

Lung Cancer Symptoms

What are the symptoms of lung cancer in the early and late stages?

Lung cancer may not cause any symptoms, especially in the early stages of disease.

When there are symptoms, early signs may include:



A cough that does not go away



Coughing up blood or rust-colored spit



Frequent lung infections, like bronchitis or pneumonia



Chest pain that gets worse with deep breathing, coughing, laughing



Changes in your voice/hoarse voice



Shortness of breath



Wheezing

Late signs may include:



Shoulder pain



Arm pain



Unexplained weight loss

Loss of appetite



Feeling unusually weak or tired



Change in the look of fingertips and nailbeds



Neck or face swelling

If lung cancer spreads to other parts of the body — called advanced or late stage disease — symptoms may include:



Bone pain



Jaundice (yellowing of the skin and eyes)



Headache



Dizziness



Seizures

These symptoms may be caused by many other conditions as well. If you have any of these symptoms, make an appointment with your healthcare provider.



Weakness or numbness in limbs



Trouble walking or balancing



Swollen lymph nodes in the neck or above the collarbone

