

Leading Causes of Death by Age Group, Black Males-United States, 2009*

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 30.4%	Unintentional injuries 34.1%	Unintentional injuries 30.2%	Homicide 50.4%	Homicide 49.2%	Homicide 32.8%	Heart disease 20.7%	Heart disease 25.5%	Cancer 29.4%	Heart disease 27.7%	Cancer 32.0%	Cancer 27.3%	Heart disease 29.3%	Heart disease 24.2%
2	Homicide 13.9%	Cancer 12.2%	Homicide 12.4%	Unintentional injuries 20.9%	Unintentional injuries 17.9%	Unintentional injuries 19.7%	Unintentional injuries 14.1%	Cancer 20.7%	Heart disease 27.1%	Cancer 27.4%	Heart disease 27.5%	Heart disease 27.1%	Cancer 19.2%	Cancer 22.9%
3	Birth defects 8.7%	Homicide 6.4%	Suicide 8.2%	Suicide 6.5%	Suicide 7.8%	Heart disease 9.3%	Homicide 11.3%	Unintentional injuries 8.0%	Stroke 5.0%	Stroke 5.9%	Stroke 5.6%	Stroke 6.1%	Stroke 6.1%	Unintentional injuries 5.5%
4	Cancer (4) 3.8% ***	Birth defects 6.1%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases (4) 6.6%	Heart disease 3.7%	Heart disease 4.9%	Suicide 6.1%	HIV disease 9.6%	HIV disease 6.1%	Diabetes 4.4%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 4.5%	Diabetes 4.8%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 4.9%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 4.5%	Stroke 4.8%
5	Heart disease (4) 3.8%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 5.8%	*** Birth defects (4) 6.6%	Cancer 3.6%	Cancer 2.9%	HIV disease 5.6%	Cancer 9.3%	Stroke 4.5%	Unintentional injuries 3.9%	Diabetes 4.2%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 4.1%	Diabetes 4.2%	Alzheimer's disease 4.2%	Homicide 4.6%
6	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 3.1%	Influenza & pneumonia 4.6%	Cancer 5.6%	Birth defects 1.7%	HIV disease 1.8%	Cancer 4.6%	Diabetes (6) 3.7% ***	Diabetes 3.8%	HIV disease 2.6%	Kidney disease 3.6%	Kidney disease 3.3%	Kidney disease 3.8%	Kidney disease 3.7%	Diabetes 3.8%
7	Influenza & pneumonia 2.4%	Heart disease 3.7%	Heart disease 5.4%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 0.9%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 1.2%	Diabetes 1.8%	Suicide (6) 3.7%	Homicide 2.8%	Kidney disease 2.6%	Septicemia 2.3%	Septicemia 2.1%	Influenza & pneumonia 2.3%	Diabetes 3.2%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 3.1%
8	Perinatal conditions 1.9%	Benign neoplasms 2.4%	Influenza & pneumonia 1.6%	Anemias 0.6%	Influenza & pneumonia 0.9%	Stroke 1.3%	Stroke 3.2%	Chronic liver disease 2.6%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 2.5%	Influenza & pneumonia 2.3%	Unintentional injuries 2.0%	Septicemia 2.3%	Influenza & pneumonia 3.2%	Kidney disease 2.7%
9	Medical & surgical care complications 1.7%	Septicemia (9) 1.8%	Benign neoplasms (9) 1.2% ***	Influenza & pneumonia (9) 0.6%	Anemias 0.8%	Influenza & pneumonia 1.0%	Kidney disease 1.8%	Kidney disease 2.3%	Chronic liver disease 2.2%	Alzheimer's disease 2.0%	Influenza & pneumonia 1.7%	Alzheimer's disease 2.3%	Septicemia 2.5%	HIV disease 2.4%
10	Benign neoplasms 1.6%	*** Stroke (9) 1.8%	Anemias (9) 1.2% *** Stroke (9) 1.2%	*** Legal intervention (9) 0.6%	Birth defects 0.7%	Anemias 1.0%	Septicemia 1.5%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 1.6%	Septicemia 1.9%	Unintentional injuries 1.7%	Hypertension 1.5%	Unintentional injuries 1.6%	Hypertension 2.0%	Septicemia 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).