

Leading Causes of Death by Age Group, Black, Females, United States – 1999

Age							
Rank	1-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-34	All ages
1	Accidents (unintentional injuries)	Accidents (unintentional injuries)	Accidents (unintentional injuries)	Accidents (unintentional injuries)	Accidents (unintentional injuries)	Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) disease	Diseases of heart
2	Assault (homicide)	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	Assault (homicide)	Assault (homicide)	Accidents (unintentional injuries)	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)
3	Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities	Assault (homicide)	Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	Diseases of heart	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	Cerebrovascular diseases
4	(4) Malignant neoplasms (cancer) (4) Diseases of heart	Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities	Assault (homicide)	Diseases of heart	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	Diseases of heart	Diabetes mellitus
5		Diseases of heart	Diseases of heart	Intentional self-harm (suicide)	Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) disease	Assault (homicide)	Accidents (unintentional injuries)
6	Influenza and pneumonia	Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) disease	Chronic lower respiratory diseases	Pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium	Intentional self-harm (suicide)	Cerebrovascular diseases	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis
7	(7) Anemias (7) Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	Anemias	(7) Anemias (7) Intentional self-harm (suicide)	Congenital malformations, deformations and chromosomal abnormalities	Pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium	Diabetes mellitus	Chronic lower respiratory diseases
8		(8) In situ neoplasms, benign neoplasms and neoplasms of uncertain or unknown behavior		(8) Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) disease	Anemias	Chronic lower respiratory diseases	Septicemia
9	Complications of medical and surgical care	(8) Chronic lower respiratory diseases	(9) Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) disease	(8) Chronic lower respiratory diseases	Influenza and pneumonia	Pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium	Influenza and pneumonia
10	(10) Septicemia (10) Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) disease (10) Cerebrovascular diseases	(10) Septicemia (10) Influenza and pneumonia	(9) Cerebrovascular diseases	Cerebrovascular diseases	Septicemia	(10) Anemias (10) Intentional self-harm (suicide)	Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) disease

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	35-44	45-54	55-64	65 and over	65-74	75-84	85 and over	All ages
1	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	Diseases of heart	Diseases of heart	Diseases of heart	Diseases of heart	Diseases of heart
2	Diseases of heart	Diseases of heart	Diseases of heart	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)	Malignant neoplasms (cancer)
3	Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) disease	Cerebrovascular diseases	Diabetes mellitus	Cerebrovascular diseases	Cerebrovascular diseases	Cerebrovascular diseases	Cerebrovascular diseases	Cerebrovascular diseases
4	Accidents (unintentional injuries)	Diabetes mellitus	Cerebrovascular diseases	Diabetes mellitus	Diabetes mellitus	Diabetes mellitus	Influenza and pneumonia	Diabetes mellitus
5	Cerebrovascular diseases	Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) disease	Chronic lower respiratory diseases	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis	Chronic lower respiratory diseases	Diabetes mellitus	Accidents (unintentional injuries)
6	Assault (homicide)	Accidents (unintentional injuries)	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis	Chronic lower respiratory diseases	Chronic lower respiratory diseases	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis
7	Diabetes mellitus	Chronic lower respiratory diseases	Septicemia	Influenza and pneumonia	Septicemia	Septicemia	Septicemia	Chronic lower respiratory diseases
8	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis	Accidents (unintentional injuries)	Septicemia	Essential (primary) hypertension and hypertensive renal disease	Influenza and pneumonia	Alzheimer's disease	Septicemia
9	Chronic lower respiratory diseases	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis	Essential (primary) hypertension and hypertensive renal disease	Essential (primary) hypertension and hypertensive renal disease	Influenza and pneumonia	Essential (primary) hypertension and hypertensive renal disease	Essential (primary) hypertension and hypertensive renal disease	Influenza and pneumonia
10	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis	Septicemia	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis	Alzheimer's disease	Accidents (unintentional injuries)	Alzheimer's disease	Chronic lower respiratory diseases	Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) disease

Numbers in parentheses indicate tied rankings