

Leading Causes of Death ^{1,2} Among San Diego County Residents by HHSA Region, 2020																					
RANK	San Diego County			Central			East			North Central			North Coastal			North Inland			South		
	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%
1	Malignant Neoplasms	4,939	20.1%	Diseases Of The Heart	673	19.6%	Diseases Of The Heart	904	20.1%	Malignant Neoplasms	829	21.2%	Malignant Neoplasms	814	20.5%	Malignant Neoplasms	1,038	21.6%	Diseases Of The Heart	765	19.8%
2	Diseases Of The Heart	4,853	19.8%	Malignant Neoplasms	639	18.7%	Malignant Neoplasms	874	19.5%	Diseases Of The Heart	774	19.8%	Diseases Of The Heart	814	20.5%	Diseases Of The Heart	909	18.9%	Malignant Neoplasms	736	19.1%
3	COVID-19	1,728	7.0%	COVID-19	305	8.9%	COVID-19	348	7.7%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	294	7.5%	Alzheimer's Disease	315	7.9%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	380	7.9%	COVID-19	478	12.4%
4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,722	7.0%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	276	8.1%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	283	6.3%	Alzheimer's Disease	269	6.9%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	309	7.8%	Alzheimer's Disease	374	7.8%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	247	6.4%
5	Alzheimer's Disease	1,521	6.2%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	200	5.8%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	255	5.7%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	225	5.8%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	253	6.4%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	303	6.3%	Alzheimer's Disease	211	5.5%
6	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	1,513	6.2%	Diabetes Mellitus	159	4.6%	Alzheimer's Disease	214	4.8%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	145	3.7%	COVID-19	198	5.0%	COVID-19	249	5.2%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	182	4.7%
7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	930	3.8%	Alzheimer's Disease	137	4.0%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	210	4.7%	COVID-19	144	3.7%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	143	3.6%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	196	4.1%	Diabetes Mellitus	173	4.5%
8	Diabetes Mellitus	852	3.5%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	117	3.4%	Diabetes Mellitus	175	3.9%	Diabetes Mellitus	120	3.1%	Diabetes Mellitus	91	2.3%	Diabetes Mellitus	131	2.7%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	118	3.1%
9	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	453	1.8%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	71	2.1%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	94	2.1%	Parkinson's Disease	89	2.3%	Parkinson's Disease	76	1.9%	Parkinson's Disease	113	2.4%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	76	2.0%
10	Parkinson's Disease	429	1.7%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	66	1.9%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	87	1.9%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	79	2.0%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	76	1.9%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	80	1.7%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	67	1.7%
11	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	411	1.7%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	60	1.8%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	75	1.7%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	64	1.6%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	68	1.7%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	76	1.6%	Parkinson's Disease	57	1.5%
12	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	391	1.6%	Influenza And Pneumonia	38	1.1%	Parkinson's Disease	62	1.4%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	52	1.3%	Influenza And Pneumonia	54	1.4%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	65	1.4%	Influenza And Pneumonia	50	1.3%
13	Influenza And Pneumonia	297	1.2%	Parkinson's Disease	30	0.9%	Influenza And Pneumonia	49	1.1%	Influenza And Pneumonia	46	1.2%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	53	1.3%	Influenza And Pneumonia	59	1.2%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	41	1.1%
14	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	163	0.7%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	30	0.9%	Nutritional Deficiencies	27	0.6%	Nutritional Deficiencies	35	0.9%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	33	0.8%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	42	0.9%	Assault (Homicide)	26	0.7%
15	Nutritional Deficiencies	138	0.6%	Assault (Homicide)	29	0.8%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	25	0.6%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	24	0.6%	Nutritional Deficiencies	26	0.7%	Atherosclerosis	37	0.8%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids and Liquids	19	0.5%
16	All other causes (not rankable)	4,209	17.1%	All other causes (not rankable)	595	17.4%	All other causes (not rankable)	810	18.0%	All other causes (not rankable)	722	18.5%	All other causes (not rankable)	647	16.3%	All other causes (not rankable)	749	15.6%	All other causes (not rankable)	612	15.9%
Total Deaths³		24,549	100.0%		3,425	100.0%		4,492	100.0%		3,911	100.0%		3,970	100.0%		4,801	100.0%		3,858	100.0%

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1	Malignant Neoplasms	5,018	22.9%	Diseases Of The Heart	652	22.5%	Malignant Neoplasms	890	21.7%	Malignant Neoplasms	879	22.8%	Malignant Neoplasms	844	23.8%	Malignant Neoplasms	992	23.0%	Malignant Neoplasms	777	24.5%
2	Diseases Of The Heart	4,689	21.4%	Malignant Neoplasms	625	21.6%	Diseases Of The Heart	888	21.7%	Diseases Of The Heart	865	22.5%	Diseases Of The Heart	775	21.9%	Diseases Of The Heart	846	19.6%	Diseases Of The Heart	649	20.5%
3	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,620	7.4%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	205	7.1%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	286	7.0%	Alzheimer's Disease	280	7.3%	Alzheimer's Disease	292	8.2%	Alzheimer's Disease	394	9.1%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	229	7.2%
4	Alzheimer's Disease	1,546	7.0%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	177	6.1%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	268	6.5%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	272	7.1%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	267	7.5%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	353	8.2%	Alzheimer's Disease	190	6.0%
