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ANNUAL SUMMARY FOR THE UNITED STATES, 1974

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Item	Rate per 1,000 population						
	1974 ¹	1973	1972	1971	1970	1969	1968
Births-----	15.0	14.9	15.6	17.2	18.4	17.8	17.5
Deaths-----	9.1	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.5	9.5	9.7
Natural increase-----	5.9	5.5	6.2	7.9	8.9	8.3	7.8
Marriages-----	10.5	10.9	11.0	10.6	10.6	10.6	10.4
Divorces (est.)-----	4.6	14.4	4.0	3.7	3.5	3.2	2.9

¹Provisional.

The provisional totals of births, deaths, marriages, and divorces reported here monthly provide an early count of vital events for the entire year. These preliminary totals show more births (+25,000) and divorces (+57,000) and fewer deaths (-44,000) and marriages (-54,000) in 1974 than in 1973.

BIRTHS

During 1974 the number of live births in the United States totaled an estimated 3,166,000 resulting in a provisional birth rate of 15.0 births per 1,000 population. These data were about 1 percent higher than the final levels observed for 1973. The fertility rate, however, continued to decline to an estimated 68.4 births per 1,000 women 15-44 years of age. Still, the decline in this rate has slowed down. The rate for 1974 was 1 percent lower than the final rate recorded for 1973 (69.2); declines in the years between 1970 and 1973 averaged 7 percent.

Both the number of births and the birth rate increased slightly over 1973 levels because the 2-percent increase in the number of women in the child-bearing ages (assumed to be 15-44 years) more than offset the decline in the fertility rate.

According to projections prepared by the U.S. Bureau of the Census, the number of women in the childbearing ages will increase another 12 percent by 1980. The projected increase is greatest at ages 20-29 (14 percent between 1974 and 1980) where fertility rates are highest. Unless there are further declines in the age-specific birth rates the projected changes in the number of young women will tend to continue to raise the future number of births.

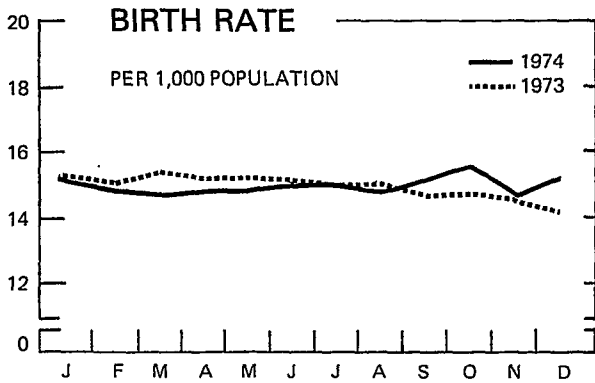
Provisional data by place of occurrence show that the number of births and the birth rate declined in five of the nine geographic divisions between 1973 and 1974. The number of births declined in 22 States and the birth rate declined in 23 States.

Table A. LIVE BIRTHS, BIRTH RATES, AND FERTILITY RATES, BY MONTH: UNITED STATES, 1973 AND 1974

[Rates on an annual basis. Birth rates per 1,000 population and fertility rates per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years]

Month	Number			Birth rate				Fertility rate			
	1974 (est.)	1973 (est.)	1973 (final)	Unadjusted for seasonal variation		Adjusted for seasonal variation		Unadjusted for seasonal variation		Adjusted for seasonal variation	
				1974 (est.)	1973 (est.)	1974 (est.)	1973 (final)	1974 (est.)	1973 (est.)	1974 (est.)	1973 (final)
Total----	3,166,000	3,141,000	3,136,965	15.0	15.0	68.4	69.3
January-----	261,000	259,000	265,775	14.6	14.6	15.2	15.3	67.0	68.1	70.0	71.6
February-----	238,000	244,000	241,045	14.7	15.2	14.8	15.1	67.5	70.9	68.0	70.7
March-----	257,000	267,000	268,849	14.4	15.0	14.7	15.4	65.9	69.9	67.3	71.6
April-----	246,000	255,000	247,455	14.2	14.8	14.8	15.2	64.9	68.9	67.6	70.5
May-----	254,000	260,000	254,545	14.2	14.6	14.8	15.2	64.8	67.7	68.0	70.3
June-----	255,000	253,000	254,096	14.7	14.7	15.0	15.1	67.2	68.0	68.8	70.1
July-----	273,000	267,000	275,163	15.2	15.0	15.0	15.0	69.6	69.4	68.6	69.4
August-----	276,000	277,000	281,300	15.3	15.5	14.8	15.0	70.0	72.0	67.7	69.5
September-----	286,000	277,000	270,738	16.4	16.0	15.2	14.6	74.9	74.2	69.4	67.7
October-----	283,000	266,000	265,494	15.7	14.9	15.5	14.7	71.7	68.8	70.3	67.8
November-----	261,000	255,000	251,973	15.0	14.7	14.7	14.5	68.3	67.9	67.1	67.0
December-----	276,000	260,000	260,532	15.3	14.6	15.2	14.3	69.7	67.0	68.8	65.9

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NATURAL INCREASE

During 1974 the growth of the population due to natural increase (the excess of births over deaths) amounted to 1,233,000 persons. The provisional rate of natural increase was 5.9 persons per 1,000 population compared with the final rate of 5.5 for 1973. The increase in this rate can be attributed primarily to the decline in the death rate.

DEATHS

An estimated 1,933,000 deaths occurred in the United States during 1974. The provisional death rate was 9.1 per 1,000 population, a reduction of 3 percent from the final rate of 9.4 for 1973.

The death rates by month for 1974 show the characteristic pattern of mortality in recent years—the highest death rates occurring in the winter and the lowest in the summer (table B). The months of April and October had slightly higher death rates than the corresponding months of the previous year. In all other months the rate was lower.

Major Causes of Death

The 15 leading causes of death are ranked for 1974 in table C. Deaths assigned to these causes accounted for 88 percent of the total number of deaths in 1974. The rank order of the leading causes included one change from 1973. Suicide became the 10th leading cause replacing Bronchitis, emphysema, and asthma.

This shift, however, is misleading, as an increase in deaths for Bronchitis, emphysema, and asthma is undoubtedly obscured by the increasing frequency with which medical certifiers are entering the generalized term "Chronic obstructive lung disease" on death certificates instead of a more specific diagnosis of "Emphysema," "Bronchitis," or "Asthma." Chronic obstructive lung disease is, by international rules, assigned to the category "Other diseases of lung."

Although a separate category has been established to identify deaths assigned to Chronic obstructive lung disease and, beginning with data year 1969, has been shown in our final statistics, frequencies for this category are not available from provisional data. Final data for 1973 show 29,708 deaths and a rate of 14.2 per 100,000 attributed to Bronchitis, emphysema, and asthma, and 11,334 deaths and a rate of 5.4 attributed

Table B. DEATHS AND DEATH RATES, BY MONTH: UNITED STATES, 1973 AND 1974

[Rates on an annual basis per 1,000 population]

Month	Number			Rate	
	1974 (est.)	1973 (est.)	1973 (final)	1974 (est.)	1973 (est.)
Total-----	1,933,000	1,977,000	1,975,126	9.1	9.4
January-----	171,000	179,000	191,752	9.5	10.1
February-----	160,000	177,000	163,815	9.9	11.0
March-----	170,000	175,000	166,064	9.5	9.8
April-----	167,000	161,000	159,998	9.6	9.4
May-----	162,000	163,000	163,042	9.0	9.2
June-----	157,000	159,000	157,586	9.0	9.2
July-----	156,000	158,000	161,032	8.7	8.9
August-----	154,000	160,000	159,073	8.6	9.0
September-----	155,000	156,000	155,216	8.9	9.0
October-----	164,000	161,000	162,718	9.1	9.0
November-----	155,000	161,000	161,765	8.9	9.3
December-----	163,000	168,000	173,065	9.1	9.4

Table C. DEATH RATES FROM 15 LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH: UNITED STATES, 1974

[Based on a 10-percent sample of deaths. Rates per 100,000 population. See table 7 for category numbers of causes of death]

Rank	Cause of death	Death rate	Percent of total deaths
	All causes-----	914.4	100.0
1	Diseases of heart-----	353.1	38.6
2	Malignant neoplasms, including neoplasms of lymphatic and hematopoietic tissues-----	169.5	18.5
3	Cerebrovascular diseases-----	97.2	10.6
4	Accidents-----	48.9	5.3
5	Influenza and pneumonia-----	25.7	2.8
6	Diabetes mellitus-----	17.4	1.9
7	Cirrhosis of liver-----	16.0	1.8
8	Arteriosclerosis-----	15.2	1.7
9	Certain causes of mortality in early infancy-----	13.2	1.4
10	Suicide-----	12.5	1.4
11	Bronchitis, emphysema, and asthma-----	12.4	1.4
12	Homicide-----	9.8	1.1
13	Congenital anomalies---	6.5	0.7
14	Nephritis and nephrosis-----	3.8	0.4
15	Peptic ulcer-----	3.3	0.4
...	All other causes-----	109.8	12.0

to Chronic obstructive lung disease; this brings the combined total number of deaths attributed to this complex of lung diseases to 41,042 resulting in a death rate of 19.6 per 100,000. It is likely that final data for 1974 will show a similar relationship.

Cause-of-death ranking is based on the List of 69 Selected Causes of Death, adapted from one of the special lists for mortality tabulations recommended by the World Health Organization for use with the Eighth Revision of the International Classification of Diseases. Two group titles—Major cardiovascular diseases and Symptoms and ill-defined conditions—are not ranked. In addition, category titles that begin with the words "Other" or "All other" are not ranked. The remaining titles are ranked to determine the leading causes of death. When one of the titles that represents a subtotal is ranked (e.g., Tuberculosis, all forms), its component parts (in this case Tuberculosis of respiratory system and Tuberculosis, other forms) are not ranked.

Diseases of heart.—The provisional death rate for Diseases of heart (the leading cause of death)

showed a 2-percent decrease from the final rate of 360.8 per 100,000 population in 1973 to an estimated 353.1 for 1974.

Malignant neoplasms.—In 1974 the estimated death rate for Malignant neoplasms, including neoplasms of lymphatic and hematopoietic tissues, was 169.5 per 100,000 population, an increase of 1 percent from the final rate of 167.3 for 1973.

Cerebrovascular diseases.—In 1974 the estimated death rate for Cerebrovascular diseases was 97.2 per 100,000 population, a decrease of 5 percent from the final rate of 102.1 for 1973.

Accidents.—The death rate for Accidents decreased from a final rate of 55.2 per 100,000 population in 1973 to an estimated 48.9 in 1974, a reduction of 11 percent. The death rate for Motor vehicle accidents in 1974 (21.3) decreased 20 percent when compared with the final rate for 1973 (26.5), and the rate for All other accidents (27.6) decreased 4 percent when compared with the final rate for 1973 (28.7).

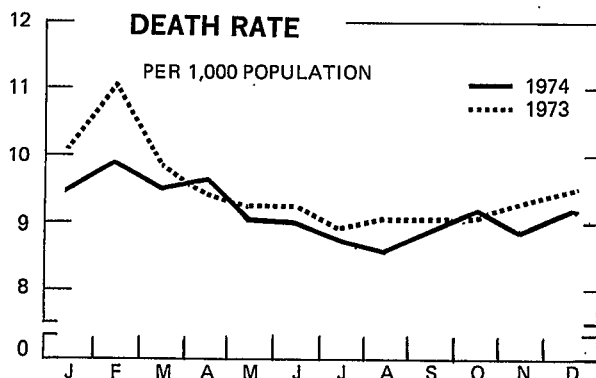
Influenza and pneumonia.—In 1974 the estimated death rate for Influenza and pneumonia was 25.7 per 100,000 population, down 14 percent from the final rate of 29.8 for 1973. The Influenza death rate was down 58 percent and the Pneumonia death rate was down 10 percent when compared with the final rates for 1973.

Diabetes mellitus.—The provisional death rate for Diabetes mellitus in 1974 was 17.4 per 100,000 population, a decrease of 4 percent from the final rate of 18.2 for 1973.

Cirrhosis of liver.—In 1974 the estimated death rate for Cirrhosis of liver was 16.0 per 100,000 population, an increase of 1 percent from the final rate of 15.9 for 1973.

Arteriosclerosis.—The provisional death rate for Arteriosclerosis in 1974 was 15.2 per 100,000 population, a decrease of 2 percent from the final rate of 15.5 for 1973.

Certain causes of mortality in early infancy.—In 1974 the estimated death rate for Certain causes



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of mortality in early infancy was 13.2 per 100,000 population, a 9-percent decrease from the final rate of 14.5 for 1973.

Suicide.—In 1974 the estimated death rate for Suicide was 12.5 per 100,000 population, an increase of 4 percent from the final rate of 12.0 in 1973.

Death Rates by Age, Color, and Sex

During 1974 all the age-specific death rates per 100,000 population decreased from the final 1973 rates. The largest decreases occurred among the age groups 5-14 years (down 7 percent) and 15-24 years (down 7 percent). Other age groups with substantial decreases were 1-4 years, 35-44 years, and 85 years and over (table D).

