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Sex, race, Hispanic origin, and rank order	1980		2019	
	Cause of death	Deaths	Cause of death	Deaths
All people				
Rank	All causes.....	1,989,841	All causes.....	2,854,838
1	Diseases of heart	761,085	Diseases of heart	659,041
2	Malignant neoplasms.....	416,509	Malignant neoplasms.....	599,601
3	Cerebrovascular diseases	170,225	Unintentional injuries.....	173,040
4	Unintentional injuries.....	105,718	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	156,979
5	Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases ¹	56,050	Cerebrovascular diseases	150,005
6	Pneumonia and influenza ²	54,619	Alzheimer's disease.....	121,499
7	Diabetes mellitus	34,851	Diabetes mellitus ³	87,647
8	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	30,583	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	51,565
9	Atherosclerosis	29,449	Influenza and pneumonia ²	49,783
10	Suicide	26,869	Suicide	47,511
Male				
Rank	All causes.....	1,075,078	All causes.....	1,473,823
1	Diseases of heart	405,661	Diseases of heart	357,761
2	Malignant neoplasms.....	225,948	Malignant neoplasms.....	315,876
3	Unintentional injuries.....	74,180	Unintentional injuries.....	112,720
4	Cerebrovascular diseases	69,973	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	73,724
5	Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases ¹	38,625	Cerebrovascular diseases	64,347
6	Pneumonia and influenza ²	27,574	Diabetes mellitus ³	49,512
7	Suicide	20,505	Alzheimer's disease.....	37,983
8	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	19,768	Suicide	37,256
9	Homicide.....	18,779	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	28,105
10	Diabetes mellitus	14,325	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	26,669
Female				
Rank	All causes.....	914,763	All causes.....	1,381,015
1	Diseases of heart	355,424	Diseases of heart	301,280
2	Malignant neoplasms.....	190,561	Malignant neoplasms.....	283,725
3	Cerebrovascular diseases	100,252	Cerebrovascular diseases	85,658
4	Unintentional injuries.....	31,538	Alzheimer's disease.....	83,516
5	Pneumonia and influenza ²	27,045	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	83,255
6	Diabetes mellitus	20,526	Unintentional injuries.....	60,320
7	Atherosclerosis	17,848	Diabetes mellitus ³	38,135
8	Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases ¹	17,425	Influenza and pneumonia ²	25,139
9	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	10,815	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	24,896
10	Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	9,815	Essential hypertension and hypertensive renal disease.....	19,911
White⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	1,738,607	All causes.....	2,393,548
1	Diseases of heart	683,347	Diseases of heart	554,320
2	Malignant neoplasms.....	368,162	Malignant neoplasms.....	503,448
3	Cerebrovascular diseases	148,734	Unintentional injuries.....	143,563
4	Unintentional injuries.....	90,122	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	141,993
5	Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases ¹	52,375	Cerebrovascular diseases	122,569
6	Pneumonia and influenza ²	48,369	Alzheimer's disease.....	108,493
7	Diabetes mellitus	28,868	Diabetes mellitus ³	67,174
8	Atherosclerosis	27,069	Influenza and pneumonia ²	41,843
9	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	25,240	Suicide	41,655
10	Suicide	24,829	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	39,487

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	Cause of death	Deaths	Cause of death	Deaths
White, not Hispanic or Latino⁴				
Rank	---	---	All causes.....	2,183,844
1	---	---	Diseases of heart	512,600
2	---	---	Malignant neoplasms.....	460,950
3	---	---	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	136,136
4	---	---	Unintentional injuries.....	125,151
5	---	---	Cerebrovascular diseases	110,804
6	---	---	Alzheimer's disease.....	100,371
7	---	---	Diabetes mellitus ³	57,168
8	---	---	Influenza and pneumonia ²	38,066
9	---	---	Suicide	37,428
10	---	---	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	35,081
Black or African American⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	233,135	All causes.....	351,907
1	Diseases of heart	72,956	Diseases of heart	82,539
2	Malignant neoplasms.....	45,037	Malignant neoplasms.....	71,435
3	Cerebrovascular diseases	20,135	Unintentional injuries.....	22,184
4	Unintentional injuries.....	13,480	Cerebrovascular diseases	20,227
5	Homicide.....	10,172	Diabetes mellitus ³	15,628
6	Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	6,961	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	11,583
7	Pneumonia and influenza ²	5,648	Homicide.....	10,090
8	Diabetes mellitus	5,544	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	9,831
9	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	4,790	Alzheimer's disease.....	9,313
10	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	3,416	Essential hypertension and hypertensive renal disease.....	6,696
Black or African American, not Hispanic or Latino⁴				
Rank	---	---	All causes.....	346,677
1	---	---	Diseases of heart	81,306
2	---	---	Malignant neoplasms.....	70,513
3	---	---	Unintentional injuries.....	21,615
4	---	---	Cerebrovascular diseases	20,003
5	---	---	Diabetes mellitus ³	15,415
6	---	---	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	11,446
7	---	---	Homicide.....	9,951
8	---	---	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	9,740
9	---	---	Alzheimer's disease.....	9,208
10	---	---	Essential hypertension and hypertensive renal disease.....	6,605