5	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	1,273	5.8%	Alzheimer's Disease	156	5.4%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	235	5.7%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	196	5.1%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	219	6.2%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	260	6.0%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	171	5.4%
6	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	1,007	4.6%	Diabetes Mellitus	146	5.0%	Alzheimer's Disease	232	5.7%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	149	3.9%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	165	4.7%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	189	4.4%	Diabetes Mellitus	143	4.5%
7	Diabetes Mellitus	760	3.5%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	111	3.8%	Diabetes Mellitus	159	3.9%	Diabetes Mellitus	104	2.7%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	84	2.4%	Diabetes Mellitus	124	2.9%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	121	3.8%
8	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	437	2.0%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	62	2.1%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	103	2.5%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	84	2.2%	Diabetes Mellitus	83	2.3%	Parkinson's Disease	95	2.2%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	72	2.3%
9	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	417	1.9%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	57	2.0%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	71	1.7%	Parkinson's Disease	82	2.1%	Parkinson's Disease	68	1.9%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	94	2.2%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	59	1.9%
10	Parkinson's Disease	381	1.7%	Influenza And Pneumonia	51	1.8%	Parkinson's Disease	58	1.4%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	64	1.7%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	62	1.7%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	89	2.1%	Parkinson's Disease	52	1.6%
11	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	357	1.6%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	41	1.4%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	54	1.3%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	56	1.5%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	46	1.3%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	67	1.6%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	41	1.3%
12	Influenza And Pneumonia	286	1.3%	Assault (Homicide)	30	1.0%	Influenza And Pneumonia	50	1.2%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	46	1.2%	Influenza And Pneumonia	45	1.3%	Influenza And Pneumonia	60	1.4%	Influenza And Pneumonia	39	1.2%
13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	185	0.8%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	27	0.9%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	26	0.6%	Influenza And Pneumonia	41	1.1%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	31	0.9%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	32	0.7%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	28	0.9%
14	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	136	0.6%	Parkinson's Disease	26	0.9%	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities	26	0.6%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	27	0.7%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	21	0.6%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	30	0.7%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	24	0.8%
15	Nutritional Deficiencies	112	0.5%	Septicemia	17	0.6%	Nutritional Deficiencies	24	0.6%	Nutritional Deficiencies	25	0.6%	Septicemia	19	0.5%	Nutritional Deficiencies	20	0.5%	Nutritional Deficiencies	18	0.6%
				Septicemia																	
16	All other causes (not rankable)	3,716	16.9%	All other causes (not rankable)	509	17.6%	All other causes (not rankable)	723	17.7%	All other causes (not rankable)	681	17.7%	All other causes (not rankable)	525	14.8%	All other causes (not rankable)	665	15.4%	All other causes (not rankable)	539	17.0%
Total Deaths³		21,940	100.0%		2,892	100.0%		4,093	100.0%		3,851	100.0%		3,546	100.0%		4,310	100.0%		3,170	100.0%

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1	Malignant Neoplasms	4,988	23.1%	Diseases Of The Heart	681	23.3%	Diseases Of The Heart	893	22.4%	Malignant Neoplasms	878	24.3%	Malignant Neoplasms	861	23.8%	Malignant Neoplasms	918	21.9%	Malignant Neoplasms	788	25.0%
2	Diseases Of The Heart	4,655	21.6%	Malignant Neoplasms	665	22.7%	Malignant Neoplasms	861	21.6%	Diseases Of The Heart	753	20.9%	Diseases Of The Heart	761	21.0%	Diseases Of The Heart	883	21.1%	Diseases Of The Heart	662	21.0%
3	Alzheimer's Disease	1,461	6.8%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	214	7.3%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	240	6.0%	Alzheimer's Disease	240	6.6%	Alzheimer's Disease	307	8.5%	Alzheimer's Disease	353	8.4%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	211	6.7%
4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,446	6.7%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	195	6.7%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	230	5.8%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	236	6.5%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	239	6.6%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	317	7.6%	Alzheimer's Disease	195	6.2%
5	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	1,250	5.8%	Alzheimer's Disease	140	4.8%	Alzheimer's Disease	222	5.6%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	187	5.2%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	216	6.0%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	219	5.2%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	168	5.3%
6	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	1,007	4.7%	Diabetes Mellitus	118	4.0%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	217	5.4%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	160	4.4%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	182	5.0%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	211	5.0%	Diabetes Mellitus	143	4.5%
7	Diabetes Mellitus	775	3.6%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	100	3.4%	Diabetes Mellitus	177	4.4%	Diabetes Mellitus	90	2.5%	Diabetes Mellitus	95	2.6%	Diabetes Mellitus	149	3.6%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	132	4.2%
8	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	453	2.1%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	65	2.2%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	86	2.2%	Influenza And Pneumonia	89	2.5%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	82	2.3%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	94	2.2%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	76	2.4%
