

# What are RARE AND LESS COMMON CANCERS?

A 'rare cancer' is defined as a cancer type found in

*less than 6 per 100,000*

Australians per year

And 'less common' cancers found in

*between 6 & 12 per 100,000*

Australians per year

## What is THE DIAGNOSIS?

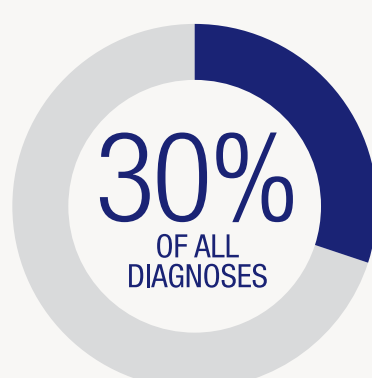
EVERY YEAR

42,000

AUSTRALIANS ARE DIAGNOSED WITH A RARE OR LESS COMMON (RLC) CANCER

overall an estimated 124,910 cases of cancer will be diagnosed in Australia each year

This means rare cancers make up about



but account for 50% OF CANCER DEATHS

Common cancers vs rare and less common cancers

The rate of RLC diagnosis and mortality is currently

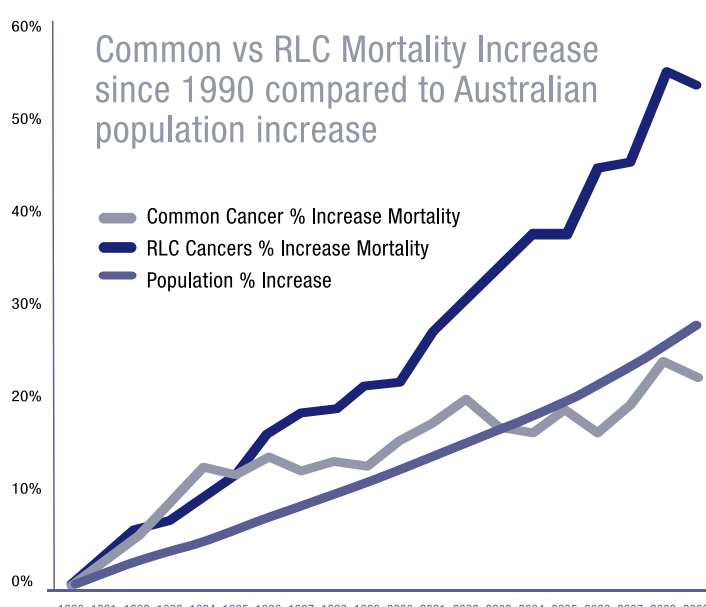
**TWICE** THAT OF THE POPULATION GROWTH

## MORTALITY Rates



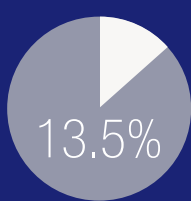
22,000

Australians will die due to an RLC every year

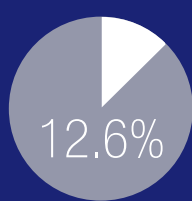


## RESEARCH and TREATMENT

RLC Cancers receive



of research funding



of PBS Funding

compared to their contribution of



of all cancer deaths

1 in 2 DEATHS



## What NEEDS TO HAPPEN?



Innovative research that leads to earlier detection and better treatment



Increased availability of PBS funded treatments and equal access to care and treatment regardless of cancer type

Without concerted action in research, diagnostics and treatment, Australia could

be confronting over **30,000** deaths from RLC Cancers by **2020** and over **40,000** by **2030**