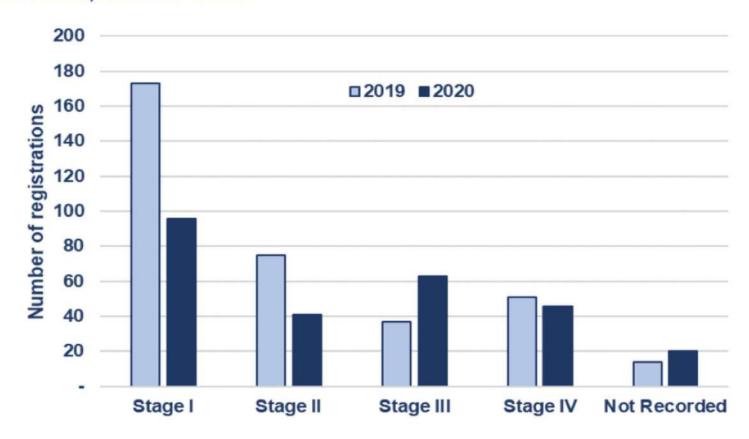
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Figure 17. Stage distribution (n) of cervical cancer patients in Scotland, 2019 vs. 2020.



Source: Scottish Cancer Registry, Public Health Scotland (PHS) Cancer Incidence in Scotland to 2020; April 2022.

# Stage shift in cervical cancer incidence: COVID or FIGO?

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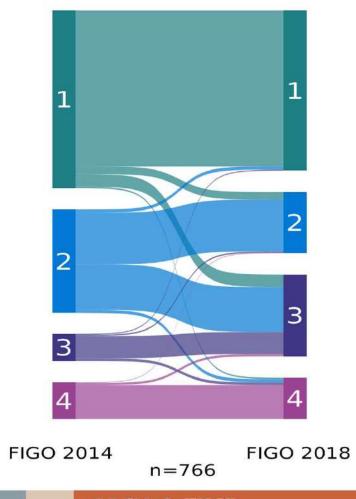
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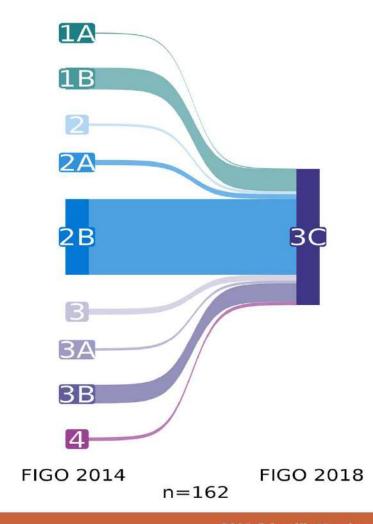
### Cervical cancer and registration in Scotland

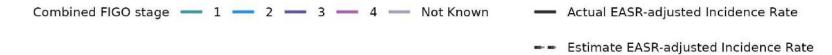
- Scotland population 5.2 M
- National Health Service in Scotland
- Scottish Cancer Registry
  - records from 1958
- Cervical screening since 1988
  - uptake ~70%
- HPV vaccination
  - since 2008

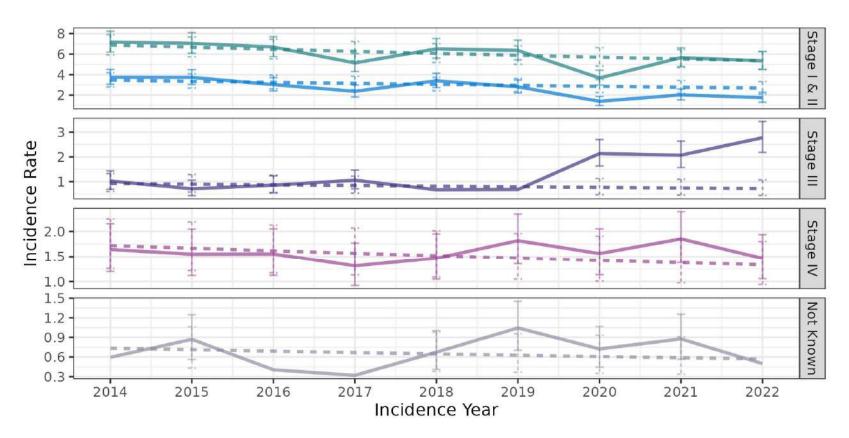
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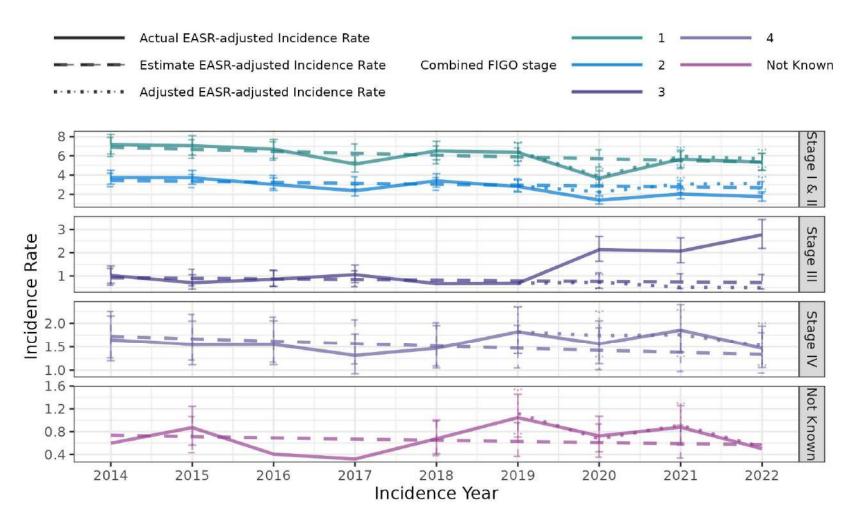
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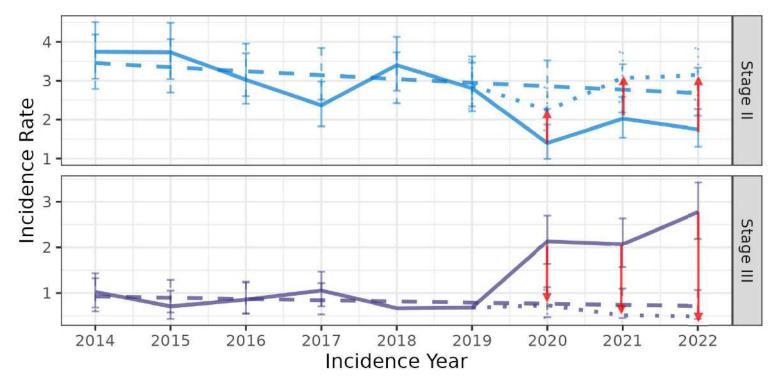


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### Cervical cancer stage shift - COVID or FIGO?

### Both:

Stage I incidence truly fell

Stage II decrease, Stage III increase explained by FIGO 2018 reclassification

All PBCRs changing to FIGO 2018 may see similar "stage shift"

General caution that stage reclassification may cause misclassification bias

