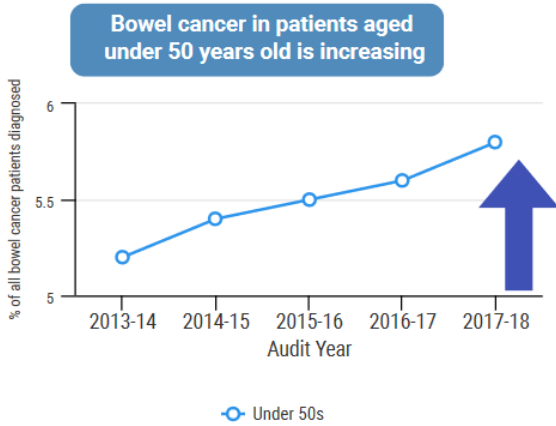


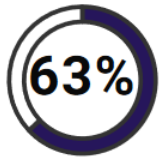
Early Onset Colorectal Cancer (EOCRC) = Bowel cancer diagnosed in patients aged under 50 years old



Compared to older patients, those with EOCRC tend to:

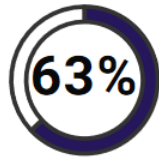
- Have more equal male to female distribution
- Be fitter with fewer underlying health problems
- Come from more deprived and ethnic minority groups
- Present with more advanced cancer as an emergency

Patients with stage IV colon cancer (cancer which has spread to other parts of the body) aged under 50 years old are more likely to receive chemotherapy and radiotherapy compared to older patients.



of under 50 year olds are alive 2 years after diagnosis

2-year survival is the same for patients with stage IV colon cancer in those aged under 50 years, and those aged 50-70 years, despite the former group being fitter and receiving more treatments.



of 50 to 70 year olds are alive 2 years after diagnosis



Awareness & education around EOCRC are essential