White males.—In 1974 the age groups under 1 year, 35-44 years, 45-54 years, 55-64 years, and 65-74 years had the lowest estimated age-specific death rates ever recorded for white males in the United States. The age group under 1 year had an estimated death rate of 17.4 per 100,000 population, a 2-percent decrease from the final rate for 1973 (table 6).

All other males.—In 1974 the age groups under 1 year, 1-4 years, 5-14 years, 45-54 years, and 55-64 years had the lowest estimated age-specific death rates ever recorded for "all other males." The age group under 1 year had a death rate of 31.8 per 1,000 population, a 5-percent decrease from the final rate for 1973 (33.4).

Table D. DEATH RATES BY AGE: UNITED STATES, 1973 AND 1974

[For 1974, based on a 10-percent sample of deaths. Rates per 100,000 population in specified group]

Age	1974 (est.)	1973 (final)	Percent differ- ence
All ages ¹ ---	914.4	940.2	-2.7
Under 1 year----	1,743.2	1,805.2	-3.4
1-4 years-----	75.3	79.5	-5.3
5-14 years-----	38.0	41.0	-7.3
15-24 years-----	119.9	128.3	-6.5
25-34 years-----	148.0	153.6	-3.6
35-44 years-----	279.2	295.9	-5.6
45-54 years-----	671.1	697.4	-3.8
55-64 years-----	1,535.5	1,611.9	-4.7
65-74 years-----	3,338.8	3,440.0	-2.9
75-84 years-----	7,641.3	7,932.1	-3.7
85+ years-----	16,485.7	17,429.4	-5.4

¹Figures for age not stated included in "All ages" but not distributed among age groups.

White females.—In 1974 the age groups under 1 year, 35-44 years, 45-54 years, 55-64 years, 65-74 years, 75-84 years, and 85 years and over had the lowest estimated age-specific death rates ever recorded for white females in the United States. The age group under 1 year had an estimated death rate of 12.7 per 1,000 population, a reduction of 5 percent from the final rate for 1973 (13.4).

All other females.—In 1974 the age groups under 1 year, 1-4 years, 15-24 years, 25-34 years, 35-44 years, 45-54 years, 55-64 years, and 65-74 years had the lowest estimated age-specific death rates ever recorded for "all other females." The age group under 1 year had an estimated death rate of 26.6 per 1,000 population, a reduction of 1 percent from the final rate for 1973 (27.0).

Maternal and Infant Mortality

In 1974 the deaths of an estimated 660 women were assigned to Complications of pregnancy, child-birth, and the puerperium. The provisional maternal mortality rate was 20.8 per 100,000 live births. The maternal mortality rates per 100,000 live births for 1950 and the last 15 years are as follows:

1974 (est.)-----	20.8	1966 -----	29.1
1973 -----	15.2	1965 -----	31.6
1972 -----	18.8	1964 -----	33.3
1971 -----	18.8	1963 -----	35.8
1970 -----	21.5	1962 -----	35.2
1969 -----	22.2	1961 -----	36.9
1968 -----	24.5	1960 -----	37.1
1967 -----	28.0	1950 -----	83.3

In 1974 there were approximately 52,400 infant deaths resulting in an estimated infant mortality rate of 16.5 per 1,000 live births. This was the lowest annual rate ever recorded in the United States and represents a decrease of 7 percent from the final rate of 17.7 for 1973. Both the neonatal (under 28 days) and the postneonatal (28 days to 11 months) mortality rates declined in 1974 with the postneonatal rate showing a proportionately greater decline than the neonatal rate. Certain gastrointestinal diseases was the only cause of infant deaths to show an increase during 1974.

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Table E. INFANT MORTALITY RATES BY AGE AND COLOR: UNITED STATES, 1950 AND 1960-74

[For 1974, based on a 10-percent sample of deaths; for all other years, based on final data. Rates per 1,000 live births]

Year	Total			White			All other		
	Under 1 year	Under 28 days	28 days to 11 months	Under 1 year	Under 28 days	28 days to 11 months	Under 1 year	Under 28 days	28 days to 11 months
1974 (est.)-----	16.5	12.1	4.4	14.7	11.1	3.6	24.6	16.6	8.0
1973-----	17.7	13.0	4.8	15.8	11.8	3.9	26.2	17.9	8.3
1972-----	18.5	13.6	4.8	16.4	12.4	4.0	27.7	19.2	8.5
1971-----	19.1	14.2	4.9	17.1	13.0	4.0	28.5	19.6	8.9
1970-----	20.0	15.1	4.9	17.8	13.8	4.0	30.9	21.4	9.5
1969-----	20.9	15.6	5.3	18.4	14.2	4.2	32.9	22.5	10.4
1968-----	21.8	16.1	5.7	19.2	14.7	4.5	34.5	23.0	11.6
1967-----	22.4	16.5	5.9	19.7	15.0	4.7	35.9	23.8	12.1
1966-----	23.7	17.2	6.5	20.6	15.6	5.0	38.8	24.8	13.9
1965-----	24.7	17.7	7.0	21.5	16.1	5.4	40.3	25.4	14.9
1964-----	24.8	17.9	6.9	21.6	16.2	5.4	41.1	26.5	14.6
1963-----	25.2	18.2	7.0	22.2	16.7	5.5	41.5	26.1	15.4
1962-----	25.3	18.3	7.0	22.3	16.9	5.5	41.4	26.1	15.3
1961-----	25.3	18.4	6.9	22.4	16.9	5.5	40.7	26.2	14.5
1960-----	26.0	18.7	7.3	22.9	17.2	5.7	43.2	26.9	16.4
1950-----	29.2	20.5	8.7	26.8	19.4	7.4	44.5	27.5	16.9

Table F. INFANT MORTALITY RATES, BY AGE AND SELECTED CAUSES: UNITED STATES, 1971-74

[For 1974, based on a 10-percent sample of deaths; for all other years, based on final data. Rates per 1,000 live births]

Age and cause of death	1974 (est.)	1973	1972	1971
Total, under 1 year-----	16.5	17.7	18.5	19.1
Under 28 days-----	12.1	13.0	13.6	14.2
28 days to 11 months-----	4.4	4.8	4.8	4.9
Certain gastrointestinal diseases-----004,006-009,535,561,563	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
Influenza and pneumonia-----470-474,480-486	0.9	1.1	1.3	1.5
Congenital anomalies-----740-759	2.9	2.9	2.9	3.0
Birth injuries-----764-768(.0-.3),772	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Asphyxia of newborn, unspecified-----776.9	1.5	1.7	2.1	2.3
Immaturity, unqualified-----777	1.5	1.7	1.9	2.1
Other diseases of early infancy-----Remainder of 760-778	5.3	5.6	5.8	5.8
All other causes-----Residual	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.6

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Table G. DEATH RATES FOR SPECIFIED CAUSES, BY AGE

[Based on a 10-percent sample of deaths. Rates

Cause of death and year		All ages ¹	1-14 years
1	Malignant neoplasms, including neoplasms of lymphatic and hematopoietic tissues (140-209):		
2	1974-----	169.5	5.5
	1973-----	168.4	5.6
3	Malignant neoplasms of digestive organs and peritoneum (150-159):		
4	1974-----	46.9	0.1
	1973-----	46.5	0.1
5	Malignant neoplasms of respiratory system (160-163):		
6	1974-----	39.6	0.0
	1973-----	37.3	0.1
7	Malignant neoplasm of breast (174):		
8	1974-----	15.1	-
	1973-----	15.2	-
9	Malignant neoplasms of genital organs (180-187):		
10	1974-----	19.7	0.1
	1973-----	20.2	-
11	Diabetes mellitus (250):		
12	1974-----	17.4	0.0
	1973-----	17.4	0.1
13	Major cardiovascular diseases (390-448):		
14	1974-----	481.3	1.9
	1973-----	494.4	1.6
15	Diseases of heart (390-398,402,404,410-429):		
16	1974-----	353.1	1.1
	1973-----	359.5	0.9
17	Cerebrovascular diseases (430-438):		
18	1974-----	97.2	0.7
	1973-----	102.3	0.6
19	Cerebral hemorrhage (431):		
20	1974-----	14.2	0.2
	1973-----	16.3	0.2
21	Cerebral thrombosis (433):		
22	1974-----	25.4	0.1
	1973-----	26.8	0.0
23	Arteriosclerosis (440):		
24	1974-----	15.2	-
	1973-----	15.9	-
25	Influenza and pneumonia (470-474, 480-486):		
26	1974-----	25.7	2.3
	1973-----	29.1	2.2
27	Bronchitis, emphysema, and asthma (490-493):		
28	1974-----	12.4	0.3
	1973-----	14.4	0.1
29	Cirrhosis of liver (571):		
30	1974-----	16.0	0.1
	1973-----	16.0	-
31	Accidents (E800-E949):		
32	1974-----	48.9	21.6
	1973-----	54.8	24.1
33	Motor vehicle accidents (E810-E823):		
34	1974-----	21.3	8.9
	1973-----	26.5	10.5
35	All other accidents (E800-E807,E825-E949):		
36	1974-----	27.6	12.7
	1973-----	28.3	13.6
37	Suicide (E950-E959):		
38	1974-----	12.5	0.3
	1973-----	11.6	0.4
39	Homicide (E960-E978):		
40	1974-----	9.8	1.3
	1973-----	9.4	1.6

¹Includes deaths under 1 year of age.

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GROUPS OVER 1 YEAR: UNITED STATES, 1973 AND 1974

per 100,000 population in specified group]

15-24 years	25-34 years	35-44 years	45-54 years	55-64 years	65-74 years	75-84 years	85 years and over	
6.5	14.6	55.4	184.1	433.5	778.8	1,202.4	1,350.3	1
7.2	15.4	54.9	181.4	428.6	778.2	1,208.1	1,457.7	2
0.3	1.8	9.3	39.4	107.8	229.7	400.3	496.0	3
0.4	2.2	8.8	37.0	108.6	226.5	401.4	556.4	4
0.1	1.3	10.9	51.3	129.3	203.7	204.6	141.6	5
0.1	1.0	10.6	49.7	122.7	193.6	191.6	128.2	6
0.1	1.9	9.4	27.0	41.7	51.6	87.7	104.9	7
0.1	1.7	10.7	26.4	43.0	58.6	77.3	106.7	8
0.8	2.1	7.4	16.5	41.1	86.9	174.9	224.2	9
0.9	2.2	6.3	18.4	38.7	89.9	190.3	243.6	10
0.5	2.3	4.6	11.2	32.3	78.6	170.8	235.7	11
0.4	1.7	4.4	11.4	33.1	82.0	171.1	227.0	12
3.7	14.0	71.2	263.8	720.6	1,851.5	4,977.0	12,281.0	13
4.0	14.3	73.3	268.1	762.6	1,914.5	5,229.4	12,914.7	14
2.4	9.5	55.4	219.6	593.8	1,424.6	3,447.9	8,161.7	15
2.4	9.9	56.0	222.0	621.3	1,452.2	3,634.3	8,382.2	16
1.0	3.4	12.9	35.9	98.4	329.5	1,178.7	2,930.6	17
1.2	3.6	13.5	36.5	107.7	356.7	1,229.7	3,266.3	18
0.3	1.0	4.2	11.2	23.6	58.3	135.0	263.8	19
0.3	0.5	4.4	11.2	28.2	66.8	162.6	327.6	20
0.1	0.2	0.9	4.1	19.8	85.5	341.5	838.9	21
0.0	0.1	0.6	3.8	21.3	91.6	356.0	973.0	22
-	0.0	0.2	1.0	5.0	30.7	186.5	826.8	23
-	0.0	0.1	1.1	6.3	34.4	193.1	910.4	24
1.4	2.6	6.1	12.2	26.0	72.8	252.6	760.9	25
2.0	3.7	7.6	14.6	31.0	79.9	288.3	875.5	26
0.4	0.5	1.7	6.8	28.9	66.8	111.4	102.6	27
0.2	0.5	1.9	8.3	32.2	79.8	134.2	123.9	28
0.5	4.1	20.1	41.1	49.9	43.3	32.4	18.3	29
0.4	3.8	19.1	40.1	53.1	45.4	30.1	17.8	30
60.7	44.3	40.3	40.7	51.4	70.7	136.8	355.5	31
71.0	51.6	45.3	49.2	52.2	75.2	157.0	404.9	32
39.1	24.6	18.5	16.7	20.1	23.9	28.0	25.2	33
48.2	30.9	23.8	24.2	22.3	28.4	42.0	36.2	34
21.6	19.7	21.9	24.0	31.3	46.8	108.8	330.3	35
22.8	20.8	21.5	25.1	29.9	46.8	115.1	368.7	36
10.9	16.6	18.1	20.2	20.0	18.5	22.3	14.9	37
10.4	14.2	15.4	19.8	19.7	19.8	18.8	19.6	38
13.9	19.0	15.8	10.8	8.5	4.8	4.6	2.9	39
13.2	17.5	13.5	10.8	9.7	5.2	5.6	3.1	40

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Table H. DEATHS UNDER 1 YEAR AND INFANT MORTALITY RATES, BY MONTH: UNITED STATES, 1973 AND 1974

[Rates on an annual basis per 1,000 live births. Monthly rates adjusted for changing number of births]

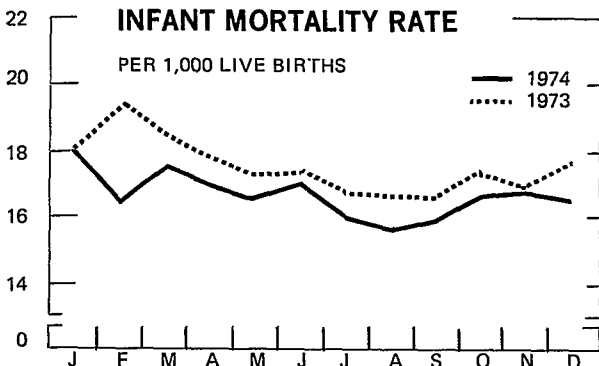
Month	Number			Rate	
	1974 (est.)	1973 (est.)	1973 (final)	1974 (est.)	1973 (est.)
Total-----	52,400	55,300	55,581	16.5	17.6
January-----	4,700	4,800	5,204	18.0	18.1
February-----	3,900	4,700	4,517	16.3	19.3
March-----	4,600	5,000	4,693	17.6	18.5
April-----	4,200	4,600	4,537	16.9	17.9
May-----	4,200	4,500	4,574	16.5	17.3
June-----	4,300	4,400	4,353	16.9	17.3
July-----	4,300	4,500	4,789	15.9	16.7
August-----	4,300	4,600	4,664	15.6	16.6
September-----	4,400	4,500	4,534	15.8	16.6
October-----	4,600	4,600	4,621	16.6	17.4
November-----	4,400	4,300	4,466	16.7	16.9
December-----	4,500	4,600	4,629	16.4	17.7

Expectation of Life

The estimated expectation of life at birth in 1974 was 72.0 years for the total population, the highest life expectancy ever attained in the United States. Expectation of life is the average number of years that an infant could be expected to live if the age-specific death rates observed during the year of birth were to continue unchanged throughout his lifetime.

