



# Cervical Cancer Screening Rates

## IN THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

### What is a screening rate?

The cervical cancer screening rate is the percentage of eligible women who have completed a Pap test in the last two years.



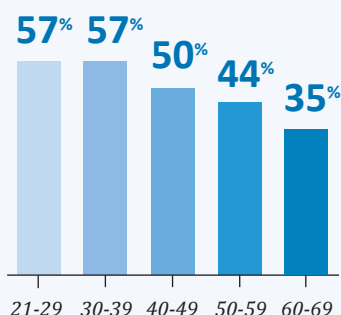
# 51%

of women in the NWT have completed the screening test for cervical cancer

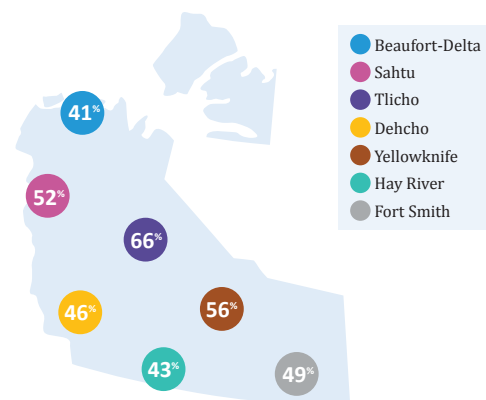
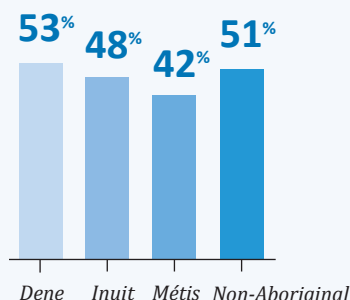
## SCREENING RATES BY

## ACROSS THE NWT

### AGE



### ETHNICITY



### COMMUNITY TYPE

Yellowknife



57%

Regional centres



43%

Small communities



47%

NWT SCREENING  
RATE

51%

vs.

NATIONAL  
GOAL

80%

## SO WHAT?

Cervical cancer screening tests could find cancer early, before you experience symptoms; they could save your life.

## PROTECT YOURSELF

Pap tests should be a regular part of a women's health routine until they are at least 70 years old.

## GET TESTED

Women who have been sexually active should have Pap tests regularly starting at age 21, or 3 years after becoming sexually active, whichever is earlier.