

Data Brief 254: Changes in the Leading Cause of Death: Recent Patterns in Heart Disease and Cancer Mortality

Data table for Figure 1. Number of deaths due to heart disease and cancer: United States, 1950–2014

Year	Number of heart disease deaths	Number of cancer deaths	Year	Number of heart disease deaths	Number of cancer deaths
1950	537,629	210,733	1983	770,432	442,986
1951	547,323	215,525	1984	765,114	453,492
1952	556,724	223,277	1985	771,169	461,563
1953	571,798	229,079	1986	765,490	469,376
1954	561,374	234,669	1987	760,353	476,927
1955	585,751	240,681	1988	765,156	485,048
1956	604,028	247,357	1989	733,867	496,152
1957	629,404	253,183	1990	720,058	505,322
1958	637,246	254,426	1991	720,862	514,657
1959	641,044	260,047	1992	717,706	520,578
1960	661,712	267,627	1993	743,460	529,904
1961	663,391	273,502	1994	732,409	534,310
1962	688,009	278,562	1995	737,563	538,455
1963	707,830	285,362	1996	733,361	539,533
1964	699,861	289,577	1997	726,974	539,577
1965	712,087	297,588	1998	724,859	541,532
1966	727,002	303,736	1999	725,192	549,838
1967	721,268	310,983	2000	710,760	553,091
1968	744,658	318,547	2001	700,142	553,768
1969	739,265	323,092	2002	696,947	557,271
1970	735,542	330,730	2003	685,089	556,902
1971	743,368	337,398	2004	652,486	553,888
1972	755,864	345,618	2005	652,091	559,312
1973	757,075	351,055	2006	631,636	559,888
1974	738,171	360,472	2007	616,067	562,875
1975	716,215	365,693	2008	616,828	565,469
1976	723,878	377,312	2009	599,413	567,628
1977	718,850	386,686	2010	597,689	574,743
1978	729,510	396,992	2011	596,577	576,691
1979	733,235	403,395	2012	599,711	582,623
1980	761,085	416,509	2013	611,105	584,881
1981	753,884	422,094	2014	614,348	591,699
1982	755,592	433,795			

NOTES: Deaths are classified according to the *International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision* (ICD–10). Heart disease deaths include ICD–10 codes I00–I09, I11, I13, and I20–I51. Cancer deaths include ICD–10 codes C00–C97.

SOURCE: NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality.

Data table for Figure 3. Number of deaths due to heart disease and cancer for the non-Hispanic white population: United States, 2000–2014

Year	Number of heart disease deaths	Number of cancer deaths
2000	594,465	458,200
2001	582,349	456,709
2002	577,761	458,754
2003	565,808	457,127
2004	537,512	453,534
2005	535,101	456,133
2006	516,883	455,978
2007	502,683	456,576
2008	503,096	457,084
2009	485,779	457,189
2010	483,973	460,567
2011	482,979	460,026
2012	481,991	462,499
2013	488,817	462,850
2014	489,926	466,270

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Data table for Figure 4. Number of deaths due to heart disease and cancer for the non-Hispanic black population: United States, 2000–2014

Year	Number of heart disease deaths	Number of cancer deaths
2000	76,706	61,390
2001	76,794	61,580
2002	76,694	61,996
2003	76,452	62,054
2004	73,373	61,842
2005	73,302	62,510
2006	71,461	62,475
2007	70,443	63,441
2008	69,918	63,279
2009	68,811	63,967
2010	68,215	65,276
2011	67,595	66,158
2012	69,147	66,565
2013	71,102	67,272
2014	71,894	68,104

NOTES: Deaths are classified according to the *International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision* (ICD–10). Heart disease deaths include ICD–10 codes I00–I09, I11, I13, and I20–I51. Cancer deaths include ICD–10 codes C00–C97.

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Data table for Figure 5. Number of deaths due to heart disease and cancer for the non-Hispanic Asian or Pacific Islander and Hispanic populations: United States, 2000–2014

Year	Non-Hispanic Asian or Pacific Islander		Hispanic	
	Number of heart disease deaths	Number of cancer deaths	Number of heart disease deaths	Number of cancer deaths
2000	8,949	9,069	25,819	21,160
2001	9,291	9,663	27,090	22,371
2002	9,814	9,836	27,887	23,141
2003	9,934	10,360	28,298	24,070
2004	9,756	10,691	27,788	24,522
2005	10,281	11,357	29,555	26,156
2006	10,457	11,592	28,921	26,633
2007	10,394	12,138	29,021	27,660
2008	10,951	12,682	28,951	28,851
2009	11,134	13,062	29,611	29,935
2010	11,254	13,906	30,006	31,119
2011	11,406	14,500	30,385	32,381
2012	12,068	15,099	31,595	34,147
2013	13,064	15,451	33,243	35,147
2014	13,021	16,292	34,021	36,447

NOTES: Deaths are classified according to the *International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision* (ICD–10). Heart disease deaths include ICD–10 codes I00–I09, I11, I13, and I20–I51. Cancer deaths include ICD–10 codes C00–C97. Deaths for the non-Hispanic Asian or Pacific Islander population and the Hispanic population are underreported by 3% each; see “Data source and methods.”

SOURCE: NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality.