

Leading Causes of Death <sup>1,2</sup> Among San Diego County Residents by Age, 2022																																	
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1	Malignant Neoplasms	5,179	20.8%	\$	\$	\$	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	22	27.8%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	229	56.3%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	315	43.6%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	235	26.5%	Malignant Neoplasms	465	25.2%	Malignant Neoplasms	1,091	29.2%	Malignant Neoplasms	1,527	28.6%	Diseases Of The Heart	2,765	23.6%			
2	Diseases Of The Heart	4,928	19.8%	\$	\$	\$	Assault (Homicide)	14	17.7%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	51	12.5%	Malignant Neoplasms	64	8.9%	Malignant Neoplasms	143	16.1%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	280	15.2%	Diseases Of The Heart	721	19.3%	Diseases Of The Heart	1,052	19.7%	Malignant Neoplasms	1,852	15.8%			
3	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	1,796	7.2%	\$	\$	\$	Malignant Neoplasms	11	13.9%	Malignant Neoplasms	25	6.1%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	56	7.7%	Diseases Of The Heart	98	11.0%	Diseases Of The Heart	245	13.3%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	249	6.7%	COVID-19	310	5.8%	Alzheimer's Disease	1,063	9.1%			
4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,561	6.3%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Assault (Homicide)	19	4.7%	Diseases Of The Heart	37	5.1%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	57	6.4%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	124	6.7%	COVID-19	219	5.9%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	293	5.5%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,022	8.7%				
5	COVID-19	1,325	5.3%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	36	5.0%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	56	6.3%	Diabetes Mellitus	96	5.2%	Diabetes Mellitus	191	5.1%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	251	4.7%	COVID-19	631	5.4%				
6	Alzheimer's Disease	1,320	5.3%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Assault (Homicide)	25	3.5%	COVID-19	46	5.2%	COVID-19	86	4.7%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	146	3.9%	Diabetes Mellitus	229	4.3%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	502	4.3%				
7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	913	3.7%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	COVID-19	22	3.0%	Diabetes Mellitus	39	4.4%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	69	3.7%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	137	3.7%	Alzheimer's Disease	199	3.7%	Diabetes Mellitus	334	2.8%				
8	Diabetes Mellitus	907	3.6%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Diabetes Mellitus	17	2.4%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	24	2.7%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	64	3.5%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	124	3.3%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	135	2.5%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	324	2.8%				
9	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	576	2.3%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Assault (Homicide)	14	1.6%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	36	2.0%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	85	2.3%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	132	2.5%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	313	2.7%				
10	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	458	1.8%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	15	0.8%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	62	1.7%	Parkinson's Disease	122	2.3%	Parkinson's Disease	258	2.2%				
11	Parkinson's Disease	413	1.7%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Influenza And Pneumonia	13	0.7%	Alzheimer's Disease	48	1.3%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	85	1.6%	Influenza And Pneumonia	141	1.2%				
12	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	359	1.4%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Assault (Homicide)	12	0.7%	Influenza And Pneumonia	27	0.7%	Influenza And Pneumonia	47	0.9%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	128	1.1%				
13	Influenza And Pneumonia	237	1.0%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Parkinson's Disease	25	0.7%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	43	0.8%	Nutritional Deficiencies	95	0.8%	
14	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	197	0.8%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	21	0.6%	Septicemia	31	0.6%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	62	0.5%	
15	Nutritional Deficiencies	131	0.5%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Viral Hepatitis	21	0.6%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	29	0.5%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	50	0.4%
16	All other causes (not rankable)	4,630	18.6%	All other causes (not rankable)	11	35.5%	All other causes (not rankable)	13	16.5%	All other causes (not rankable)	49	12.0%	All other causes (not rankable)	113	15.6%	All other causes (not rankable)	139	15.7%	All other causes (not rankable)	310	16.8%	All other causes (not rankable)	573	15.3%	All other causes (not rankable)	858	16.1%	All other causes (not rankable)	2,198	18.7%			
Total Deaths <sup>3,4</sup>		24,930	100.0%		31	100.0%		79	100.0%		407	100.0%		723	100.0%		888	100.0%		1,843	100.0%		3,740	100.0%		5,343	100.0%		11,738	100.0%			

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1	Malignant Neoplasms	5,050	19.3%	\$	\$	\$	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	51	48.1%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	262	56.1%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	314	42.1%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	232	22.6%	Malignant Neoplasms	506	23.1%	Malignant Neoplasms	1,121	26.7%	Malignant Neoplasms	1,419	26.3%	Diseases Of The Heart	2,733	23.0%																		