9	Influenza And Pneumonia	451	2.1%	Influenza And Pneumonia	65	2.2%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	73	1.8%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	80	2.2%	Influenza And Pneumonia	67	1.9%	Influenza And Pneumonia	87	2.1%	Influenza And Pneumonia	70	2.2%
10	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	435	2.0%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	59	2.0%	Influenza And Pneumonia	72	1.8%	Parkinson's Disease	80	2.2%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	65	1.8%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	81	1.9%	Parkinson's Disease	47	1.5%
11	Parkinson's Disease	367	1.7%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	44	1.5%	Parkinson's Disease	72	1.8%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	77	2.1%	Parkinson's Disease	60	1.7%	Parkinson's Disease	81	1.9%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	42	1.3%
12	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	321	1.5%	Parkinson's Disease	27	0.9%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	69	1.7%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	62	1.7%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	41	1.1%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	71	1.7%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	36	1.1%
13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	163	0.8%	Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Disease	21	0.7%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	26	0.7%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	27	0.7%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	37	1.0%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	35	0.8%	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period	29	0.9%
14	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	103	0.5%	Assault (Homicide)	20	0.7%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	22	0.6%	Aortic Aneurysm And Dissection	17	0.5%	Assault (Homicide)	22	0.6%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	22	0.5%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	19	0.6%
15	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period	100	0.5%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	19	0.6%	Septicemia	19	0.5%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	16	0.4%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	19	0.5%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	21	0.5%	Septicemia	19	0.6%
				Viral Hepatitis	19	0.6%			Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period	16	0.4%										
16	All other causes (not rankable)	3,625	16.8%	All other causes (not rankable)	477	16.3%	All other causes (not rankable)	713	17.9%	All other causes (not rankable)	603	16.7%	All other causes (not rankable)	564	15.6%	All other causes (not rankable)	649	15.5%	All other causes (not rankable)	521	16.5%
Total Deaths³		21,600	100.0%		2,929	100.0%		3,992	100.0%		3,611	100.0%		3,618	100.0%		4,191	100.0%		3,158	100.0%

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5	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	1,188	5.5%	Alzheimer's Disease	152	5.2%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	210	5.4%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	192	5.1%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	205	5.7%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	215	5.2%	Diabetes Mellitus	153	4.8%
6	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	1,025	4.8%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	130	4.5%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	195	5.0%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	170	4.5%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	184	5.1%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	210	5.0%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	146	4.6%
7	Diabetes Mellitus	799	3.7%	Diabetes Mellitus	130	4.5%	Diabetes Mellitus	158	4.1%	Diabetes Mellitus	110	2.9%	Diabetes Mellitus	100	2.8%	Diabetes Mellitus	146	3.5%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	130	4.1%
8	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	469	2.2%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	68	2.3%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	96	2.5%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	85	2.3%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	77	2.1%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	82	2.0%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	94	3.0%
9	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	428	2.0%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	60	2.1%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	82	2.1%	Parkinson's Disease	84	2.2%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	71	2.0%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	82	2.0%	Influenza And Pneumonia	68	2.2%
10	Influenza And Pneumonia	393	1.8%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	58	2.0%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	69	1.8%	Influenza And Pneumonia	68	1.8%	Influenza And Pneumonia	71	2.0%	Parkinson's Disease	80	1.9%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	55	1.7%
11	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	364	1.7%	Influenza And Pneumonia	57	2.0%	Influenza And Pneumonia	62	1.6%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	65	1.7%	Parkinson's Disease	66	1.8%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	67	1.6%	Parkinson's Disease	46	1.5%
12	Parkinson's Disease	362	1.7%	Parkinson's Disease	29	1.0%	Parkinson's Disease	56	1.4%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	55	1.5%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	49	1.4%	Influenza And Pneumonia	65	1.6%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	42	1.3%
13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	216	1.0%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	22	0.8%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	43	1.1%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	53	1.4%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	38	1.1%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	38	0.9%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	22	0.7%
14	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	117	0.5%	Viral Hepatitis	22	0.8%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	23	0.6%	Septicemia	20	0.5%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	19	0.5%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	23	0.6%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	21	0.7%
15	Septicemia	95	0.4%	Assault (Homicide)	18	0.6%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	19	0.5%	Aortic Aneurysm And Dissection	19	0.5%	Septicemia	18	0.5%	Atherosclerosis	22	0.5%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	20	0.6%
