

SUMMARY OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY'S LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH BY RACE/ETHNICITY, YEAR 2002

Age-adjusted Rates by Race/Ethnicity and Total Population San Diego County Residents

COUNTY RANK in 2002	CAUSE OF DEATH *	AGE-ADJUSTED RATES				
		RACE/ETHNICITY				SAN DIEGO COUNTY
		ASIAN/OTHER NON-HISPANIC	BLACK NON-HISPANIC	HISPANIC (ANY RACE)	WHITE NON-HISPANIC	
1	Diseases of Heart	134.1	321.7	167.2	208.9	201.9
2	Malignant neoplasms (cancer, all)	108.7	212.8	134.2	190.1	175.7
3	Cerebrovascular diseases (stroke)	46.5	84.2	46.9	55.9	55.7
4	Chronic lower respiratory diseases (COPD)	19.5	30.2	12.5	45.1	38.6
5	Alzheimer's disease	8.3	24.8	20.8	38.6	34.6
6	Accidents (unintentional injuries)	14.3	35.1	26.4	31.2	27.6
7	Influenza and pneumonia	15.8	19.1	16.6	23.8	22.3
8	Diabetes mellitus	15.6	44.1	28.3	16.0	18.2
9	Suicide	5.6	6.2	6.0	13.8	10.8
10	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis	4.0	10.1	16.1	11.2	11.2
11	Essential (primary) hypertension & hypertensive renal disease	4.3	22.1	11.9	7.8	8.4
12	Parkinson's disease	3.4	*	3.9	7.4	6.6
13	Pneumonitis due to solids & liquids	6.2	11.4	7.4	5.7	6.0
14	Atherosclerosis	3.7	*	5.4	6.8	6.4
15	HIV/AIDS	*	15.4	4.5	4.4	4.6
	All Other Causes	65.3	167.0	100.4	106.4	104.8
	TOTAL DEATHS:	456.5	1,008.0	608.6	773.2	733.6

Rank ordered based on total number of deaths in each of the National Center for

* Underlying cause of death.

** Rate not calculated because number of deaths <5.

All rates are per 100,000 population and are adjusted to 2000 Standard U.S. Population

Source: State of California, Department of Health Services, Death Statistical Master Files; SANDAG January 1, population estimates

Note: Rates may be different from previously published rates as population

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