

V. RESULTS AND INTERPRETATION

The two cohorts which were constructed according to the criteria described in the preceding section have been considered individually and compared with each other as well as with the general population. Description and comparison of these cohorts will be presented here as a preface to the results of the study.

A tabulated summary of each group and of the combined cohorts is shown below:

	Asbestos Cohort	Thetford Mines Cohort	Summary of Combined Cohorts
Original Cohort	2327	3764	6091
Lost Persons Deducted	54	79	133
Final Cohort	2273	3685	5958
Living in 1955 (working and retired)	2224	3547	5771
Dead by 1955	49	138	187
Ca. of lung	3	6	9
Questionable Ca. of lung	0	3	3
Other Causes	46	123	169
Unknown Causes	0	6	6
Smokers	1931	2742	4673
Nonsmokers	340	925	1265
Unknown	2	18	20