16	All other causes (not rankable)	3,479	16.1%	All other causes (not rankable)	479	16.5%	All other causes (not rankable)	659	16.9%	All other causes (not rankable)	609	16.1%	All other causes (not rankable)	554	15.4%	All other causes (not rankable)	602	14.4%	All other causes (not rankable)	530	16.8%
Total Deaths³		21,558	100.0%		2,899	100.0%		3,889	100.0%		3,777	100.0%		3,587	100.0%		4,170	100.0%		3,160	100.0%

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Leading Causes of Death ^{1,2} Among San Diego County Residents by HHS Region, 2016																					
RANK	San Diego County			Central			East			North Central			North Coastal			North Inland			South		
	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%
1	Malignant Neoplasms	5,096	24.1%	Malignant Neoplasms	647	22.6%	Malignant Neoplasms	977	24.1%	Malignant Neoplasms	922	25.2%	Diseases Of The Heart	817	23.7%	Malignant Neoplasms	1,005	24.4%	Malignant Neoplasms	746	24.5%
2	Diseases Of The Heart	4,808	22.7%	Diseases Of The Heart	624	21.8%	Diseases Of The Heart	929	22.9%	Diseases Of The Heart	815	22.3%	Malignant Neoplasms	799	23.2%	Diseases Of The Heart	932	22.6%	Diseases Of The Heart	686	22.5%
3	Alzheimer's Disease	1,403	6.6%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	182	6.4%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	254	6.3%	Alzheimer's Disease	274	7.5%	Alzheimer's Disease	280	8.1%	Alzheimer's Disease	339	8.2%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	212	7.0%
4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,363	6.4%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	174	6.1%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	230	5.7%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	241	6.6%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	237	6.9%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	244	5.9%	Alzheimer's Disease	173	5.7%
5	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	1,071	5.1%	Diabetes Mellitus	146	5.1%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	220	5.4%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	170	4.7%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	183	5.3%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	212	5.2%	Diabetes Mellitus	147	4.8%
6	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	1,027	4.8%	Alzheimer's Disease	130	4.5%	Alzheimer's Disease	207	5.1%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	138	3.8%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	175	5.1%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	198	4.8%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	134	4.4%
7	Diabetes Mellitus	734	3.5%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	130	4.5%	Diabetes Mellitus	143	3.5%	Diabetes Mellitus	87	2.4%	Diabetes Mellitus	80	2.3%	Diabetes Mellitus	131	3.2%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	123	4.0%
8	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	412	1.9%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	80	2.8%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	95	2.3%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	81	2.2%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	77	2.2%	Parkinson's Disease	78	1.9%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	85	2.8%
9	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	407	1.9%	Influenza And Pneumonia	60	2.1%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	83	2.0%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	70	1.9%	Parkinson's Disease	66	1.9%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	72	1.7%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	71	2.3%
10	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	400	1.9%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	53	1.9%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	74	1.8%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	66	1.8%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	58	1.7%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	65	1.6%	Influenza And Pneumonia	58	1.9%
11	Influenza And Pneumonia	359	1.7%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	52	1.8%	Influenza And Pneumonia	65	1.6%	Influenza And Pneumonia	63	1.7%	Influenza And Pneumonia	53	1.5%	Influenza And Pneumonia	60	1.5%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	41	1.3%
12	Parkinson's Disease	319	1.5%	Parkinson's Disease	30	1.0%	Parkinson's Disease	61	1.5%	Parkinson's Disease	49	1.3%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	42	1.2%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	53	1.3%	Parkinson's Disease	35	1.2%
13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	182	0.9%	Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Disease	28	1.0%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	29	0.7%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	38	1.0%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	31	0.9%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	35	0.9%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	30	1.0%
14	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	124	0.6%	Assault (Homicide)	26	0.9%	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities	24	0.6%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	24	0.7%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	24	0.7%	Atherosclerosis	26	0.6%	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period	21	0.7%
15	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities	101	0.5%	Septicemia	21	0.7%	Assault (Homicide)	23	0.6%	Septicemia	20	0.5%	Aortic Aneurysm And Dissection	20	0.6%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	24	0.6%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	18	0.6%
16	All other causes (not rankable)	3,378	15.9%	All other causes (not rankable)	476	16.6%	All other causes (not rankable)	640	15.8%	All other causes (not rankable)	597	16.3%	All other causes (not rankable)	500	14.5%	All other causes (not rankable)	642	15.6%	All other causes (not rankable)	463	15.2%
Total Deaths³		21,184	100.0%		2,859	100.0%		4,054	100.0%		3,655	100.0%		3,442	100.0%		4,116	100.0%		3,043	100.0%

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Leading Causes of Death ^{1,2} Among San Diego County Residents by HHS Region, 2015																					
RANK	San Diego County			Central			East			North Central			North Coastal			North Inland			South		
	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%
1	Malignant Neoplasms	5,028	24.3%	Diseases Of The Heart	662	23.8%	Malignant Neoplasms	921	24.1%	Malignant Neoplasms	938	25.7%	Malignant Neoplasms	907	25.7%	Malignant Neoplasms	926	23.1%	Diseases Of The Heart	688	23.9%
