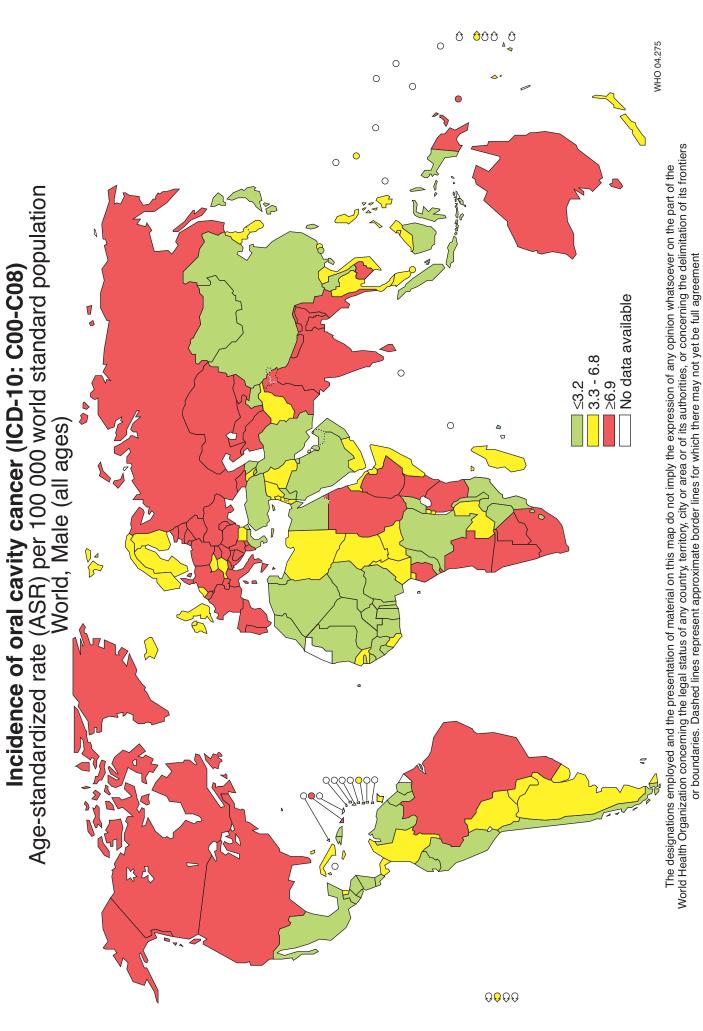
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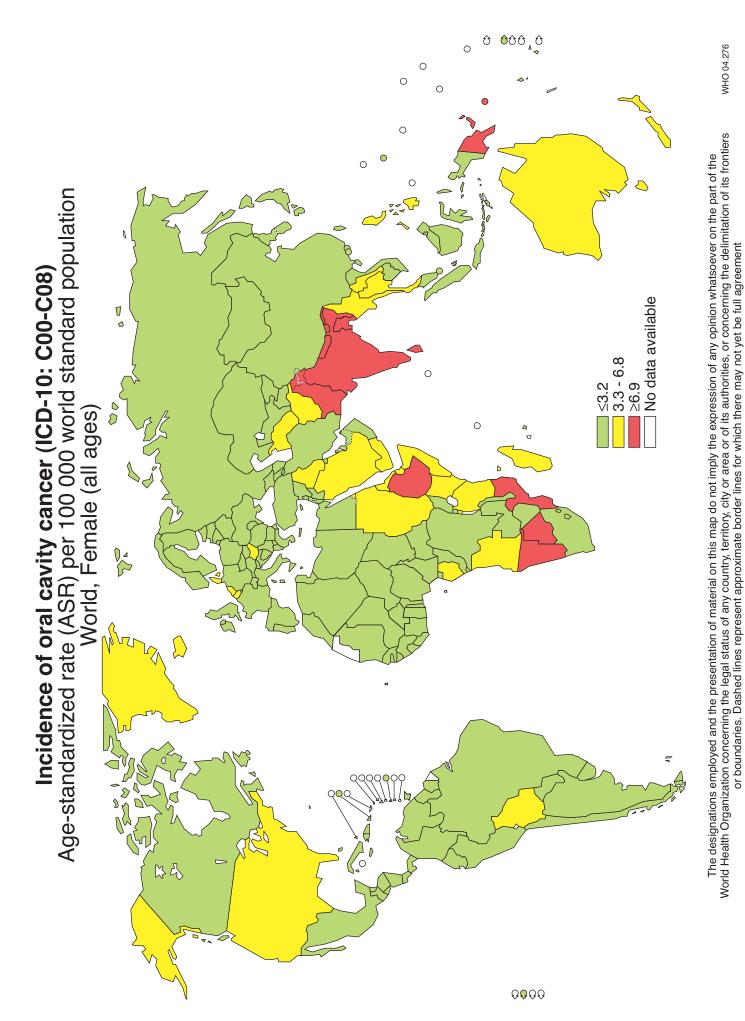


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## OROPHARYNGEAL CANCER IS THE ELEVENTH MOST COMMON CANCER WORLDWIDE.

- Incidence and mortality rates are higher in men than women. Differences across countries particularly relate to distinct risk profiles and availability and accessibility of health services.
- Tobacco use, including smokeless tobacco, and excessive alcohol consumption are estimated to account for about 90% of oral cancers.
- The 58<sup>th</sup> World Health Assembly Resolution on Cancer Prevention and Control (WHA58.22, 25 May 2005) urged Member States to develop and reinforce national cancer control programmes, prioritizing preventable tumours and risk factors intervention.
- Focus is on cancers amenable to early detection and treatment, such as oral cancer.
- The WHO Oral Health Programme has established oral cancer and risk factors surveillance at global level: www.who.int/oral health

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