

Table 10. Percent of state prisoner deaths, by cause of death and selected characteristics, 2001-2007

| | Percent of state prisoner deaths, by cause of death, 2001-2007 | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------|---------|----------|---------------------------|----------|------------------|
| | Illness | AIDS | Suicide | Homicide | Drug/alcohol intoxication | Accident | Other/Don't know |
| Total | 100 % | 100 % | 100 % | 100 % | 100 % | 100 % | 100 % |
| Gender | | | | | | | |
| Male | 96.0 % | 95.2 % | 95.2 % | 98.9 % | 96.5 % | 96.6 % | 94.1 % |
| Female | 4.0 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 1.1 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 5.9 |
| Race/Hispanic origin | | | | | | | |
| White | 51.2 % | 19.9 % | 57.9 % | 46.3 % | 57.6 % | 54.8 % | 43.7 % |
| Black | 37.2 | 67.9 | 22.0 | 32.8 | 20.2 | 30.3 | 45.4 |
| Hispanic | 10.3 | 11.5 | 16.6 | 18.4 | 17.7 | 11.5 | 8.0 |
| Other* | 1.3 | 0.8 | 3.6 | 2.5 | 4.5 | 3.4 | 2.9 |
| Age | | | | | | | |
| Under 18 | 0.0 % | 0.0 % | 0.4 % | 0.3 % | 0.0 % | 0.5 % | 0.0 % |
| 18-24 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 15.6 | 12.6 | 5.5 | 9.1 | 4.6 |
| 25-34 | 4.7 | 14.2 | 33.5 | 27.8 | 28.0 | 23.1 | 13.1 |
| 35-44 | 16.4 | 45.7 | 29.8 | 31.7 | 37.0 | 26.0 | 24.5 |
| 45-54 | 33.0 | 31.7 | 15.6 | 18.3 | 22.4 | 24.0 | 26.2 |
| 55 or older | 44.9 | 7.5 | 5.1 | 9.3 | 7.1 | 17.3 | 31.6 |

Note: Executions are not included; for data on executions, see *Capital Punishment, 2007 -Statistical Tables*.

*Includes American Indians, Alaska Natives, Asians, Native Hawaiians, other Pacific Islanders, and persons of two or more races.