2	Diseases Of The Heart	4,713	22.8%	Malignant Neoplasms	646	23.2%	Diseases Of The Heart	891	23.3%	Diseases Of The Heart	793	21.7%	Diseases Of The Heart	798	22.6%	Diseases Of The Heart	880	21.9%	Malignant Neoplasms	687	23.9%
3	Alzheimer's Disease	1,400	6.8%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	165	5.9%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	220	5.7%	Alzheimer's Disease	254	7.0%	Alzheimer's Disease	306	8.7%	Alzheimer's Disease	338	8.4%	Alzheimer's Disease	168	5.8%
4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,163	5.6%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	149	5.4%	Alzheimer's Disease	201	5.2%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	216	5.9%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	205	5.8%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	241	6.0%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	155	5.4%
5	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	1,035	5.0%	Alzheimer's Disease	133	4.8%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	196	5.1%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	186	5.1%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	166	4.7%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	210	5.2%	Diabetes Mellitus	150	5.2%
6	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	995	4.8%	Diabetes Mellitus	121	4.4%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	178	4.6%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	163	4.5%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	156	4.4%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	203	5.1%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	140	4.9%
7	Diabetes Mellitus	709	3.4%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	112	4.0%	Diabetes Mellitus	135	3.5%	Diabetes Mellitus	95	2.6%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	92	2.6%	Diabetes Mellitus	117	2.9%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	120	4.2%
8	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	409	2.0%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	66	2.4%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	88	2.3%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	81	2.2%	Diabetes Mellitus	90	2.5%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	79	2.0%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	62	2.2%
9	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	387	1.9%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	55	2.0%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	75	2.0%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	70	1.9%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	57	1.6%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	74	1.8%	Influenza And Pneumonia	57	2.0%
10	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	383	1.8%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	53	1.9%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	67	1.7%	Influenza And Pneumonia	66	1.8%	Influenza And Pneumonia	52	1.5%	Influenza And Pneumonia	63	1.6%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	53	1.8%
11	Influenza And Pneumonia	343	1.7%	Influenza And Pneumonia	52	1.9%	Influenza And Pneumonia	53	1.4%	Parkinson's Disease	57	1.6%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	50	1.4%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	62	1.5%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	39	1.4%
12	Parkinson's Disease	269	1.3%	Septicemia	26	0.9%	Parkinson's Disease	53	1.4%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	55	1.5%	Parkinson's Disease	49	1.4%	Parkinson's Disease	52	1.3%	Parkinson's Disease	35	1.2%
13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	185	0.9%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	24	0.9%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	32	0.8%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	38	1.0%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	45	1.3%	Atherosclerosis	32	0.8%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	25	0.9%
14	Septicemia	113	0.5%	Viral Hepatitis	24	0.9%	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities	22	0.6%	Septicemia	26	0.7%	Aortic Aneurysm And Dissection	22	0.6%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	21	0.5%	Septicemia	22	0.8%
15	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	102	0.5%	Parkinson's Disease	23	0.8%	Septicemia	20	0.5%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	17	0.5%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	18	0.5%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	21	0.5%	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period	21	0.7%
16	All other causes (not rankable)	3,469	16.8%	All other causes (not rankable)	469	16.9%	All other causes (not rankable)	677	17.7%	All other causes (not rankable)	592	16.2%	All other causes (not rankable)	518	14.7%	All other causes (not rankable)	697	17.4%	All other causes (not rankable)	455	15.8%
Total Deaths³		20,703	100.0%		2,780	100.0%		3,829	100.0%		3,647	100.0%		3,531	100.0%		4,016	100.0%		2,877	100.0%

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	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%
1	Malignant Neoplasms	4,862	24.6%	Diseases Of The Heart	688	25.2%	Malignant Neoplasms	863	23.6%	Malignant Neoplasms	934	26.4%	Malignant Neoplasms	809	24.7%	Malignant Neoplasms	925	24.6%	Malignant Neoplasms	691	24.4%
2	Diseases Of The Heart	4,534	22.9%	Malignant Neoplasms	639	23.4%	Diseases Of The Heart	833	22.8%	Diseases Of The Heart	766	21.7%	Diseases Of The Heart	737	22.5%	Diseases Of The Heart	831	22.1%	Diseases Of The Heart	677	23.9%
3	Alzheimer's Disease	1,311	6.6%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	192	7.0%	Alzheimer's Disease	240	6.6%	Alzheimer's Disease	228	6.5%	Alzheimer's Disease	278	8.5%	Alzheimer's Disease	290	7.7%	Alzheimer's Disease	162	5.7%
4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,138	5.7%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	149	5.4%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	212	5.8%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	216	6.1%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	203	6.2%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	227	6.0%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	144	5.1%
5	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	1,074	5.4%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	118	4.3%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	202	5.5%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	175	5.0%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	166	5.1%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	199	5.3%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	136	4.8%