Based on the respective annual age-specific death rates, the expectation of life at birth for each of the last 10 years were as follows:

1974 (est.)-----	72.0	1969-----	70.4
1973-----	71.3	1968-----	70.2
1972-----	71.1	1967-----	70.5
1971-----	71.1	1966-----	70.1
1970-----	70.9	1965-----	70.2



MARRIAGES

In 1974 marriages declined both in the number and the rate from the levels of 1973. The 1974 national total was 2,223,000, about 54,000, or 2 percent, fewer than in 1973. This decline occurred even though, according to the Census Bureau's Current Population Survey,^{1,2} there were nearly two million more single, widowed, or divorced men and women over 14 years of age in March 1974 than in March 1973, an increase of 3 percent. The decline in the number of marriages was the first annual decline since 1958. Between 1958 and 1973 the number of marriages increased every year.

The marriage rate dropped to 10.5 per 1,000 population in 1974, lower than in any of the previous 5 years. The decline in the rate was evident during most of the year; for 9 months in 1974 the rate was lower and for 3 months it was the same as it had been for the corresponding months in 1973.

In the provisional monthly counts August replaced June as the favorite month for marriage. Both the number and the rate were higher in August than in June.

¹U.S. Bureau of the Census: Marital status and living arrangements, March 1973. *Current Population Reports*. Series P-20, No. 255. Washington. U.S. Government Printing Office, Nov. 1973. Table 1.

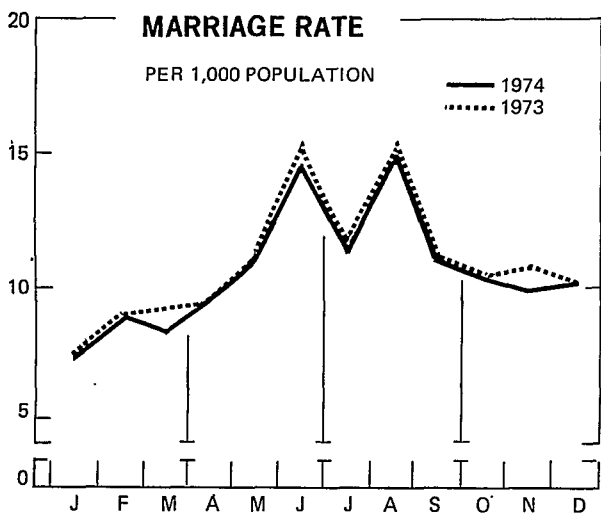
²U.S. Bureau of the Census: Marital status and living arrangements, March 1973. *Current Population Reports*. Series P-20, No. 271. Washington. U.S. Government Printing Office, Oct. 1974.

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Table J. MARRIAGES AND MARRIAGE RATES, BY MONTH: UNITED STATES, 1973 AND 1974

[Rates on an annual basis per 1,000 population]

Month	Number			Rate				
	1974 (est.)	1973 (est.)	1973 (final)	Unadjusted for seasonal variation			Adjusted for seasonal variation	
				1974 (est.)	1973 (est.)	1973 (final)	1974 (est.)	1973 (est.)
Total-----	2,223,000	2,277,000	2,284,108	10.5	10.9	10.9
January-----	128,000	130,000	125,311	7.1	7.3	7.1	9.9	10.0
February-----	144,000	145,000	139,630	8.9	9.0	8.7	11.5	11.7
March-----	144,000	161,000	166,098	8.1	9.1	9.3	10.1	11.5
April-----	161,000	159,000	163,571	9.3	9.3	9.5	10.7	10.7
May-----	194,000	198,000	194,450	10.8	11.1	10.9	11.6	12.0
June-----	251,000	266,000	287,744	14.5	15.4	16.7	9.5	10.0
July-----	201,000	210,000	212,360	11.2	11.8	11.9	10.6	11.2
August-----	268,000	267,000	249,755	14.9	15.0	14.0	11.3	12.2
September-----	192,000	191,000	204,241	11.1	11.1	11.8	10.2	9.6
October-----	183,000	185,000	173,250	10.2	10.3	9.7	10.8	10.8
November-----	173,000	183,000	173,006	9.9	10.6	10.0	9.9	11.2
December-----	184,000	183,000	194,692	10.2	10.2	10.9	10.2	9.6



increased. In the remaining 15 States the number of marriages increased, contrary to the national trend. The rates were also up in eight of these remaining States (Minnesota, North Dakota, Georgia, Texas, Wyoming, Arizona, Oregon, and Alaska). In Alaska the marriage rate increased 11 percent.

Table K. ESTIMATED NUMBER OF DIVORCES AND DIVORCE RATES, BY MONTH: UNITED STATES, 1973 AND 1974

[Rates on an annual basis per 1,000 population]

Month	Number		Rate	
	1974	1973	1974	1973
Total-----	970,000	913,000	4.6	4.4
January-----	77,000	73,000	4.3	4.1
February-----	70,000	67,000	4.3	4.1
March-----	84,000	78,000	4.7	4.4
April-----	79,000	75,000	4.6	4.3
May-----	85,000	79,000	4.7	4.4
June-----	81,000	78,000	4.7	4.5
July-----	85,000	77,000	4.7	4.3
August-----	79,000	78,000	4.4	4.4
September-----	82,000	74,000	4.7	4.3
October-----	87,000	80,000	4.8	4.5
November-----	78,000	77,000	4.5	4.4
December-----	85,000	79,000	4.7	4.4

The number of marriages declined in almost every part of the United States but the decline was most pronounced in the Northeast. Every geographic division had fewer marriages except the West South Central. Separately, 32 States and the District of Columbia reported a decline in the number and the rate of marriages. In two of these States (Arkansas and South Carolina) the rate dropped more than 8 percent. In one State (Iowa) the number decreased while the rate remained unchanged. In another two States (New York and Kansas) the number decreased while the rate

DIVORCES

Both the number and the rate of divorces and annulments granted in the United States continued to increase during 1974. According to provisional reports 970,000 divorces were granted, an increase of 57,000 over the number granted in 1973 and more than double the number 10 years earlier.

The provisional divorce rate for 1974 was 4.6 per 1,000 population, the highest national divorce rate on record and almost twice the rate for 1964. The average annual rate of increase was 8 percent for the decade 1965-74. In the previous decade, from 1955 to 1964, the rate had changed relatively little,

The divorce rate varied considerably from one State to another. Nevada had the highest divorce rate at 17.2 per 1,000 population; of course many of these divorces involved nonresidents. All the other report-

ing States except Oklahoma had rates between 7.4 (Florida) and 2.3 (Wisconsin). The divorce rate for Oklahoma (8.3) may be slightly overstated as the result of some counties reporting divorce petitions filed rather than decrees granted.

The divorce rate declined in only six States (Arkansas, Missouri, New Jersey, Ohio, Vermont, and Wisconsin). The decline was greatest in Vermont where the rate dropped from 4.6 in 1973 to 3.2 in 1974. In two States (Virginia and West Virginia) the rate remained unchanged. In the remaining reporting States the rate rose. The greatest relative increase was recorded in Connecticut where the divorce rate increased 35 percent, from 2.6 to 3.5 per 1,000 population, still well below the national average. In May 1973 Connecticut added irrevocable breakdown of marriage (no-fault) as grounds for divorce and removed its residency requirement.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Nature and Sources of Data

All data for 1974 in this report are provisional. Data for the United States as a whole refer to events occurring within the United States; other data refer to events within the reporting areas shown.

Beginning with 1970, final birth statistics exclude data for births to nonresidents of the United States and final mortality statistics exclude data for deaths of nonresidents of the United States. Data for nonresidents are included in provisional data for 1973 and 1974.

Provisional or estimated figures for births, marriages, divorces, and deaths, except data estimated from the Current Mortality Sample, summarize data from monthly reports of the numbers of birth, marriage, divorce, and death certificates received in registration offices between two dates a month apart regardless of when the events occurred. Final figures are counts of events occurring in the specified year. Monthly estimates of births and marriages for the entire United States are based on the monthly reports adjusted for observed differences from final monthly figures. State figures are not adjusted in this manner. All mortality figures exclude fetal deaths.

Provisional marriage data by State are shown in table 1. For most States data represent marriages reported. The following areas reported marriage licenses issued in 1974: Arizona, Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, and New York City.

Seasonal adjustment factors reflect changes in the Lenten season each year and in the number of Saturdays in each month.

Provisional divorce data including reported annulments are shown in table 3 for the areas reporting divorce data monthly. Divorce figures for the United States are estimated from a summary of monthly reports from 45 States and the District of Columbia. These areas contain over 90 percent of the population of the United States as enumerated in 1970.

Current Mortality Sample

The Current Mortality Sample is a 10-percent systematic sample of death certificates received each month in State vital statistics offices. Deaths and death rates for 1973 and 1974 by cause, age, color, and sex were estimated from this sample.

The sample was taken from death certificates received monthly during 1973 and 1974 in the vital statistics offices in the 50 States, the District of Co-

lumbia, and the independent registration area of New York City. The sample for each of these areas consists of one-tenth of the death certificates received in the office between a given date and the same date of the following month. All death certificates received during the 1-month period are sampled regardless of the month or year in which the death occurred. As a result the monthly sample is not strictly comparable to a sample on a month-of-occurrence basis. The proportion of death certificates received in the samples for each month of 1974 representing deaths occurring in the current month and those occurring in other months are shown in the following table:

Month	Deaths occurring in--		
	Same month	Previous month	All other months
January-----	60.7	31.0	8.4
February-----	67.4	27.3	5.2
March-----	71.3	14.8	13.9
April-----	63.6	23.5	12.9
May-----	70.0	22.1	7.9
June-----	70.2	21.6	8.2
July-----	64.7	21.8	13.5
August-----	57.7	27.2	15.0
September-----	61.6	29.0	9.4
October-----	63.2	27.8	9.0
November-----	60.3	26.9	12.8
December-----	65.5	25.8	8.7

Because of the way in which death certificates are processed in California, this State contributes a high proportion of the certificates for deaths not occurring in the sample month. For the sample exclusive of California, the percentages of the sample deaths occurring in the current month constitute about 70 percent of the total as opposed to 65 percent of the entire sample. As for the year of occurrence, 95.9 percent of the 193,197 transcripts in the 1974 sample were for deaths occurring in 1974 and 4.1 percent for deaths occurring in 1973.

Correction for Bias

The Current Mortality Sample is selected at a specified time each month. Complete information concerning the underlying cause of death is sometimes not available in the State offices when the sample is drawn but is available later when copies of the

final death certificates are submitted to the National Center for Health Statistics. As a result estimates based on sample counts for certain causes are recurrently biased estimates of final counts. Comparisons of sample and final counts for previous years have shown that these biases are primarily associated with certain cause-of-death groups.

The sample data in this report are adjusted for such deficiencies based on the experience of the 3 years 1971, 1972, and 1973. If for a given cause the sample count for these years departs from one-tenth of the final count by more than would be expected on the basis of sampling variability alone, the sample deaths for this cause are corrected by multiplying the sample frequency by an adjustment factor. The factor used is the ratio of the number of deaths from the given cause in the final count of deaths for the 3 years to the number of deaths from this cause in the sample returns for the same years. Such adjustments have been necessary for relatively few causes. The factors which were applied to the 1974 sample for all ages are as follows:

Cause of death	Ratio
Acute poliomyelitis-----040-043	5.00
Benign neoplasms and neoplasms of unspecified nature-----210-239	8.60
Avitaminoses and other nutritional deficiencies-----260-269	10.87
Chronic disease of endocardium and other myocardial insufficiency-----424,428	10.85
All other forms of heart disease-----420-423,425-427,429	10.50
Pneumonia-----480-486	10.28
Chronic and unqualified nephritis and renal sclerosis-----582-584	10.59
Symptoms and ill-defined conditions-----780-796	7.85
All other accidents-----E800-E807,E825-E949	10.27
Suicide-----E950-E959	10.41
Homicide-----E960-E978	10.55
Other external causes-----E980-E999	9.13

The estimates of deaths among infants were adjusted proportionately so that the estimated number of infant deaths based on the sample would equal the provisional figure.

