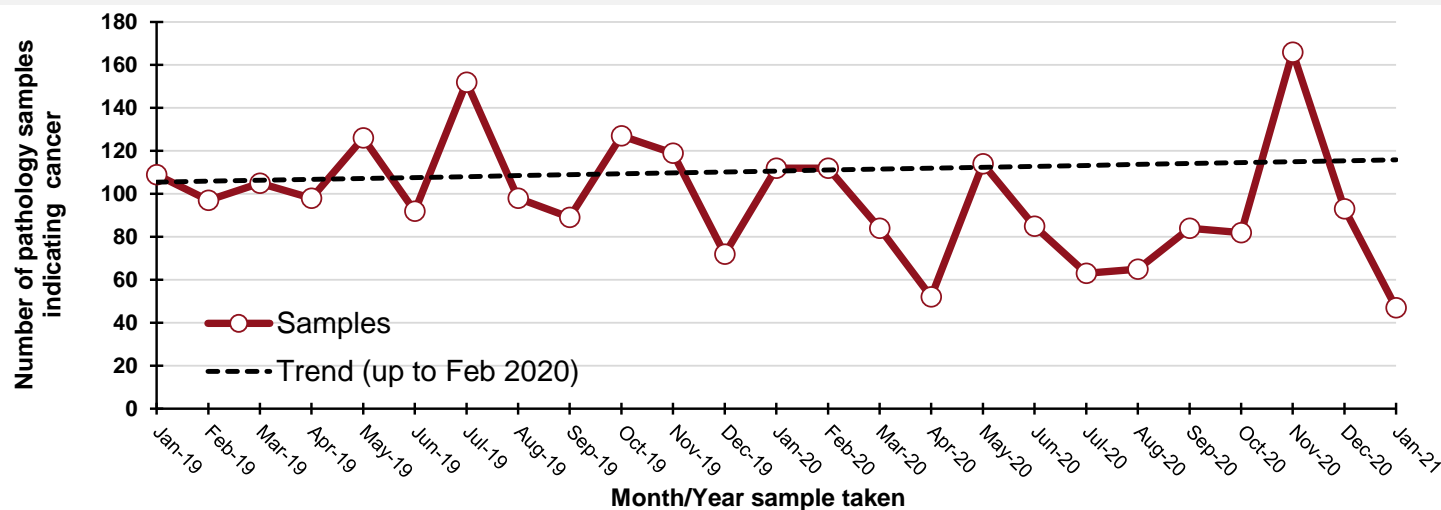


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



Note: Caution should be exercised in comparisons for the weeks ending 26/12/20 and 2/1/21 as Christmas occurs on different days in previous years. For example, in 2020 Christmas was on a Friday meaning holidays may have been taken in the following week, while in 2019 Christmas was on a Wednesday meaning that holidays may have been taken in the same week.

Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 109 |
| Feb-19 | 97 |
| Mar-19 | 105 |
| Apr-19 | 98 |
| May-19 | 126 |
| Jun-19 | 92 |
| Jul-19 | 152 |
| Aug-19 | 98 |
| Sep-19 | 89 |
| Oct-19 | 127 |
| Nov-19 | 119 |
| Dec-19 | 72 |
| Jan-20 | 112 |
| Feb-20 | 112 |
| Mar-20 | 84 |
| Apr-20 | 52 |
| May-20 | 114 |
| Jun-20 | 85 |
| Jul-20 | 63 |
| Aug-20 | 65 |
| Sep-20 | 84 |
| Oct-20 | 82 |
| Nov-20 | 166 |
| Dec-20 | 93 |
| Jan-21 | 47 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 121 | 166 | 37% |
| Dec-20 | 76 | 93 | 22% |
| Jan-21 | 106 | 47 | -56% |
| Feb-21* | 46 | 23 | -50% |

* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

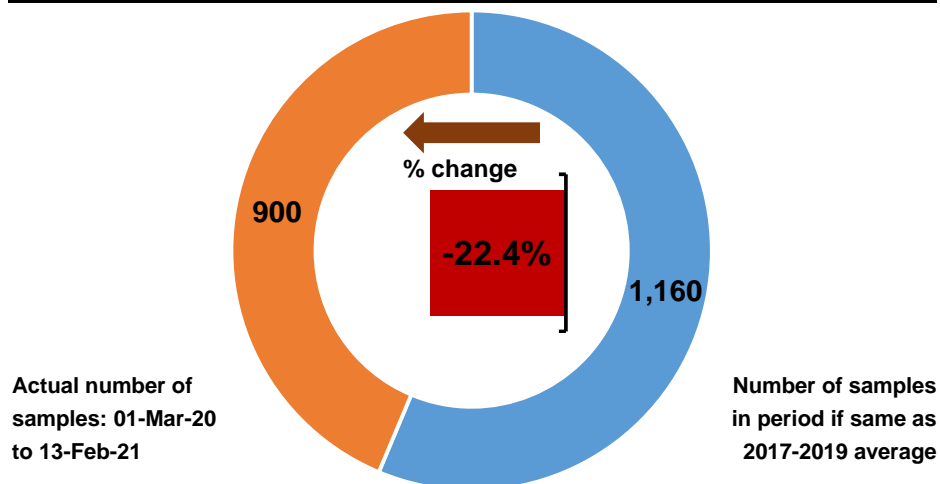
By week sample taken

| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 29 | 38 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 26 | 27 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 34 | 43 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 27 | 43 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 23 | 37 | 138 | 188 | 36% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 30 | 24 | 139 | 174 | 25% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 20 | 20 | 134 | 167 | 25% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 3 | 19 | 103 | 143 | 39% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 19 | 8 | 94 | 108 | 14% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 28 | 14 | 99 | 85 | -14% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 19 | 17 | 89 | 78 | -12% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 24 | 0 | 93 | 58 | -38% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 23 | 16 | 113 | 55 | -51% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 24 | 16 | 118 | 63 | -47% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 15 | 7 | 105 | 56 | -47% |

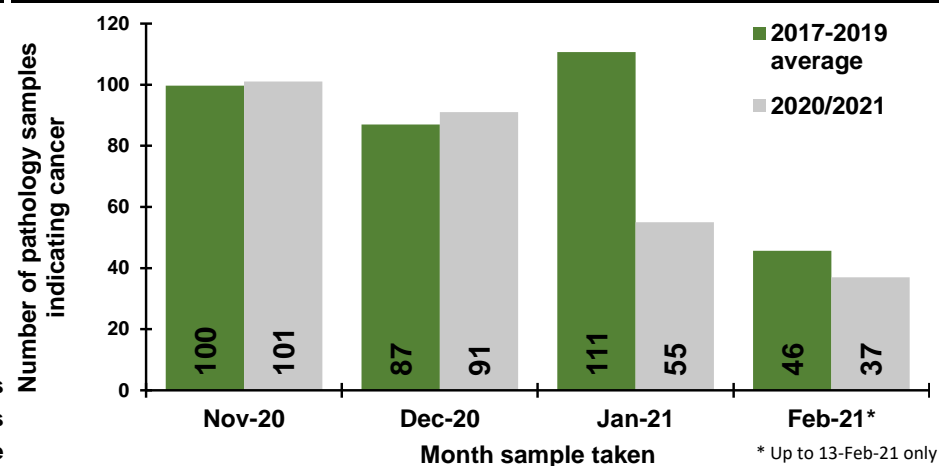
Note: (ICD10 codes: C61).

Number of pathology samples indicating gynaecological cancer: Females

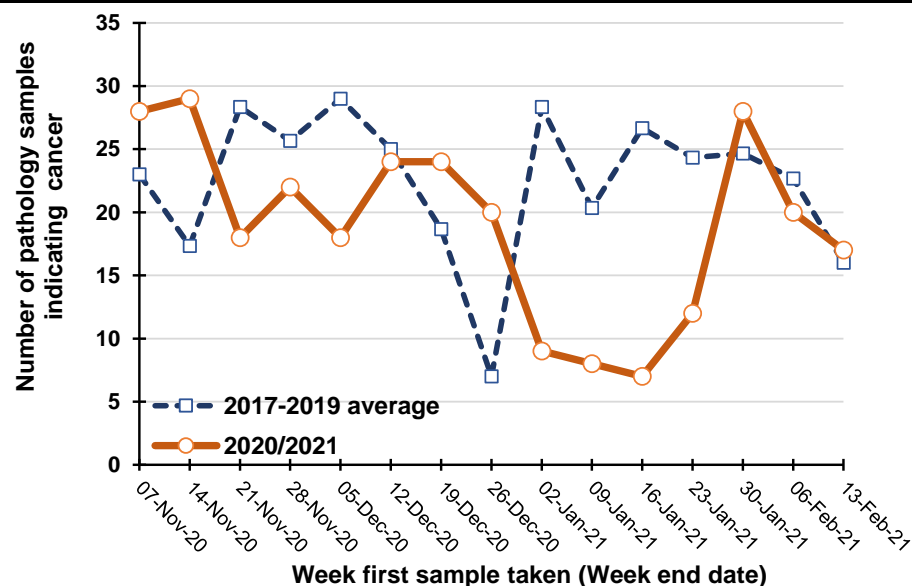
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



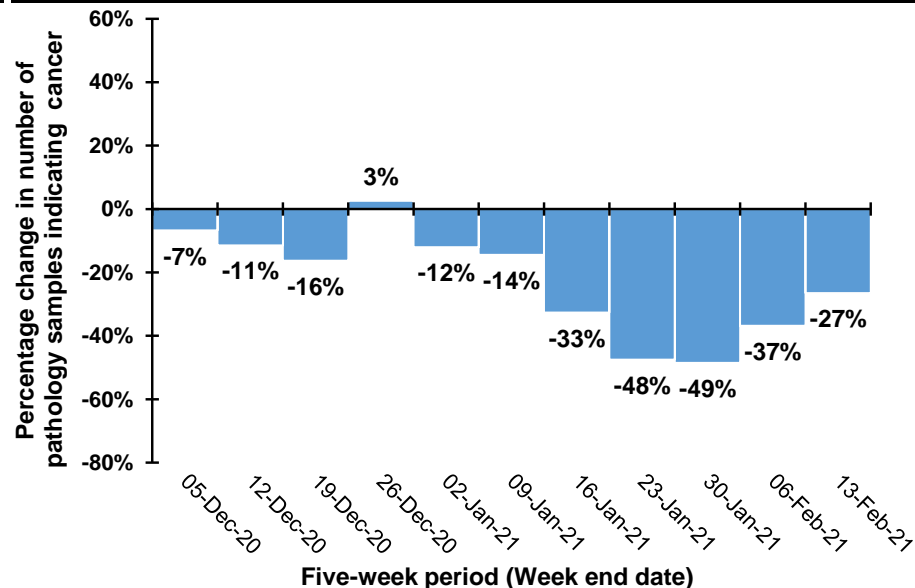
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

