

Leading Causes of Death <sup>1,2</sup> Among San Diego County Residents by Supervisorial District, 2024																							
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1	Malignant Neoplasms	5,046	22.0%	1	Malignant Neoplasms	999	22.5%	1	Malignant Neoplasms	1,107	21.7%	1	Malignant Neoplasms	933	24.0%	1	Diseases Of The Heart	902	21.5%	1	Malignant Neoplasms	1,108	21.4%
2	Diseases Of The Heart	4,706	20.5%	2	Diseases Of The Heart	903	20.4%	2	Diseases Of The Heart	1,041	20.4%	2	Diseases Of The Heart	752	19.4%	2	Malignant Neoplasms	880	20.9%	2	Diseases Of The Heart	1,083	20.9%
3	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,589	6.9%	3	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	339	7.6%	3	Cerebrovascular Diseases	309	6.1%	3	Cerebrovascular Diseases	282	7.3%	3	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	303	7.2%	3	Cerebrovascular Diseases	381	7.3%
4	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	1,521	6.6%	4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	322	7.3%	4	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	306	6.0%	4	Alzheimer's Disease	250	6.4%	4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	291	6.9%	4	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	339	6.5%
5	Alzheimer's Disease	1,150	5.0%	5	Diabetes Mellitus	254	5.7%	5	Alzheimer's Disease	258	5.1%	5	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	184	4.7%	5	Diabetes Mellitus	215	5.1%	5	Alzheimer's Disease	288	5.6%
6	Diabetes Mellitus	948	4.1%	6	Alzheimer's Disease	179	4.0%	6	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	232	4.6%	6	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	123	3.2%	6	Alzheimer's Disease	172	4.1%	6	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	183	3.5%
7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	845	3.7%	7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	143	3.2%	7	Diabetes Mellitus	221	4.3%	7	Parkinson's Disease	101	2.6%	7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	159	3.8%	7	Diabetes Mellitus	173	3.3%
8	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	506	2.2%	8	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	104	2.3%	8	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	127	2.5%	8	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	81	2.1%	8	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	92	2.2%	8	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	109	2.1%
9	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	424	1.8%	9	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	86	1.9%	9	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	101	2.0%	9	Diabetes Mellitus	80	2.1%	9	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	78	1.9%	9	Parkinson's Disease	104	2.0%
10	Parkinson's Disease	413	1.8%	10	Parkinson's Disease	56	1.3%	10	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	95	1.9%	10	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	80	2.1%	10	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	73	1.7%	10	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	100	1.9%
11	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	377	1.6%	11	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	56	1.3%	11	Parkinson's Disease	91	1.8%	11	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	46	1.2%	11	Parkinson's Disease	61	1.5%	11	Influenza And Pneumonia	70	1.3%
12	Influenza And Pneumonia	257	1.1%	12	Influenza And Pneumonia	53	1.2%	12	COVID-19	62	1.2%	12	Influenza And Pneumonia	45	1.2%	12	COVID-19	55	1.3%	12	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	66	1.3%
13	COVID-19	255	1.1%	13	COVID-19	44	1.0%	13	Influenza And Pneumonia	49	1.0%	13	COVID-19	44	1.1%	13	Nutritional Deficiencies	41	1.0%	13	COVID-19	50	1.0%
14	Nutritional Deficiencies	190	0.8%	14	Nutritional Deficiencies	40	0.9%	14	Nutritional Deficiencies	37	0.7%	14	Nutritional Deficiencies	44	1.1%	14	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	40	1.0%	14	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	39	0.8%
15	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	172	0.7%	15	Assault (Homicide)	30	0.7%	15	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	33	0.6%	15	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	32	0.8%	15	Influenza And Pneumonia	37	0.9%	15	Nutritional Deficiencies	28	0.5%
16	All other causes (not rankable)	4,561	19.9%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	827	18.6%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	1,023	20.1%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	806	20.8%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	803	19.1%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	1,068	20.6%
<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>22,960</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>4,435</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>5,092</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>3,883</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>4,202</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>5,189</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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1	Malignant Neoplasms	5,098	21.8%	1	Malignant Neoplasms	956	20.9%	1	Malignant Neoplasms	1,094	21.5%	1	Malignant Neoplasms	914	23.8%	1	Malignant Neoplasms	957	21.8%	1	Malignant Neoplasms	1,165	21.6%