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	Cause of death	Deaths	Cause of death	Deaths
American Indian or Alaska Native⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	6,923	All causes.....	19,227
1	Diseases of heart	1,494	Diseases of heart	3,386
2	Unintentional injuries.....	1,290	Malignant neoplasms.....	3,179
3	Malignant neoplasms.....	770	Unintentional injuries.....	2,210
4	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	410	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	1,146
5	Cerebrovascular diseases	322	Diabetes mellitus ³	1,067
6	Pneumonia and influenza ²	257	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	811
7	Homicide.....	217	Cerebrovascular diseases	749
8	Diabetes mellitus	210	Suicide	582
9	Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	199	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	399
10	Suicide	181	Influenza and pneumonia ²	384
American Indian or Alaska Native, not Hispanic or Latino⁴				
Rank	---	---	All causes.....	18,057
1	---	---	Diseases of heart	3,208
2	---	---	Malignant neoplasms.....	2,979
3	---	---	Unintentional injuries.....	2,046
4	---	---	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	1,079
5	---	---	Diabetes mellitus ³	1,006
6	---	---	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	778
7	---	---	Cerebrovascular diseases	686
8	---	---	Suicide	546
9	---	---	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	373
10	---	---	Influenza and pneumonia ²	367
Asian or Pacific Islander⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	11,071	All causes.....	79,139
1	Diseases of heart	3,265	Malignant neoplasms.....	19,508
2	Malignant neoplasms.....	2,522	Diseases of heart	16,868
3	Cerebrovascular diseases	1,028	Cerebrovascular diseases	6,016
4	Unintentional injuries.....	810	Unintentional injuries.....	3,762
5	Pneumonia and influenza ²	342	Diabetes mellitus ³	3,435
6	Suicide	249	Alzheimer's disease.....	3,066
7	Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	246	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	2,091
8	Diabetes mellitus	227	Influenza and pneumonia ²	1,943
9	Homicide.....	211	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	1,700
10	Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases ¹	207	Suicide	1,609

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	Cause of death	Deaths	Cause of death	Deaths
Asian or Pacific Islander, not Hispanic or Latino⁴				
Rank	---	---	All causes.....	77,474
1	---	---	Malignant neoplasms.....	19,192
2	---	---	Diseases of heart	16,535
3	---	---	Cerebrovascular diseases	5,935
4	---	---	Unintentional injuries.....	3,581
5	---	---	Diabetes mellitus ³	3,375
6	---	---	Alzheimer's disease.....	3,020
7	---	---	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	2,041
8	---	---	Influenza and pneumonia ²	1,922
9	---	---	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	1,671
10	---	---	Essential hypertension and hypertensive renal disease.....	1,560
Asian, not Hispanic or Latino⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	70,532
1	Malignant neoplasms.....	17,702
2	Diseases of heart	14,925
3	Cerebrovascular diseases	5,495
4	Unintentional injuries.....	3,092
5	Diabetes mellitus ³	3,000
6	Alzheimer's disease.....	2,887
7	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	1,859
8	Influenza and pneumonia ²	1,784
9	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	1,523
10	Essential hypertension and hypertensive renal disease.....	1,458
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, not Hispanic or Latino⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	3,491
1	Diseases of heart	870
2	Malignant neoplasms.....	752
3	Cerebrovascular diseases	242
4	Diabetes mellitus ³	224
5	Unintentional injuries.....	189
6	Suicide	90
7	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	88
8	Influenza and pneumonia ²	79
8	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	76
10	Alzheimer's disease.....	62
Hispanic or Latino⁴				
Rank	---	---	All causes.....	212,397
1	---	---	Malignant neoplasms.....	43,079
2	---	---	Diseases of heart	41,794
3	---	---	Unintentional injuries.....	18,874
4	---	---	Cerebrovascular diseases	11,959
5	---	---	Diabetes mellitus ³	10,166
6	---	---	Alzheimer's disease.....	8,221
7	---	---	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	6,877
8	---	---	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	5,700
9	---	---	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	4,488
10	---	---	Suicide	4,331