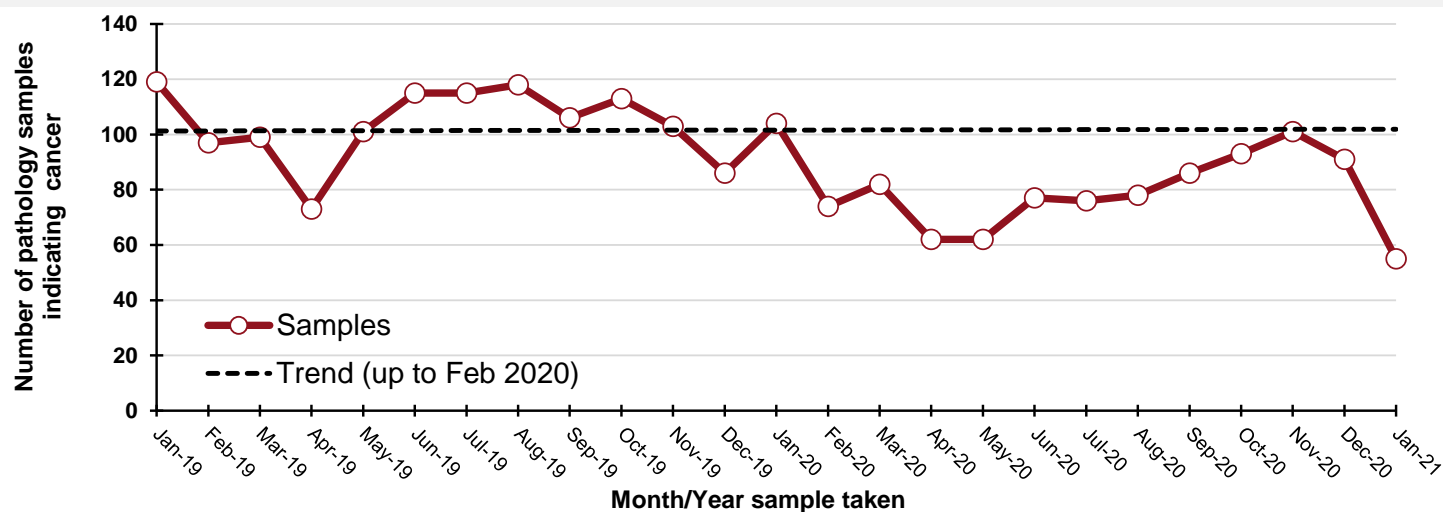


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



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Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 119 |
| Feb-19 | 97 |
| Mar-19 | 99 |
| Apr-19 | 73 |
| May-19 | 101 |
| Jun-19 | 115 |
| Jul-19 | 115 |
| Aug-19 | 118 |
| Sep-19 | 106 |
| Oct-19 | 113 |
| Nov-19 | 103 |
| Dec-19 | 86 |
| Jan-20 | 104 |
| Feb-20 | 74 |
| Mar-20 | 82 |
| Apr-20 | 62 |
| May-20 | 62 |
| Jun-20 | 77 |
| Jul-20 | 76 |
| Aug-20 | 78 |
| Sep-20 | 86 |
| Oct-20 | 93 |
| Nov-20 | 101 |
| Dec-20 | 91 |
| Jan-21 | 55 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 100 | 101 | 1% |
| Dec-20 | 87 | 91 | 5% |
| Jan-21 | 111 | 55 | -50% |
| Feb-21* | 46 | 37 | -19% |

* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

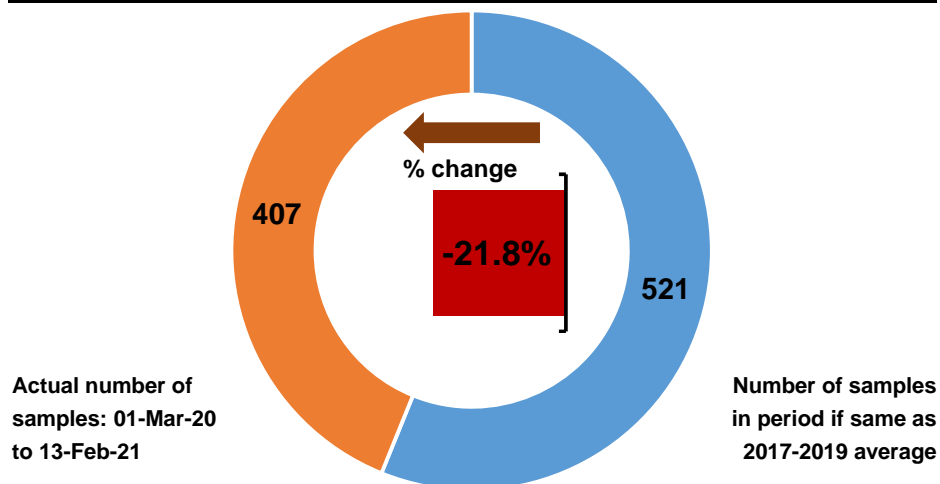
By week sample taken

| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 23 | 28 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 17 | 29 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 28 | 18 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 26 | 22 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 29 | 18 | 123 | 115 | -7% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 25 | 24 | 125 | 111 | -11% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 19 | 24 | 127 | 106 | -16% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 7 | 20 | 105 | 108 | 3% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 28 | 9 | 108 | 95 | -12% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 20 | 8 | 99 | 85 | -14% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 27 | 7 | 101 | 68 | -33% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 24 | 12 | 107 | 56 | -48% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 25 | 28 | 124 | 64 | -49% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 23 | 20 | 119 | 75 | -37% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 16 | 17 | 114 | 84 | -27% |

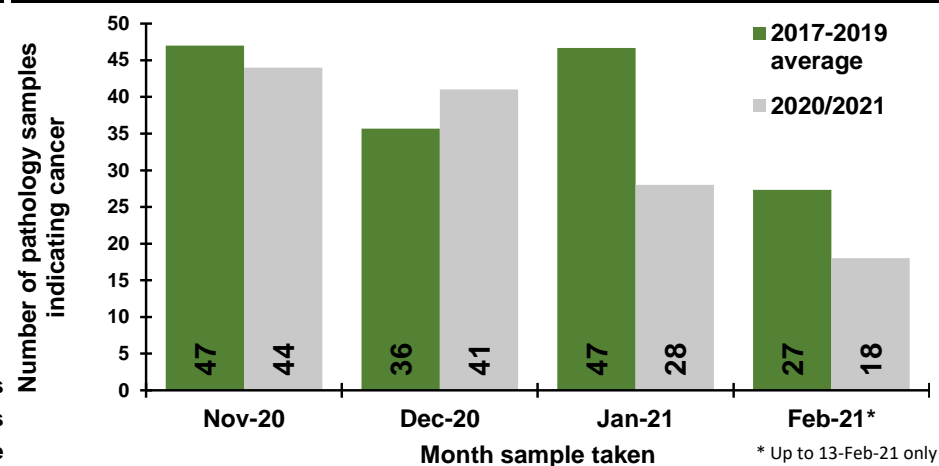
Note: Includes uterus, ovary, cervix, vulva, vagina, placenta and other female genital (ICD10 codes: C51-C58).

Number of pathology samples indicating upper gastrointestinal cancer: All persons

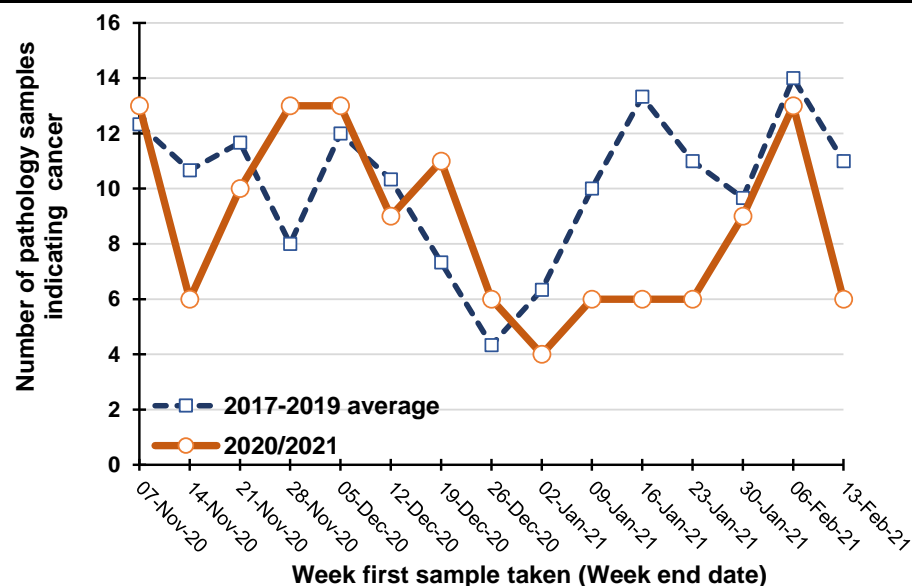
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



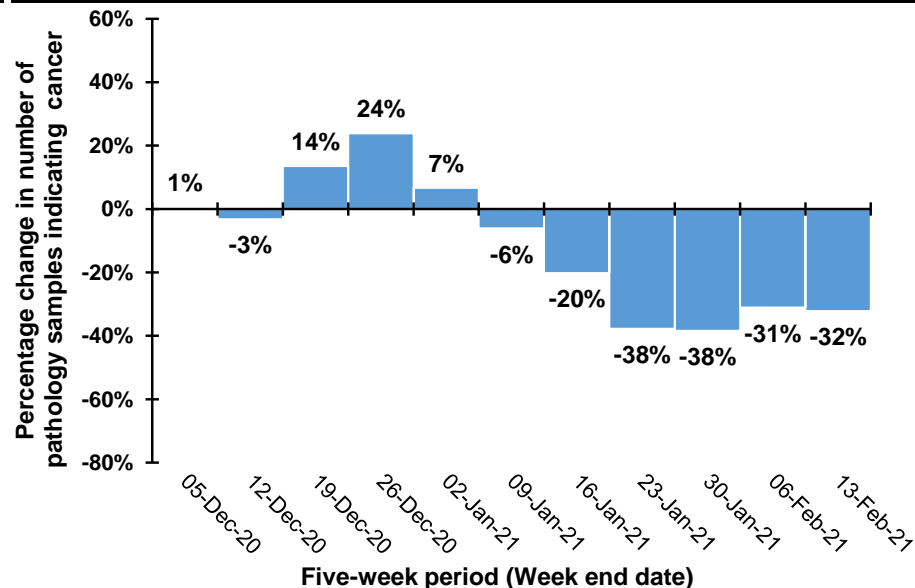
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

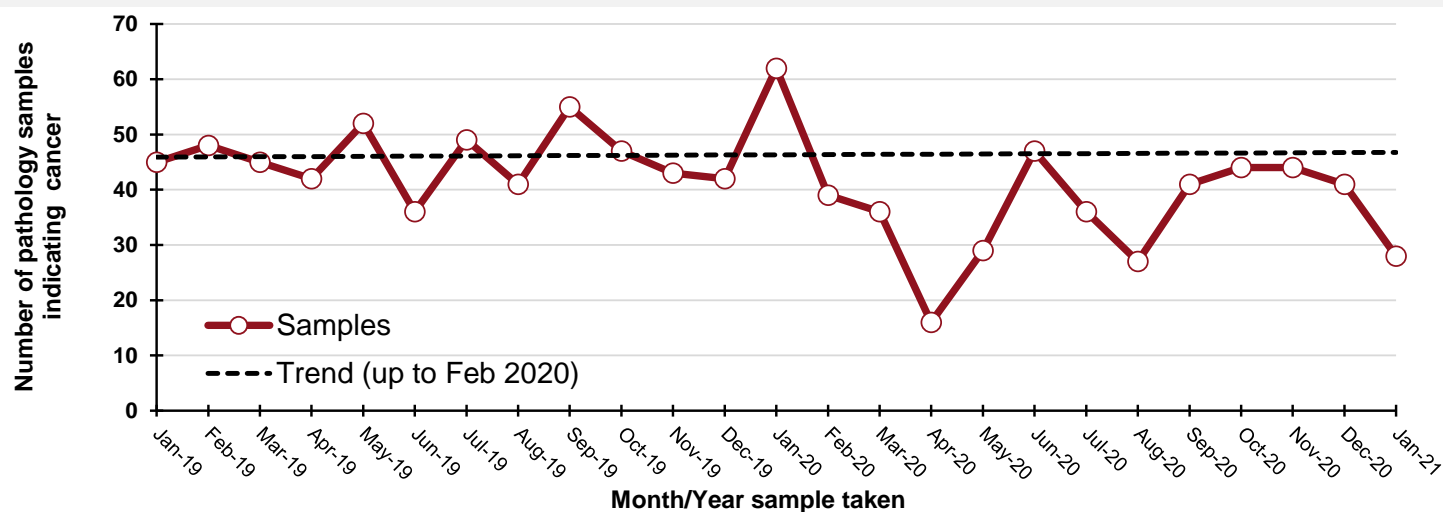


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



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Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 45 |
| Feb-19 | 48 |
| Mar-19 | 45 |
| Apr-19 | 42 |
| May-19 | 52 |
| Jun-19 | 36 |
| Jul-19 | 49 |
| Aug-19 | 41 |
| Sep-19 | 55 |
| Oct-19 | 47 |
| Nov-19 | 43 |
| Dec-19 | 42 |
| Jan-20 | 62 |
| Feb-20 | 39 |
| Mar-20 | 36 |
| Apr-20 | 16 |
| May-20 | 29 |
| Jun-20 | 47 |
| Jul-20 | 36 |
| Aug-20 | 27 |
| Sep-20 | 41 |
| Oct-20 | 44 |
| Nov-20 | 44 |
| Dec-20 | 41 |
| Jan-21 | 28 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 47 | 44 | -6% |
| Dec-20 | 36 | 41 | 15% |
| Jan-21 | 47 | 28 | -40% |
| Feb-21* | 27 | 18 | -34% |

* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

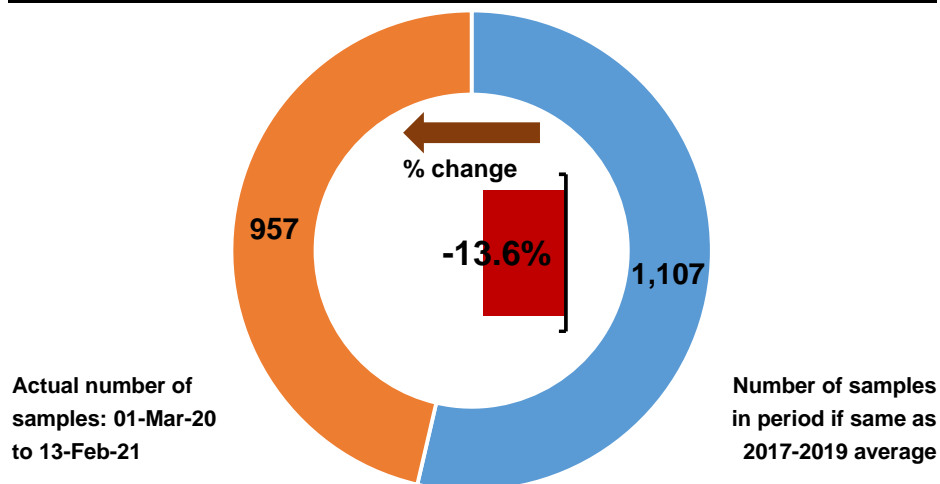
By week sample taken

| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 12 | 13 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 11 | 6 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 12 | 10 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 8 | 13 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 12 | 13 | 55 | 55 | 1% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 10 | 9 | 53 | 51 | -3% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 7 | 11 | 49 | 56 | 14% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 4 | 6 | 42 | 52 | 24% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 6 | 4 | 40 | 43 | 7% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 10 | 6 | 38 | 36 | -6% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 13 | 6 | 41 | 33 | -20% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 11 | 6 | 45 | 28 | -38% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 10 | 9 | 50 | 31 | -38% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 14 | 13 | 58 | 40 | -31% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 11 | 6 | 59 | 40 | -32% |

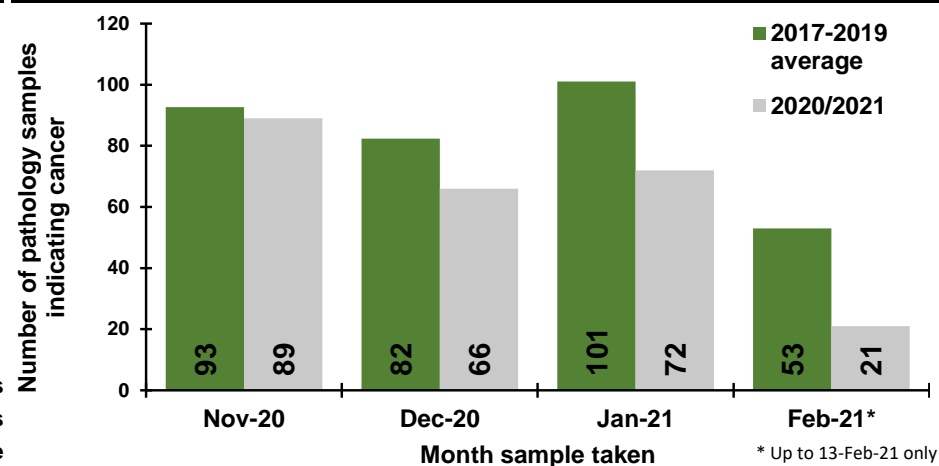
Note: Includes oesophagus and stomach (ICD10 codes: C15, C16).

Number of pathology samples indicating head & neck cancer: All persons

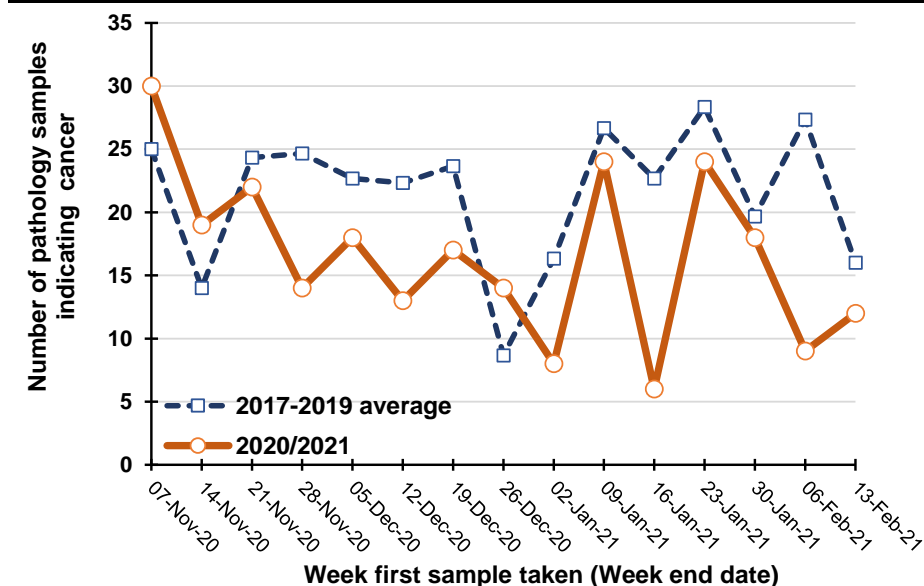
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



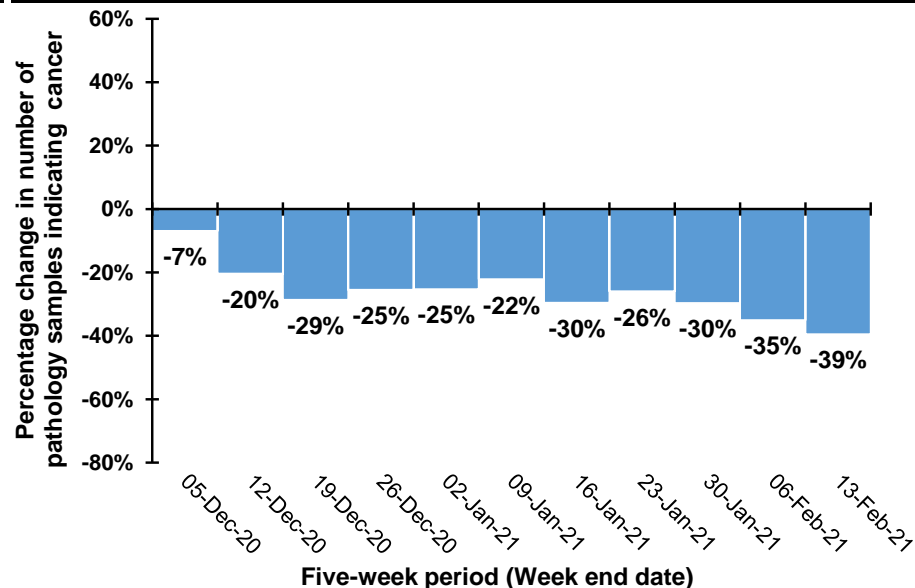
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

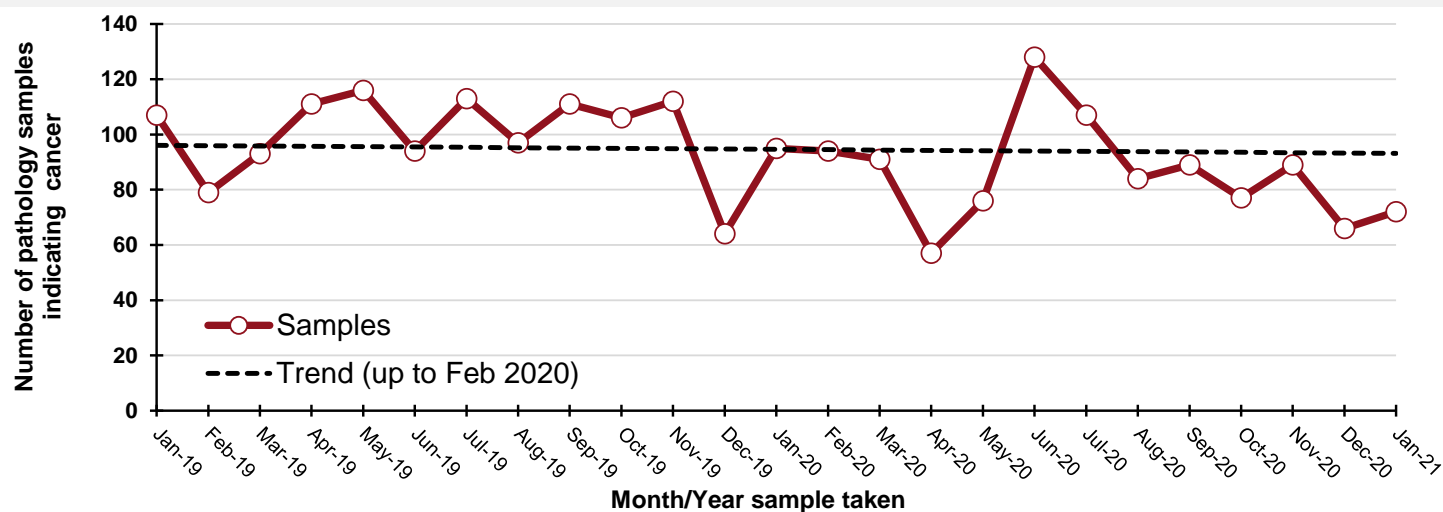


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



Note: Caution should be exercised in comparisons for the weeks ending 26/12/20 and 2/1/21 as Christmas occurs on different days in previous years. For example, in 2020 Christmas was on a Friday meaning holidays may have been taken in the following week, while in 2019 Christmas was on a Wednesday meaning that holidays may have been taken in the same week.

Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 107 |
| Feb-19 | 79 |
| Mar-19 | 93 |
| Apr-19 | 111 |
| May-19 | 116 |
| Jun-19 | 94 |
| Jul-19 | 113 |
| Aug-19 | 97 |
| Sep-19 | 111 |
| Oct-19 | 106 |
| Nov-19 | 112 |
| Dec-19 | 64 |
| Jan-20 | 95 |
| Feb-20 | 94 |
| Mar-20 | 91 |
| Apr-20 | 57 |
| May-20 | 76 |
| Jun-20 | 128 |
| Jul-20 | 107 |
| Aug-20 | 84 |
| Sep-20 | 89 |
| Oct-20 | 77 |
| Nov-20 | 89 |
| Dec-20 | 66 |
| Jan-21 | 72 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 93 | 89 | -4% |
| Dec-20 | 82 | 66 | -20% |
| Jan-21 | 101 | 72 | -29% |
| Feb-21* | 53 | 21 | -60% |

* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

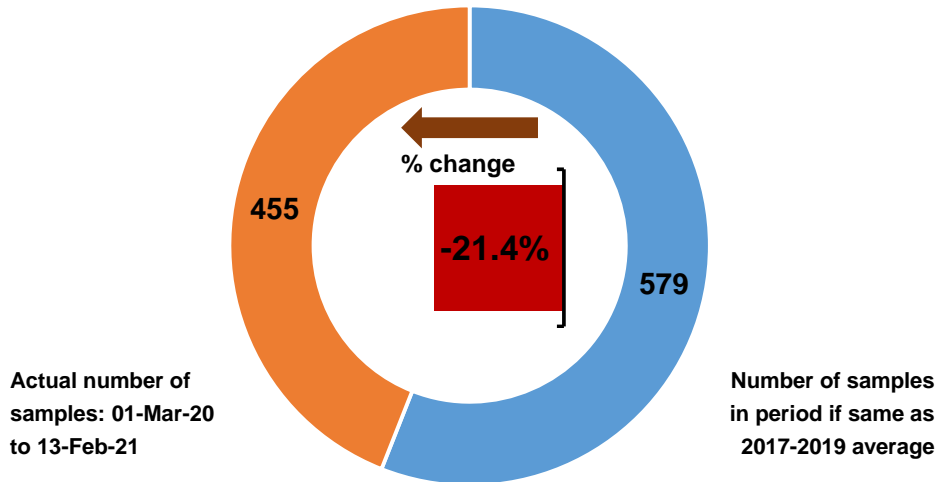
By week sample taken

| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 25 | 30 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 14 | 19 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 24 | 22 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 25 | 14 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 23 | 18 | 111 | 103 | -7% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 22 | 13 | 108 | 86 | -20% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 24 | 17 | 118 | 84 | -29% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 9 | 14 | 102 | 76 | -25% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 16 | 8 | 94 | 70 | -25% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 27 | 24 | 98 | 76 | -22% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 23 | 6 | 98 | 69 | -30% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 28 | 24 | 103 | 76 | -26% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 20 | 18 | 114 | 80 | -30% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 27 | 9 | 125 | 81 | -35% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 16 | 12 | 114 | 69 | -39% |

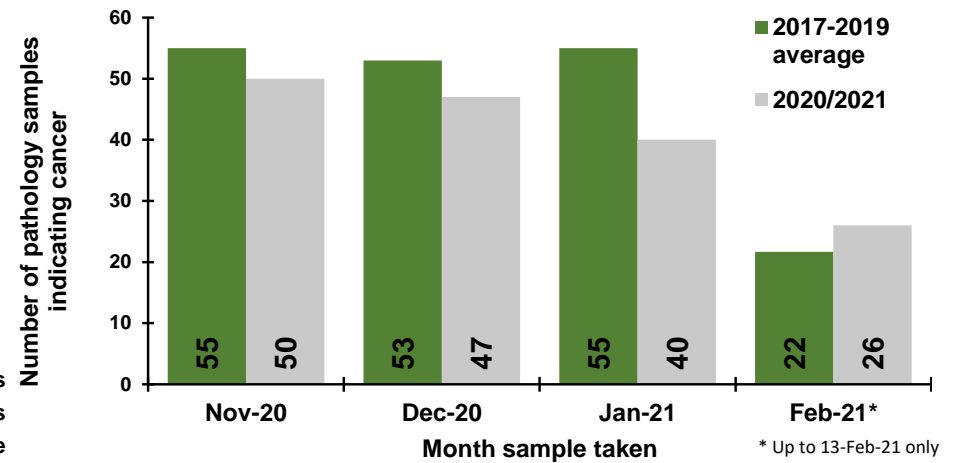
Note: Includes lip, tongue, mouth, parotid & salivary glands, tonsil, oropharynx, nasopharynx, pyriform sinus, hypopharynx, nasal cavity, middle ear, sinuses and larynx (ICD10 codes: C00-C14, C30-C32).

Number of pathology samples indicating urinary cancer: All persons

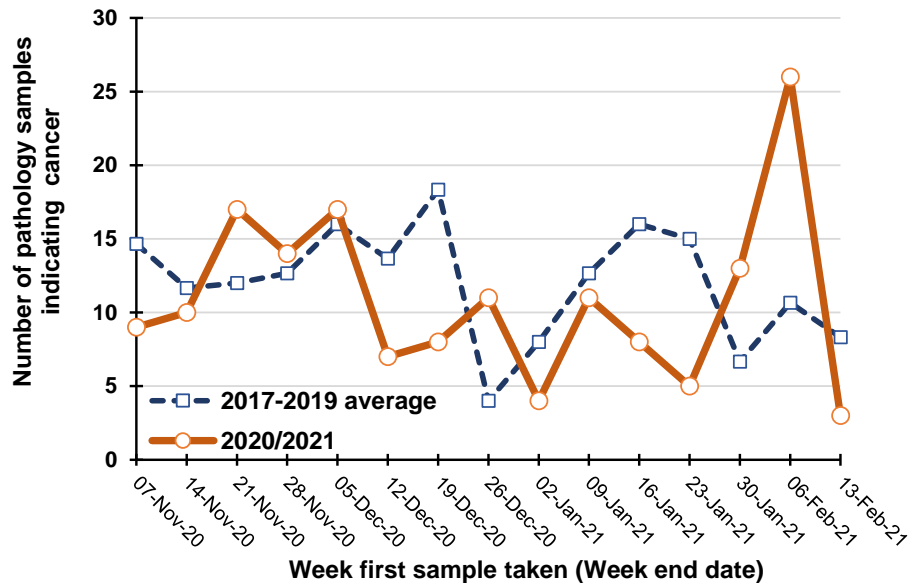
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



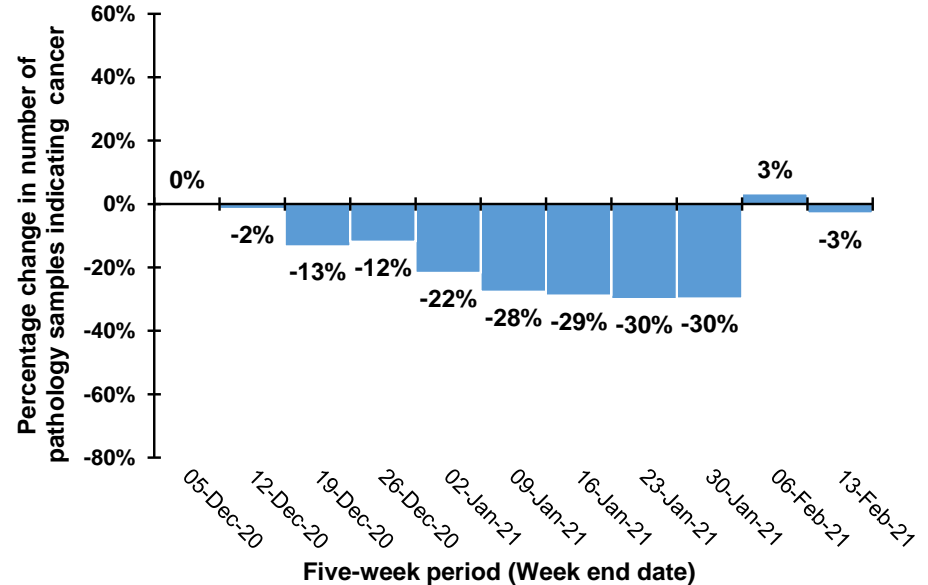
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

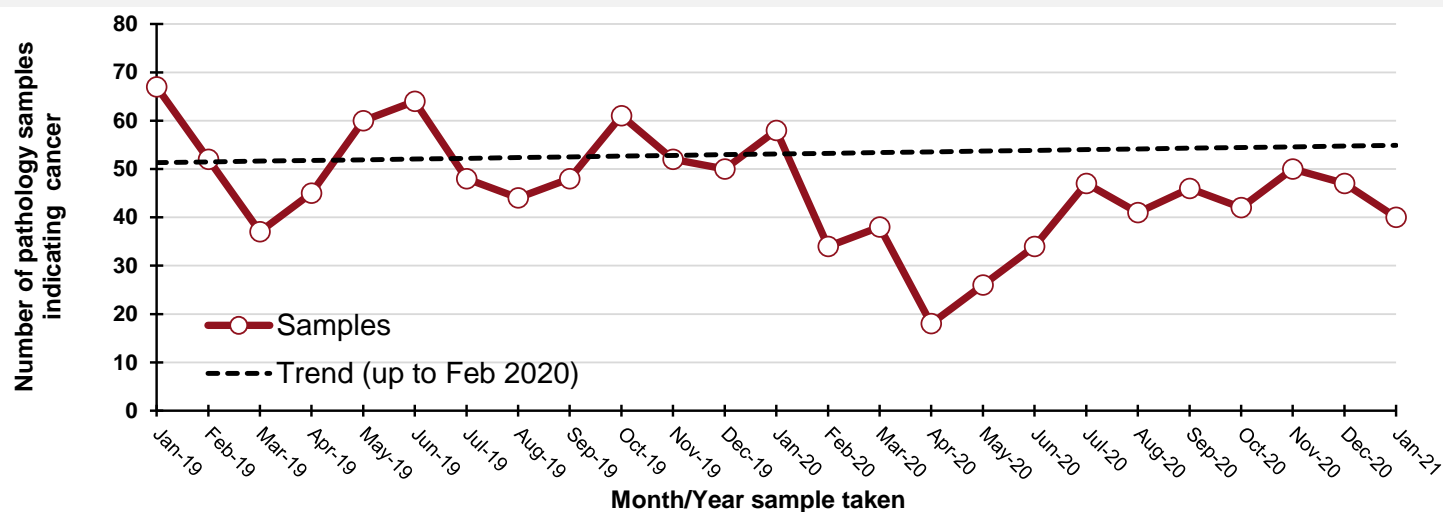


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



Note: Caution should be exercised in comparisons for the weeks ending 26/12/20 and 2/1/21 as Christmas occurs on different days in previous years. For example, in 2020 Christmas was on a Friday meaning holidays may have been taken in the following week, while in 2019 Christmas was on a Wednesday meaning that holidays may have been taken in the same week.

Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 67 |
| Feb-19 | 52 |
| Mar-19 | 37 |
| Apr-19 | 45 |
| May-19 | 60 |
| Jun-19 | 64 |
| Jul-19 | 48 |
| Aug-19 | 44 |
| Sep-19 | 48 |
| Oct-19 | 61 |
| Nov-19 | 52 |
| Dec-19 | 50 |
| Jan-20 | 58 |
| Feb-20 | 34 |
| Mar-20 | 38 |
| Apr-20 | 18 |
| May-20 | 26 |
| Jun-20 | 34 |
| Jul-20 | 47 |
| Aug-20 | 41 |
| Sep-20 | 46 |
| Oct-20 | 42 |
| Nov-20 | 50 |
| Dec-20 | 47 |
| Jan-21 | 40 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 55 | 50 | -9% |
| Dec-20 | 53 | 47 | -11% |
| Jan-21 | 55 | 40 | -27% |
| Feb-21* | 22 | 26 | 20% |

* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

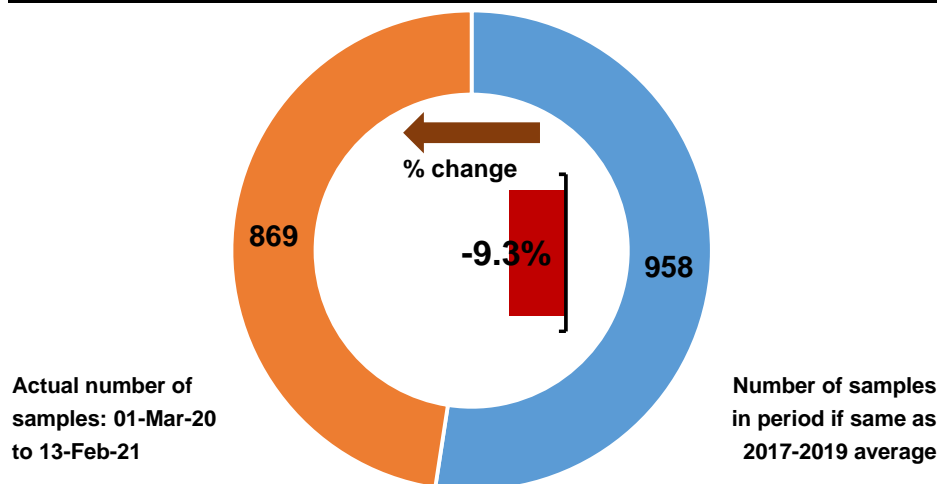
By week sample taken

| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 15 | 9 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 12 | 10 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 12 | 17 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 13 | 14 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 16 | 17 | 67 | 67 | 0% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 14 | 7 | 66 | 65 | -2% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 18 | 8 | 73 | 63 | -13% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 4 | 11 | 65 | 57 | -12% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 8 | 4 | 60 | 47 | -22% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 13 | 11 | 57 | 41 | -28% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 16 | 8 | 59 | 42 | -29% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 15 | 5 | 56 | 39 | -30% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 7 | 13 | 58 | 41 | -30% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 11 | 26 | 61 | 63 | 3% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 8 | 3 | 57 | 55 | -3% |

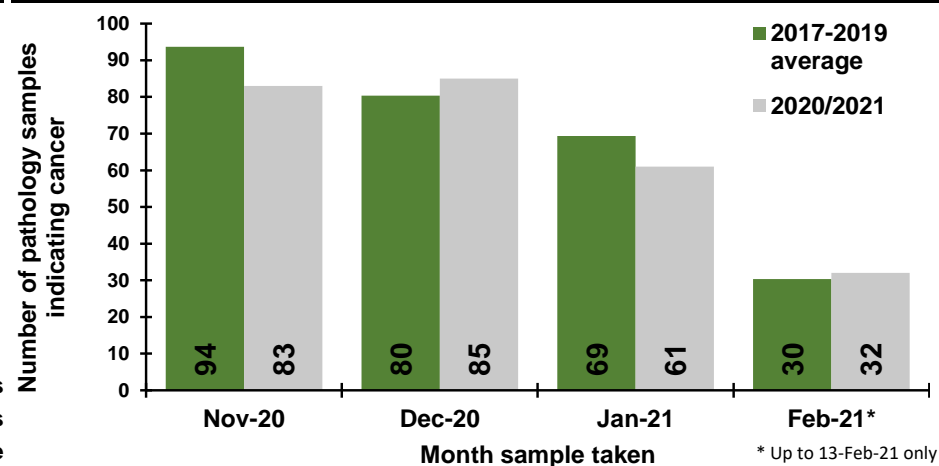
Note: Includes kidney, renal pelvis, ureter, bladder and other urinary (ICD10 codes: C64-C68).

Number of pathology samples indicating haematological cancer: All persons

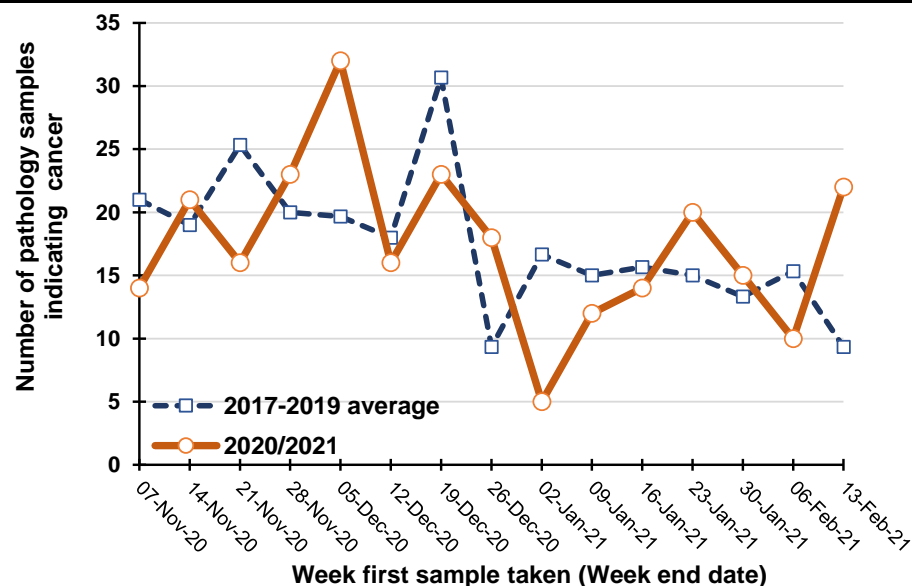
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



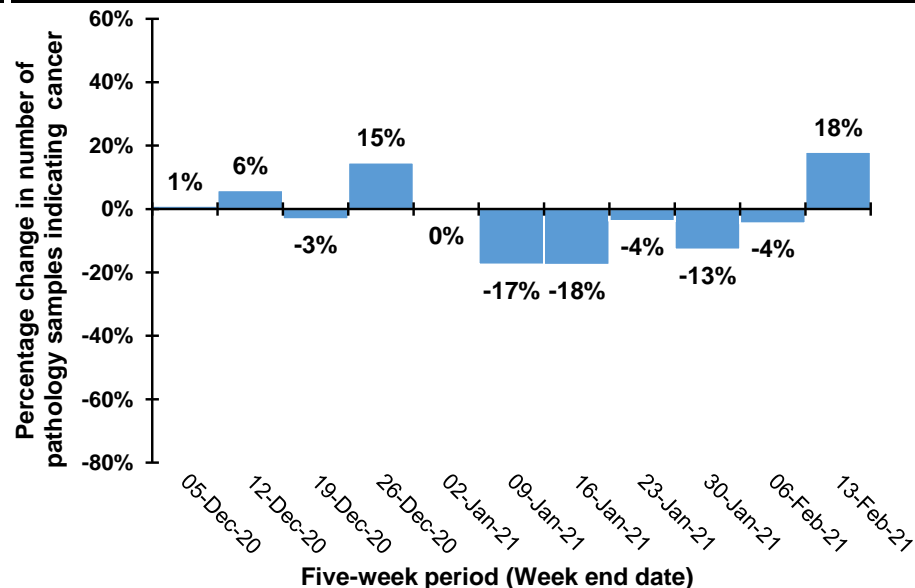
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

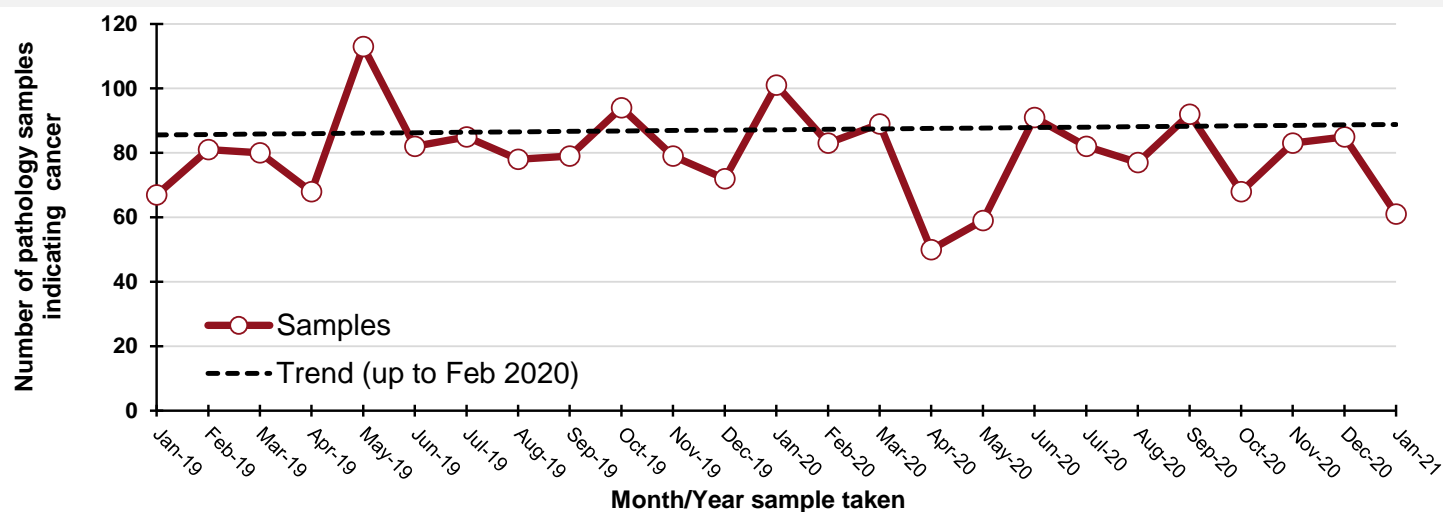


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



Note: Caution should be exercised in comparisons for the weeks ending 26/12/20 and 2/1/21 as Christmas occurs on different days in previous years. For example, in 2020 Christmas was on a Friday meaning holidays may have been taken in the following week, while in 2019 Christmas was on a Wednesday meaning that holidays may have been taken in the same week.

Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 67 |
| Feb-19 | 81 |
| Mar-19 | 80 |
| Apr-19 | 68 |
| May-19 | 113 |
| Jun-19 | 82 |
| Jul-19 | 85 |
| Aug-19 | 78 |
| Sep-19 | 79 |
| Oct-19 | 94 |
| Nov-19 | 79 |
| Dec-19 | 72 |
| Jan-20 | 101 |
| Feb-20 | 83 |
| Mar-20 | 89 |
| Apr-20 | 50 |
| May-20 | 59 |
| Jun-20 | 91 |
| Jul-20 | 82 |
| Aug-20 | 77 |
| Sep-20 | 92 |
| Oct-20 | 68 |
| Nov-20 | 83 |
| Dec-20 | 85 |
| Jan-21 | 61 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 94 | 83 | -11% |
| Dec-20 | 80 | 85 | 6% |
| Jan-21 | 69 | 61 | -12% |
| Feb-21* | 30 | 32 | 5% |

* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

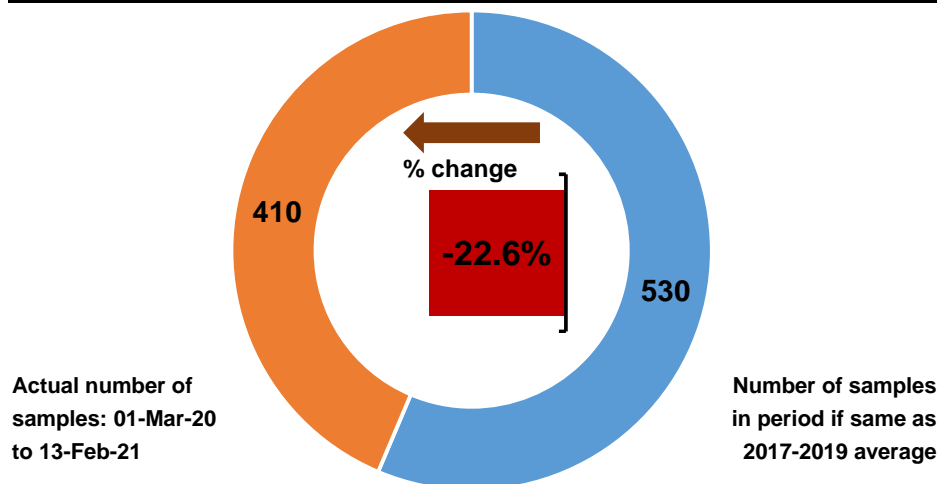
By week sample taken

| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 21 | 14 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 19 | 21 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 25 | 16 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 20 | 23 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 20 | 32 | 105 | 106 | 1% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 18 | 16 | 102 | 108 | 6% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 31 | 23 | 114 | 110 | -3% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 9 | 18 | 98 | 112 | 15% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 17 | 5 | 94 | 94 | 0% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 15 | 12 | 90 | 74 | -17% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 16 | 14 | 87 | 72 | -18% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 15 | 20 | 72 | 69 | -4% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 13 | 15 | 76 | 66 | -13% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 15 | 10 | 74 | 71 | -4% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 9 | 22 | 69 | 81 | 18% |

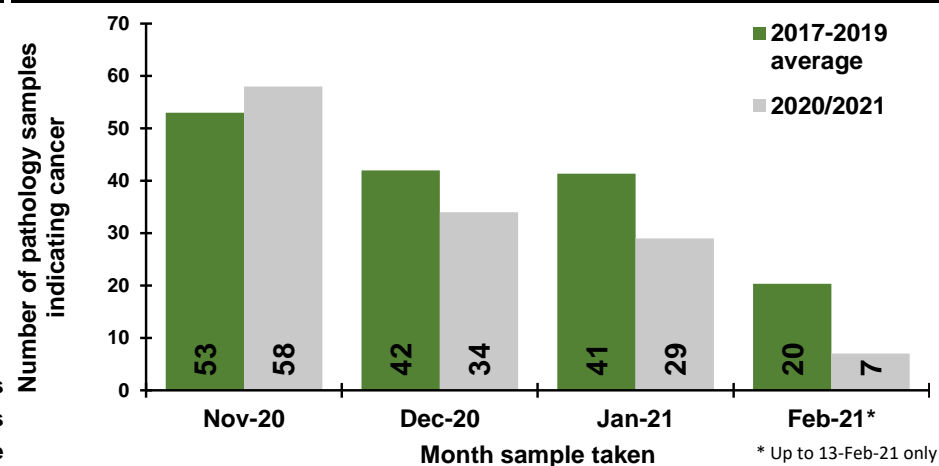
Note: Includes lymphoma (all types), leukaemia (all types), myeloma, malignant immunoproliferative disease and other lymphoid and haematopoietic (ICD10 codes: C81-C96).

Number of pathology samples indicating malignant melanoma: All persons

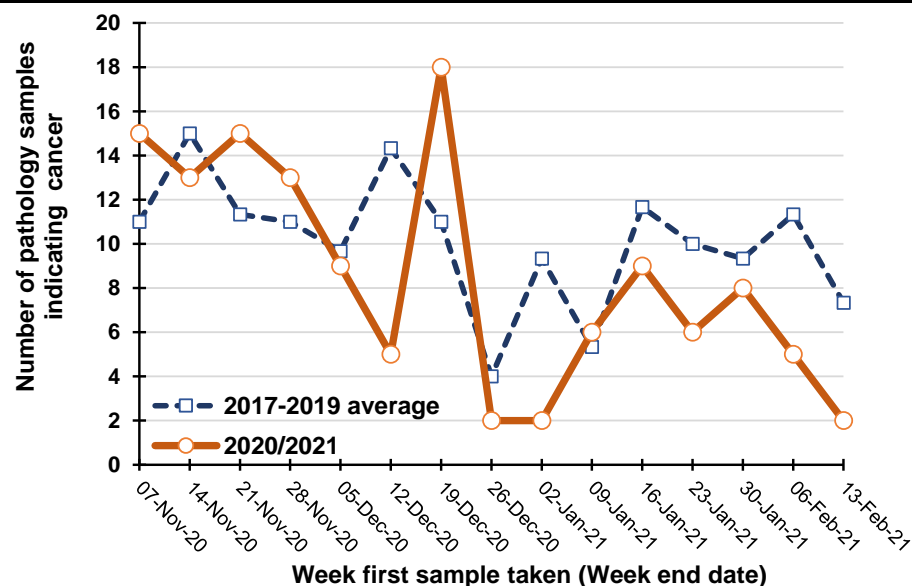
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



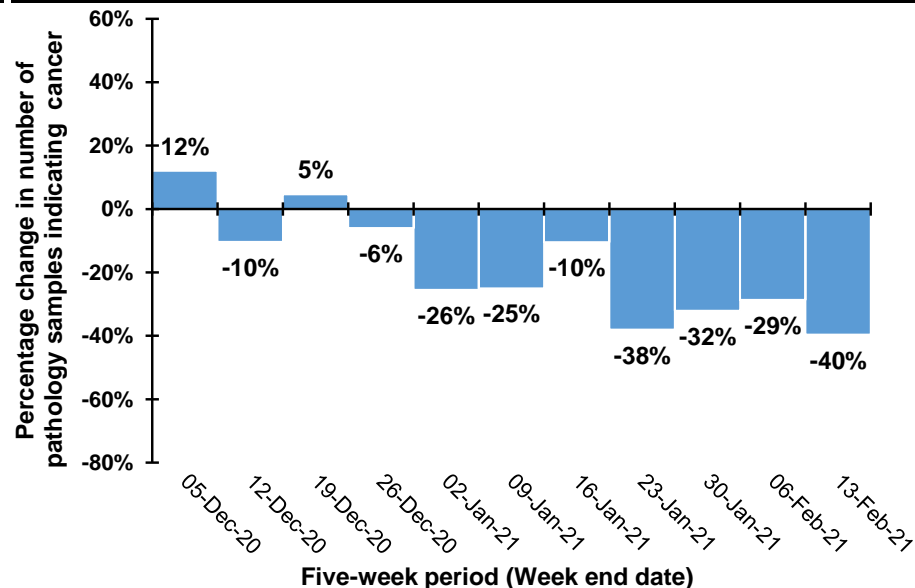
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

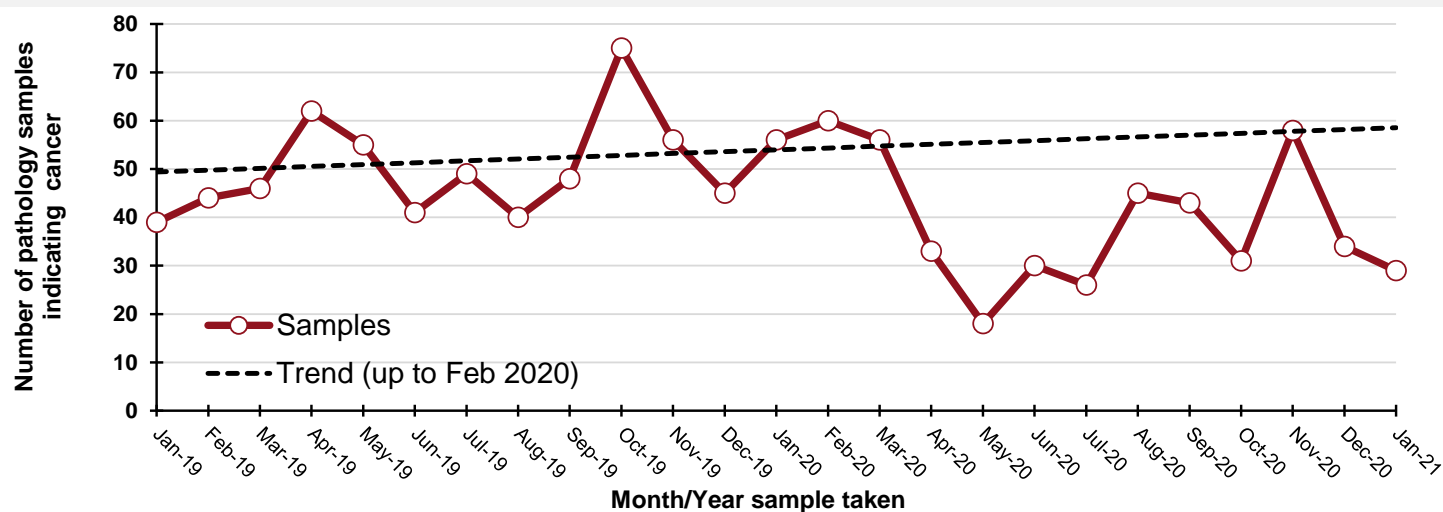


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



Note: Caution should be exercised in comparisons for the weeks ending 26/12/20 and 2/1/21 as Christmas occurs on different days in previous years. For example, in 2020 Christmas was on a Friday meaning holidays may have been taken in the following week, while in 2019 Christmas was on a Wednesday meaning that holidays may have been taken in the same week.

Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 39 |
| Feb-19 | 44 |
| Mar-19 | 46 |
| Apr-19 | 62 |
| May-19 | 55 |
| Jun-19 | 41 |
| Jul-19 | 49 |
| Aug-19 | 40 |
| Sep-19 | 48 |
| Oct-19 | 75 |
| Nov-19 | 56 |
| Dec-19 | 45 |
| Jan-20 | 56 |
| Feb-20 | 60 |
| Mar-20 | 56 |
| Apr-20 | 33 |
| May-20 | 18 |
| Jun-20 | 30 |
| Jul-20 | 26 |
| Aug-20 | 45 |
| Sep-20 | 43 |
| Oct-20 | 31 |
| Nov-20 | 58 |
| Dec-20 | 34 |
| Jan-21 | 29 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 53 | 58 | 9% |
| Dec-20 | 42 | 34 | -19% |
| Jan-21 | 41 | 29 | -30% |
| Feb-21* | 20 | 7 | -66% |

* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

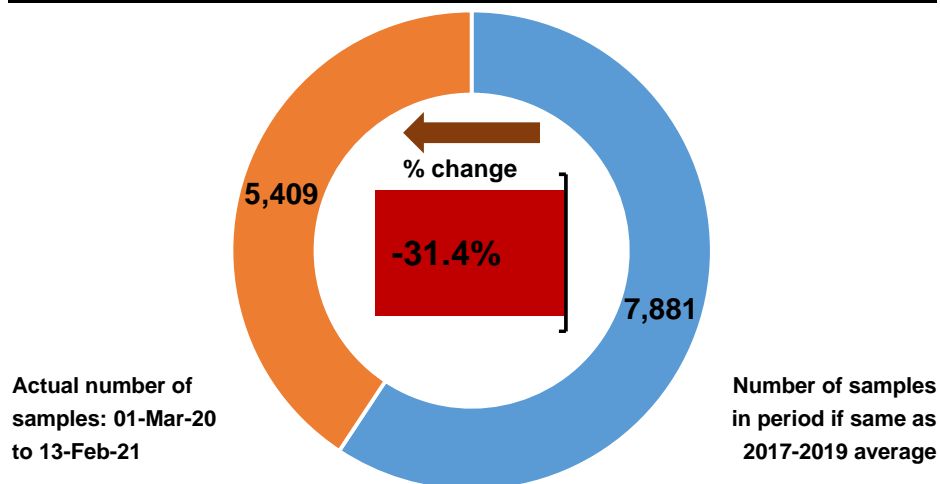
By week sample taken

| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 11 | 15 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 15 | 13 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 11 | 15 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 11 | 13 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 10 | 9 | 58 | 65 | 12% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 14 | 5 | 61 | 55 | -10% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 11 | 18 | 57 | 60 | 5% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 4 | 2 | 50 | 47 | -6% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 9 | 2 | 48 | 36 | -26% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 5 | 6 | 44 | 33 | -25% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 12 | 9 | 41 | 37 | -10% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 10 | 6 | 40 | 25 | -38% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 9 | 8 | 46 | 31 | -32% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 11 | 5 | 48 | 34 | -29% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 7 | 2 | 50 | 30 | -40% |