The final estimate of the number of deaths attributed to each of the causes listed in the table above was obtained for all ages by multiplying the sample frequency by the appropriate ratio shown for the cause. The final estimate of the number of deaths at ages 1 year and over was then obtained for each one of these causes by subtracting the final estimate of the number of deaths at ages under 1 year from the estimate of the number of deaths at all ages for the cause. For each

of the remaining causes shown in this report, the estimated number of deaths at ages 1 year and over was then obtained by multiplying the sample frequency by 10 and adjusting these preliminary estimates proportionately to the following provisional subtotal: provisional count of deaths at ages 1 year and over less the sum of the estimated numbers of deaths at ages 1 year and over from the causes corrected for bias.

These adjustments resulted in weights which were assigned to the sample records and are reflected in estimates for color-sex groups and the age groups as well as cause groups.

Cause-of-Death Classification

The mortality statistics presented here are compiled in accordance with the World Health Organization Regulations, which specify that member nations classify causes of death in accordance with the current revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases, Injuries, and Causes of Death.³ An adaptation of the Eighth Revision of the Classification—*Eighth Revision, International Classification of Diseases, Adapted for Use in the United States*⁴—was used beginning with 1968. The Seventh Revision was used for 1958 through 1967.

This introduction of a new revision has led to a break in the comparability of data by cause of death. The comparability ratio is a measure that estimates the degree of comparability by cause.

For information about comparability ratios between the Seventh and Eighth Revisions, see *Monthly Vital Statistics Reports*, Vol. 17, No. 8, Supplement. For a list of other reports on the effects of revisions of the International Lists on mortality statistics tabulated by cause, see *Vital Statistics—Special Reports*, Vol. 51, No. 4, March 1965, p. 248.

Besides specifying the Classification, the World Health Organization Regulations outline the form of medical certification and the coding procedures to be used. In general when more than one cause of death is reported, the cause designated by the certifying physician as the underlying cause of death is the cause tabulated.

Causes of death for data presented in this publication were coded by procedures outlined in the 1973 and 1974 issues of Part 2a of *NCHS Instruction Manual*,

³ World Health Organization: *Manual of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases, Injuries, and Causes of Death*, based on the Recommendations of the Eighth Revision Conference, 1965. Geneva. World Health Organization, 1967.

⁴ National Center for Health Statistics: *Eighth Revision International Classification of Diseases, Adapted for Use in the United States*. PHS Pub. No. 1693. Public Health Service. Washington. U.S. Government Printing Office, 1967.

Vital Statistics, Instructions for Classifying the Underlying Cause of Death.

Sampling Variability

Since the estimates of deaths and death rates presented in this report (with the exceptions of total deaths and deaths under 1 year) are based on a sample of the death certificates, they are subject to sampling variability. The estimated percent error shown in this report is a measure of the sampling variability to be expected and represents the standard error of the estimated number of deaths (or of the estimated death rate) expressed as a percent of the estimate. The chances are about 2 out of 3 that the percent difference between an estimate and the result of a complete count is less than the percent error shown. The chances are about 19 out of 20 that the percent difference is less than twice the percent error.

The percent errors of the estimates for given causes of death or for a given age-color-sex group are computed as follows:

$$V = 300 \sqrt{\frac{1}{X} - \frac{1}{N}}$$

where

V = the percent error of the estimate

X = the estimated number of deaths from a given cause-age-color-sex group

N = 1,933,000, the provisional number of registered deaths in 1974.

The percent error due to sampling may be obtained by using the above formula where X is the estimated number of deaths in a given group. For easy

reference, the percent errors ascribable to sampling for estimates based on several levels in the number of deaths are

50-----	42.4	1,000-----	9.5
100-----	30.0	2,000-----	6.7
200-----	21.2	5,000-----	4.2
300-----	17.3	10,000-----	3.0
400-----	15.0	20,000-----	2.1
500-----	13.4	50,000-----	1.3
600-----	12.2	100,000-----	0.9
700-----	11.2	200,000-----	0.6
800-----	10.6	500,000-----	0.4
900-----	10.0	1,000,000-----	0.2

Population Bases for Computing Rates

The populations used for computing rates shown in this report represent the population residing in the specified area. They were published by the U.S. Bureau of the Census in the following issues of *Current Population Reports*, Series P-25:

1. No. 533. "Estimates of the Population of States: July 1, 1973 and 1974," 1974.
2. No. 529. "Estimates of the Population of the United States, By Age, Sex, and Race: July 1, 1974 and April 1, 1970," 1974.

Infant mortality rates are based on live births. For an explanation of the method used in computing infant mortality rates adjusted for the changing numbers of births, see "Effect of Changing Birth Rates Upon Infant Mortality Rates," *Vital Statistics—Special Reports*, Vol. 19, No. 21, Nov. 1944 (U.S. Bureau of the Census).

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Table 1. LIVE BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND RATES: EACH REPORTING AREA, 1973 AND 1974

[By place of occurrence. Rates per 1,000 population in specified area. Data are provisional unless otherwise specified]

Area	Live births					Marriages ¹				
	Number		Rate			Number		Rate		
	1974	1973	1974	1973	1973 (final)	1974	1973	1974	1973	1973 (final)
New England-----	152,032	156,774	12.5	12.9	12.9	100,780	106,468	8.3	8.8	8.8
Maine-----	14,533	15,314	13.9	14.9	15.2	11,756	11,997	11.2	11.7	11.6
New Hampshire-----	11,310	11,077	14.0	14.0	13.9	9,289	9,615	11.5	12.2	12.1
Vermont-----	6,814	6,305	14.5	13.6	14.0	4,726	4,986	10.1	10.7	10.9
Massachusetts-----	71,347	74,777	12.3	12.9	12.7	43,316	46,213	7.5	7.9	8.0
Rhode Island-----	11,688	12,659	12.5	13.0	13.0	7,252	7,698	7.7	7.9	7.9
Connecticut-----	36,340	36,642	11.8	11.9	12.0	24,441	25,959	7.9	8.4	8.3
Middle Atlantic-----	479,145	489,387	12.9	13.0	13.0	304,135	316,298	8.2	8.4	8.4
New York-----	240,085	241,349	13.3	13.2	13.2	155,144	155,807	8.6	8.5	8.5
New Jersey-----	91,136	93,478	12.4	12.7	12.6	56,509	59,308	7.7	8.1	8.1
Pennsylvania-----	147,924	154,560	12.5	13.0	13.0	92,482	101,183	7.8	8.5	8.5
East North Central-----	608,765	615,543	14.9	15.1	15.0	409,947	420,575	10.0	10.3	10.1
Ohio-----	157,819	160,996	14.7	15.0	15.0	104,589	103,754	9.7	9.7	9.3
Indiana-----	83,523	84,388	15.7	15.9	15.8	60,366	61,144	11.3	11.5	11.0
Illinois-----	165,850	166,844	14.9	14.8	14.8	117,056	120,606	10.5	10.7	10.7
Michigan-----	136,066	140,731	15.0	15.6	15.5	89,644	94,974	9.9	10.5	10.4
Wisconsin-----	65,507	62,584	14.3	13.7	13.7	38,292	40,097	8.4	8.8	8.8
West North Central-----	244,473	239,502	14.7	14.3	14.3	168,757	170,775	10.1	10.2	10.1
Minnesota-----	55,313	54,273	14.1	13.9	13.8	33,556	32,878	8.6	8.4	8.5
Iowa-----	40,627	39,303	14.2	13.5	13.5	27,207	27,629	9.5	9.5	9.5
Missouri-----	71,991	71,496	15.1	15.0	14.9	51,752	53,755	10.8	11.3	10.9
North Dakota-----	10,708	10,376	16.8	16.2	16.2	5,884	5,745	9.2	9.0	9.2
South Dakota-----	10,766	10,545	15.8	15.4	15.3	11,930	12,312	17.5	18.0	17.9
Nebraska-----	23,774	22,899	15.4	14.9	14.9	13,779	13,770	8.9	8.9	9.1
Kansas-----	31,294	30,610	13.8	13.4	13.5	24,649	24,686	10.9	10.8	10.8
South Atlantic-----	498,692	504,102	15.0	15.5	15.4	389,730	393,666	11.7	12.1	12.3
Delaware-----	8,334	8,222	14.5	14.3	14.4	4,171	4,272	7.3	7.4	7.5
Maryland-----	46,719	47,349	11.4	11.6	11.6	47,162	48,171	11.5	11.8	11.8
District of Columbia--	20,349	19,919	28.1	26.7	27.7	5,324	5,665	7.4	7.6	7.6
Virginia-----	68,339	68,980	13.9	14.3	14.2	56,813	58,336	11.6	12.1	12.1
West Virginia-----	27,737	28,146	15.5	15.7	15.5	17,485	18,152	9.8	10.1	10.1
North Carolina-----	84,529	85,772	15.8	16.3	16.3	45,861	47,299	8.6	9.0	8.9
South Carolina-----	47,252	47,787	17.0	17.5	17.5	52,199	55,961	18.7	20.5	20.9
Georgia-----	87,371	90,048	17.9	18.8	18.1	69,799	66,972	14.3	14.0	14.7
Florida-----	108,062	107,879	13.4	14.1	14.0	90,916	88,838	11.2	11.6	11.7
East South Central-----	225,488	228,306	16.8	17.2	17.0	165,156	170,495	12.3	12.8	12.6
Kentucky-----	54,283	55,663	16.2	16.7	16.5	35,121	37,102	10.5	11.1	10.3
Tennessee-----	67,376	68,484	16.3	16.6	16.4	54,567	56,326	13.2	13.7	13.6
Alabama-----	58,587	59,760	16.4	16.9	16.7	47,581	48,178	13.3	13.6	13.6
Mississippi-----	45,242	44,399	19.5	19.5	19.3	27,887	28,889	12.0	12.7	12.5
West South Central-----	361,782	356,544	17.6	17.6	17.7	258,692	257,764	12.6	12.7	12.7
Arkansas-----	33,835	32,687	16.4	16.0	16.1	22,202	26,075	10.8	12.8	12.4
Louisiana-----	65,867	65,887	17.5	17.5	17.7	39,314	39,469	10.4	10.5	10.5
Oklahoma-----	40,756	39,770	15.0	14.9	14.8	41,260	41,053	15.2	15.4	15.5
Texas-----	221,324	218,200	18.4	18.5	18.5	155,916	151,167	12.9	12.8	12.9
Mountain-----	173,510	165,823	18.4	18.1	18.2	208,124	211,592	22.1	23.1	23.1
Montana-----	12,159	11,189	16.5	15.5	15.6	7,832	7,812	10.7	10.8	10.8
Idaho-----	15,131	13,996	18.9	18.2	18.3	12,315	12,268	15.4	15.9	15.9
Wyoming-----	6,250	5,912	17.4	16.7	16.8	5,933	5,408	16.5	15.3	15.6
Colorado-----	39,698	39,345	15.9	16.1	16.2	25,592	27,262	10.3	11.2	11.5
New Mexico-----	21,115	20,643	18.8	18.7	18.6	14,158	15,136	12.6	13.7	13.7
Arizona-----	39,926	37,980	18.5	18.5	18.4	27,647	26,022	12.8	12.6	12.7
Utah-----	30,575	27,958	26.1	24.2	24.8	14,923	14,818	12.7	12.8	12.8
Nevada-----	8,656	8,800	15.1	16.1	15.5	99,724	102,866	174.0	187.7	186.3
Pacific-----	407,399	399,789	14.6	14.6	14.6	234,214	245,403	8.4	9.0	8.9
Washington-----	47,785	45,447	13.7	13.3	13.8	40,309	42,040	11.6	12.3	12.1
Oregon-----	33,499	31,731	14.8	14.3	14.3	20,469	19,596	9.0	8.8	8.8
California-----	303,500	300,637	14.5	14.6	14.5	159,386	170,173	7.6	8.3	8.2
Alaska-----	6,998	6,640	20.8	20.1	19.9	4,342	3,836	12.9	11.6	11.7
Hawaii-----	15,617	15,334	18.4	18.4	18.5	9,708	9,758	11.5	11.7	11.8

¹Data are either marriages reported or marriage licenses issued; see Explanatory Notes.²Estimated.³Revised.

