

**Data table for Figure 37. Selected characteristics of discharged hospice care patients: United States, 2007**

Characteristic	2007	
	Percent	SE
Age		
Under 65 years . . . . .	16.9	0.8
65 years and over . . . . .	83.1	0.8
65–74 years . . . . .	15.4	1.1
75–84 years . . . . .	29.5	1.2
85 years and over . . . . .	38.2	1.3
Sex		
Male . . . . .	44.9	1.4
Female . . . . .	55.1	1.4
Race and Hispanic origin		
Hispanic or Latino . . . . .	4.1	0.7
Not Hispanic or Latino:		
White . . . . .	86.6	1.2
Black or African American . . . . .	7.6	1.0
Marital status		
Married or living with partner . . . . .	45.4	1.6
Single, divorced, or separated . . . . .	14.2	0.9
Widowed . . . . .	40.4	1.5
Vital status at discharge		
Deceased . . . . .	84.4	1.1
Alive . . . . .	15.6	1.1
Medicare beneficiary		
Yes . . . . .	84.3	0.9
No . . . . .	15.7	0.9
Place of care on first day		
Private home . . . . .	55.3	1.7
Nursing home/skilled nursing facility . . . . .	21.1	1.4
Other place . . . . .	23.6	1.6

SE is standard error.

NOTES: There were 1.0 million hospice care discharges (weighted) in 2007. The 2007 National Home and Hospice Care Survey data were collected through interviews with agency directors and their designated staffs; no interviews were conducted directly with patients or their families or friends. Data collected on home health care patients and hospice care discharges are taken from medical records. For more information, see: [http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhhcs/nhhcs\\_questionnaires.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhhcs/nhhcs_questionnaires.htm). Race and ethnicity of fewer than 2% of hospice care patient discharges were non-Hispanic Asian or American Indian or Alaska Native. These discharges are included in tabulations for characteristics other than race and Hispanic origin. The place of hospice care may change over the course of treatment. Data presented here are based on the place on the first day of hospice care. Other place includes residential care facility, inpatient hospice care agency, hospital, and other locations.

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Home and Hospice Care Survey.