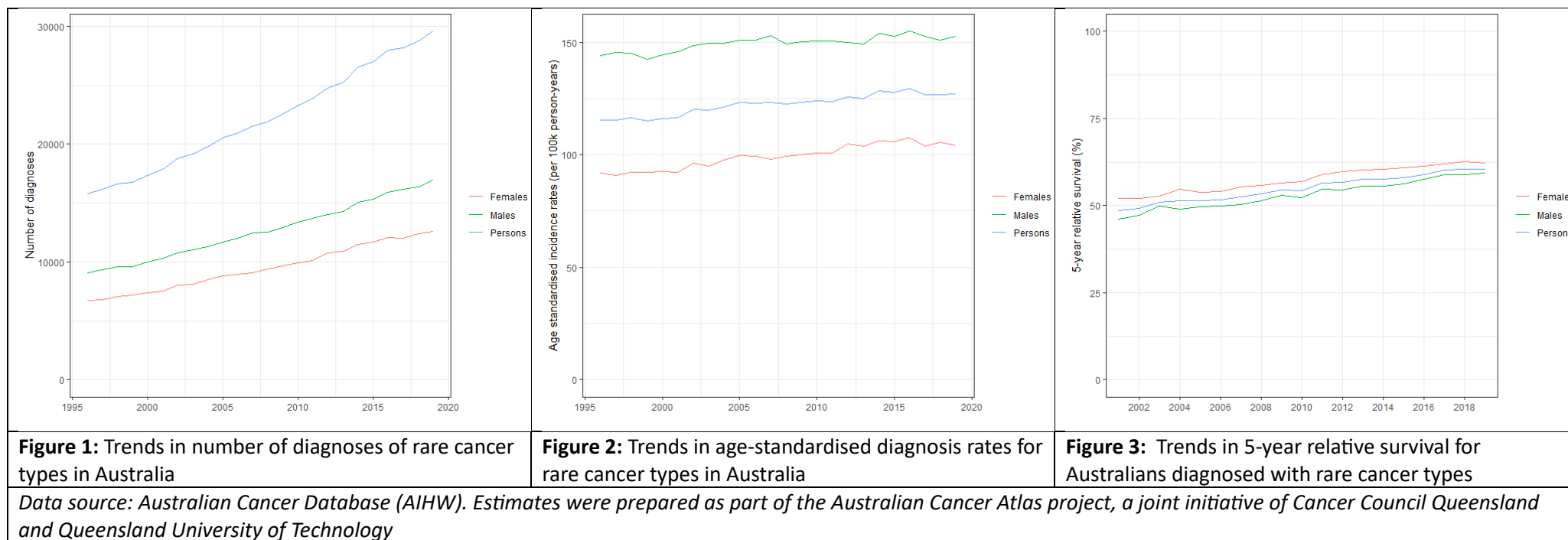


Trends in Rare cancer types across Australia



Notes:

The numbers of rare cancer types diagnosed among Australians has increased substantially over time (Figure 1). While some of this increase would be due to increases in the population and also the aging of the population, the increase in age-standardised diagnosis rates (Figure 2) suggests that other factors also play a role. Overall, survival outcomes for Australians diagnosed with rare cancer types has improved over the last two decades (Figure 3). While survival varies considerably for different types of rare cancer, when combined, the average survival for rare cancer types remains lower than the average survival for all cancer types combined.