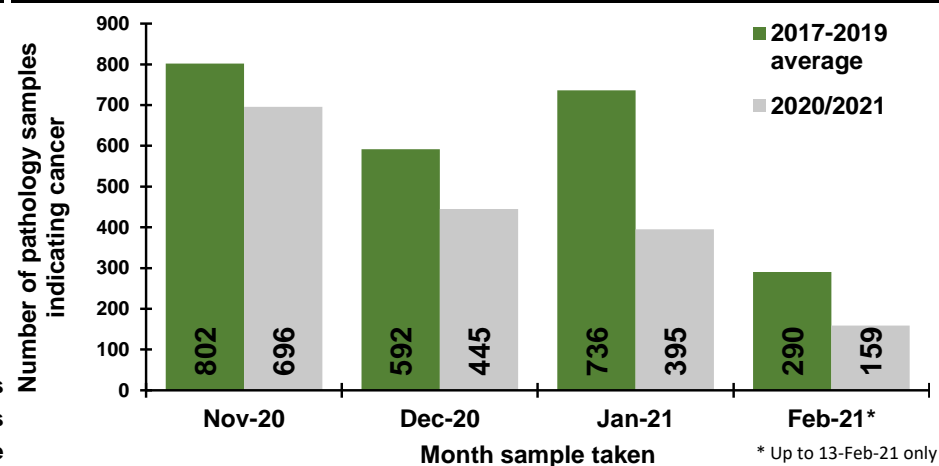
Note: (ICD10 code: C43).

Number of pathology samples indicating non-melanoma skin cancer: All persons

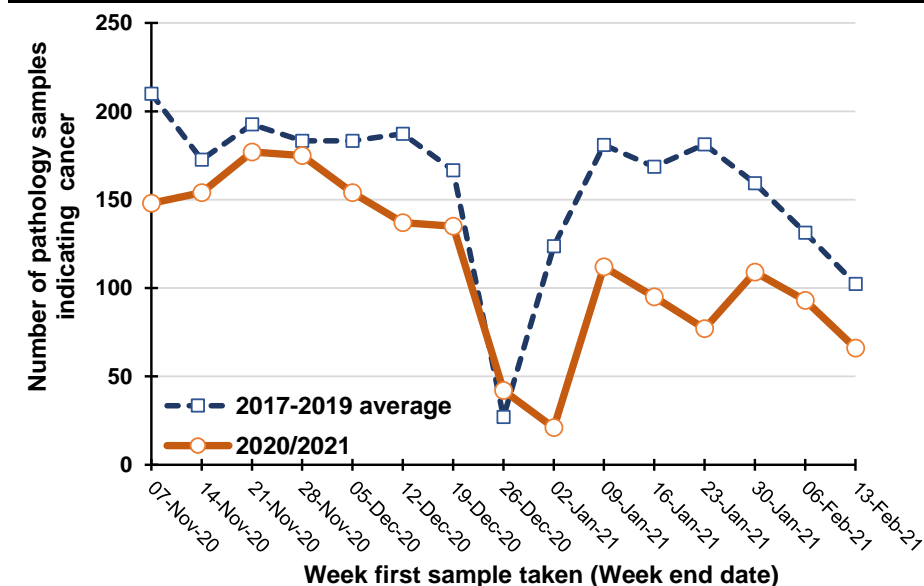
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



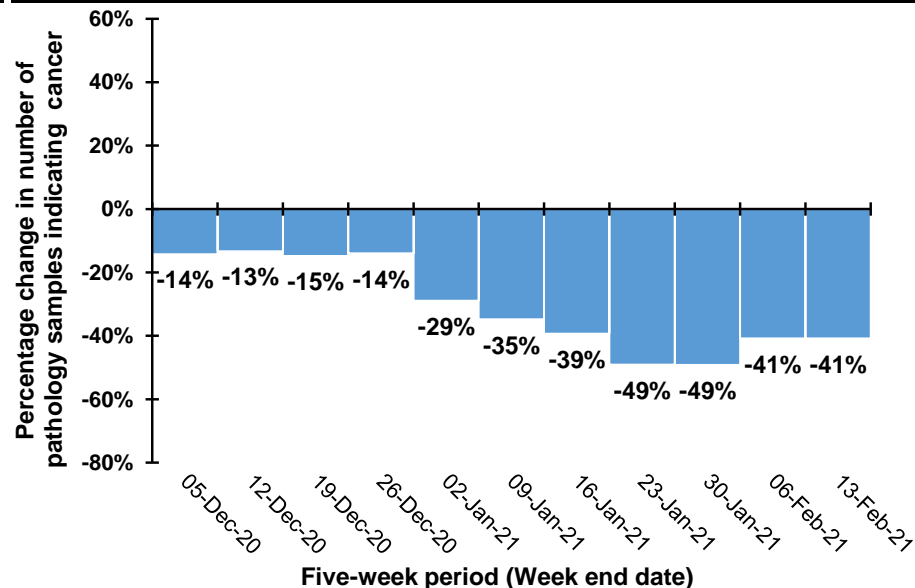
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

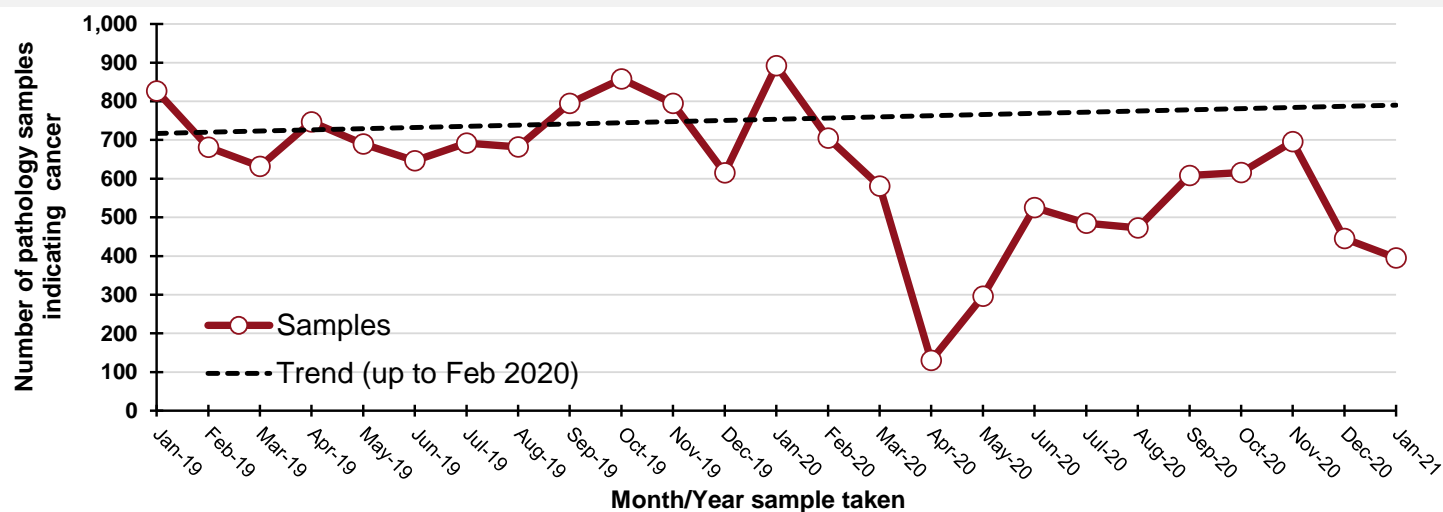


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



Note: Caution should be exercised in comparisons for the weeks ending 26/12/20 and 2/1/21 as Christmas occurs on different days in previous years. For example, in 2020 Christmas was on a Friday meaning holidays may have been taken in the following week, while in 2019 Christmas was on a Wednesday meaning that holidays may have been taken in the same week.

Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 827 |
| Feb-19 | 681 |
| Mar-19 | 632 |
| Apr-19 | 747 |
| May-19 | 690 |
| Jun-19 | 646 |
| Jul-19 | 692 |
| Aug-19 | 682 |
| Sep-19 | 795 |
| Oct-19 | 858 |
| Nov-19 | 795 |
| Dec-19 | 615 |
| Jan-20 | 892 |
| Feb-20 | 705 |
| Mar-20 | 581 |
| Apr-20 | 130 |
| May-20 | 296 |
| Jun-20 | 525 |
| Jul-20 | 485 |
| Aug-20 | 473 |
| Sep-20 | 608 |
| Oct-20 | 616 |
| Nov-20 | 696 |
| Dec-20 | 445 |
| Jan-21 | 395 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 802 | 696 | -13% |
| Dec-20 | 592 | 445 | -25% |
| Jan-21 | 736 | 395 | -46% |
| Feb-21* | 290 | 159 | -45% |

* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

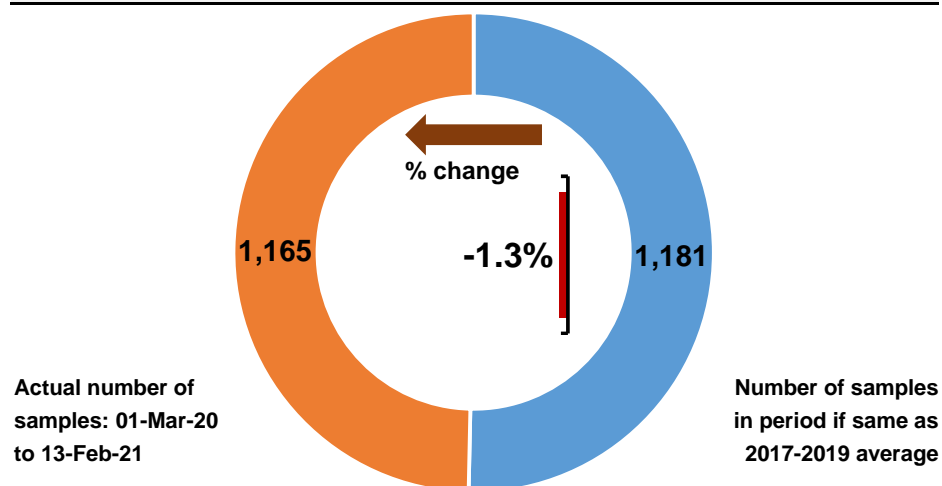
By week sample taken

| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 210 | 148 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 173 | 154 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 193 | 177 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 183 | 175 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 183 | 154 | 942 | 808 | -14% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 187 | 137 | 919 | 797 | -13% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 167 | 135 | 913 | 778 | -15% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 27 | 42 | 748 | 643 | -14% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 124 | 21 | 688 | 489 | -29% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 181 | 112 | 686 | 447 | -35% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 169 | 95 | 667 | 405 | -39% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 181 | 77 | 682 | 347 | -49% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 159 | 109 | 814 | 414 | -49% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 131 | 93 | 822 | 486 | -41% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 102 | 66 | 743 | 440 | -41% |

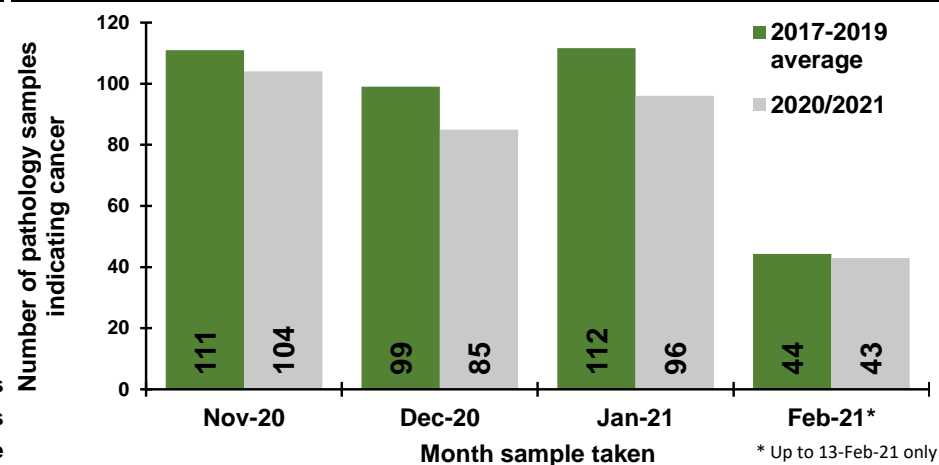
Note: (ICD10 code: C44).