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Table 2. DEATHS, INFANT DEATHS, AND RATES: EACH REPORTING AREA, 1973 AND 1974

[By place of occurrence. Rates for deaths at all ages are per 1,000 population. Infant mortality rates are deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births. Data are provisional unless otherwise specified]

Area	Deaths (all ages)					Infant deaths (under 1 year)				
	Number		Rate			Number		Rate		
	1974	1973	1974	1973	1973 (final)	1974	1973	1974	1973	1973 (final)
New England-----	113,500	121,534	9.3	10.0	9.6	2,037	2,379	13.4	15.2	15.4
Maine-----	10,787	10,906	10.3	10.6	10.6	219	233	15.1	15.2	15.6
New Hampshire-----	7,604	7,700	9.4	9.7	9.6	118	154	10.4	13.9	14.2
Vermont-----	4,458	4,440	9.5	9.6	9.8	81	99	11.9	15.7	15.3
Massachusetts-----	55,237	62,214	9.5	10.7	9.9	913	1,156	12.8	15.5	15.6
Rhode Island-----	9,155	9,496	9.8	9.8	9.8	186	218	15.9	17.2	17.3
Connecticut-----	26,259	26,778	8.5	8.7	8.7	520	519	14.3	14.2	14.7
Middle Atlantic-----	363,830	374,167	9.8	10.0	10.0	7,919	8,261	16.5	16.9	17.0
New York-----	175,991	179,448	9.7	9.8	9.9	3,995	4,189	16.6	17.4	17.2
New Jersey-----	65,507	67,824	8.9	9.2	9.2	1,304	1,426	14.3	15.3	15.6
Pennsylvania-----	122,332	126,895	10.3	10.7	10.6	2,620	2,646	17.7	17.1	17.4
East North Central-----	367,750	377,637	9.0	9.2	9.2	10,444	11,021	17.2	17.9	18.0
Ohio-----	97,657	101,087	9.1	9.4	9.4	2,555	2,810	16.2	17.5	17.4
Indiana-----	47,919	49,761	9.0	9.4	9.4	1,660	1,578	19.9	18.7	17.8
Illinois-----	105,594	107,871	9.5	9.6	9.6	3,114	3,293	18.8	19.7	20.0
Michigan-----	75,472	77,427	8.3	8.6	8.6	2,230	2,430	16.4	17.3	18.1
Wisconsin-----	41,108	41,491	9.0	9.1	9.1	885	910	13.5	14.5	14.4
West North Central-----	162,037	167,044	9.7	10.0	10.0	3,863	3,957	15.8	16.5	16.6
Minnesota-----	34,009	34,571	8.7	8.9	8.8	842	890	15.2	16.4	15.8
Iowa-----	28,540	29,193	10.0	10.1	10.0	577	620	14.2	15.8	15.5
Missouri-----	50,250	53,433	10.5	11.2	11.2	1,239	1,290	17.2	18.0	18.5
North Dakota-----	5,887	6,003	9.2	9.4	9.4	175	173	16.3	16.7	17.0
South Dakota-----	6,566	6,588	9.6	9.6	9.6	200	173	18.6	16.4	16.7
Nebraska-----	15,134	15,150	9.8	9.8	9.8	369	361	15.5	15.8	16.5
Kansas-----	21,651	22,106	9.5	9.7	9.7	461	450	14.7	14.7	14.8
South Atlantic-----	316,938	311,145	9.5	9.6	9.7	9,156	9,723	18.4	19.3	19.4
Delaware-----	5,200	5,137	9.1	8.9	8.9	118	125	14.2	15.2	15.7
Maryland-----	32,129	32,191	7.8	7.9	7.8	507	718	10.9	15.2	15.1
District of Columbia-----	10,347	9,769	14.3	13.1	13.2	529	483	26.0	24.2	23.1
Virginia-----	39,781	40,540	8.1	8.4	8.4	1,159	1,288	17.0	18.7	18.1
West Virginia-----	19,543	20,248	10.9	11.3	11.2	518	546	18.7	19.4	18.7
North Carolina-----	46,495	48,027	8.7	9.1	9.1	1,673	1,875	19.8	21.9	21.5
South Carolina-----	23,925	24,580	8.6	9.0	9.0	1,012	1,099	21.4	23.0	23.0
Georgia-----	50,124	40,402	10.3	8.4	9.3	1,755	1,529	20.1	17.0	18.8
Florida-----	89,394	90,251	11.0	11.8	11.7	1,885	2,060	17.4	19.1	19.1
East South Central-----	131,416	136,200	9.8	10.2	10.2	4,294	4,941	19.0	21.6	21.3
Kentucky-----	33,024	34,447	9.8	10.3	10.3	872	935	16.1	16.8	16.8
Tennessee-----	41,340	42,383	10.0	10.3	10.2	1,256	1,498	18.6	21.9	21.8
Alabama-----	34,403	35,604	9.6	10.1	10.0	1,207	1,378	20.6	23.1	22.2
Mississippi-----	22,649	23,766	9.7	10.4	10.3	959	1,130	21.2	25.5	25.2
West South Central-----	182,567	187,101	8.9	9.2	9.2	6,283	6,708	17.4	18.8	18.8
Arkansas-----	21,876	21,881	10.6	10.7	10.8	507	618	15.0	18.9	18.7
Louisiana-----	33,786	35,272	9.0	9.4	9.4	1,219	1,342	18.5	20.4	20.2
Oklahoma-----	26,427	26,720	9.8	10.0	10.0	713	634	17.5	15.9	16.1
Texas-----	100,478	103,228	8.3	8.8	8.7	3,844	4,114	17.4	18.9	18.9
Mountain-----	72,231	72,709	7.7	7.9	8.0	2,725	2,705	15.7	16.3	16.4
Montana-----	6,499	6,763	8.8	9.4	9.4	193	208	15.9	18.6	18.1
Idaho-----	6,238	6,290	7.8	8.2	8.2	191	228	12.6	16.3	16.1
Wyoming-----	3,075	3,020	8.6	8.6	8.6	76	95	12.2	16.1	16.5
Colorado-----	18,471	19,060	7.4	7.8	7.9	648	654	16.3	16.6	16.7
New Mexico-----	8,067	8,129	7.2	7.3	7.3	386	420	18.3	20.3	20.5
Arizona-----	17,405	17,238	8.1	8.4	8.4	639	583	16.0	15.4	15.5
Utah-----	7,745	7,685	6.6	6.6	6.8	417	363	13.6	13.0	12.9
Nevada-----	4,731	4,524	8.3	8.3	8.3	175	154	20.2	17.5	18.9
Pacific-----	222,434	231,795	8.0	8.5	8.4	5,683	5,952	13.9	14.9	14.9
Washington-----	29,569	30,532	8.5	8.9	9.0	720	706	15.1	15.5	16.7
Oregon-----	20,321	20,915	9.0	9.4	9.4	492	471	14.7	14.8	14.9
California-----	166,458	174,297	8.0	8.5	8.4	4,098	4,439	13.5	14.8	14.6
Alaska-----	1,484	1,457	4.4	4.4	4.4	120	129	17.1	19.4	18.9
Hawaii-----	4,602	4,594	5.4	5.5	5.5	253	207	16.2	13.5	13.7

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Table 3. DIVORCES AND DIVORCE RATES: UNITED STATES AND EACH REPORTING AREA, 1973 AND 1974

[By place of occurrence. Rates per 1,000 population]

Area	Number		Rate	
	1974	1973	1974	1973
United States ¹ -----	970,000	913,000	4.6	4.4
Total, 48 areas-----	899,752	848,774	4.5	4.3
Alabama-----	23,519	^a 21,273	6.6	6.0
Alaska-----	2,423	2,056	7.2	6.2
Arkansas-----	14,604	17,205	7.1	8.4
California-----	121,944	117,677	5.8	5.7
Colorado-----	15,120	14,189	6.1	5.8
Connecticut-----	10,756	7,890	3.5	2.6
Delaware-----	2,355	2,187	4.1	3.8
District of Columbia-----	3,032	2,975	4.2	4.0
Florida-----	59,602	56,021	7.4	7.3
Georgia-----	27,608	23,975	5.7	5.0
Hawaii-----	4,111	^a 4,021	4.9	4.8
Idaho-----	4,793	4,477	6.0	5.8
Illinois-----	48,146	45,323	4.3	4.0
Iowa-----	9,407	9,176	3.3	3.2
Kansas-----	11,383	10,566	5.0	4.6
Kentucky-----	13,720	12,783	4.1	3.8
Maine-----	4,924	4,680	4.7	4.6
Maryland-----	14,868	14,165	3.6	3.5
Massachusetts-----	16,093	14,469	2.8	2.5
Michigan-----	28,795	26,046	3.2	2.9
Minnesota-----	12,067	10,962	3.1	2.8
Mississippi-----	11,864	11,081	5.1	4.9
Missouri-----	21,567	22,023	4.5	4.6
Montana-----	3,942	3,779	5.4	5.2
Nebraska-----	5,244	5,071	3.4	3.3
Nevada-----	9,830	8,550	17.2	15.6
New Hampshire-----	3,523	3,364	4.4	4.3
New Jersey-----	21,170	21,761	2.9	3.0
New Mexico-----	7,246	6,179	6.5	5.6
New York-----	54,484	47,460	3.0	2.6
North Carolina-----	19,591	18,648	3.7	3.5
North Dakota-----	1,514	1,383	2.4	2.2
Ohio-----	48,274	48,907	4.5	4.6
Oklahoma-----	22,603	20,523	8.3	7.7
Oregon-----	13,649	11,917	6.0	5.4
Pennsylvania-----	31,426	30,497	2.7	2.6
Rhode Island-----	^a 2,524	2,409	2.7	2.5
South Carolina-----	8,622	7,903	3.1	2.9
South Dakota-----	2,028	1,808	3.0	2.6
Tennessee-----	24,478	22,122	5.9	5.4
Texas-----	69,522	64,759	5.8	5.5
Utah-----	5,667	5,270	4.8	4.6
Vermont-----	1,506	2,146	3.2	4.6
Virginia-----	16,719	16,131	3.4	3.4
Washington-----	23,208	21,785	6.7	6.4
West Virginia-----	7,332	7,286	4.1	4.1
Wisconsin-----	10,435	11,642	2.3	2.5
Wyoming-----	2,554	2,224	7.1	6.3

¹ Estimated.^a Revised.

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Table 4. ABRIDGED LIFE TABLE FOR THE TOTAL POPULATION: UNITED STATES, 1974
 [For explanation of the columns of the life table, see Section 5 of Vital Statistics of the United States, 1970, Volume II, Part A]

Age interval	Proportion dying	Of 100,000 born alive		Stationary population		Average remaining lifetime
Period of life between two exact ages stated in years	Proportion of persons alive at beginning of age interval dying during interval	Number living at beginning of age interval	Number dying during age interval	In the age interval	In this and all subsequent age intervals	Average number of years of life remaining at beginning of age interval
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
x to $x+n$	nq_x	l_x	nd_x	nL_x	T_x	e_x
0-1-----	0.0166	100,000	1,660	98,527	7,196,025	72.0
1-5-----	.0030	98,340	296	392,651	7,097,498	72.2
5-10-----	.0018	98,044	181	489,731	6,704,847	68.4
10-15-----	.0020	97,863	191	488,884	6,215,116	63.5
15-20-----	.0051	97,672	502	487,208	5,726,232	58.6
20-25-----	.0069	97,170	674	484,196	5,239,024	53.9
25-30-----	.0070	96,496	678	480,809	4,754,828	49.3
30-35-----	.0078	95,818	749	477,304	4,274,019	44.6
35-40-----	.0110	95,069	1,046	472,904	3,796,715	39.9
40-45-----	.0168	94,023	1,580	466,447	3,323,811	35.4
45-50-----	.0266	92,443	2,458	456,518	2,857,364	30.9
50-55-----	.0395	89,985	3,554	441,565	2,400,846	26.7
55-60-----	.0605	86,431	5,231	419,799	1,959,281	22.7
60-65-----	.0893	81,200	7,251	388,745	1,539,482	19.0
65-70-----	.1269	73,949	9,381	347,182	1,150,737	15.6
70-75-----	.1917	64,568	12,377	292,791	803,555	12.4
75-80-----	.2785	52,191	14,536	225,233	510,764	9.8
80-85-----	.3812	37,655	14,354	151,662	285,531	7.6
85 and over-----	1.0000	23,301	23,301	133,869	133,869	5.7

Table 5. DEATH RATES BY MONTH: UNITED STATES, 1962-74
 [For 1974, based on provisional figures; for all other years, based on final data. Rates on an annual basis per 1,000 population]

Month	1974 (est.)	1973	1972	1971	1970	1969	1968	1967	1966	1965	1964	1963	1962
Annual-----	9.1	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.5	9.5	9.7	9.4	9.5	9.4	9.4	9.6	9.5
January-----	9.5	10.8	11.0	10.0	10.6	10.9	11.6	9.8	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.4	10.4
February-----	9.9	10.2	10.3	10.0	10.4	9.8	10.0	9.8	10.1	10.4	9.8	11.2	10.3
March-----	9.5	9.3	9.3	9.6	9.5	9.8	9.6	9.6	9.9	10.1	9.7	11.1	10.0
April-----	9.6	9.3	9.2	9.5	9.3	9.4	9.2	9.3	9.9	9.5	9.3	9.6	9.6
May-----	9.0	9.2	9.1	9.2	9.1	9.3	9.1	9.3	9.4	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.3
June-----	9.0	9.1	8.9	9.2	9.0	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.3	9.1	9.3	9.3	8.9
July-----	8.7	9.0	9.3	8.9	9.1	9.2	9.1	8.9	9.6	8.9	9.2	9.0	8.8
August-----	8.6	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.9	9.0	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.5	8.8
September-----	8.9	9.0	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.7
October-----	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.1	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.2	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.0	9.2
November-----	8.9	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.5	9.6	9.7	9.5	9.3	9.5	9.4	9.2	9.5
December-----	9.1	9.7	10.0	9.9	9.7	10.0	11.3	10.2	9.8	9.9	9.9	10.3	10.1

