

# Stomach Cancer: Symptoms



## What are the symptoms of stomach cancer?

The symptoms of stomach cancer vary from person to person. Cancer in early stages may have mild or no symptoms. The symptoms may also be like those of other diseases or conditions.

The most common symptoms of stomach cancer include:

- Indigestion or heartburn
- Feeling like food gets stuck in your throat when eating
- Stomach pain or discomfort above the level of your navel
- Feeling of fullness or bloating after eating even small amounts of food
- Nausea and vomiting (this often happens soon after eating)
- Vomiting blood
- Diarrhea or constipation
- Blood in your stool
- Loss of appetite
- Unexplained weight loss
- Weakness and tiredness

Stomach cancer that's more advanced can block your stomach or intestines. This can cause vomiting that doesn't go away. Stomach cancer can also spread to your liver. If this happens, it can cause yellowing of your skin and the white part of your eyes (jaundice). Or it can cause fluid buildup in your belly (ascites).

## When to see your healthcare provider

Many of these symptoms may be caused by other health problems. So it's important to see your healthcare provider if you have these symptoms. Your healthcare provider will examine you and order tests to find out if you have stomach cancer.

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