

Leading Causes of Death by Age Group, American Indian or Alaska Native Males- United States, 2002*

Rank	Age Group in Years													
	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 38.8%	Unintentional injuries 52.4%	Unintentional injuries 45.5%	Unintentional injuries 51.1%	Unintentional injuries 50.8%	Unintentional injuries 40.7%	Unintentional injuries 30.4%	Heart disease 19.3%	Heart disease 25.8%	Heart disease 29.5%	Heart disease 27.0%	Heart disease 30.0%	Heart disease 34.3%	Heart disease 20.9%
2	Homicide 10.2%	Cancer 14.3%	(2)Cancer 9.1%	Suicide 19.1%	Suicide 19.3%	Suicide 16.2%	(2)Heart disease 10.9%	Unintentional injuries 15.2%	Cancer 24.7%	Cancer 21.7%	Cancer 25.6%	Cancer 22.5%	Cancer 11.2%	Cancer 16.0%
3	(3)Septicemia 4.1%	(3)Septicemia 4.8%	(2)Suicide 9.1%	Homicide 14.0%	Homicide 12.2%	Homicide 10.1%	(2)Chronic liver disease 10.9%	Cancer 14.1%	Diabetes 7.9%	(3)Diabetes 6.1%	Diabetes 8.0%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 7.3%	Stroke 8.3%	Unintentional injuries 14.9%
4	(3)Cancer 4.1%	(3)Heart disease 4.8%	(4)Heart disease 6.8%	Heart disease 3.4%	Heart disease 3.4%	Heart disease 5.5%	Suicide 6.9%	Chronic liver disease 10.7%	Unintentional injuries 6.7%	(3)Chronic lower respiratory diseases 6.1%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 5.3%	Stroke 5.8%	Influenza & pneumonia 7.0%	Diabetes 5.0%
5	(3)Heart disease 4.1%	(3)Birth defects 4.8%	(4)Homicide 6.8%	Cancer 2.2%	Cancer 2.5%	Chronic liver disease 3.3%	Cancer 5.9%	Diabetes 5.8%	Chronic liver disease 6.1%	Stroke 5.5%	Unintentional injuries 4.7%	Diabetes 5.4%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 5.4%	Chronic liver disease 4.7%
6	(3)Birth defects 4.1%		Birth defects 4.5%	(6)Diabetes 0.6%	Legal intervention 1.3%	Cancer 3.1%	Homicide 5.3%	Suicide 3.1%	(6)Stroke 3.3%	Unintentional injuries 3.5%	Stroke 4.1%	Influenza & pneumonia 3.1%	Diabetes 3.1%	Suicide 3.8%
7	(7)Meningococcal infection 2.0%		(7)Septicemia 2.3%	(6)Stroke 0.6%	Kidney disease 0.8%	HIV disease 2.2%	HIV disease 3.9%	Stroke 2.9%	(6)Chronic lower respiratory diseases 3.3%	Influenza & pneumonia 3.2%	Chronic liver disease 3.2%	Unintentional injuries 2.9%	Alzheimer's disease 2.7%	Stroke 3.5%
8	(7)Influenza & pneumonia 2.0%		(7)Benign neoplasms 2.3%	(6)Pneumonitis 0.6%	(8)HIV disease 0.4%	(8)Septicemia 0.9%	Diabetes 2.8%	Homicide 2.4%	Kidney disease 1.9%	Septicemia 1.9%	Septicemia 1.9%	Septicemia 2.2%	Pneumonitis 2.5%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 3.3%
9	(7)Bronchitis 2.0%		(7)Kidney disease 2.3%		(8)Influenza & pneumonia 0.4%	(8)Stroke 0.9%	Stroke 1.9%	Viral hepatitis 1.7%	Influenza & pneumonia 1.2%	Chronic liver disease 1.8%	(9)Influenza & pneumonia 1.6%	Kidney disease 1.9%	Unintentional injuries 2.1%	Homicide 2.7%
10	(7)Chronic lower respiratory diseases 2.0%		(7)Kidney infections 2.3%		(8)Chronic liver disease 0.4%	(8)Influenza & pneumonia 0.9%	Influenza & pneumonia 1.2%	Septicemia 1.6%	Septicemia 1.0%	Kidney disease 1.7%	(9)Kidney disease 1.6%	Parkinson's disease 1.5%	(10)Parkinson's disease 1.7%	Influenza & pneumonia 2.0%
					(8)Perinatal conditions 0.4%								(10)Kidney disease 1.7%	
					(8)Medical & surgical care complications 0.4%									

*Percentages represent total deaths in the age group due to the cause indicated. Numbers in parentheses indicate tied rankings. The American Indian or Alaska Native race group includes persons of Hispanic and non-Hispanic origin. 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 unabridged equivalents. To learn more, including the leading causes of death by age and race/ethnicity, visit *Deaths: Leading Causes for 2002* at www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr53/nvsr53_17.pdf (HHS, CDC, NCHS).

Shortened Terms and Unabridged Equivalents for Leading Causes of Death

Due to limited space, 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 unabridged equivalents used in the report.

SHORTENED TERMS

Benign neoplasms
Bronchitis
Cancer
Chronic liver disease
Birth defects
Diabetes
Heart disease
HIV disease
Homicide
Hypertension
Kidney disease
Kidney infections
Medical & surgical care complications
Perinatal conditions
Pneumonitis
Stroke
Suicide
Unintentional injuries

UNABRIDGED TERMS

In situ neoplasms, benign neoplasms and neoplasms of uncertain or unknown behavior
Acute bronchitis and bronchiolitis
Malignant neoplasms
Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis
Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities
Diabetes mellitus
Diseases of heart
Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) disease
Assault (homicide)
Essential (primary) hypertension and hypertensive renal disease
Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis
Infections of kidney
Complications of medical and surgical care
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period
Pneumonitis due to solids and liquids
Cerebrovascular diseases
Intentional self-harm
Accidents (unintentional injuries)