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Age-adjusted death rates for the top 5 leading causes of death, 1975 and 2015

Year	Cause of death ¹					
	Heart disease	Cancer	Cerebrovascular diseases (Stroke)	Unintentional injuries	Influenza and pneumonia ²	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ³
	Age-adjusted deaths per 100,000 resident population ⁴					
1975	431.2	200.1	123.5	50.8	35.0	---
1976	426.9	202.5	117.4	48.7	38.8	---
1977	413.7	203.5	110.4	48.8	31.0	---
1978	409.9	204.9	103.7	48.9	34.5	---
1979	401.6	204.0	97.3	47.9	26.1	---
1980	412.1	207.9	96.2	46.4	31.4	---
1981	397.0	206.4	89.5	43.4	30.0	---
1982	389.1	208.3	84.2	40.1	26.5	---
1983	388.9	209.1	81.2	39.1	29.8	---
1984	378.8	210.8	78.7	38.8	30.6	---
1985	374.9	211.3	76.4	38.5	34.5	---
1986	365.1	211.5	73.1	38.6	34.8	---
1987	355.9	211.7	71.6	38.2	33.8	---
1988	352.5	212.5	70.6	38.9	37.3	---
1989	332.0	214.2	66.9	37.7	35.9	---
1990	321.8	216.0	65.3	36.3	36.8	---
1991	312.5	215.2	62.9	34.7	34.7	---
1992	304.0	213.5	61.5	33.2	32.8	---
1993	308.1	213.5	62.7	34.2	35.0	---
1994	297.5	211.7	62.6	34.2	33.6	---
1995	293.4	209.9	63.1	34.4	33.4	---
1996	285.7	206.7	62.5	34.5	32.9	---
1997	277.7	203.4	61.1	34.2	33.3	---
1998	271.3	200.7	59.3	34.5	34.6	---
1999	266.5	200.8	61.6	35.3	23.5	45.4
2000	257.6	199.6	60.9	34.9	23.7	44.2
2001	249.5	196.5	58.4	35.7	22.2	43.9
2002	244.6	194.3	57.2	37.1	23.2	43.9
2003	236.3	190.9	54.6	37.6	22.6	43.7
2004	221.6	186.8	51.2	38.1	20.4	41.6
2005	216.8	185.1	48.0	39.5	21.0	43.9
2006	205.5	181.8	44.8	40.2	18.4	41.0
2007	196.1	179.3	43.5	40.4	16.8	41.4
2008	192.1	176.4	42.1	39.2	17.6	44.7
2009	182.8	173.5	39.6	37.5	16.5	42.7
2010	179.1	172.8	39.1	38.0	15.1	42.2
2011	173.7	169.0	37.9	39.1	15.7	42.5
2012	170.5	166.5	36.9	39.1	14.4	41.5
2013	169.8	163.2	36.2	39.4	15.9	42.1
2014	167.0	161.2	36.5	40.5	15.1	40.5
2015	168.5	158.5	37.6	43.2	15.2	41.6

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Year	Cause of death ¹					
	Heart disease	Cancer	Cerebrovascular diseases (Stroke)	Unintentional injuries	Influenza and pneumonia ²	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ³
						Standard error
1975	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	---
1976	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	---
1977	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	---
1978	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	---
1979	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	---
1980	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	---
1981	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	---
1982	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	---
1983	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	---
1984	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	---
1985	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	---
1986	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	---
1987	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	---
1988	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	---
1989	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	---
1990	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	---
1991	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	---
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1998	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	---
1999	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
2000	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
2001	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
2002	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
2003	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
2004	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
2005	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
2006	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
2007	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
2008	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
2009	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
2010	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
2011	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
2012	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
2013	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
2014	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
2015	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

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Top 10 leading causes of death, 2015

Rank order	Cause of death ¹	Deaths	Percent
Rank	All causes	2,712,630	100.0
1	Heart disease	633,842	23.4
2	Cancer	595,930	22.0
3	Chronic lower respiratory diseases	155,041	5.7
4	Unintentional injuries	146,571	5.4
5	Stroke	140,323	5.2
6	Alzheimer's disease	110,561	4.1
7	Diabetes mellitus	79,535	2.9
8	Influenza and pneumonia	57,062	2.1
9	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome, and nephrosis	49,959	1.8
10	Suicide	44,193	1.6

-- Data not available.

¹ Underlying causes of death are based on the *International Classification of Diseases, 8th Revision* (ICD–8) for 1975–1978 estimates, ICD–9 for 1979–1998 estimates, and ICD–10 for 1999–2015 estimates.

² Starting with 1999 data, the rules for selecting influenza and pneumonia as the underlying cause of death changed, resulting in a decrease in the number of deaths for pneumonia. Therefore, trend data for this cause of death should be interpreted with caution. For more information, see Comparability of cause of death between ICD–9 and ICD–10: preliminary estimates, available from: http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr49/nvsr49_02.pdf.

³ Starting with 1999 data, the rules for selecting CLRD and Pneumonia as the underlying cause of death changed, resulting in an increase in the number of deaths for CLRD and a decrease in the number of deaths for pneumonia. Therefore, trend data for these two causes of death should be interpreted with caution. For more information, see Comparability of cause of death between ICD–9 and ICD–10 in Appendix II, Table V.

⁴ Estimates are age-adjusted to the year 2000 standard population using four age groups: 25–34 years, 35–44 years, 45–64 years, and 65 years and over. See Appendix II, Age adjustment.

NOTES: For cause of death codes based on the ICD–8 in 1975 and ICD–10 in 2015, see Appendix II, Cause of death; Cause-of-death ranking; Table III; Table IV. Starting with 2003 data, some states allowed the reporting of more than one race on the death certificate. The multiple-race data for these states were bridged to the single-race categories of the 1977 Office of Management and Budget standards, for comparability with other states. The race groups, white, black, Asian or Pacific Islander, and American Indian or Alaska Native, include persons of Hispanic and non-Hispanic origin. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race. See Appendix II, Race; Hispanic origin.

SOURCE: NCHS, National Vital Statistics System: Final Mortality Statistics, 1975. Monthly Vital Statistics Report, 25(Suppl. 11). 1977. Public-use 2015 Mortality File. Murphy SL, Kochanek KD, Xu JQ, Curtin SC. Deaths: Final data for 2015. National vital statistics reports. Hyattsville, MD: NCHS; 2017. Available from: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/products/nvsr.htm>. See Appendix I, National Vital Statistics System (NVSS).