

Leading Causes of Death by Age Group, All Males-United States, 2008*

Age in Groups

Rank	1-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	65-74	75-84	85+	All Ages
1	Unintentional injuries 33.5%	Unintentional injuries 36.3%	Unintentional injuries 36.2%	Unintentional injuries 44.0%	Unintentional injuries 44.4%	Unintentional injuries 37.9%	Unintentional injuries 23.7%	Heart disease 23.4%	Cancer 32.0%	Heart disease 28.1%	Cancer 34.4%	Heart disease 26.7%	Heart disease 32.4%	Heart disease 25.4%
2	Birth defects 10.1%	Cancer 16.2%	Cancer 12.1%	Homicide 20.2%	Homicide 18.3%	Suicide 14.4%	Heart disease 16.5%	Cancer 22.4%	Heart disease 25.8%	Cancer 25.1%	Heart disease 25.0%	Cancer 26.3%	Cancer 15.6%	Cancer 24.1%
3	Homicide 8.7%	Birth defects 6.7%	Suicide 7.9%	Suicide 14.3%	Suicide 15.1%	Homicide 13.1%	Cancer 11.5%	Unintentional injuries 12.1%	Unintentional injuries 5.0%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 7.0%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 7.2%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 7.8%	Stroke 6.1%	Unintentional injuries 6.4%
4	Cancer 8.1%	Homicide 4.4%	Homicide 7.1%	Cancer 4.6%	Cancer 4.1%	Heart disease 7.3%	Suicide 10.7%	Suicide 5.4%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 4.1%	Stroke 5.3%	Stroke 4.1%	Stroke 5.4%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 5.9%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 5.5%
5	Heart disease 3.6%	Heart disease 3.8%	Birth defects 4.3%	Heart disease 2.7%	Heart disease 3.3%	Cancer 6.0%	Homicide 4.7%	Chronic liver disease 5.0%	Diabetes 3.7%	Alzheimer's disease 3.0%	Diabetes 3.7%	Diabetes 3.0%	Alzheimer's disease 5.0%	Stroke 4.4%
6	Influenza & pneumonia 2.6%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 2.8%	Heart disease 4.0%	Birth defects 1.6%	Birth defects 0.9%	HIV disease 2.0%	HIV disease 4.1%	Diabetes 3.0%	Chronic liver disease 3.4%	Diabetes 2.9%	Unintentional injuries 2.5%	Alzheimer's disease 2.9%	Influenza & pneumonia 3.8%	Diabetes 2.9%
7	Septicemia 1.6%	Benign neoplasms 2.2%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 1.6%	Stroke 0.5%	Diabetes 0.7%	Diabetes 1.1%	Chronic liver disease 3.5%	Stroke 2.9%	Stroke 3.3%	Influenza & pneumonia 2.6%	Kidney disease 1.9%	Influenza & pneumonia 2.4%	Kidney disease 2.7%	Suicide 2.3%
8	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 1.2%	Influenza & pneumonia 1.9%	Stroke 1.3%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 0.4%	Influenza & pneumonia 0.6%	Stroke 1.0%	Diabetes 2.4%	HIV disease 2.4%	Suicide 2.4%	Unintentional injuries 2.4%	Influenza & pneumonia 1.5%	Kidney disease 2.3%	Unintentional injuries 2.5%	Influenza & pneumonia 2.1%
9	Stroke 1.1%	Stroke 1.7%	Influenza & pneumonia 1.1%	Benign neoplasms 0.4%	HIV disease 0.5%	Chronic liver disease 1.0%	Stroke 2.3%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 1.9%	Kidney disease 1.5%	Kidney disease 2.3%	Chronic liver disease 1.5%	Unintentional injuries 2.3%	Diabetes 2.2%	Alzheimer's disease 2.0%
10	Perinatal conditions 1.0%	Septicemia 1.0%	Septicemia 0.8%	Influenza & pneumonia 0.4%	Stroke 0.5%	Birth defects 0.7%	Influenza & pneumonia 1.0%	Viral hepatitis 1.7%	Septicemia 1.3%	Parkinson's disease 1.4%	Septicemia 1.4%	Parkinson's disease 1.8%	Parkinson's disease 1.6%	Kidney disease 1.9%

*Percentages represent total deaths in the age group due to the cause indicated. Numbers in parentheses indicate tied rankings. The white, black, American Indian/Alaska Native, and Asian/Pacific Islander race groups include persons of Hispanic and non-Hispanic origin may be of any race. Some terms have been shortened from those used in the National Vital Statistics Report. See the next page for a listing of the shortened terms in the table and their full unabridged equivalents used in the report. To learn more, visit *Mortality Tables* at http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/mortality_tables.htm or <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/deaths.htm> (HHS, CDC, NCHS).