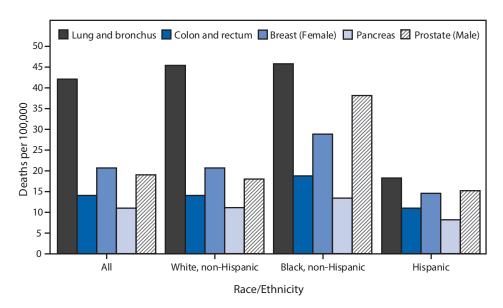
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Age-Adjusted Death Rates* for Top Five Causes of Cancer Death,† by Race/Hispanic Ethnicity — United States, 2014



^{*} Deaths per 100,000 standard population. Breast cancer death rate is per 100,000 females; prostate cancer is per 100,000 males. These breast and prostate cancer death rates differ from those published by National Center for Health Statistics, which are based on the population of both sexes. The top five cancer causes overall were also the top five for the non-Hispanic white and black populations, but prostate cancer was not among the top five for the Hispanic population.

In 2014, the top five causes of cancer deaths for the total population were lung, colorectal, female breast, pancreatic, and prostate cancer. The non-Hispanic black population had the highest age-adjusted death rates for each of these five cancers, followed by non-Hispanic white and Hispanic groups. The age-adjusted death rate for lung cancer, the leading cause of cancer death in all groups, was 42.1 per 100,000 standard population for the total population, 45.4 for non-Hispanic white, 45.7 for non-Hispanic black, and 18.3 for Hispanic populations.

Source: National Vital Statistics System. Underlying cause of death data, 2014. http://wonder.cdc.gov/ucd-icd10.html. **Reported by:** Jiaquan Xu, MD, jax4@cdc.gov, 301-458-4086; Arialdi M. Minino, MPH.

[†] As the underlying causes of death, lung and bronchus cancer was coded as C34, colorectal cancer as C18–C20, breast cancer as C50, pancreatic cancer as C25, and prostate cancer as C61 based on the *International Classification of Diseases*, 10th revision.

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