## Leading Causes of Death by Age Group, White Males-United States, 2007\*

Age in Groups

Rank	1-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	65-74	75-84	85+	All Ages
1	Unintentional injuries 40.0%	Unintentional injuries 37.2%	Unintentional injuries 39.6%	Unintentional injuries 55.5%	Unintentional injuries 54.2%	Unintentional injuries 43.7%	Unintentional injuries 26.4%	Heart disease 23.3%	Cancer 33.3%	Heart disease 28.7%	Cancer 35.3%	Heart disease 27.4%	Heart disease 33.3%	Heart disease 26.1%
2	Cancer 11.4%	Cancer 18.7%	Cancer 13.3%	Suicide 14.8%	Suicide 16.1%	Suicide 16.7%	Heart disease 15.9%	Cancer 22.5%	Heart disease 26.0%	Cancer 25.4%	Heart disease 25.2%	Cancer 26.7%	Cancer 15.8%	Cancer 24.6%
3	Cancer 7.9%	Birth defects 6.7%	Suicide 6.1%	Homicide 10.0%	Homicide 9.5%	Homicide 7.4%	Suicide 12.1%	Unintentional injuries 13.1%	Unintentional injuries 5.0%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 6.8%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 7.2%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 7.6%	Stroke 6.3%	Unintentional injuries 6.6%
4	Homicide 6.3%	Homicide 4.0%	Birth defects 4.8%	Cancer 4.6%	Cancer 4.0%	Heart disease 6.5%	Cancer 11.9%	Suicide 6.1%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 4.2%	Stroke 5.3%	Stroke 3.9%	Stroke 5.3%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 5.5%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 5.5%
5	Heart disease 2.5%	Heart disease 3.8%	Homicide 4.2%	Heart disease 2.1%	Heart disease 2.6%	Cancer 6.0%	Chronic liver disease 3.9%	Chronic liver disease 5.6%	Diabetes 3.6%	Diabetes 2.8%	Diabetes 3.6%	Diabetes 2.9%	Alzheimer's disease 4.7%	Stroke 4.4%
6	Septicemia 1.8%	Septicemia 1.9%	Heart disease 3.2%	Birth defects 1.1%	Birth defects 0.8%	HIV disease 1.2%	HIV disease 3.3%	Diabetes 2.9%	Chronic liver disease 3.5%	Alzheimer's disease 2.8%	Unintentional injuries 2.6%	Alzheimer's disease 2.7%	Influenza & pneumonia 3.8%	Diabetes 2.8%
7	Influenza & pneumonia 1.7%	Influenza & pneumonia 1.6%	Stroke (7) 1.2%	Stroke 0.4%	Influenza & pneumonia 0.5%	Diabetes 1.1%	Homicide 2.9%	Stroke 2.6%	Stroke 3.0%	Influenza & pneumonia 2.5%	Kidney disease 1.6%	Unintentional injuries 2.3%	Kidney disease 2.6%	Suicide 2.4%
8	Benign neoplasms 1.4%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 1.4%	Influenza & pneumonia (7) 1.2% **** Chronic lower	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 0.3%	Diabetes 0.4%	Chronic liver disease 1.0%	Diabetes 2.3%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 2.0%	Suicide 2.6%	Unintentional injuries 2.5%	Chronic liver disease 1.6%	Influenza & pneumonia 2.3%	Unintentional injuries 2.6%	Influenza & pneumonia 2.0%
9	Perinatal conditions 1.0%	Benign neoplasms 1.3%	respiratory diseases (7) 1.2%	Diabetes 0.3%	Stroke 0.4%	Birth defects 0.8%	Stroke 2.0%	Viral hepatitis 1.9%	Kidney disease 1.2%	Kidney disease 2.2%	Septicemia 1.3%	Kidney disease 2.2%	Diabetes 2.1%	Alzheimer's disease 2.0%
10	Stroke 0.9%	Stroke 1.3%	Septicemia 1.2%	Influenza & pneumonia 0.3%	Septicemia 0.4%	Stroke 0.8%	Influenza & pneumonia 0.8%	HIV disease 1.6%	Septicemia 1.1%	Parkinson's disease 1.5%	Influenza & pneumonia 1.3%	Parkinson's disease 1.9%	Parkinson's disease 1.7%	Kidney disease 1.8%

<sup>\*</sup>Percentages represent total deaths in the age group due to the cause indicated. Numbers in parentheses indicate tied rankings. The white, black, American Indian/Alaska Native, and Asian/Pacific Islander race groups include persons of Hispanic and non-Hispanic origin may be of any race. Some terms have been shortened from those used in the National Vital Statistics Report. See the next page for a listing of the shortened terms in the table and their full unabridged equivalents used in the report. To learn more, visit *Mortality Tables* at <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/mortality\_tables.htm">http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/mortality\_tables.htm</a> (HHS, CDC, NCHS).

## **Short and Full Terms for Leading Causes of Death**

Some terms in the leading causes of death table have been shortened from those used in the National Vital Statistics Report. Below is a listing of the shortened terms used in the table and their full, unabridged equivalents used in the report.

SHORT TERMS FULL TERMS

Aortic aneurism Aortic aneurism and dissection

Benign neoplasms In situ neoplasms and neoplasms of uncertain or unknown behavior

Birth defects Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities

**Bronchitis** Acute bronchitis and bronchiolitis

**Cancer** Malignant neoplasms

C. difficile infectionChronic liver diseaseEntercolitis due to clostridiumChronic liver disease and cirrhosis

**Diabetes** Diabetes mellitus

Gallbladder disorders Cholethiasis and other disorders of gallbladder

**Heart disease** Diseases of the heart

HIV disease Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) disease

Homicide Assault (homicide)

**Hypertension** Essential (primary) hypertension and hypertensive renal disease

**Kidney disease**Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis

**Kidney infection** Infections of kidney

**Legal Intervention\*** Physical or other force used by police or other law-enforcing agents, including military

on duty, in the course of arresting or attempting to arrest lawbreakers, suppressing disturbances, maintaining order, and other legal action. Includes legal execution and

excludes citizen arrest.

Medical & surgical care complications Complications of medical and surgical care

Perinatal conditions Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period

Pneumonitis Pregnancy complications Pregnancy, childbirth and the peurperium

Stroke Cerebrovascular diseases
Suicide Intentional self-harm

Unintentional injuries Accidents (unintentional injuries)

\*World Health Organization. International statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, Tenth Revision (ICD-10). Geneva: worked Health Organization, 1992. Available at http://www.who.int/classifications/icd/en/. Accessed April 15, 2010.