

Data Brief 168: Mortality in the United States, 2012

Data table for Figure 3. Number of deaths, percentage of total deaths, and age-adjusted death rates for the 10 leading causes of death in 2012: United States, 2011–2012

Rank ¹	Cause of death (based on ICD–10, 2008)	2012			2011		
		Number	Percent of total deaths	Age-adjusted death rate ²	Number	Percent of total deaths	Age-adjusted death rate ²
...	All causes	2,543,279	100.0	732.8	2,515,458	100.0	741.3
1	Diseases of heart (I00–I09,I11,I13,I20–I51)	599,711	23.6	170.5	596,577	23.7	173.7
2	Malignant neoplasms (C00–C97)	582,623	22.9	166.5	576,691	22.9	169.0
3	Chronic lower respiratory diseases (J40–J47)	143,489	5.6	41.5	142,943	5.7	42.5
4	Cerebrovascular diseases (I60–I69)	128,546	5.1	36.9	128,932	5.1	37.9
5	Accidents (unintentional injuries) (V01–X59,Y85–Y86)	127,792	5.0	39.1	126,438	5.0	39.1
6	Alzheimer’s disease (G30)	83,637	3.3	23.8	84,974	3.4	24.7
7	Diabetes mellitus (E10–E14)	73,932	2.9	21.2	73,831	2.9	21.6
8	Influenza and pneumonia (J09–J18)	50,636	2.0	14.4	53,826	2.1	15.7
9	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis (N00–N07,N17–N19,N25–N27)	45,622	1.8	13.1	45,591	1.8	13.4
10	Intentional self-harm (suicide) (*U03,X60–X84,Y87.0)	40,600	1.6	12.6	39,518	1.6	12.3
...	All other causes (residual)	666,691	26.2	...	646,137	25.7	...

... Category not applicable.

¹International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision (ICD–10), 2008 Edition.

²Based on the number of deaths.

³Deaths per 100,000 U.S. standard population.

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality.

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Data table for Figure 4. Number of infant deaths, percentage of total infant deaths, and infant mortality rates for the 10 leading causes of infant death in 2012: United States, 2011–2012

Rank ¹	Cause of death (based on ICD–10, 2008)	2012			2011		
		Number	Percent of total deaths	Rate ²	Number	Percent of total deaths	Rate ²
...	All causes	23,629	100.0	597.8	23,985	100.0	606.7
1	Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities (Q00–Q99)	4,939	20.9	124.9	5,013	20.9	126.8
2	Disorders related to short gestation and low birth weight, not elsewhere classified (P07)	4,202	17.8	106.3	4,106	17.1	103.9
3	Sudden infant death syndrome (R95)	1,679	7.1	42.5	1,910	8.0	48.3
4	Newborn affected by maternal complications of pregnancy (P01)	1,507	6.4	38.1	1,591	6.6	40.2
5	Accidents (unintentional injuries) (V01–X59)	1,169	4.9	29.6	1,163	4.8	29.4
6	Newborn affected by complications of placenta, cord and membranes (P02)	1,018	4.3	25.8	1,004	4.2	25.4
7	Bacterial sepsis of newborn (P36)	566	2.4	14.3	526	2.2	13.3
8	Respiratory distress of newborn (P22)	504	2.1	12.8	513	2.1	13.0
9	Diseases of the circulatory system (I00–I99)	492	2.1	12.4	500	2.1	12.6
10	Neonatal hemorrhage (P50–P52,P54)	422	1.8	10.7	456	1.9	11.5
...	All other causes (residual)	7,131	30.2	...	7,203	30.0	...

... Category not applicable.

¹Based on the number of deaths.

²Infant deaths per 100,000 live births.

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality.