
Table 3. Mortality rate per 100,000 state prisoners, by cause of death, 2001-2007

	Average annual mortality rate per 100,000 state prisoners, 2001-2007	Mortality rate, per 100,000 state prisoners						
		2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
All causes	251	242	246	258	253	254	250	257
Illness	208	194	198	215	213	213	209	217
AIDS	15	23	20	17	12	12	10	9
Suicide	16	14	14	16	16	17	17	16
Homicide	4	3	4	4	4	4	4	4
Drug/alcohol intoxication	3	3	3	2	2	3	4	3
Accident	2	2	3	2	3	2	3	2
Other/Don't know	3	3	3	2	3	1	3	5

Note: Mortality rates are based on the June 30 state prison custody population count, collected in the National Prisoner Statistics (NPS) program. Executions are not included; for data on executions, see *Capital Punishment, 2007 - Statistical Tables*.
