

**Data table for Figure 31. Death rates for leading causes of death among persons 65 years of age and over: United States, 1997–2007**

Year	All causes	Heart disease	Cancer	Stroke	Chronic lower respiratory diseases (CLRD)	Alzheimer's disease	Diabetes	Influenza and pneumonia
Deaths per 100,000 population								
1997	5,025.6	1,764.2	1,113.1	406.9	274.4	†	137.5	†
1998	5,064.3	1,749.5	1,109.7	400.8	282.7	†	141.5	†
1999	5,165.1	1,745.1	1,121.1	427.0	310.7	126.5	149.0	164.6
2000	5,143.6	1,696.7	1,121.3	423.1	304.0	140.0	149.8	167.3
2001	5,096.0	1,651.2	1,105.7	409.4	302.9	150.9	152.2	157.3
2002	5,088.8	1,618.7	1,098.3	402.5	304.2	163.7	153.7	165.2
2003	5,023.4	1,568.5	1,082.7	384.6	303.8	174.9	152.9	160.6
2004	4,837.4	1,469.4	1,063.1	359.7	289.8	180.0	148.7	145.4
2005	4,860.5	1,443.1	1,055.5	336.7	306.4	192.6	150.1	150.7
2006	4,722.0	1,370.2	1,040.0	314.0	286.8	192.3	140.5	132.4
2007	4,633.6	1,309.4	1,028.6	306.1	289.2	194.8	136.0	121.3
Standard error								
1997	3.82	2.26	1.80	1.09	0.89	†	0.63	†
1998	3.82	2.25	1.79	1.08	0.90	†	0.64	†
1999	3.85	2.24	1.79	1.11	0.94	0.60	0.65	0.69
2000	3.83	2.20	1.79	1.10	0.93	0.63	0.65	0.69
2001	3.80	2.16	1.77	1.08	0.93	0.65	0.66	0.67
2002	3.78	2.13	1.76	1.06	0.92	0.68	0.66	0.68
2003	3.74	2.09	1.74	1.03	0.92	0.70	0.65	0.67
2004	3.65	2.01	1.71	1.00	0.89	0.70	0.64	0.63
2005	3.63	1.98	1.69	0.96	0.91	0.72	0.64	0.64
2006	3.56	1.92	1.67	0.92	0.88	0.72	0.61	0.60
2007	3.50	1.86	1.65	0.90	0.87	0.72	0.60	0.57
Cause of death, 2007								
		<i>Number</i>		<i>Percent distribution</i>				
All causes		1,755,567		100.0				
Heart disease		496,095		28.3				
Cancer		389,730		22.2				
Stroke		115,961		6.6				
CLRD		109,562		6.2				
Alzheimer's disease		73,797		4.2				
Diabetes		51,528		2.9				
Influenza and pneumonia		45,941		2.6				
All other causes		472,953		26.9				

† Data not comparable.

NOTES: Causes of death shown are the seven leading causes of death among persons 65 years of age and over in 2007. Death rates for 1997–1998 are based on the *International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision (ICD–9)*. Starting in 1999, death rates are based on the *International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision (ICD–10)*. Comparability ratios for selected revisions are available from: [http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/mortality/comparability\\_icd.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/mortality/comparability_icd.htm). Data for 1997–1998 for Alzheimer's disease and Influenza and pneumonia are not presented due to large differences in death rates caused by changes in the coding of these causes between ICD–9 and ICD–10. Stroke refers to cerebrovascular diseases. See Appendix II, Cause of death; Comparability ratio; Tables 35, 36, 38, 45, and 46.

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System. Xu JQ, Kochanek KD, Murphy SL, Tejada-Vera B. Deaths: Final data for 2007. National vital statistics reports; vol 58 no 19. Hyattsville, MD: NCHS; 2010. Available from: [http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr58/nvsr58\\_19](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr58/nvsr58_19).