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	Cause of death	Deaths	Cause of death	Deaths
White male⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	933,878	All causes.....	1,232,309
1	Diseases of heart	364,679	Diseases of heart	301,135
2	Malignant neoplasms.....	198,188	Malignant neoplasms.....	267,475
3	Unintentional injuries.....	62,963	Unintentional injuries.....	92,403
4	Cerebrovascular diseases	60,095	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	66,031
5	Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases ¹	35,977	Cerebrovascular diseases	52,061
6	Pneumonia and influenza ²	23,810	Diabetes mellitus ³	38,971
7	Suicide	18,901	Alzheimer's disease.....	34,180
8	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	16,407	Suicide	32,754
9	Diabetes mellitus	12,125	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	24,720
10	Atherosclerosis	10,543	Influenza and pneumonia ²	20,714
White male, not Hispanic or Latino⁴				
Rank	---	---	All causes.....	1,115,767
1	---	---	Diseases of heart	277,283
2	---	---	Malignant neoplasms.....	245,380
3	---	---	Unintentional injuries.....	78,616
4	---	---	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	62,997
5	---	---	Cerebrovascular diseases	46,490
6	---	---	Diabetes mellitus ³	33,405
7	---	---	Alzheimer's disease.....	31,615
8	---	---	Suicide	29,382
9	---	---	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	19,954
10	---	---	Influenza and pneumonia ²	18,696
Black or African-American male⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	130,138	All causes.....	184,484
1	Diseases of heart	37,877	Diseases of heart	44,240
2	Malignant neoplasms.....	25,861	Malignant neoplasms.....	35,944
3	Unintentional injuries.....	9,701	Unintentional injuries.....	15,586
4	Cerebrovascular diseases	9,194	Cerebrovascular diseases	9,070
5	Homicide.....	8,274	Homicide.....	8,737
6	Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	3,869	Diabetes mellitus ³	8,008
7	Pneumonia and influenza ²	3,386	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	5,880
8	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	3,020	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	4,843
9	Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases ¹	2,429	Essential hypertension and hypertensive renal disease.....	3,113
10	Diabetes mellitus	2,010	Septicemia	3,054
Black or African-American male, not Hispanic or Latino⁴				
Rank	---	---	All causes.....	181,363
1	---	---	Diseases of heart	43,519
2	---	---	Malignant neoplasms.....	35,426
3	---	---	Unintentional injuries.....	15,142
4	---	---	Cerebrovascular diseases	8,966
5	---	---	Homicide.....	8,624
6	---	---	Diabetes mellitus ³	7,879
7	---	---	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	5,796
8	---	---	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	4,794
9	---	---	Essential hypertension and hypertensive renal disease.....	3,074
10	---	---	Septicemia	3,015

