

Leading Causes of Death by Age Group, Asian or Pacific Islander Females- 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 29.0%	Unintentional injuries 24.4%	Unintentional injuries 40.8%	Unintentional injuries 42.6%	Unintentional injuries 37.7%	Cancer 24.1%	Cancer 43.8%	Cancer 52.5%	Cancer 46.0%	Heart disease 30.3%	Cancer 34.9%	Heart disease 29.4%	Heart disease 36.5%	Cancer 26.9%
2	(2)Cancer 10.1%	Cancer 19.5%	Cancer 12.2%	Cancer 14.9%	Homicide 9.8%	Unintentional injuries 22.0%	Unintentional injuries 9.3%	Heart disease 11.0%	Heart disease 16.6%	Cancer 21.7%	Heart disease 23.4%	Cancer 22.3%	Stroke 13.7%	Heart disease 25.0%
3	(2)Homicide 10.1%	(3)Heart disease 7.3%	(3)Suicide 4.1%	Suicide 8.9%	(3)Cancer 8.2%	Suicide 12.5%	Heart disease 8.3%	Stroke 8.4%	Stroke 8.6%	Stroke 12.4%	Stroke 11.0%	Stroke 12.2%	Cancer 10.8%	Stroke 10.8%
4	Birth defects 8.7%	(3)Homicide 7.3%	(3)Homicide 4.1%	Homicide 7.9%	(3)Suicide 8.2%	Homicide 10.1%	Stroke 7.0%	Unintentional injuries 6.2%	Diabetes 4.0%	Diabetes 4.6%	Diabetes 5.2%	Diabetes 5.5%	Influenza & pneumonia 5.8%	Diabetes 4.0%
5	(5)Heart disease 2.9%	(5)Septicemia 4.9%	(5)Septicemia 2.0%	Birth defects 3.0%	Heart disease 5.7%	Heart disease 6.1%	Suicide 6.0%	Suicide 2.5%	Unintentional injuries 3.1%	Influenza & pneumonia 3.9%	Unintentional injuries 2.5%	Influenza & pneumonia 3.7%	Diabetes 3.2%	Unintentional injuries 3.9%
6	(5)Chronic lower respiratory diseases 2.9%	(5)Anemias 4.9%	(5)Heart disease 2.0%	Heart disease 2.0%	Pregnancy complications 2.5%	Pregnancy complications 3.7%	Homicide 3.8%	Diabetes 2.4%	Kidney disease 2.1%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 2.6%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 2.4%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 2.8%	Alzheimer's disease 2.9%	Influenza & pneumonia 3.0%
7	(7)Shigellosis & amebiasis 1.4%	(7)Meningococcal infection 2.4%	(5)Chronic lower respiratory diseases 2.0%	(7)Septicemia 1.0%	(7)Kidney disease 1.6%	Stroke 2.1%	HIV disease 1.5%	Chronic liver disease 1.5%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 1.3%	Unintentional injuries 2.2%	Influenza & pneumonia 1.6%	Kidney disease 2.5%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 2.6%	Chronic lower respiratory diseases 2.2%
8	(7)Septicemia 1.4%	(7)Benign neoplasms 2.4%	(5)Kidney infections 2.0%	(7)Benign neoplasms 1.0%	(7)Medical & surgical care complications 1.6%	(8)HIV disease 1.2%	Chronic liver disease 1.2%	(8)Septicemia 1.3%	Viral hepatitis 1.2%	Kidney disease 2.0%	Kidney disease 1.5%	Unintentional injuries 2.2%	Hypertension 2.3%	Kidney disease 1.8%
9	(7)Stroke 1.4%	(7)Influenza & pneumonia 2.4%	(5)Birth defects 2.0%	(7)Meningitis 1.0%	(9)Tuberculosis 0.8%	(8)Benign neoplasms 1.2%	(9)Kidney disease 1.0%	(8)Chronic lower respiratory diseases 1.3%	Septicemia 1.2%	Alzheimer's disease 1.7%	Viral hepatitis 1.4%	Alzheimer's disease 1.6%	Kidney disease 1.9%	Alzheimer's disease 1.3%
10	(7)Chronic lower respiratory diseases 2.4%	(7)Perinatal conditions 2.4%	(7)Birth defects 2.4%	(7)Influenza & pneumonia 1.0%	(9)Septicemia 0.8%	(10)Influenza & pneumonia 0.9%	(9)Birth defects 1.0%	(10)Kidney disease 1.1%	(10)Chronic liver disease 1.0%	Hypertension 1.6%	Septicemia 1.3%	Hypertension 1.4%	Unintentional injuries 1.8%	Hypertension 1.2%
				(7)Chronic lower respiratory diseases 1.0%	(9)Birth defects 0.8%	(10)Birth defects 0.9%		(10)Homicide 1.1%	(10)Suicide 1.0%					
				(7)Kidney infections 1.0%										
				(7)Medical & surgical care complications 1.0%										

*Percentages represent total deaths in the age group due to the cause indicated. Numbers in parentheses indicate tied rankings. The Asian or Pacific Islander 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
Pregnancy complications
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
Pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium
Cerebrovascular diseases
Intentional self-harm
Accidents (unintentional injuries)