

# Provision of routine cancer information in a changing public health setting

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# Acknowledgements

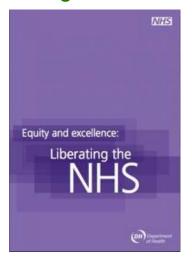


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LA Profile production team

## Background





Government plans to abolish Primary Care Trusts (PCTs)

Transfer public health functions to strategic Local Authorities

A demand for cancer registries to provide information and intelligence to support this new public health setting

Also of note is recent promotion of 'localism'

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## Background



WMCIU has made substantial efforts to reduce the time it takes to fully register cases

Resulted in more timely data becoming available in shorter time scale

Data can be used in production of reports and other publications

A duty to provide information and intelligence to non-health specialists

### Methods



Identified a future need for information and what this was likely to entail

For routine information, previous requests focus on incidence, mortality, survival and demographic information

Historically low demand for cancer information from LAs

The key cancer information was prioritised to fit into a focused two page fact-sheet for each of the strategic Local Authorities in the West Midlands.

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Data provided for 4 main cancers.

Choosing age groups to represent can be challenging -

Two age groups chosen following consultation of *Transparency in outcomes* and the indicators within report

The profiles were based on data for the most recent year available (2008) – latest available at time

## Methods



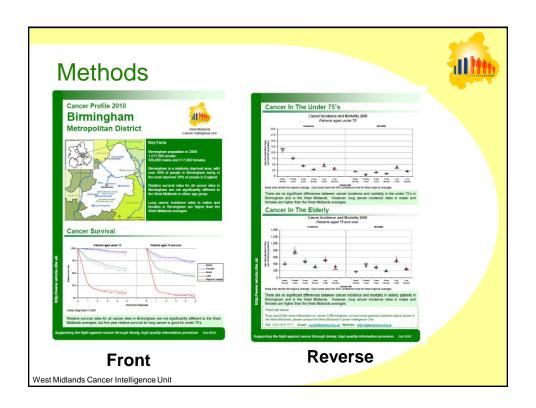
Four cancer sites: Age groups:

Breast (C50) 0-74 and 75+

Bowel (C17-C21) Relative Survival:

Lung (C33-C34) 1 – 5 years

Prostate (C61) Incidence and mortality



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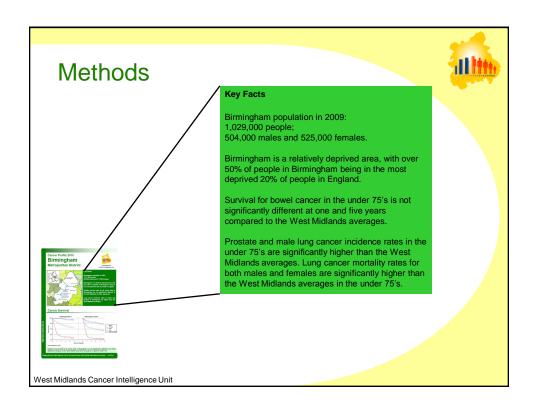
#### **Maps**

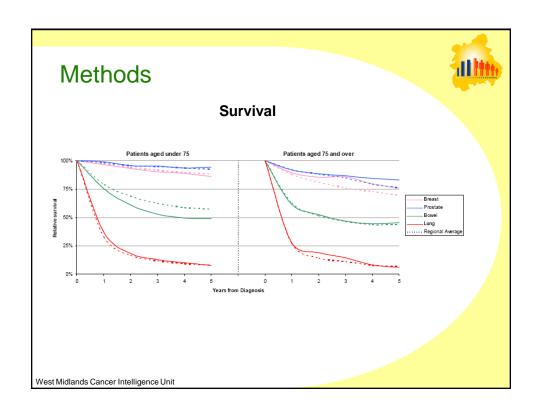
Profile maps displayed all major healthcare providers in each LA, including NHS hospitals, private hospitals, and hospices.

