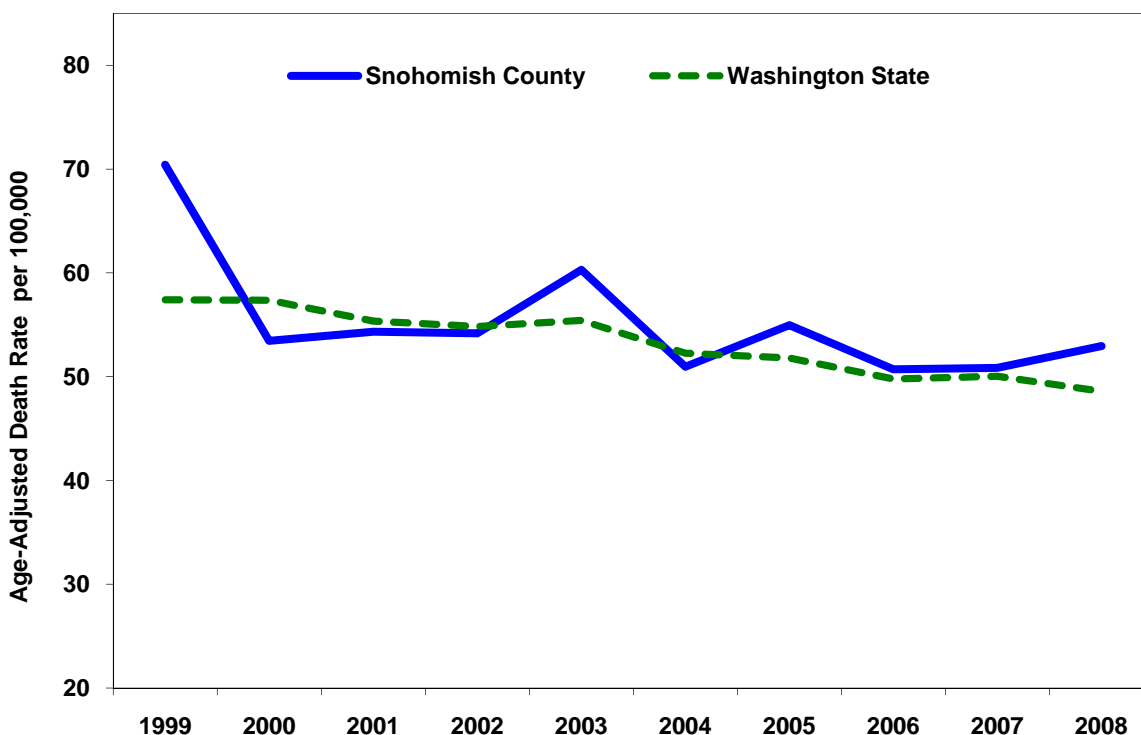


Lung Cancer Mortality – Snohomish County, 1999 - 2008

- In 2008 lung cancer was the leading cause of cancer death in Snohomish County.
- The lung cancer mortality rate in Snohomish County did not change significantly from 1999 through 2008 but significantly decreased in Washington State during this same time period.



Year	Snohomish County				Washington State		
	Deaths	Population	Age-Adjusted Rate per 100,000 ¹	95% C.I. ²	Deaths	Population	Age-Adjusted Rate per 100,000 ¹
1999	320	591,590	70.4	(62.9, 78.6)	3,057	5,830,835	57.4
2000	253	606,024	53.5	(47, 60.5)	3,102	5,894,141	57.4
2001	266	618,600	54.3	(47.9, 61.4)	3,045	5,974,900	55.4
2002	270	627,974	54.2	(47.8, 61.1)	3,093	6,041,710	54.8
2003	307	637,500	60.3	(53.7, 67.6)	3,184	6,098,300	55.4
2004	267	644,811	51.0	(45, 57.6)	3,066	6,167,800	52.3
2005	294	655,800	55.0	(48.8, 61.8)	3,118	6,256,400	51.8
2006	278	671,836	50.7	(44.8, 57.2)	3,074	6,375,600	49.8
2007	290	686,300	50.9	(45.1, 57.2)	3,172	6,488,000	50.0
2008	308	696,629	53.0	(47.1, 59.4)	3,148	6,587,600	48.6

¹ The age-adjusted rate is used to compare rates between two or more populations that have different underlying age distributions. By adjusting the rate for age, differences in the mortality rate between different regions or years cannot be explained by different age distributions in the populations being compared.

² 95% Confidence Interval: A confidence interval is a range of values that has a specified probability of containing the rate. Narrow confidence intervals indicate that rate is precisely estimated, while wider confidence intervals indicate that the estimated rate is less precisely estimated.