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Table 6. DEATH RATES BY AGE, COLOR, AND SEX: UNITED STATES, 1950 AND 1960-74

[For 1974, based on a 10-percent sample of deaths; for all other years, based on final data. Rates per 1,000 population in specified group]

Color, sex, and year	All ages ¹	Under 1 year	1-4 years	5-14 years	15-24 years	25-34 years	35-44 years	45-54 years	55-64 years	65-74 years	75-84 years	85 years and over
TOTAL												
1974 (est.)-----	9.1	17.4	0.8	0.4	1.2	1.5	2.8	6.7	15.4	33.4	76.4	164.9
1973-----	9.4	18.1	0.8	0.4	1.3	1.5	3.0	7.0	16.1	34.4	79.3	174.3
1972-----	9.4	18.3	0.8	0.4	1.3	1.5	3.0	7.1	16.3	35.3	79.7	173.5
1971-----	9.3	19.0	0.8	0.4	1.3	1.6	3.1	7.1	16.2	34.9	78.7	174.3
1970-----	9.5	21.4	0.8	0.4	1.3	1.6	3.1	7.3	16.6	35.8	80.0	163.4
1969-----	9.5	21.5	0.8	0.4	1.3	1.6	3.2	7.3	16.8	37.4	79.0	190.8
1968-----	9.7	22.3	0.9	0.4	1.2	1.6	3.2	7.5	17.2	38.5	80.8	196.1
1967-----	9.4	22.3	0.9	0.4	1.2	1.5	3.1	7.3	16.7	37.5	79.0	194.2
1966-----	9.5	23.3	0.9	0.4	1.2	1.5	3.1	7.4	17.0	38.4	81.7	200.5
1965-----	9.4	24.1	0.9	0.4	1.1	1.5	3.1	7.4	16.9	37.9	81.9	202.0
1964-----	9.4	24.6	1.0	0.4	1.1	1.5	3.1	7.4	17.0	37.8	81.8	200.2
1963-----	9.6	25.3	1.0	0.4	1.1	1.5	3.0	7.5	17.3	38.9	85.2	210.1
1962-----	9.5	25.3	1.0	0.4	1.0	1.5	3.0	7.4	16.9	38.0	84.3	204.7
1961-----	9.3	25.4	1.0	0.4	1.0	1.4	2.9	7.3	16.7	37.2	83.6	195.9
1960-----	9.5	27.0	1.1	0.5	1.1	1.5	3.0	7.6	17.4	38.2	87.5	198.6
1950-----	9.6	33.0	1.4	0.6	1.3	1.8	3.6	8.5	219.0	241.0	93.3	202.0
MALE												
1974 (est.)-----	10.4	19.7	0.8	0.5	1.8	2.1	3.6	8.9	21.1	46.1	97.7	189.0
1973-----	10.7	20.3	0.9	0.5	1.9	2.1	3.8	9.2	22.1	47.3	101.1	198.1
1972-----	10.8	20.6	0.9	0.5	1.9	2.1	3.9	9.4	22.5	48.2	101.2	196.0
1971-----	10.7	21.4	0.9	0.5	1.9	2.1	3.9	9.3	22.3	47.6	99.2	197.5
1970-----	10.9	24.1	0.9	0.5	1.9	2.2	4.0	9.6	22.8	48.7	100.1	178.2
1969-----	11.0	24.2	0.9	0.5	1.9	2.2	4.1	9.6	23.1	50.3	97.6	195.5
1968-----	11.1	25.2	0.9	0.5	1.8	2.1	4.1	9.8	23.7	51.9	98.8	203.9
1967-----	10.8	25.2	1.0	0.5	1.7	2.0	3.9	9.6	23.0	50.2	96.2	203.8
1966-----	11.0	26.3	1.0	0.5	1.7	2.0	3.9	9.8	23.3	51.2	98.5	209.3
1965-----	10.9	27.1	1.0	0.5	1.6	2.0	3.9	9.7	23.1	50.5	98.2	212.8
1964-----	10.8	27.7	1.0	0.5	1.5	2.0	3.8	9.7	23.0	49.9	97.1	210.4
1963-----	11.1	28.6	1.1	0.5	1.5	1.9	3.8	9.8	23.2	51.1	100.7	224.6
1962-----	10.9	28.7	1.0	0.5	1.5	1.9	3.7	9.7	22.6	49.4	98.7	219.0
1961-----	10.7	28.6	1.1	0.5	1.5	1.8	3.7	9.6	22.4	48.1	97.8	209.1
1960-----	11.0	30.6	1.2	0.6	1.5	1.9	3.7	9.9	23.1	49.1	101.8	211.9
1950-----	11.1	37.3	1.5	0.7	1.7	2.2	4.3	10.7	24.0	49.3	104.3	216.4
FEMALE												
1974 (est.)-----	7.9	15.0	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.9	2.0	4.7	10.2	23.6	63.2	153.1
1973-----	8.1	15.7	0.7	0.3	0.7	0.9	2.2	4.9	10.8	24.5	65.6	162.3
1972-----	8.1	15.9	0.7	0.3	0.7	1.0	2.2	5.0	10.8	25.3	65.8	162.0
1971-----	8.0	16.6	0.7	0.3	0.7	1.0	2.3	5.0	10.8	25.0	65.3	162.2
1970-----	8.1	18.6	0.8	0.3	0.7	1.0	2.3	5.2	11.0	25.8	66.8	155.2
1969-----	8.1	18.6	0.8	0.3	0.7	1.0	2.4	5.1	11.1	27.1	66.3	188.0
1968-----	8.2	19.2	0.8	0.3	0.7	1.0	2.4	5.3	11.4	27.8	68.3	191.7
1967-----	8.0	19.4	0.8	0.3	0.6	1.0	2.3	5.1	11.1	27.3	66.9	188.6
1966-----	8.1	20.3	0.8	0.3	0.6	1.1	2.3	5.2	11.2	28.1	69.6	195.1
1965-----	8.0	20.9	0.8	0.3	0.6	1.1	2.3	5.2	11.3	27.7	70.0	195.3
1964-----	8.0	21.4	0.9	0.3	0.6	1.1	2.3	5.2	11.4	27.8	70.4	193.8
1963-----	8.2	21.8	0.9	0.4	0.6	1.1	2.3	5.2	11.8	28.6	73.5	201.4
1962-----	8.1	21.9	0.9	0.4	0.6	1.1	2.3	5.2	11.6	28.3	73.3	196.0
1961-----	7.9	22.0	0.9	0.4	0.6	1.0	2.2	5.1	11.5	27.9	72.8	187.8
1960-----	8.1	23.2	1.0	0.4	0.6	1.1	2.3	5.3	12.0	28.7	76.3	190.1
1950-----	8.2	28.5	1.3	0.5	0.9	1.4	2.9	6.4	14.0	33.3	84.0	191.9
WHITE												
1974 (est.)-----	9.2	15.1	0.7	0.4	1.1	1.2	2.4	6.2	14.6	32.4	77.0	170.1
1973-----	9.4	15.7	0.7	0.4	1.2	1.3	2.5	6.3	15.3	33.4	79.8	179.3
1972-----	9.5	15.8	0.7	0.4	1.2	1.3	2.6	6.5	15.5	34.3	80.2	178.6
1971-----	9.4	16.6	0.7	0.4	1.1	1.3	2.6	6.5	15.4	33.9	79.1	179.1
1970-----	9.5	18.7	0.8	0.4	1.2	1.3	2.7	6.7	15.8	34.9	80.4	168.7
1969-----	9.5	19.2	0.8	0.4	1.2	1.3	2.7	6.6	15.8	35.8	79.8	202.2
1968-----	9.6	19.8	0.8	0.4	1.0	1.3	2.7	6.8	16.2	36.9	81.6	205.9
1967-----	9.4	19.6	0.8	0.4	1.1	1.3	2.7	6.7	15.9	36.1	80.0	203.8
1966-----	9.5	20.2	0.8	0.4	1.1	1.3	2.7	6.8	16.1	37.0	82.6	208.9
1965-----	9.4	20.9	0.8	0.4	1.0	1.3	2.6	6.8	16.0	36.7	82.9	209.8
1964-----	9.4	21.5	0.8	0.4	1.0	1.3	2.6	6.8	16.0	36.7	82.7	207.0
1963-----	9.5	22.2	0.9	0.4	1.0	1.3	2.6	6.8	16.2	37.5	85.8	215.5
1962-----	9.4	22.4	0.9	0.4	1.0	1.2	2.6	6.8	15.9	36.8	85.0	209.2
1961-----	9.3	22.5	0.9	0.4	1.0	1.2	2.5	6.7	15.8	36.4	84.7	200.3
1960-----	9.5	23.6	1.0	0.4	1.0	1.2	2.6	6.9	16.3	37.4	88.3	203.5
1950-----	9.5	29.9	1.2	0.6	1.1	1.5	3.1	7.7	18.0	40.2	94.2	206.8
WHITE, MALE												
1974 (est.)-----	10.5	17.4	0.8	0.5	1.7	1.7	3.1	8.2	20.3	45.4	99.0	196.3
1973-----	10.7	17.8	0.8	0.5	1.8	1.8	3.2	8.4	21.2	46.5	102.1	204.4
1972-----	10.8	18.0	0.8	0.5	1.7	1.7	3.3	8.6	21.6	47.5	102.3	202.7
1971-----	10.7	18.8	0.8	0.5	1.7	1.7	3.3	8.6	21.5	47.0	100.3	204.2
1970-----	10.9	21.1	0.8	0.5	1.7	1.8	3.4	8.8	22.0	48.1	101.0	185.5
1969-----	10.9	21.9	0.8	0.5	1.8	1.8	3.5	8.9	22.2	48.9	98.8	208.9
1968-----	11.1	22.7	0.8	0.5	1.7	1.7	3.5	9.1	22.7	50.3	100.0	215.6
1967-----	10.8	22.4	0.8	0.5	1.6	1.7	3.4	9.0	22.2	48.9	97.6	215.1
1966-----	10.9	23.0	0.9	0.5	1.6	1.7	3.4	9.1	22.5	49.8	99.9	218.6
1965-----	10.8	23.7	0.9	0.5	1.5	1.7	3.4	9.0	22.2	49.3	99.7	222.4
1964-----	10.8	24.4	0.9	0.5	1.5	1.7	3.4	9.0	22.1	48.9	98.6	218.2
1963-----	11.0	25.2	0.9	0.5	1.4	1.7	3.3	9.2	22.3	49.8	101.8	230.0
1962-----	10.8	25.5	0.9	0.5	1.4	1.6	3.3	9.1	21.8	48.4	100.0	223.9
1961-----	10.7	25.6	1.0	0.5	1.4	1.6	3.3	9.0	21.6	47.4	99.4	213.9
1960-----	11.0	26.9	1.0	0.5	1.4	1.6	3.3	9.3	22.3	48.5	103.0	217.5
1950-----	10.9	34.0	1.4	0.7	1.5	1.9	3.8	9.8	23.0	48.6	105.3	221.2

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Table 6. DEATH RATES BY AGE, COLOR, AND SEX: UNITED STATES, 1950 AND 1960-74—Con.
 [For 1974, based on a 10-percent sample of deaths; for all other years, based on final data. Rates per 1,000 population in specified group]