Number of pathology samples indicating other cancer: All persons

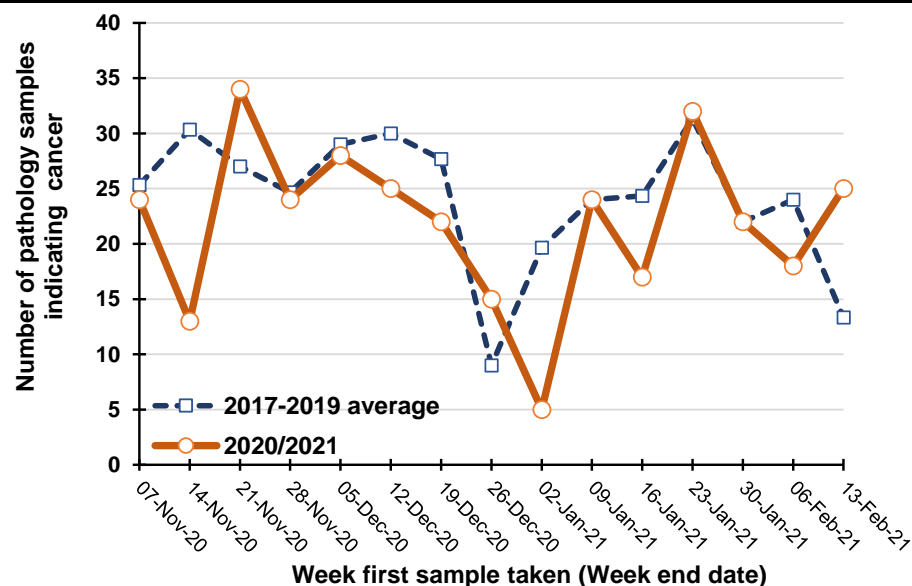
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken from 01-Mar-20 to 13-Feb-21



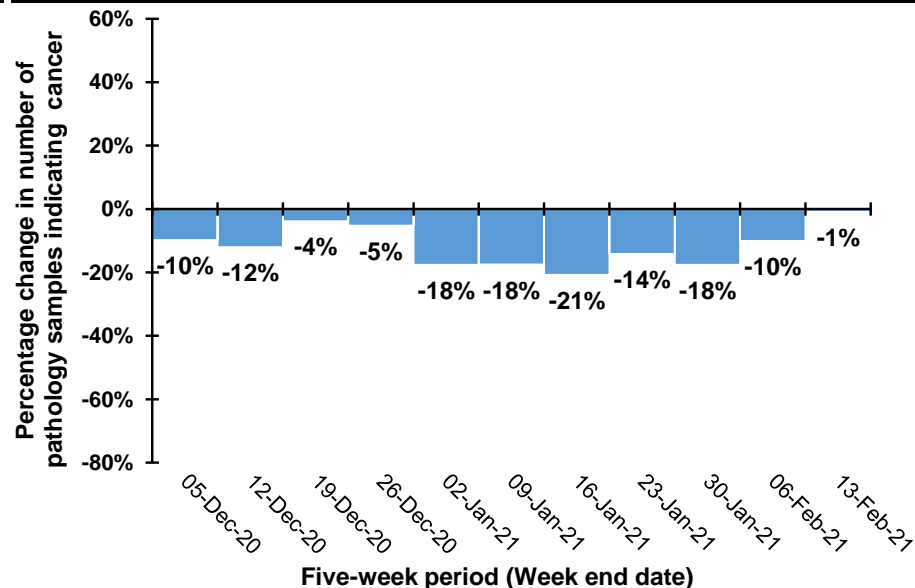
Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month sample taken



Number of pathology samples indicating cancer by week sample taken

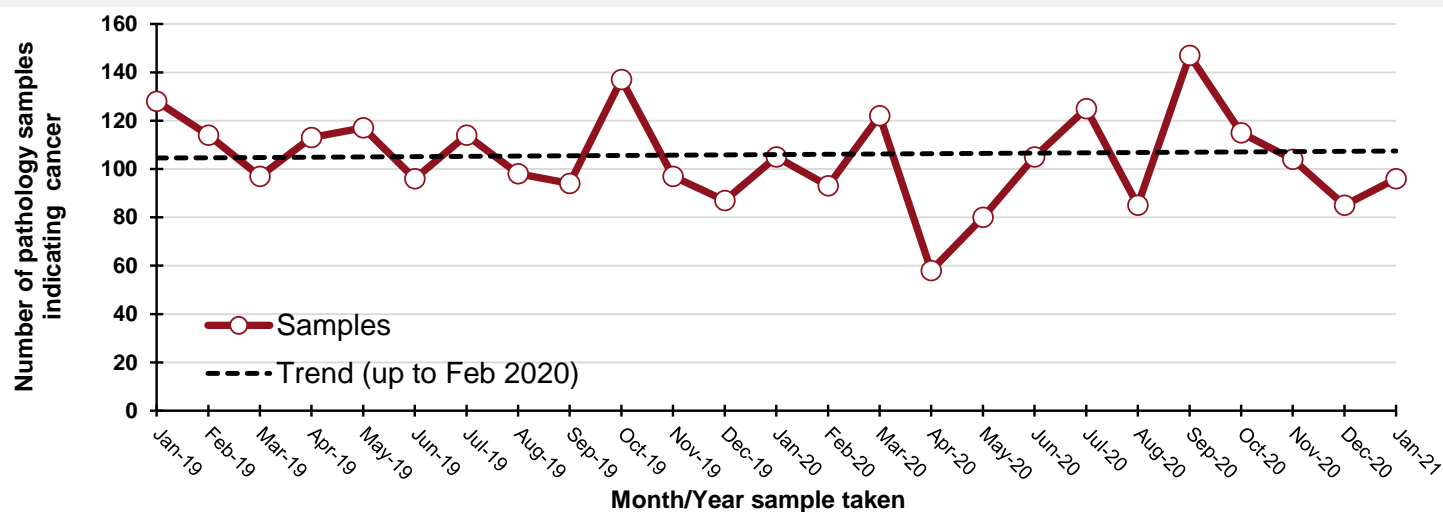


Percentage change between 2017-19 and 2020/2021 in the number of pathology samples indicating cancer taken in the previous five weeks



Note: Caution should be exercised in comparisons for the weeks ending 26/12/20 and 2/1/21 as Christmas occurs on different days in previous years. For example, in 2020 Christmas was on a Friday meaning holidays may have been taken in the following week, while in 2019 Christmas was on a Wednesday meaning that holidays may have been taken in the same week.

Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer by month and year sample taken



By month and year sample taken

| Month/Year | Samples |
|------------|---------|
| Jan-19 | 128 |
| Feb-19 | 114 |
| Mar-19 | 97 |
| Apr-19 | 113 |
| May-19 | 117 |
| Jun-19 | 96 |
| Jul-19 | 114 |
| Aug-19 | 98 |
| Sep-19 | 94 |
| Oct-19 | 137 |
| Nov-19 | 97 |
| Dec-19 | 87 |
| Jan-20 | 105 |
| Feb-20 | 93 |
| Mar-20 | 122 |
| Apr-20 | 58 |
| May-20 | 80 |
| Jun-20 | 105 |
| Jul-20 | 125 |
| Aug-20 | 85 |
| Sep-20 | 147 |
| Oct-20 | 115 |
| Nov-20 | 104 |
| Dec-20 | 85 |
| Jan-21 | 96 |

DATA TABLES - Trend in number of pathology samples indicating cancer

By month sample taken

| Month | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Nov-20 | 111 | 104 | -6% |
| Dec-20 | 99 | 85 | -14% |
| Jan-21 | 112 | 96 | -14% |
| Feb-21* | 44 | 43 | -3% |

* Up to 13-Feb-21 only

Note: Includes cancers of small intestine, anus, liver, gallbladder, thymus, bone, mesothelioma, soft tissue, penis, testis, eye, brain, endocrine system and thyroid (ICD10 codes: C16, C21-C26, C37-C41, C45-C49, C60, C62, C63, C69-C75). Excludes cancer of unknown primary.

By week sample taken

| Week number* | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Five-week rolling total | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | | | 2017-2019 average | 2020/2021 | Percentage change |
| 07-Nov-20 | 25 | 24 | | | |
| 14-Nov-20 | 30 | 13 | | | |
| 21-Nov-20 | 27 | 34 | | | |
| 28-Nov-20 | 25 | 24 | | | |
| 05-Dec-20 | 29 | 28 | 136 | 123 | -10% |
| 12-Dec-20 | 30 | 25 | 141 | 124 | -12% |
| 19-Dec-20 | 28 | 22 | 138 | 133 | -4% |
| 26-Dec-20 | 9 | 15 | 120 | 114 | -5% |
| 02-Jan-21 | 20 | 5 | 115 | 95 | -18% |
| 09-Jan-21 | 24 | 24 | 110 | 91 | -18% |
| 16-Jan-21 | 24 | 17 | 105 | 83 | -21% |
| 23-Jan-21 | 31 | 32 | 108 | 93 | -14% |
| 30-Jan-21 | 22 | 22 | 121 | 100 | -18% |
| 06-Feb-21 | 24 | 18 | 126 | 113 | -10% |
| 13-Feb-21 | 13 | 25 | 115 | 114 | -1% |

Notes:

1. NMSC: Non-melanoma skin cancer
2. Data is sourced from the four NHS pathology laboratories in Northern Ireland (Altnagelvin, Antrim, Belfast, Craigavon), which is provided to the NI Cancer Registry on a monthly basis. It does not include information on pathology samples processed by private laboratories.
3. Figures represent the number of pathology samples taken which indicated a malignant tumour and were recorded as such by the end of Feb-21. Further samples taken up to Feb-21 may not yet have been recorded as a result was not available by the end of Feb-21. The presented figures may thus represent an undercount, particularly for later weeks. However, when comparisons are made with 2017-2019 the same limitation has been applied to all years in order to maintain comparability.
4. Assignment of week number is based upon a Sunday to Saturday week. The week ending label used in graphs and tables is based upon the date of the end of the week (a Saturday) in 2020/2021. This is compared with the equivalent Sunday-Saturday week in 2017-2019, although the actual date ending this week in 2017-2019 will differ.
5. Individual patients with cancer may have more than one pathology sample. A diagnosis of cancer may be a result of more than one procedure indicating cancer, for example a breast cancer diagnosis may be based upon a positive biopsy of the breast and then a separate positive dissection of a lymph node. The presented number of cancer samples does not therefore represent the number of people with pathologically diagnosed cancer, but does indicate the processing workload of Northern Ireland's NHS pathology laboratories for new cancer cases.

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