


Utilization of a rapid diagnostic centre during the COVID-19 pandemic reduced diagnostic delays in breast cancer

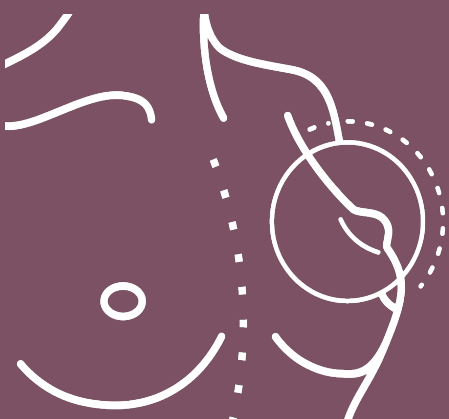
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What was the impact of the pandemic on volumes, presentation, and diagnosis at a high volume rapid diagnostic centre?

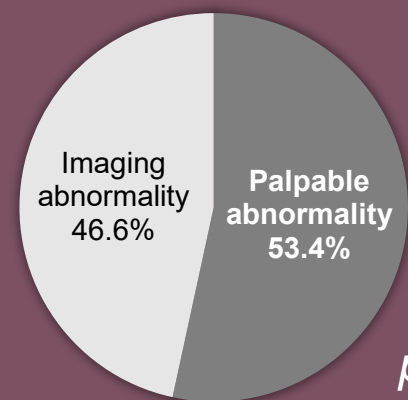
 **Rapid Breast Diagnostic Center**

 COVID $n = 429$, March 13 – August 31, 2020
Pre-COVID $n = 527$, March 13 – August 31, 2019

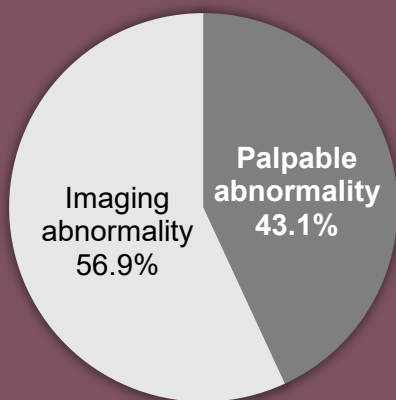
Palpable Lesion



2020 ($n=429$), COVID



2019 ($n=527$), Pre-COVID

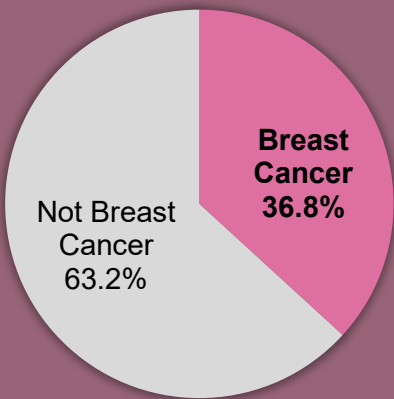


$p=0.001$

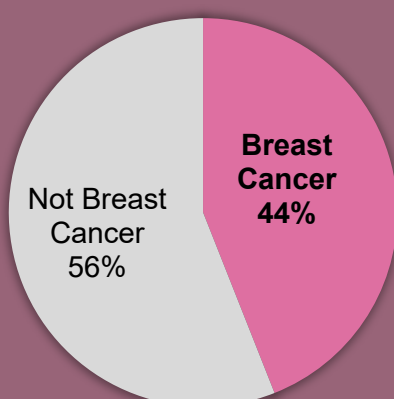
Breast Cancer Diagnosis



2020 ($n=429$), COVID

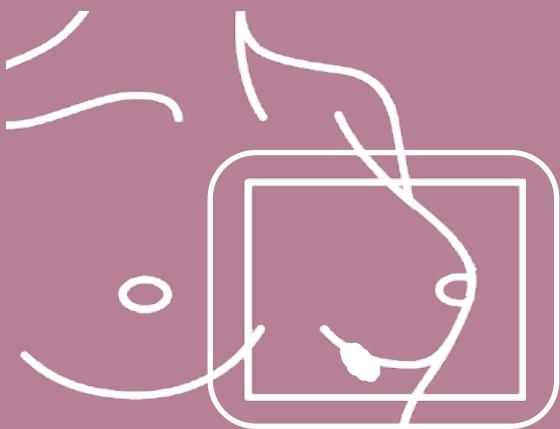



2019 ($n=529$), Pre-COVID



$p=0.024$

First Imaging Test to Cancer Diagnosis




17.4 days vs **25.9 days**
COVID Pre-COVID

$p=0.020$



The GRDC enabled patients with concerning breast symptoms to access breast imaging, which helped to ensure timely treatment during the first wave of the pandemic.

