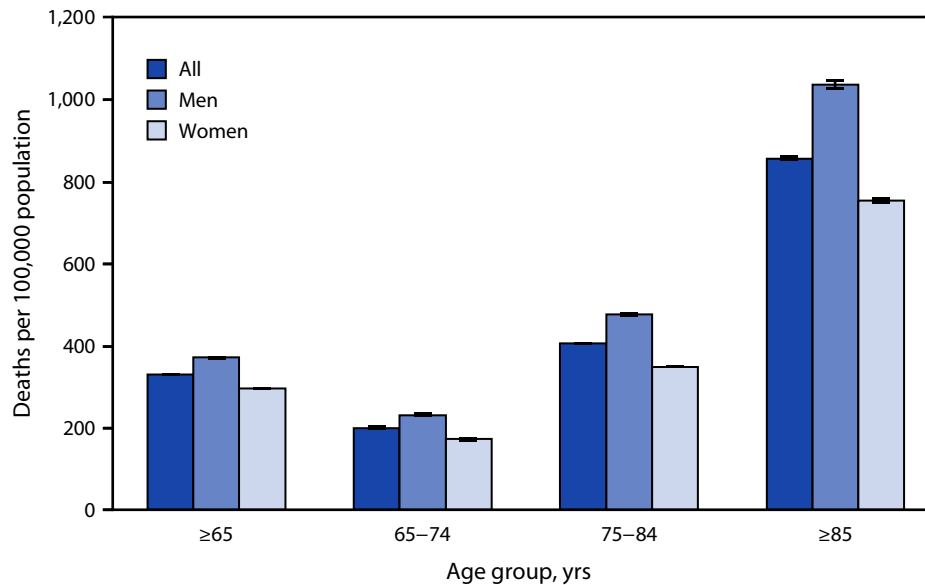


## QuickStats

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## Sepsis-Related\* Death Rates† Among Persons Aged ≥65 Years, by Age Group and Sex — National Vital Statistics System, United States, 2021



\* Deaths with septicemia or sepsis as the underlying or a contributing cause were identified using the *International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision* multiple cause of death codes A40–A41. For mortality statistics, sepsis and septicemia are synonymous and used interchangeably for classification purposes.

† Crude rate of deaths per 100,000 population; 95% CIs indicated by error bars.

In 2021, the sepsis-related death rate among persons aged ≥65 years was 330.9 deaths per 100,000 population; the rate among men (371.7) was higher than that among women (297.4). Sepsis-related death rates among men were higher than those among women in each age group: 232.7 versus 173.0 (65–74 years), 477.3 versus 349.8 (75–84 years), and 1,037.8 versus 755.5 (≥85 years). Sepsis-related death rates increased with age from 201.1 among persons aged 65–74 years to 858.3 among those aged ≥85 years. Sepsis-related death rates increased with age among both men and women.

**Source:** National Center for Health Statistics, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality Data, 2021. <https://wonder.cdc.gov/mcd.html>

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