6	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	984	5.0%	Alzheimer's Disease	113	4.1%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	199	5.5%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	167	4.7%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	158	4.8%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	195	5.2%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	135	4.8%
7	Diabetes Mellitus	582	2.9%	Diabetes Mellitus	109	4.0%	Diabetes Mellitus	127	3.5%	Diabetes Mellitus	91	2.6%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	84	2.6%	Diabetes Mellitus	88	2.3%	Diabetes Mellitus	100	3.5%
8	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	405	2.0%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	69	2.5%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	63	1.7%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	87	2.5%	Diabetes Mellitus	67	2.0%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	79	2.1%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	55	1.9%
9	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	316	1.6%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	55	2.0%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	58	1.6%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	59	1.7%	Influenza And Pneumonia	59	1.8%	Parkinson's Disease	64	1.7%	Influenza And Pneumonia	49	1.7%
10	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	312	1.6%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	41	1.5%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	55	1.5%	Parkinson's Disease	55	1.6%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	51	1.6%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	59	1.6%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	47	1.7%
11	Influenza And Pneumonia	298	1.5%	Influenza And Pneumonia	35	1.3%	Influenza And Pneumonia	50	1.4%	Influenza And Pneumonia	50	1.4%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	41	1.3%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	56	1.5%	Parkinson's Disease	37	1.3%
12	Parkinson's Disease	268	1.4%	Human Immunodeficiency Virus (Hiv) Disease	24	0.9%	Parkinson's Disease	50	1.4%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	36	1.0%	Parkinson's Disease	39	1.2%	Influenza And Pneumonia	55	1.5%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	36	1.3%
13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	134	0.7%	Parkinson's Disease	23	0.8%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	24	0.7%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	24	0.7%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	24	0.7%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	26	0.7%	Viral Hepatitis	27	1.0%
14	Viral Hepatitis	117	0.6%	Viral Hepatitis	22	0.8%	Viral Hepatitis	20	0.5%	Septicemia	23	0.7%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Beha	21	0.6%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	25	0.7%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	23	0.8%
15	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	110	0.6%	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period	19	0.7%	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period	19	0.5%	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period	16	0.5%	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period	19	0.6%	Viral Hepatitis	20	0.5%	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period	22	0.8%
16	All other causes (not rankable)	3,347	16.9%	All other causes (not rankable)	438	16.0%	All other causes (not rankable)	636	17.4%	All other causes (not rankable)	605	17.1%	All other causes (not rankable)	521	15.9%	All other causes (not rankable)	621	16.5%	All other causes (not rankable)	486	17.2%
Total Deaths³		19,792	100.0%		2,734	100.0%		3,651	100.0%		3,532	100.0%		3,277	100.0%		3,760	100.0%		2,827	100.0%

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	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%
1	Malignant Neoplasms	5,010	24.6%	Diseases Of The Heart	709	25.4%	Malignant Neoplasms	903	23.9%	Malignant Neoplasms	898	24.9%	Malignant Neoplasms	864	25.4%	Malignant Neoplasms	1,060	26.2%	Diseases Of The Heart	709	25.7%
2	Diseases Of The Heart	4,778	23.4%	Malignant Neoplasms	594	21.3%	Diseases Of The Heart	871	23.1%	Diseases Of The Heart	854	23.6%	Diseases Of The Heart	746	21.9%	Diseases Of The Heart	889	22.0%	Malignant Neoplasms	690	25.0%
3	Alzheimer's Disease	1,279	6.3%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	153	5.5%	Alzheimer's Disease	248	6.6%	Alzheimer's Disease	214	5.9%	Alzheimer's Disease	265	7.8%	Alzheimer's Disease	273	6.8%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	159	5.8%
4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,109	5.4%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	152	5.4%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	235	6.2%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	185	5.1%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	190	5.6%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	226	5.6%	Alzheimer's Disease	150	5.4%
5	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	1,090	5.3%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	144	5.2%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	200	5.3%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	178	4.9%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	169	5.0%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	221	5.5%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	140	5.1%
6	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	1,004	4.9%	Alzheimer's Disease	129	4.6%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	192	5.1%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	175	4.8%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	166	4.9%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	188	4.7%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	125	4.5%
7	Diabetes Mellitus	614	3.0%	Diabetes Mellitus	83	3.0%	Diabetes Mellitus	120	3.2%	Diabetes Mellitus	90	2.5%	Diabetes Mellitus	97	2.9%	Diabetes Mellitus	113	2.8%	Diabetes Mellitus	111	4.0%
8	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	427	2.1%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	70	2.5%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	68	1.8%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	86	2.4%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	86	2.5%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	77	1.9%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	47	1.7%