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	Cause of death	Deaths	Cause of death	Deaths
American Indian or Alaska Native male ⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	4,193	All causes.....	10,407
1	Unintentional injuries.....	946	Diseases of heart	1,981
2	Diseases of heart	917	Malignant neoplasms.....	1,646
3	Malignant neoplasms.....	408	Unintentional injuries.....	1,424
4	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	239	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	596
5	Cerebrovascular diseases	163	Diabetes mellitus ³	555
6	Homicide.....	162	Suicide	432
7	Pneumonia and influenza ²	148	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	375
8	Suicide	147	Cerebrovascular diseases	339
9	Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	107	Homicide.....	232
10	Diabetes mellitus	86	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	190
American Indian or Alaska Native male, not Hispanic or Latino ⁴				
Rank	---	---	All causes.....	9,732
1	---	---	Diseases of heart	1,883
2	---	---	Malignant neoplasms.....	1,536
3	---	---	Unintentional injuries.....	1,303
4	---	---	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	551
5	---	---	Diabetes mellitus ³	524
6	---	---	Suicide	401
7	---	---	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	360
8	---	---	Cerebrovascular diseases	309
9	---	---	Homicide.....	212
10	---	---	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	179
Asian or Pacific Islander male ⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	6,809	All causes.....	40,770
1	Diseases of heart	2,174	Malignant neoplasms.....	9,809
2	Malignant neoplasms.....	1,485	Diseases of heart	9,359
3	Unintentional injuries.....	556	Cerebrovascular diseases	2,693
4	Cerebrovascular diseases	521	Unintentional injuries.....	2,464
5	Pneumonia and influenza ²	227	Diabetes mellitus ³	1,791
6	Suicide	159	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	1,204
7	Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases ¹	158	Suicide	1,159
8	Homicide.....	151	Influenza and pneumonia ²	975
9	Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	128	Alzheimer's disease	941
10	Diabetes mellitus	103	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	872

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Asian or Pacific Islander male, not Hispanic or Latino⁴				
Rank	---	---	All causes.....	39,830
1	---	---	Malignant neoplasms.....	9,645
2	---	---	Diseases of heart	9,172
3	---	---	Cerebrovascular diseases	2,653
4	---	---	Unintentional injuries.....	2,331
5	---	---	Diabetes mellitus ³	1,763
6	---	---	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	1,177
7	---	---	Suicide	1,114
8	---	---	Influenza and pneumonia ²	966
9	---	---	Alzheimer's disease.....	930
10	---	---	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	862
Asian male, not Hispanic or Latino⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	35,914
1	Malignant neoplasms.....	8,889
2	Diseases of heart	8,162
3	Cerebrovascular diseases	2,456
4	Unintentional injuries.....	1,978
5	Diabetes mellitus ³	1,562
6	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	1,080
7	Suicide	950
8	Influenza and pneumonia ²	901
9	Alzheimer's disease.....	883
10	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	780
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander male, not Hispanic or Latino⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	1,938
1	Diseases of heart	544
2	Malignant neoplasms.....	375
3	Unintentional injuries.....	143
4	Diabetes mellitus ³	114
5	Cerebrovascular diseases	110
6	Suicide	72
7	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	47
8	Influenza and pneumonia ^{2,5}	38
9	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2,5}	38
10	Homicide.....	29
Hispanic or Latino male⁴				
Rank	---	---	All causes.....	117,683
1	---	---	Diseases of heart	23,713
2	---	---	Malignant neoplasms.....	22,320
3	---	---	Unintentional injuries.....	14,147
4	---	---	Cerebrovascular diseases	5,649
5	---	---	Diabetes mellitus ³	5,617
6	---	---	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	4,781
7	---	---	Suicide	3,445
8	---	---	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	2,923
9	---	---	Alzheimer's disease.....	2,590
10	---	---	Homicide.....	2,534