2	Diseases Of The Heart	4,961	19.0%	\$	\$	\$	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	21	19.8%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	55	11.8%	Malignant Neoplasms	61	8.2%	Malignant Neoplasms	164	16.0%	Diseases Of The Heart	344	15.7%	Diseases Of The Heart	764	18.2%	Diseases Of The Heart	969	17.9%	Malignant Neoplasms	1,738	14.6%																		
3	COVID-19	2,825	10.8%	\$	\$	\$	Malignant Neoplasms	12	11.3%	Assault (Homicide)	28	6.0%	COVID-19	57	7.6%	COVID-19	124	12.1%	COVID-19	313	14.3%	COVID-19	644	15.4%	COVID-19	649	12.0%	Alzheimer's Disease	1,172	9.8%																		
4	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	1,795	6.9%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Malignant Neoplasms	23	4.9%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	57	7.6%	Diseases of the Heart	108	10.5%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	270	12.3%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	239	5.7%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	308	5.7%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,142	9.6%																			
5	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,710	6.5%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	COVID-19	15	3.2%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	37	5.0%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	67	6.5%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	119	5.4%	Diabetes Mellitus	210	5.0%	Diabetes Mellitus	255	4.7%	COVID-19	1,022	8.6%																			
6	Alzheimer's Disease	1,391	5.3%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Diseases of the Heart	31	4.2%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	54	5.3%	Diabetes Mellitus	91	4.1%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	163	3.9%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	248	4.6%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	470	3.9%																			
7	Diabetes Mellitus	895	3.4%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Assault (Homicide)	28	3.8%	Diabetes Mellitus	23	2.2%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	64	2.9%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	143	3.4%	Alzheimer's Disease	187	3.5%	Diabetes Mellitus	301	2.5%																			
8	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	887	3.4%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Diabetes Mellitus	11	1.5%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	21	2.0%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	47	2.1%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	133	3.2%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	154	2.9%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	285	2.4%																			
9	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	501	1.9%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Assault (Homicide)	18	1.8%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	38	1.7%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	62	1.5%	Parkinson's Disease	110	2.0%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	264	2.2%																				
10	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	472	1.8%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	12	1.2%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	26	1.2%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	46	1.1%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	101	1.9%	Parkinson's Disease	263	2.2%																				
11	Parkinson's Disease	399	1.5%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Assault (Homicide)	16	0.7%	Alzheimer's Disease	29	0.7%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	68	1.3%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	104	0.9%																				
12	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	344	1.3%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Viral Hepatitis	15	0.7%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids and Liquids	25	0.6%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	41	0.8%	Nutritional Deficiencies	101	0.8%																				
13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	179	0.7%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Aortic Aneurysm and Dissection	13	0.6%	Influenza and Pneumonia	24	0.6%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	38	0.7%	Influenza and Pneumonia	81	0.7%																				
14	Influenza and Pneumonia	164	0.6%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Influenza and Pneumonia	11	0.5%	Septicemia	24	0.6%	Influenza and Pneumonia	38	0.7%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	79	0.7%																				
15	Nutritional Deficiencies	132	0.5%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Disease	11	0.5%	Parkinson's Disease	21	0.5%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	28	0.5%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	56	0.5%																				
16	All other causes (not rankable)	4,463	17.1%	All other causes (not rankable)	\$	\$	All other causes (not rankable)	12	11.3%	All other causes (not rankable)	47	10.1%	All other causes (not rankable)	116	15.5%	All other causes (not rankable)	170	16.6%	All other causes (not rankable)	311	14.2%	All other causes (not rankable)	546	13.0%	All other causes (not rankable)	787	14.6%	All other causes (not rankable)	2,089	17.6%																		