9	Influenza And Pneumonia	333	1.6%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	50	1.8%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	66	1.7%	Influenza And Pneumonia	69	1.9%	Influenza And Pneumonia	59	1.7%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	67	1.7%	Influenza And Pneumonia	43	1.6%
10	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	324	1.6%	Influenza And Pneumonia	48	1.7%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	62	1.6%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	56	1.5%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	53	1.6%	Influenza And Pneumonia	62	1.5%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	40	1.5%
11	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	319	1.6%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	44	1.6%	Influenza And Pneumonia	52	1.4%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	47	1.3%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	53	1.6%	Parkinson's Disease	60	1.5%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	36	1.3%
12	Parkinson's Disease	246	1.2%	Assault (Homicide)	27	1.0%	Parkinson's Disease	46	1.2%	Parkinson's Disease	44	1.2%	Parkinson's Disease	44	1.3%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	59	1.5%	Parkinson's Disease	29	1.1%
13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	129	0.6%	Viral Hepatitis	26	0.9%	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period	28	0.7%	Septicemia	27	0.7%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	30	0.9%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	25	0.6%	Septicemia	22	0.8%
14	Septicemia	113	0.6%	Human Immunodeficiency Virus (Hiv) Disease	26	0.9%	Viral Hepatitis	20	0.5%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	21	0.6%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	20	0.6%	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities	23	0.6%	Viral Hepatitis	19	0.7%
15	Viral Hepatitis	113	0.6%	Parkinson's Disease	23	0.8%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	19	0.5%	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period	18	0.5%	Aortic Aneurysm And Dissection	20	0.6%	Viral Hepatitis	22	0.5%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	19	0.7%
16	All other causes (not rankable)	3,503	17.2%	All other causes (not rankable)	515	18.4%	All other causes (not rankable)	645	17.1%	All other causes (not rankable)	651	18.0%	All other causes (not rankable)	537	15.8%	All other causes (not rankable)	674	16.7%	All other causes (not rankable)	417	15.1%
Total Deaths³		20,391	100.0%		2,793	100.0%		3,775	100.0%		3,613	100.0%		3,399	100.0%		4,039	100.0%		2,756	100.0%

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Leading Causes of Death ^{1,2} Among San Diego County Residents by HHS Region, 2012																					
RANK	San Diego County			Central			East			North Central			North Coastal			North Inland			South		
	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%	Underlying Cause of Death	n	%
1	Malignant Neoplasms	4,929	24.9%	Diseases Of The Heart	655	24.3%	Malignant Neoplasms	882	24.2%	Malignant Neoplasms	985	28.1%	Malignant Neoplasms	835	24.8%	Malignant Neoplasms	925	24.0%	Diseases Of The Heart	689	25.2%
2	Diseases Of The Heart	4,587	23.2%	Malignant Neoplasms	649	24.1%	Diseases Of The Heart	859	23.6%	Diseases Of The Heart	787	22.5%	Diseases Of The Heart	783	23.3%	Diseases Of The Heart	810	21.0%	Malignant Neoplasms	652	23.9%
3	Alzheimer's Disease	1,160	5.9%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	146	5.4%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	224	6.1%	Alzheimer's Disease	201	5.7%	Alzheimer's Disease	258	7.7%	Alzheimer's Disease	276	7.2%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	140	5.1%
4	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	1,021	5.2%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	127	4.7%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	204	5.6%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	166	4.7%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	187	5.6%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	250	6.5%	Alzheimer's Disease	133	4.9%
5	Cerebrovascular Diseases	998	5.0%	Alzheimer's Disease	106	3.9%	Alzheimer's Disease	186	5.1%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	159	4.5%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	184	5.5%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	205	5.3%	Diabetes Mellitus	127	4.7%
6	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	962	4.9%	Diabetes Mellitus	106	3.9%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	180	4.9%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	156	4.5%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	159	4.7%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	183	4.7%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	108	4.0%
7	Diabetes Mellitus	648	3.3%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	98	3.6%	Diabetes Mellitus	125	3.4%	Diabetes Mellitus	88	2.5%	Diabetes Mellitus	94	2.8%	Diabetes Mellitus	108	2.8%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	101	3.7%
8	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	405	2.0%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	69	2.6%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	66	1.8%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	84	2.4%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	79	2.3%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	76	2.0%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	50	1.8%
9	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	352	1.8%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	63	2.3%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	60	1.6%	Parkinson's Disease	64	1.8%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	66	2.0%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	68	1.8%	Influenza And Pneumonia	41	1.5%
10	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	329	1.7%	Influenza And Pneumonia	44	1.6%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	57	1.6%	Influenza And Pneumonia	62	1.8%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	58	1.7%	Parkinson's Disease	65	1.7%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	38	1.4%
11	Influenza And Pneumonia	302	1.5%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	43	1.6%	Influenza And Pneumonia	48	1.3%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	57	1.6%	Parkinson's Disease	51	1.5%	Influenza And Pneumonia	63	1.6%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	37	1.4%
12	Parkinson's Disease	262	1.3%	Assault (Homicide)	36	1.3%	Parkinson's Disease	41	1.1%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	56	1.6%	Influenza And Pneumonia	44	1.3%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	59	1.5%	Parkinson's Disease	32	1.2%