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White female⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	804,729	All causes.....	1,161,239
1	Diseases of heart	318,668	Diseases of heart	253,185
2	Malignant neoplasms.....	169,974	Malignant neoplasms.....	235,973
3	Cerebrovascular diseases	88,639	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	75,962
4	Unintentional injuries.....	27,159	Alzheimer's disease.....	74,313
5	Pneumonia and influenza ²	24,559	Cerebrovascular diseases	70,508
6	Diabetes mellitus.....	16,743	Unintentional injuries.....	51,160
7	Atherosclerosis	16,526	Diabetes mellitus ³	28,203
8	Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases ¹	16,398	Influenza and pneumonia ²	21,129
9	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	8,833	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	18,800
10	Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	6,512	Septicemia	15,590
White female, not Hispanic or Latina⁴				
Rank	---	---	All causes.....	1,068,077
1	---	---	Diseases of heart	235,317
2	---	---	Malignant neoplasms.....	215,570
3	---	---	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	73,139
4	---	---	Alzheimer's disease.....	68,756
5	---	---	Cerebrovascular diseases	64,314
6	---	---	Unintentional injuries.....	46,535
7	---	---	Diabetes mellitus ³	23,763
8	---	---	Influenza and pneumonia ²	19,370
9	---	---	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	16,723
10	---	---	Septicemia	14,335
Black or African American female⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	102,997	All causes.....	167,423
1	Diseases of heart	35,079	Diseases of heart	38,299
2	Malignant neoplasms.....	19,176	Malignant neoplasms.....	35,491
3	Cerebrovascular diseases	10,941	Cerebrovascular diseases	11,157
4	Unintentional injuries.....	3,779	Diabetes mellitus ³	7,620
5	Diabetes mellitus.....	3,534	Alzheimer's disease.....	6,631
6	Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	3,092	Unintentional injuries.....	6,598
7	Pneumonia and influenza ²	2,262	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	5,703
8	Homicide.....	1,898	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	4,988
9	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	1,770	Essential hypertension and hypertensive renal disease.....	3,583
10	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis.....	1,722	Septicemia	3,355
Black or African American female, not Hispanic or Latina⁴				
Rank	---	---	All causes.....	165,314
1	---	---	Diseases of heart	37,787
2	---	---	Malignant neoplasms.....	35,087
3	---	---	Cerebrovascular diseases	11,037
4	---	---	Diabetes mellitus ³	7,536
5	---	---	Alzheimer's disease.....	6,566
6	---	---	Unintentional injuries.....	6,473
7	---	---	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	5,650
8	---	---	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	4,946
9	---	---	Essential hypertension and hypertensive renal disease.....	3,531
10	---	---	Septicemia	3,332

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American Indian or Alaska Native female⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	2,730	All causes.....	8,820
1	Diseases of heart	577	Malignant neoplasms.....	1,533
2	Malignant neoplasms.....	362	Diseases of heart	1,405
3	Unintentional injuries.....	344	Unintentional injuries.....	786
4	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	171	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	550
5	Cerebrovascular diseases	159	Diabetes mellitus ³	512
6	Diabetes mellitus	124	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	436
7	Pneumonia and influenza ²	109	Cerebrovascular diseases	410
8	Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	92	Alzheimer's disease.....	229
9	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis.....	56	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	209
10	Homicide.....	55	Influenza and pneumonia ²	201
American Indian or Alaska Native female, not Hispanic or Latina⁴				
Rank	---	---	All causes.....	8,325
1	---	---	Malignant neoplasms.....	1,443
2	---	---	Diseases of heart	1,325
3	---	---	Unintentional injuries.....	743
4	---	---	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	528
5	---	---	Diabetes mellitus ³	482
6	---	---	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	418
7	---	---	Cerebrovascular diseases	377
8	---	---	Alzheimer's disease.....	207
9	---	---	Influenza and pneumonia ²	196
10	---	---	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	194
Asian or Pacific Islander female⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	4,262	All causes.....	38,369
1	Diseases of heart	1,091	Malignant neoplasms.....	9,699
2	Malignant neoplasms.....	1,037	Diseases of heart	7,509
3	Cerebrovascular diseases	507	Cerebrovascular diseases	3,323
4	Unintentional injuries.....	254	Alzheimer's disease.....	2,125
5	Diabetes mellitus	124	Diabetes mellitus ³	1,644
6	Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	118	Unintentional injuries.....	1,298
7	Pneumonia and influenza ²	115	Influenza and pneumonia ²	968
8	Congenital anomalies.....	104	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	887
9	Suicide	90	Essential hypertension and hypertensive renal disease.....	855
10	Homicide.....	60	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	828

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Excel version (with more data years and standard errors when available): <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/hus/contents2020-2021.htm#Table-LCO DRace>

[Data are based on death certificates]

