Table 1: Patient Demographics

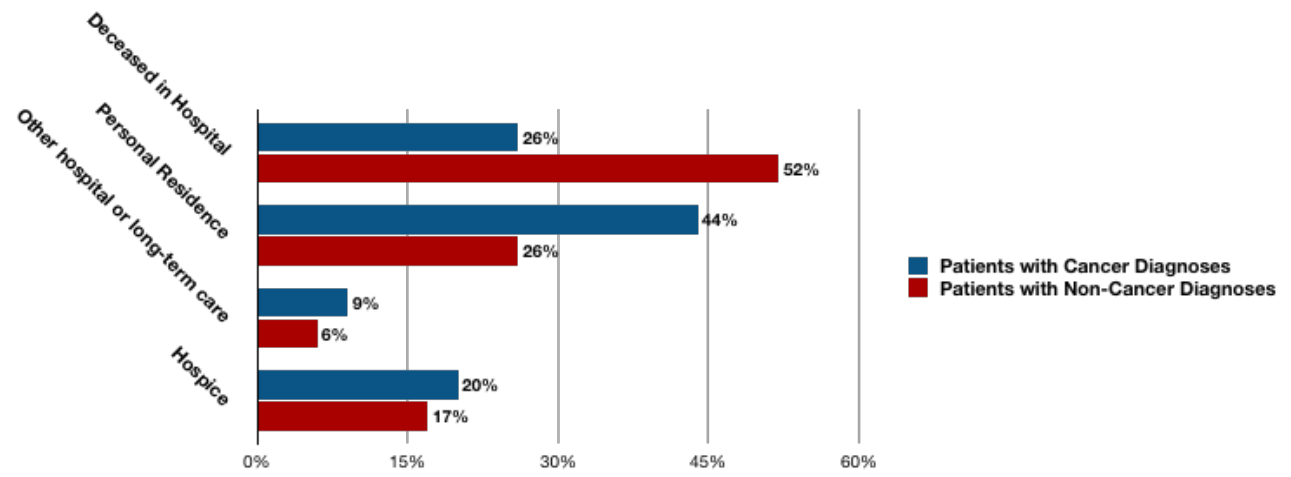|	Patients with Non-Cancer Diagnoses	Patients with Cancer Diagnoses
Number of patients (n)	54	54
Median age (years)	67	67
Average length of stay (days)	28	21
Most common diagnoses	Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (n = 6, 11%) Congestive heart failure (n = 7, 13%)	Breast cancer (n = 7, 13%) Lung cancer (n = 16, 30%)

Figure 1: Patient Discharge Destination

Figure 2: Physical concerns among patients with non-cancer diagnoses compared to cancer diagnoses

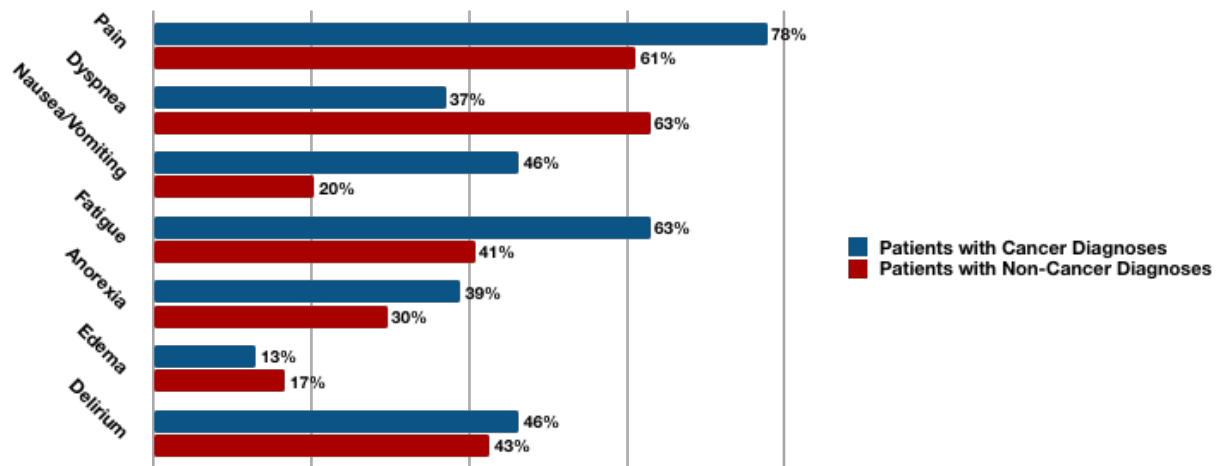| Symptom	Patients with Cancer Diagnoses	Patients with Non-Cancer Diagnoses
Pain	78%	61%
Dyspnea	37%	63%
Nausea/Vomiting	46%	20%
Fatigue	63%	41%
Anorexia	39%	30%
Edema	13%	17%
Delirium	46%	43%

