

# Taller Women Have Higher Cancer Risk.

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A study of over one million U.K. women showed that taller women are more likely to get cancer. The researchers examined seventeen different cancer types and found that cancer risk was increased in 15 and statistically increased in 10 of the cancer types examined. The reasons for the increase are unclear and the authors speculate that environmental influences or exposure to increased levels of growth hormones may play a role.

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