Color, sex, and year	All ages ¹	Under 1 year	1-4 years	5-14 years	15-24 years	25-34 years	35-44 years	45-54 years	55-64 years	65-74 years	75-84 years	85 years and over
WHITE, FEMALE												
1974 (est.)-----	8.0	12.7	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.8	1.7	4.2	9.5	22.5	63.5	157.4
1973-----	8.2	13.4	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.8	1.8	4.4	10.0	23.2	65.8	166.9
1972-----	8.2	13.4	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.8	1.9	4.4	10.0	24.2	66.2	166.6
1971-----	8.1	14.2	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.8	1.9	4.5	10.0	23.9	65.6	166.3
1970-----	8.1	16.1	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.8	1.9	4.6	10.1	24.7	67.0	159.8
1969-----	8.2	16.4	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.8	2.0	4.5	10.1	25.5	66.9	198.0
1968-----	8.2	16.8	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.8	2.0	4.7	10.4	26.2	68.9	200.1
1967-----	8.0	16.7	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.8	1.9	4.6	10.1	25.9	67.6	197.0
1966-----	8.1	17.3	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.9	4.6	10.2	26.7	70.2	202.7
1965-----	8.0	17.9	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.9	4.6	10.2	26.4	70.6	202.1
1964-----	8.0	18.5	0.8	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.9	4.6	10.3	26.7	71.1	200.0
1963-----	8.1	19.0	0.8	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.9	4.6	10.5	27.3	73.9	206.6
1962 ³ -----	8.0	19.1	0.8	0.3	0.5	0.9	1.9	4.6	10.4	27.1	73.8	199.7
1961-----	7.8	19.3	0.8	0.3	0.5	0.8	1.9	4.5	10.3	27.0	73.4	192.0
1960-----	8.0	20.1	0.9	0.3	0.5	0.9	1.9	4.6	10.8	27.8	77.0	194.8
1950-----	8.0	25.7	1.1	0.5	0.7	1.1	2.4	5.5	12.9	32.4	84.8	196.8
ALL OTHER												
1974 (est.)-----	8.6	29.3	1.1	0.5	1.7	3.3	5.8	11.3	22.5	42.8	69.8	111.7
1973-----	9.1	30.2	1.2	0.5	1.9	3.3	6.1	12.4	24.0	44.7	74.2	121.4
1972-----	9.2	31.3	1.2	0.5	2.0	3.5	6.4	12.6	24.1	44.9	73.4	118.5
1971-----	9.2	32.5	1.3	0.5	2.1	3.6	6.5	12.4	23.8	44.1	72.7	119.9
1970-----	9.4	36.0	1.3	0.5	2.0	3.5	6.6	12.9	24.3	44.9	75.1	107.5
1969-----	9.6	32.0	1.3	0.6	2.1	3.7	7.1	13.2	26.2	55.6	69.3	99.6
1968-----	9.9	33.6	1.4	0.6	1.9	3.8	7.2	13.5	27.3	57.7	71.2	111.5
1967-----	9.4	35.4	1.4	0.6	1.9	3.5	6.7	12.9	25.5	53.7	67.3	108.5
1966-----	9.7	38.8	1.5	0.6	1.7	3.5	6.8	13.2	26.4	55.2	71.2	120.0
1965-----	9.7	40.2	1.5	0.6	1.6	3.4	6.6	13.0	26.6	52.6	70.2	123.5
1964-----	9.7	40.6	1.6	0.6	1.6	3.3	6.6	13.2	27.1	50.6	69.8	128.0
1963-----	10.1	41.3	1.7	0.6	1.6	3.2	6.5	13.2	27.9	53.0	74.4	145.7
1962 ³ -----	9.8	41.2	1.7	0.6	1.6	3.1	6.3	12.9	27.0	49.7	72.0	144.0
1961-----	9.6	40.8	1.7	0.6	1.5	3.1	6.2	12.7	26.6	47.1	70.1	142.3
1960-----	10.1	46.3	1.9	0.6	1.6	3.2	6.3	13.4	27.7	47.8	76.3	139.1
1950-----	11.2	53.7	2.5	0.9	2.5	4.4	8.1	17.1	31.3	52.1	80.4	144.7
ALL OTHER, MALE												
1974 (est.)-----	10.3	31.8	1.2	0.5	2.6	5.0	7.7	15.0	29.1	53.1	83.6	123.0
1973-----	10.8	33.4	1.4	0.7	2.8	5.0	8.2	15.9	30.7	54.6	89.7	136.1
1972-----	11.0	34.4	1.3	0.6	3.0	5.1	8.7	16.4	30.7	54.9	89.4	133.3
1971-----	10.9	36.1	1.4	0.7	3.1	5.2	8.5	15.7	30.1	53.8	87.5	133.5
1970-----	11.2	40.2	1.4	0.7	3.0	5.0	8.7	16.5	30.5	54.7	89.8	114.1
1969-----	11.3	35.4	1.4	0.7	3.0	5.2	9.4	16.9	32.5	66.5	84.1	101.7
1968-----	11.6	36.9	1.5	0.7	2.8	5.2	9.2	17.0	33.8	69.8	85.1	115.6
1967-----	10.9	38.8	1.5	0.7	2.5	4.8	8.5	16.1	30.9	65.0	79.7	114.3
1966-----	11.3	42.6	1.6	0.7	2.4	4.6	8.5	16.3	31.8	66.9	82.1	127.0
1965-----	11.1	44.5	1.6	0.7	2.2	4.4	8.1	15.9	31.3	63.8	81.3	130.7
1964-----	11.1	45.1	1.7	0.7	2.1	4.3	8.1	15.7	31.5	61.4	79.2	134.3
1963-----	11.5	46.0	1.9	0.7	2.2	4.0	7.6	15.7	31.8	64.4	85.0	161.6
1962 ³ -----	11.2	45.6	1.8	0.7	2.1	3.9	7.4	15.3	30.5	59.5	80.5	161.0
1961-----	10.9	45.2	1.8	0.7	2.1	3.8	7.2	14.7	30.0	56.2	78.2	155.9
1960-----	11.5	51.9	2.1	0.8	2.1	3.9	7.3	15.5	31.5	56.6	86.6	152.4
1950-----	12.5	59.9	2.7	1.0	2.9	5.0	8.6	18.6	34.8	57.9	90.3	160.2
ALL OTHER, FEMALE												
1974 (est.)-----	7.1	26.6	0.9	0.4	0.9	1.8	4.3	8.1	16.8	34.4	59.8	105.1
1973-----	7.6	27.0	1.1	0.4	1.0	1.9	4.4	9.3	18.2	36.6	62.9	111.2
1972-----	7.6	28.2	1.1	0.4	1.0	2.1	4.6	9.3	18.3	36.8	61.8	109.4
1971-----	7.6	29.0	1.1	0.4	1.1	2.2	4.8	9.5	18.3	36.3	62.0	112.7
1970-----	7.8	31.7	1.2	0.4	1.1	2.2	4.9	9.8	18.9	36.8	63.9	102.9
1969-----	8.0	28.6	1.2	0.4	1.1	2.4	5.2	10.0	20.6	46.1	58.5	98.1
1968-----	8.3	30.2	1.2	0.4	1.1	2.5	5.5	10.3	21.5	47.6	60.9	109.9
1967-----	7.9	32.0	1.2	0.4	1.0	2.5	5.1	10.1	20.6	44.1	57.4	104.1
1966-----	8.3	35.0	1.4	0.5	1.0	2.5	5.3	10.4	21.4	45.2	62.2	114.6
1965-----	8.2	36.0	1.4	0.5	1.0	2.5	5.4	10.4	22.2	42.9	60.9	117.9
1964-----	8.3	36.1	1.5	0.5	1.0	2.5	5.3	10.9	23.0	41.4	61.3	123.3
1963-----	8.7	36.5	1.6	0.5	1.0	2.6	5.5	11.0	24.2	43.1	65.4	137.1
1962 ³ -----	8.5	36.6	1.5	0.5	1.1	2.5	5.4	10.7	23.7	41.2	64.4	134.8
1961-----	8.4	36.4	1.6	0.5	1.1	2.5	5.3	10.8	23.4	38.9	62.9	132.0
1960-----	8.7	40.7	1.7	0.5	1.1	2.6	5.5	11.4	24.1	39.8	67.1	128.7
1950-----	9.9	47.5	2.3	0.8	2.2	3.9	7.5	15.5	27.6	46.1	70.6	133.7

¹Figures for age not stated included in "All ages" but not distributed among age groups.
²For 1950, rates for "Total" and "All other" based on enumerated population adjusted for age bias in the "All other" population at ages 55-69 years.
³Figures by color exclude data for residents of New Jersey.

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Table 7. DEATHS AND DEATH RATES, BY AGE, COLOR, AND SEX: UNITED STATES, 1974

[Based on a 10-percent sample of deaths. Rates per 1,000 population in specified group. Due to rounding estimates of deaths, figures may not add to totals]

Age	Total			White			All other		
	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female
NUMBER									
All ages-----	1,933,000	1,074,130	858,780	1,697,060	939,710	757,350	235,850	134,420	101,430
Under 1 year-----	52,400	30,340	22,070	37,850	22,330	15,520	14,560	8,010	6,550
1-4 years-----	10,020	5,710	4,310	7,620	4,340	3,280	2,400	1,370	1,030
5-14 years-----	14,570	9,320	5,250	11,830	7,660	4,170	2,740	1,660	1,080
15-24 years-----	47,090	35,260	11,820	37,560	28,250	9,310	9,520	7,010	2,510
25-34 years-----	43,820	30,130	13,710	31,850	21,700	10,150	11,990	8,430	3,560
35-44 years-----	63,540	39,850	23,720	47,130	30,060	17,070	16,440	9,790	6,650
45-54 years-----	159,810	102,370	57,460	130,910	84,480	46,430	28,920	17,890	11,030
55-59 years-----	128,170	83,910	44,260	109,100	72,250	36,850	19,070	11,660	7,410
60-64 years-----	171,420	110,410	61,010	148,640	97,010	51,630	22,780	13,400	9,380
65-69 years-----	211,360	132,410	78,950	185,460	117,440	68,020	25,900	14,970	10,930
70-74 years-----	240,640	139,040	101,600	212,530	124,020	88,510	28,110	15,020	13,090
75-79 years-----	253,150	132,110	121,040	232,390	121,120	111,270	20,760	10,990	9,770
80-84 years-----	246,230	112,520	133,710	231,060	105,460	125,600	15,170	7,060	8,110
85 years and over---	287,510	109,060	178,480	270,340	102,050	168,290	17,200	7,010	10,190
Not stated-----	3,210	1,770	1,450	2,900	1,610	1,290	320	160	160
RATE									
All ages ¹ -----	9.1	10.4	7.9	9.2	10.5	8.0	8.6	10.3	7.1
Under 1 year-----	17.4	19.7	15.0	15.1	17.4	12.7	29.3	31.8	26.6
1-4 years-----	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.6	1.1	1.2	0.9
5-14 years-----	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.4
15-24 years-----	1.2	1.8	0.6	1.1	1.7	0.6	1.7	2.6	0.9
25-34 years-----	1.5	2.1	0.9	1.2	1.7	0.8	3.3	5.0	1.8
35-44 years-----	2.8	3.6	2.0	2.4	3.1	1.7	5.8	7.7	4.3
45-54 years-----	6.7	8.9	4.7	6.2	8.2	4.2	11.3	15.0	8.1
55-59 years-----	12.4	17.1	8.2	11.7	16.2	7.6	19.8	26.1	14.4
60-64 years-----	18.6	25.7	12.4	17.9	25.0	11.7	25.3	32.2	19.3
65-69 years-----	27.0	38.1	18.1	26.3	37.6	17.3	33.0	43.3	25.0
70-74 years-----	42.2	57.7	30.9	40.7	56.6	29.2	58.8	68.6	50.3
75-79 years-----	64.4	85.2	50.9	64.1	85.4	50.5	67.8	83.3	56.1
80-84 years-----	94.5	117.9	80.9	96.4	121.2	82.3	72.6	84.0	64.9
85 years and over---	164.9	189.0	153.1	170.1	196.3	157.4	111.7	123.0	105.1

¹Figures for age not stated included in "All ages" but not distributed among age groups.

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Table 8. DEATHS FOR SELECTED CAUSES: UNITED STATES, 1969-74

[For 1974, based on a 10-percent sample of deaths; for all other years, based on final data]

