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Conclusion	Internationally, notable proportions of cancer patients are diagnosed through emergency presentation. Certain cancers, older age and advanced stage at diagnosis are consistently associated with greater risk of emergency presentation, which strongly predicts worse prognosis and likely contributes to international differences in cancer survival. Monitoring emergency presentations, and identifying and acting on contributing behavioural and healthcare factors, is a global priority for cancer control.
What this means for the service	The NI Cancer Registry now routinely reports levels of emergency presentation and where appropriate screening levels in the annual official cancer statistics

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