13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	148	0.7%	Viral Hepatitis	29	1.1%	Septicemia	21	0.6%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	27	0.8%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	29	0.9%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	29	0.8%	Septicemia	27	1.0%
14	Septicemia	129	0.7%	Septicemia	26	1.0%	Viral Hepatitis	20	0.5%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	21	0.6%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	24	0.7%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	26	0.7%	Viral Hepatitis	24	0.9%
15	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	124	0.6%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	24	0.9%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	19	0.5%	Septicemia	19	0.5%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	17	0.5%	Septicemia	24	0.6%	Assault (Homicide)	23	0.8%
16	All other causes (not rankable)	3,444	17.4%	All other causes (not rankable)	469	17.4%	All other causes (not rankable)	651	17.9%	All other causes (not rankable)	569	16.3%	All other causes (not rankable)	499	14.8%	All other causes (not rankable)	692	17.9%	All other causes (not rankable)	507	18.6%
Total Deaths³		19,800	100.0%		2,690	100.0%		3,643	100.0%		3,501	100.0%		3,367	100.0%		3,859	100.0%		2,729	100.0%

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1	Malignant Neoplasms	4,796	24.3%	Malignant Neoplasms	665	24.6%	Diseases Of The Heart	933	25.2%	Malignant Neoplasms	887	25.3%	Diseases Of The Heart	801	24.6%	Malignant Neoplasms	919	23.9%	Malignant Neoplasms	705	25.9%
2	Diseases Of The Heart	4,734	24.0%	Diseases Of The Heart	604	22.3%	Malignant Neoplasms	859	23.2%	Diseases Of The Heart	829	23.6%	Malignant Neoplasms	761	23.4%	Diseases Of The Heart	874	22.7%	Diseases Of The Heart	692	25.4%
3	Alzheimer's Disease	1,217	6.2%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	157	5.8%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	226	6.1%	Alzheimer's Disease	221	6.3%	Alzheimer's Disease	256	7.9%	Alzheimer's Disease	293	7.6%	Alzheimer's Disease	147	5.4%
4	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	1,040	5.3%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	138	5.1%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	194	5.2%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	177	5.0%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	187	5.7%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	229	6.0%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	130	4.8%
5	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,025	5.2%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	132	4.9%	Alzheimer's Disease	187	5.1%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	161	4.6%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	178	5.5%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	211	5.5%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	129	4.7%
6	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	1,005	5.1%	Alzheimer's Disease	113	4.2%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	187	5.1%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	156	4.4%	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	167	5.1%	Cerebrovascular Diseases	198	5.1%	Diabetes Mellitus	117	4.3%
7	Diabetes Mellitus	580	2.9%	Diabetes Mellitus	89	3.3%	Diabetes Mellitus	111	3.0%	Diabetes Mellitus	89	2.5%	Diabetes Mellitus	76	2.3%	Diabetes Mellitus	98	2.5%	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	110	4.0%
8	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	381	1.9%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	66	2.4%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	72	1.9%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	71	2.0%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	67	2.1%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	59	1.5%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	51	1.9%
9	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	326	1.7%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	64	2.4%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	65	1.8%	Influenza And Pneumonia	60	1.7%	Parkinson's Disease	45	1.4%	Influenza And Pneumonia	58	1.5%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	50	1.8%
10	Influenza And Pneumonia	310	1.6%	Influenza And Pneumonia	48	1.8%	Influenza And Pneumonia	63	1.7%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	47	1.3%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	44	1.4%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	58	1.5%	Influenza And Pneumonia	39	1.4%
11	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	267	1.4%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	35	1.3%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	52	1.4%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	46	1.3%	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	42	1.3%	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	54	1.4%	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	31	1.1%
12	Parkinson's Disease	209	1.1%	Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Disease	26	1.0%	Parkinson's Disease	39	1.1%	Parkinson's Disease	38	1.1%	Influenza And Pneumonia	42	1.3%	Parkinson's Disease	48	1.2%	Septicemia	31	1.1%
13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	147	0.7%	Assault (Homicide)	23	0.9%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	25	0.7%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	34	1.0%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	26	0.8%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	28	0.7%	Viral Hepatitis	31	1.1%
14	Septicemia	128	0.6%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	21	0.8%	Septicemia	21	0.6%	Septicemia	31	0.9%	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period	21	0.6%	Atherosclerosis	24	0.6%	Parkinson's Disease	24	0.9%
15	Viral Hepatitis	112	0.6%	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	20	0.7%	Viral Hepatitis	19	0.5%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	29	0.8%	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	19	0.6%	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	22	0.6%	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities	21	0.8%
16	All other causes (not rankable)	3,471	17.6%	All other causes (not rankable)	502	18.6%	All other causes (not rankable)	647	17.5%	All other causes (not rankable)	631	18.0%	All other causes (not rankable)	525	16.1%	All other causes (not rankable)	673	17.5%	All other causes (not rankable)	419	15.4%
Total Deaths³		19,748	100.0%		2,703	100.0%		3,700	100.0%		3,507	100.0%		3,257	100.0%		3,846	100.0%		2,727	100.0%

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