<b>Total Deaths<sup>3,4</sup></b>		<b>26,168</b>	<b>100.0%</b>				<b>31</b>	<b>100.0%</b>				<b>106</b>	<b>100.0%</b>				<b>467</b>	<b>100.0%</b>				<b>746</b>	<b>100.0%</b>				<b>1,027</b>	<b>100.0%</b>				<b>2,195</b>	<b>100.0%</b>				<b>4,194</b>	<b>100.0%</b>				<b>5,400</b>	<b>100.0%</b>				<b>11,900</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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1	Malignant Neoplasms	4,939	20.1%	\$	\$	\$	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	53	48.2%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	216	51.2%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	245	40.4%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	184	22.9%	Malignant Neoplasms	479	24.5%	Malignant Neoplasms	1,093	29.4%	Malignant Neoplasms	1,404	27.5%	Diseases Of The Heart	2,664	22.8%
2	Diseases Of The Heart	4,853	19.8%	\$	\$	\$	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	21	19.1%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	74	17.5%	Malignant Neoplasms	71	11.7%	Malignant Neoplasms	159	19.8%	Diseases Of The Heart	358	18.3%	Diseases Of The Heart	710	19.1%	Diseases Of The Heart	989	19.4%	Malignant Neoplasms	1,702	14.6%
3	COVID-19	1,728	7.0%	\$	\$	\$	Assault (Homicide)	16	14.5%	Assault (Homicide)	30	7.1%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	69	11.4%	Diseases Of The Heart	92	11.5%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	228	11.7%	COVID-19	324	8.7%	COVID-19	412	8.1%	Alzheimer's Disease	1,300	11.1%
4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,722	7.0%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Malignant Neoplasms	20	4.7%	Diseases Of The Heart	27	4.4%	COVID-19	54	6.7%	COVID-19	151	7.7%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	195	5.3%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	315	6.2%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,163	10.0%	
5	Alzheimer's Disease	1,521	6.2%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	27	4.4%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	51	6.4%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	94	4.8%	Diabetes Mellitus	190	5.1%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	255	5.0%	COVID-19	769	6.6%	
6	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	1,513	6.2%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Assault (Homicide)	23	3.8%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	50	6.2%	Diabetes Mellitus	93	4.8%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	138	3.7%	Diabetes Mellitus	219	4.3%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	505	4.3%		
7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	930	3.8%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Diabetes Mellitus	12	2.0%	Diabetes Mellitus	23	2.9%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	70	3.6%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	128	3.4%	Alzheimer's Disease	176	3.4%	Diabetes Mellitus	313	2.7%		
8	Diabetes Mellitus	852	3.5%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Cerebrovascular Diseases	11	1.8%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	21	2.6%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	61	3.1%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	126	3.4%	Parkinson's Disease	116	2.3%	Parkinson's Disease	285	2.4%		
9	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	453	1.8%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Assault (Homicide)	16	2.0%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	29	1.5%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	61	1.6%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	111	2.2%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	271	2.3%			
10	Parkinson's Disease	429	1.7%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	21	1.1%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	57	1.5%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	96	1.9%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	270	2.3%		
11	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	411	1.7%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Influenza And Pneumonia	19	1.0%	Influenza And Pneumonia	41	1.1%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	72	1.4%	Influenza And Pneumonia	165	1.4%		
12	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	391	1.6%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Septicemia	14	0.7%	Alzheimer's Disease	39	1.1%	Influenza And Pneumonia	57	1.1%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	107	0.9%		
13	Influenza And Pneumonia	297	1.2%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Viral Hepatitis	14	0.7%	Parkinson's Disease	24	0.6%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	36	0.7%	Nutritional Deficiencies	105	0.9%		
14	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	163	0.7%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Disease	14	0.7%	Septicemia	23	0.6%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	33	0.6%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	74	0.6%		
15	Nutritional Deficiencies	138	0.6%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	Assault (Homicide)	13	0.7%	Viral Hepatitis	22	0.6%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	33	0.6%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	71	0.6%		
16	All other causes (not rankable)	4,209	17.1%	All other causes (not rankable)	\$	\$	All other causes (not rankable)	\$	\$	All other causes (not rankable)	35	8.3%	All other causes (not rankable)	83	13.7%	All other causes (not rankable)	119	14.8%	All other causes (not rankable)	283	14.5%	All other causes (not rankable)	542	14.6%	All other causes (not rankable)	785	15.4%	All other causes (not rankable)	1,922	16.4%
<b>Total Deaths<sup>1,4</sup></b>		<b>24,549</b>	<b>100.0%</b>		<b>27</b>	<b>100.0%</b>		<b>110</b>	<b>100.0%</b>		<b>422</b>	<b>100.0%</b>		<b>607</b>	<b>100.0%</b>		<b>802</b>	<b>100.0%</b>		<b>1,954</b>	<b>100.0%</b>		<b>3,713</b>	<b>100.0%</b>		<b>5,109</b>	<b>100.0%</b>		<b>11,686</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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