Figure 3: Psychological concerns among patients with non-cancer diagnoses compared to cancer diagnoses
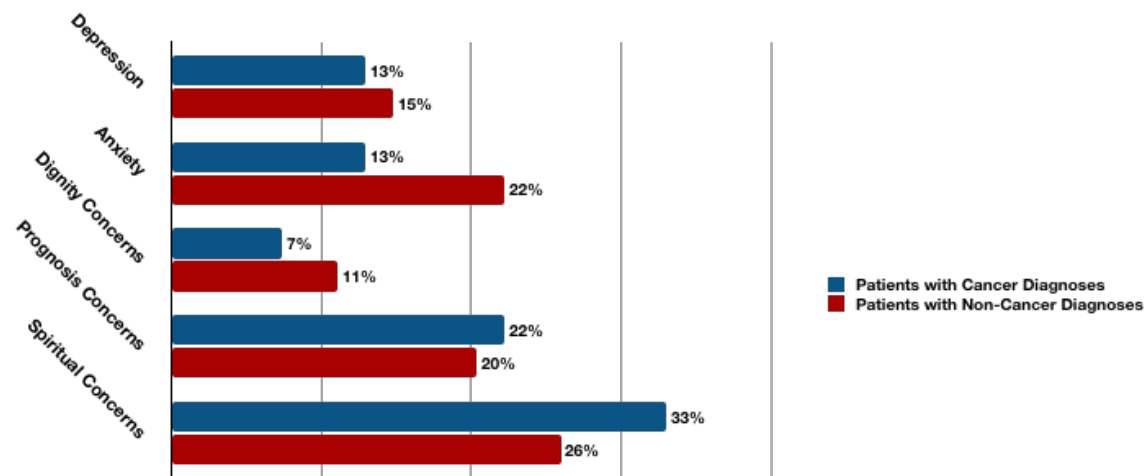
Figure 4: Social and spiritual concerns among patients with non-cancer diagnoses compared to cancer diagnoses
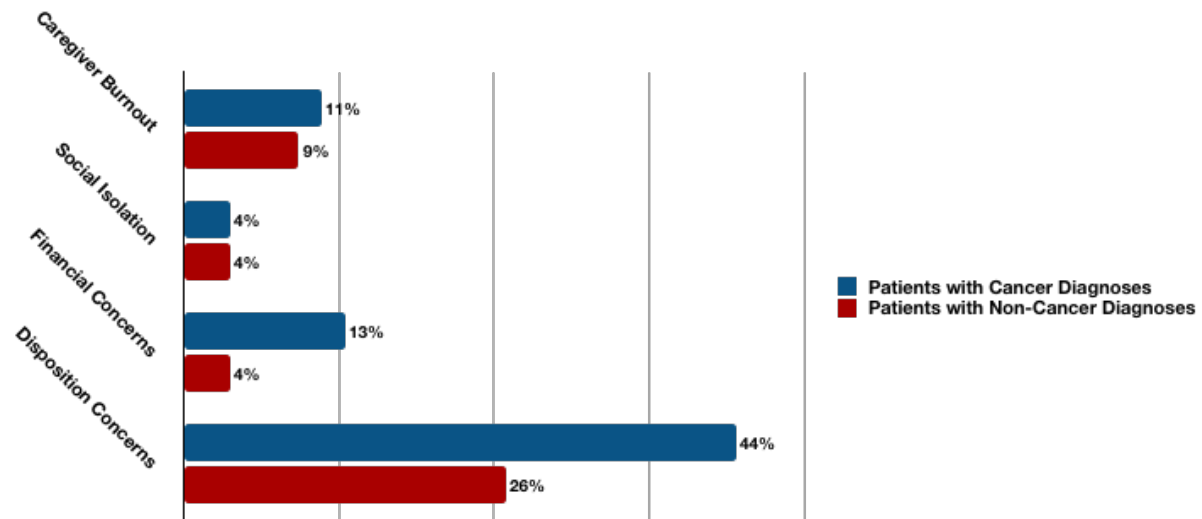
Figure 5: Summary of qualitative date of change in independence and care needs of patients with non-cancer diagnoses (Fitzsimons et al., 2007).