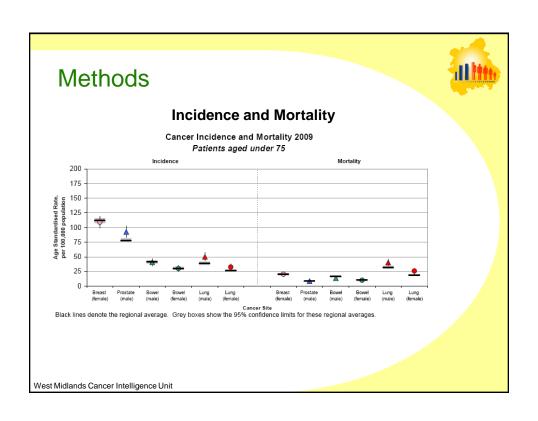


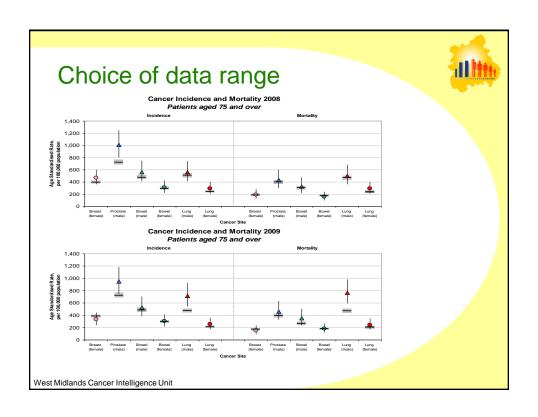
All providers with more than 500 episodes of care registered in 2008 are shown on the maps.

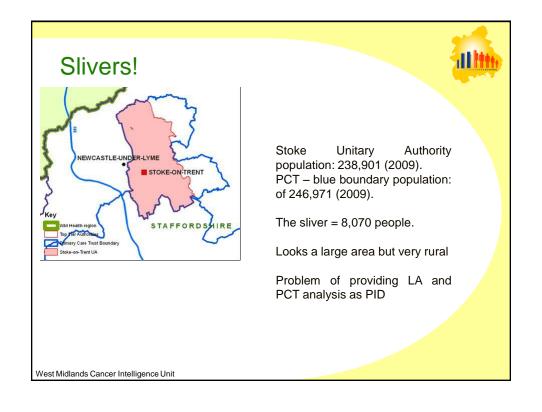
Other features such as cities, towns and roads were provided for orientation.











#### Results



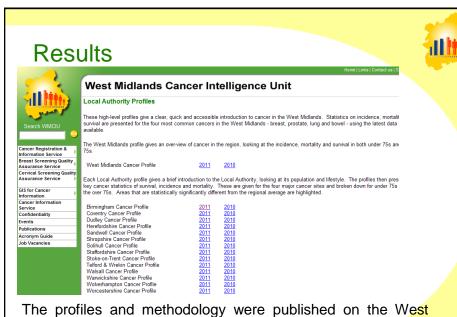
Fourteen strategic cancer profiles were created and released on 'World Statistics Day' 2010.

Key points were summarised and a map was included, while colours and the template were standardised across profiles.

A methodology profile to support the interpretation of the data was also created. – Saved space!

WM profile also produced

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Midlands Cancer Intelligence Unit website in order to facilitate widespread dissemination

## Results



Cancer profiles create a user friendly output for consistent and timely data for local customers

Profiles showcase support the WMCIU can give to organisations taking on new responsibility and encourage working in partnership

Subsequent productions will refine analysis and allow LAs to observe changing trends in their area

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### Results



Clear public provision of key information reduces the demand for information requests

Freely available information to general public in a clear and concise format

## Caveats



But.....

Current use of 1 year data to be replaced by 3 year rolled data

LAs and PCT not always coterminous and can result in slivers being created

WMCIU reviewed output and consulted with other registries and plans to use LAs as preferred geography

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# Thank you



Please take a look at:

http://www.wmciu.nhs.uk/la\_profiles.html

Any questions?