Sex, race, Hispanic origin, and rank order	1980		2019	
	Cause of death	Deaths	Cause of death	Deaths
Asian or Pacific Islander female, not Hispanic or Latina ⁴				
Rank	---	---	All causes.....	37,644
1	---	---	Malignant neoplasms.....	9,547
2	---	---	Diseases of heart	7,363
3	---	---	Cerebrovascular diseases	3,282
4	---	---	Alzheimer's disease.....	2,090
5	---	---	Diabetes mellitus ³	1,612
6	---	---	Unintentional injuries.....	1,250
7	---	---	Influenza and pneumonia ²	956
8	---	---	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	864
9	---	---	Essential hypertension and hypertensive renal disease.....	846
10	---	---	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	809
Asian female, not Hispanic or Latina ⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	34,618
1	Malignant neoplasms.....	8,813
2	Diseases of heart	6,763
3	Cerebrovascular diseases	3,039
4	Alzheimer's disease.....	2,004
5	Diabetes mellitus ³	1,438
6	Unintentional injuries.....	1,114
7	Influenza and pneumonia ²	883
8	Essential hypertension and hypertensive renal disease.....	799
9	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	779
10	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	743
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander female, not Hispanic or Latina ⁴				
Rank	All causes.....	1,553
1	Malignant neoplasms.....	377
2	Diseases of heart	326
3	Cerebrovascular diseases	132
4	Diabetes mellitus ³	110
5	Unintentional injuries.....	46
6	Influenza and pneumonia ^{2,6}	41
7	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ^{3,6}	41
8	Alzheimer's disease.....	40
9	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	38
10	Essential hypertension and hypertensive renal disease.....	29

See footnotes at end of table.

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[Data are based on death certificates]

Sex, race, Hispanic origin, and rank order	1980		2019	
	Cause of death	Deaths	Cause of death	Deaths
Hispanic or Latina female ⁴				
Rank	---	---	All causes.....	94,714
1	---	---	Malignant neoplasms.....	20,759
2	---	---	Diseases of heart	18,081
3	---	---	Cerebrovascular diseases	6,310
4	---	---	Alzheimer's disease.....	5,631
5	---	---	Unintentional injuries.....	4,727
6	---	---	Diabetes mellitus ³	4,549
7	---	---	Chronic lower respiratory diseases ^{1,2}	2,777
8	---	---	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis ³	2,132
9	---	---	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis.....	2,096
10	---	---	Influenza and pneumonia ²	1,780

--- Data not available. Complete coverage of all states for the Hispanic-origin variable began in 1997.

... Category not applicable.

¹From 1998 to 1999, the cause-of-death title for Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases (COPD) in the *International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision (ICD-9)* was renamed Chronic lower respiratory diseases (CLRD) in ICD-10.

²Starting 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 Sources and Definitions, Comparability ratio.

³Starting with 2011 data, the rules for selecting Renal failure as the underlying cause of death changed, affecting the number of deaths in the Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis and Diabetes categories. These changes directly affect deaths with mention of Renal failure and other associated conditions, such as Diabetes mellitus with renal complications. The result is a decrease in the number of deaths for Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis and an increase in the number of deaths for Diabetes mellitus. Therefore, trend data for these two causes of death should be interpreted with caution.

For more information, see Technical Notes in "Deaths: Final Data for 2011," available from: https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr63/nvsr63_03.pdf.

⁴The race groups White, Black or African American, American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, and Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander include people of Hispanic and non-Hispanic origin. People of Hispanic origin may be of any race. Starting with 2018 data, race on death records is available based on the 1997 "Revisions to the Standards for the Classification of Federal Data on Race and Ethnicity" and presented as single-race estimates (only one race was reported on the death certificate). These estimates include separate estimates for non-Hispanic Asian and non-Hispanic Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander groups. Single-race estimates for 2018 and beyond are not completely comparable with bridged-race estimates for earlier years, particularly for the smaller race categories. For comparability with earlier years, bridged-race estimates for the combined group of non-Hispanic Asian or Pacific Islander people are also presented. See Sources and Definitions, Hispanic origin; Race.

⁵Chronic lower respiratory diseases is tied with Influenza and pneumonia for the eighth rank in 2019.

⁶Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis is tied with Influenza and pneumonia for the sixth rank in 2019.

NOTE: For cause-of-death codes based on ICD-9 in 1980 and ICD-10 in 2019, see Sources and Definitions, Cause of death; Cause-of-death ranking; *International Classification of Diseases (ICD)*.

SOURCE: National Center for Health Statistics, National Vital Statistics System; Vital statistics of the United States, 1980. Volume II—Mortality, part A. 1985; public-use 2018 Mortality File; and Xu JQ, Murphy SL, Kochanek KD, Arias E. Deaths: Final data for 2019. National Vital Statistics Reports; vol 70 no 8. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics. 2021. Available from: <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr70/nvsr70-08-508.pdf>. See Sources and Definitions, National Vital Statistics System (NVSS).