

Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD)

2022 Quarter Four

Statistical Report

October 1 – December 31, 2022



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1. Data Limitations and Data Suppression

The data presented is collected in accordance with the [Federal Regulations for the Monitoring of Medical Assistance in Dying](#) that came into force on November 1, 2018. In British Columbia, the Ministry of Health was designated as the recipient of all federally reportable information for the province. Medical practitioners and nurse practitioners are required to report on all written requests for MAiD, and pharmacists must report on the dispensation of drugs for the purposes of MAiD.

To protect the personal health information and privacy of those who have requested or received MAiD, statistics involving small numbers (less than a dozen individuals) have been suppressed to remove the risk of potential identification of individuals through the combination of datasets.

The data in this report represents **640** individuals who were provided MAiD between **October 1, 2022, and December 31, 2022**.

2. MAiD Provisions in B.C. by Health Authority

Health Authority	MAiD Deaths (Oct 1, 2022 -Dec 31, 2022)	%
Fraser Health	139	21.7%
Interior Health	138	21.6%
Northern Health	31	4.8%
Vancouver Coastal Health	123	19.2%
Vancouver Island Health	209	32.7%
B.C.	640	100%

3. Profile of Persons Receiving MAiD in B.C.

The following tables represent **640 MAiD Deaths** from **October 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022**.

3.1 Sex and Average Age of Persons Receiving MAiD

	2022	
Sex	(Oct 1 - Dec 31)	%
Male	314	49.1%
Female	326	50.9%
B.C. MAiD Deaths	640	

Average Age by Sex
(Oct 1 - Dec 31)
75
78

3.2 Age Range of Persons Receiving MAiD

	2022
Age Range	(Oct 1 - Dec 31)
*18-55 years	4.8%
56-64 years	9.8%
65-70 years	12.8%
71-75 years	18.3%
76-80 years	12.8%
81-85 years	14.2%
86-90 years	10.9%
91+ years	16.3%

*18-45 years age data has been suppressed due to low numbers. The 18-45 years and 46-55 years age ranges have been combined.

3.3 Underlying Medical Condition of those who Received MAiD

Underlying Medical Condition of those who Received MAiD	2022 (Oct 1 - Dec 31)
Cancer - lung and bronchus	10%
Cancer - breast	5%
Cancer - colorectal	7%
Cancer - pancreas*	<5%
Cancer - prostate*	<5%
Cancer - ovary*	<5%
Cancer - hematologic	6%
Cancer - other	23%
Neurological condition - includes multiple sclerosis and amyotrophic lateral sclerosis*	<5%
Neurological condition - other	9%
Chronic respiratory disease	7%
Cardio-vascular condition	14%
Other organ failure*	<5%
Multiple co-morbidities	21%
Other illness, disease, or disability	16%

*Data suppressed due to low numbers

Explanatory Note: The data above indicates the proportion of the **640 individuals** who received MAiD that had each underlying illness, disease, or disability, as indicated on the Prescribing Practitioner's Assessment records during that period. As some individuals have multiple underlying medical conditions, the percentages do not total to 100%. The occurrence of each condition may also be slightly higher than indicated due to medical conditions that have been reported only as part of the Multiple Co-Morbidities option and not as an individual condition.

3.4 Source of Written MAiD Request

Requests Received by MAiD Prescribers in B.C	2022 (Oct 1 - Dec 31)
MAiD Requestor Directly	12.7%
Another Practitioner	13.8%
MAiD Care Coordination Service	70.9%
Another Third Party/Other	2.7%

3.5 Location of MAiD Provision

Location of MAiD Provision	2022 (Oct 1 - Dec 31)
Assisted Living Residence	3%
Community Care and Residential Care Facility (including long term care)	4%
Hospice	11%
Hospital (<i>excluding Palliative Care Beds</i>)	24%
Medical Office or Clinic, Ambulatory, or Other	3%
Palliative Care Facility (<i>including hospital based palliative care beds/units</i>)	10%
Private Residence	44%

4. MAiD Provisions by Prescriber Type

MAiD Prescriber Type	2022 (Oct 1 - Dec 31)	
	Count	%
Medical Practitioner	541	84.5%
Nurse Practitioner	99	15.5%
B.C. Total MAiD Deaths	640	