Cause of death	Number					
	1974	1973	1972	1971	1970	1969
All causes-----	1,933,000	1,973,003	1,963,944	1,927,542	1,921,031	1,921,990
Bacillary dysentery and amebiasis-----004-006	110	64	90	84	89	94
Enteritis and other diarrheal diseases-----008-009	2,370	2,322	2,286	2,466	2,567	2,612
Tuberculosis, all forms-----010-019	3,770	3,875	3,376	4,501	5,217	5,567
Tuberculosis of respiratory system-----010-012	2,970	3,009	3,474	3,590	4,162	4,492
Tuberculosis, other forms-----013-019	800	866	902	911	1,055	1,075
Whooping cough-----033	30	5	6	18	12	13
Streptococcal sore throat and scarlet fever-----034	10	20	16	23	29	41
Meningococcal infections-----036	210	350	350	509	550	744
Septicemia-----038	5,390	4,560	4,214	3,907	3,535	3,009
Acute poliomyelitis-----040-043	-	150	2	18	7	13
Measles-----055	30	23	24	90	89	41
Infectious hepatitis-----070	590	656	778	906	1,014	1,011
Syphilis and its sequelae-----090-097	250	393	344	375	461	543
Other infective and parasitic diseases-----Remainder of 000-136	3,330	3,411	3,132	3,130	3,079	3,103
Malignant neoplasms, including neoplasms of lymphatic and hematopoietic tissues-----140-209	358,400	351,055	345,618	337,398	330,730	323,092
Malignant neoplasms of buccal cavity and pharynx-----140-149	7,830	7,822	7,482	7,725	7,612	7,553
Malignant neoplasms of digestive organs and peritoneum-----150-159	99,150	96,549	95,808	94,914	94,703	93,986
Malignant neoplasms of respiratory system-----160-163	83,770	79,335	76,998	72,898	69,517	66,038
Malignant neoplasm of breast-----174	31,850	32,143	31,460	30,277	29,917	29,083
Malignant neoplasms of genital organs-----180-187	41,740	42,591	42,366	42,017	41,190	41,008
Malignant neoplasms of urinary organs-----188,189	16,830	15,877	15,738	15,288	15,514	14,897
Malignant neoplasms of all other and unspecified sites-----170-173,190-199	43,400	42,693	43,724	40,685	39,068	37,825
Leukemia-----204-207	14,090	14,478	14,402	14,469	14,492	14,450
Other neoplasms of lymphatic and hematopoietic tissues-----200-203,208,209	19,740	19,567	19,640	19,125	18,717	18,252
Benign neoplasms and neoplasms of unspecified nature-----210-239	4,540	5,013	4,956	4,958	4,828	4,677
Diabetes mellitus-----250	36,850	38,203	38,674	38,256	38,324	38,541
Avitaminoses and other nutritional deficiencies-----260-269	2,790	2,576	2,538	2,537	2,470	2,534
Anemias-----280-285	3,040	3,318	3,426	3,449	3,427	3,318
Meningitis-----320	1,430	1,523	1,482	1,553	1,701	1,719
Major cardiovascular diseases-----390-448	1,017,350	1,037,492	1,035,146	1,017,145	1,007,984	1,013,015
Diseases of heart-----390-398,402,404,410-429	746,480	757,075	755,864	743,368	735,542	739,265
Active rheumatic fever and chronic rheumatic heart disease-----390-398	13,440	13,739	14,118	14,644	14,889	15,432
Hypertensive heart disease-----402	7,040	7,268	7,760	7,860	8,413	8,976
Hypertensive heart and renal disease-----404	4,650	5,515	5,778	6,190	6,578	7,310
Ischemic heart disease-----410-413	671,140	684,066	684,424	674,292	666,665	669,829
Acute myocardial infarction-----410	338,650	351,662	357,844	357,714	357,241	361,583
Other acute and subacute forms of ischemic heart disease-----411	4,320	4,503	4,528	4,027	4,246	4,677
Chronic ischemic heart disease-----412	328,030	327,722	321,884	312,351	304,962	303,362
Angina pectoris-----413	140	179	168	200	216	207
Chronic disease of endocardium and other myocardial insufficiency-----424,428	5,190	5,137	5,612	6,132	6,705	7,475
All other forms of heart disease-----420-423,425-427,429	45,020	41,350	38,172	34,250	32,292	30,243
Hypertension-----400,401,403	7,150	7,428	7,754	7,837	8,273	8,426
Cerebrovascular diseases-----430-438	205,380	214,313	213,344	209,092	207,166	207,179
Cerebral hemorrhage-----431	30,100	33,909	36,748	38,563	41,379	43,303
Cerebral thrombosis-----433	53,710	56,648	57,482	57,229	57,845	58,748
Cerebral embolism-----434	880	967	976	954	884	1,005
All other cerebrovascular diseases-----430,432,435-438	120,690	122,789	118,138	112,346	107,058	104,123
Arteriosclerosis of arteries, arterioles, and capillaries-----440	32,050	32,617	32,486	31,521	31,682	33,063
Other diseases of arteries, arterioles, and capillaries-----441-448	26,290	26,059	25,698	25,327	25,321	25,082
Acute bronchitis and bronchiolitis-----456	680	905	1,146	1,154	1,310	1,286
Influenza and pneumonia-----470-474,480-486	54,310	62,559	62,580	57,194	62,739	68,365
Influenza-----470-474	2,070	5,131	4,886	5,004	5,707	5,971
Pneumonia-----480-486	52,240	57,428	57,594	55,690	59,032	62,394
Bronchitis, emphysema, and asthma-----490-493	26,260	29,708	30,768	30,284	30,889	31,144
Chronic and unqualified bronchitis-----490,491	4,580	5,547	5,862	5,591	5,846	5,843
Emphysema-----492	19,740	22,249	22,580	22,539	22,721	22,939
Asthma-----493	1,940	1,912	2,326	2,154	2,322	2,362
Peptic ulcer-----531-533	6,950	7,688	7,916	8,120	8,607	9,312
Appendicitis-----540-543	890	1,066	1,206	1,295	1,397	1,407
Hernia and intestinal obstruction-----550-553,560	6,300	6,746	6,790	6,989	7,235	7,500
Cirrhosis of liver-----571	33,870	33,350	32,376	31,808	31,399	29,866
Cholelithiasis, cholecystitis, and cholangitis-----574,575	3,270	3,422	3,666	3,735	3,973	4,262
Nephritis and nephrosis-----580-584	7,970	8,336	8,348	8,443	8,877	9,417
Acute nephritis and nephrotic syndrome-----580,581	1,440	1,536	1,466	1,373	1,354	1,392
Chronic and unqualified nephritis and renal sclerosis-----582-584	6,530	6,800	7,082	7,070	7,523	8,025
Infections of kidney-----590	5,580	6,134	6,946	7,558	8,190	8,750
Hyperplasia of prostate-----600	1,400	1,589	1,862	1,918	2,168	2,499
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium-----630-678	660	477	612	668	803	801
Abortions-----640-645	30	36	70	99	128	132
Other complications of pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium-----630-639,650-678	630	441	542	569	675	669
Congenital anomalies-----740-759	13,840	14,062	14,698	15,957	16,824	17,008
Certain causes of mortality in early infancy-----760-769,2,769,4-772,774-778	27,960	30,503	33,798	38,494	43,205	43,171
Birth injury, difficult labor, and other anoxic and hypoxic conditions-----764-768,772,776	16,110	16,933	18,704	20,992	22,801	21,939
Other causes of mortality in early infancy-----Remainder of 760-778	11,850	13,570	15,094	17,502	20,404	21,232
Symptoms and ill-defined conditions-----780-796	29,470	30,399	27,500	26,534	25,781	26,160
All other diseases-----Residual	117,970	114,751	110,710	104,680	101,128	97,982
Accidents-----E800-E949	103,320	115,821	115,448	113,439	114,638	116,385
Motor vehicle accidents-----E810-E823	45,060	55,511	56,278	54,381	56,633	55,791
All other accidents-----E800-E807,E825-E849	58,260	60,310	59,170	59,058	60,005	60,594
Suicide-----E900-E959	26,430	25,118	25,004	24,092	25,480	25,480
Homicide-----E960-E978	20,780	20,465	19,638	18,787	18,848	15,477
Other external causes-----E980-E999	4,420	5,050	5,074	5,070	5,427	5,147

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Table 9. DEATH RATES FOR SELECTED CAUSES: UNITED STATES, 1969-74

[For 1974, based on a 10-percent sample of deaths; for all other years, based on final data. Rates per 100,000 population]

Cause of death	Rate					
	1974	1973	1972	1971	1970	1969
All causes-----	914.4	940.2	943.2	934.7	945.3	951.9
Bacillary dysentery and amebiasis-----004,006	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Enteritis and other diarrheal diseases-----008,009	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3
Tuberculosis, all forms-----010-019	1.8	1.8	2.1	2.2	2.6	2.8
Tuberculosis of respiratory system-----010-012	1.4	1.4	1.7	1.7	2.0	2.2
Tuberculosis, other forms-----013-019	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5
Whooping cough-----033	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Streptococcal sore throat and scarlet fever-----034	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Meningococcal infections-----036	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4
Septicemia-----038	2.5	2.2	2.0	1.9	1.7	1.5
Acute poliomyelitis-----040-043	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Measles-----055	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Infectious hepatitis-----070	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5
Syphilis and its sequelae-----090-097	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3
Other infective and parasitic diseases-----Remainder of 000-136	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
Malignant neoplasms, including neoplasms of lymphatic and hematopoietic tissues-----140-209	169.5	167.3	166.0	163.6	162.8	160.0
Malignant neoplasms of buccal cavity and pharynx-----140-149	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.7
Malignant neoplasms of digestive organs and peritoneum-----150-159	46.9	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.6	46.5
Malignant neoplasms of respiratory system-----160-163	39.6	37.8	37.0	35.4	34.2	32.7
Malignant neoplasm of breast-----174	15.1	15.3	15.1	14.7	14.7	14.4
Malignant neoplasms of genital organs-----180-187	19.7	20.3	20.3	20.4	20.3	20.3
Malignant neoplasms of urinary organs-----188-189	8.0	7.6	7.6	7.4	7.6	7.4
Malignant neoplasms of all other and unspecified sites-----170-173,190-199	20.5	20.3	20.0	19.7	19.2	18.7
Leukemia-----204-207	6.7	6.9	6.9	7.0	7.1	7.2
Other neoplasms of lymphatic and hematopoietic tissues-----200-203,208,209	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.3	9.2	9.0
Benign neoplasms and neoplasms of unspecified nature-----210-239	2.1	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.3
Diabetes mellitus-----250	17.4	18.2	18.6	18.6	18.9	19.1
Avitaminoses and other nutritional deficiencies-----260-269	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3
Anemias-----280-285	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.6
Meningitis-----320	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9
Major cardiovascular diseases-----390-448	481.3	494.4	497.1	493.3	496.0	501.7
Diseases of heart-----390-398,402,404,410-429	353.1	360.8	363.0	360.5	362.0	366.1
Active rheumatic fever and chronic rheumatic heart disease-----390-398	6.4	6.5	6.8	7.1	7.3	7.6
Hypertensive heart disease-----402	3.3	3.5	3.7	3.8	4.1	4.4
Hypertensive heart and renal disease-----404	2.2	2.6	2.8	3.0	3.2	3.6
Ischemic heart disease-----410-413	317.5	326.0	328.7	327.0	328.1	331.7
Acute myocardial infarction-----410	160.2	167.6	171.9	173.5	175.8	179.1
Other acute and subacute forms of ischemic heart disease-----411	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.0	2.1	2.3
Chronic ischemic heart disease-----412	155.2	156.2	154.6	151.5	150.1	150.2
Angina pectoris-----413	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Chronic disease of endocardium and other myocardial						
Insufficiency-----424,428	2.5	2.4	2.7	3.0	3.3	3.7
All other forms of heart disease-----420-423,425-427,429	21.3	19.7	18.3	16.6	15.9	15.0
Hypertension-----400,401,403	3.4	3.5	3.7	3.8	4.1	4.2
Cerebrovascular diseases-----430-438	97.2	102.1	102.5	101.4	101.9	102.6
Cerebral hemorrhage-----431	14.2	16.2	17.6	18.7	20.4	21.4
Cerebral thrombosis-----433	25.4	27.0	27.6	27.8	28.5	29.1
Cerebral embolism-----434	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5
All other cerebrovascular diseases-----430,432,435-438	57.1	58.5	56.7	54.5	52.7	51.6
Arteriosclerosis-----440	15.2	15.5	15.6	15.3	15.6	16.4
Other diseases of arteries, arterioles, and capillaries-----441-448	12.4	12.4	12.3	12.3	12.4	12.4
Acute bronchitis and bronchiolitis-----466	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Influenza and pneumonia-----470-474,480-486	25.7	29.8	30.1	27.7	30.9	33.9
Influenza-----470-474	1.0	2.4	2.4	0.7	1.8	3.0
Pneumonia-----480-486	24.7	27.4	27.7	27.0	29.0	30.9
Bronchitis, emphysema, and asthma-----490-493	12.4	14.2	14.8	14.7	15.2	15.4
Chronic and unqualified bronchitis-----490,491	2.2	2.6	2.8	2.7	2.9	2.9
Emphysema-----492	9.3	10.6	10.8	10.9	11.2	11.4
Asthma-----493	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.2
Peptic ulcer-----531-533	3.3	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.2	4.6
Appendicitis-----540-543	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7
Hernia and intestinal obstruction-----550-553,560	3.0	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.6	3.7
Cirrhosis of liver-----571	16.0	15.9	15.6	15.4	15.5	14.8
Cholelithiasis, cholecystitis and cholangitis-----574,575	1.5	1.6	1.8	1.8	2.0	2.1
Nephritis and nephrosis-----580-584	3.8	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.4	4.7
Acute nephritis and nephrotic syndrome-----580,581	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Chronic and unqualified nephritis and renal sclerosis-----582-584	3.1	3.2	3.4	3.4	3.7	4.0
Infections of kidney-----590	2.6	2.9	3.3	3.7	4.0	4.3
Hyperplasia of prostate-----600	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.2
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium-----630-678	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4
Abortions-----640-645	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
Other complications of pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium-----630-639,650-678	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Congenital anomalies-----740-759	6.5	6.7	7.1	7.7	8.3	8.4
Certain causes of mortality in early infancy-----760-769,772,776,777,778	13.2	14.5	16.2	18.7	21.3	21.4
Birth injury, difficult labor, and other anoxic and hypoxic conditions-----764-768,772,776	7.6	8.1	9.0	10.2	11.2	10.9
Other causes of mortality in early infancy-----Remainder of 760-778	5.6	6.5	7.2	8.5	10.0	10.5
Symptoms and ill-defined conditions-----780-796	13.9	14.5	13.2	12.9	13.0	13.0
All other diseases-----Residual	55.8	54.7	53.2	50.8	49.8	48.5
Accidents-----E800-E949	48.9	55.2	55.4	55.0	56.4	57.6
Motor vehicle accidents-----E810-E823	21.3	26.5	27.0	26.4	27.6	27.6
All other accidents-----E800-E807,E825-E949	27.6	28.7	28.4	28.6	29.5	30.0
Suicide-----E950-E959	12.5	12.0	12.0	11.7	11.6	11.1
Homicide-----E960-E978	9.8	9.8	9.4	9.1	8.3	7.7
Other external causes-----E980-E999	2.1	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.5

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