2	Diseases Of The Heart	4,785	20.4%	2	Diseases Of The Heart	930	20.4%	2	Diseases Of The Heart	1,043	20.5%	2	Diseases Of The Heart	793	20.6%	2	Diseases Of The Heart	882	20.1%	2	Diseases Of The Heart	1,128	20.9%
3	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	1,756	7.5%	3	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	414	9.1%	3	Cerebrovascular Diseases	350	6.9%	3	Cerebrovascular Diseases	243	6.3%	3	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	343	7.8%	3	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	373	6.9%
4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,552	6.6%	4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	304	6.7%	4	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	339	6.7%	4	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	233	6.1%	4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	283	6.5%	4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	365	6.8%
5	Alzheimer's Disease	1,177	5.0%	5	Diabetes Mellitus	258	5.6%	5	Alzheimer's Disease	267	5.3%	5	Alzheimer's Disease	218	5.7%	5	Diabetes Mellitus	204	4.7%	5	Alzheimer's Disease	290	5.4%
6	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	923	3.9%	6	Alzheimer's Disease	204	4.5%	6	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	250	4.9%	6	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	126	3.3%	6	Alzheimer's Disease	195	4.4%	6	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	230	4.3%
7	Diabetes Mellitus	911	3.9%	7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	155	3.4%	7	Diabetes Mellitus	184	3.6%	7	Parkinson's Disease	112	2.9%	7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	159	3.6%	7	Diabetes Mellitus	184	3.4%
8	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	538	2.3%	8	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	121	2.6%	8	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	119	2.3%	8	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	81	2.1%	8	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	105	2.4%	8	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	126	2.3%
9	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	452	1.9%	9	COVID-19	91	2.0%	9	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	100	2.0%	9	Diabetes Mellitus	80	2.1%	9	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	89	2.0%	9	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	111	2.1%
10	Parkinson's Disease	401	1.7%	10	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	73	1.6%	10	Parkinson's Disease	96	1.9%	10	COVID-19	67	1.7%	10	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	67	1.5%	10	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	85	1.6%
11	COVID-19	376	1.6%	11	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	72	1.6%	11	COVID-19	82	1.6%	11	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	58	1.5%	11	COVID-19	64	1.5%	11	Parkinson's Disease	80	1.5%
12	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	363	1.6%	12	Parkinson's Disease	55	1.2%	12	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	78	1.5%	12	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	57	1.5%	12	Parkinson's Disease	58	1.3%	12	Influenza And Pneumonia	77	1.4%
13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	212	0.9%	13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	38	0.8%	13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	48	0.9%	13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	43	1.1%	13	Influenza And Pneumonia	32	0.7%	13	COVID-19	70	1.3%
14	Influenza And Pneumonia	212	0.9%	14	Influenza And Pneumonia	27	0.6%	14	Influenza And Pneumonia	37	0.7%	14	Influenza And Pneumonia	37	1.0%	14	Nutritional Deficiencies	32	0.7%	14	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	53	1.0%
15	Nutritional Deficiencies	133	0.6%	15	Septicemia	24	0.5%	15	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities	22	0.4%	15	Nutritional Deficiencies	30	0.8%	15	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	29	0.7%	15	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	36	0.7%
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16	All other causes (not rankable)	4,520	19.3%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	821	18.0%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	974	19.2%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	753	19.6%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	886	20.2%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	1,023	19.0%
<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>23,409</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>4,567</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>5,083</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>3,845</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>4,385</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>5,396</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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1	Malignant Neoplasms	5,179	20.8%	1	Malignant Neoplasms	1,016	20.1%	1	Malignant Neoplasms	1,190	21.7%	1	Malignant Neoplasms	891	22.4%	1	Diseases Of The Heart	989	21.3%	1	Diseases Of The Heart	1,136	20.3%
2	Diseases Of The Heart	4,928	19.8%	2	Diseases Of The Heart	949	18.8%	2	Diseases Of The Heart	1,082	19.7%	2	Diseases Of The Heart	756	19.0%	2	Malignant Neoplasms	954	20.5%	2	Malignant Neoplasms	1,114	19.9%
3	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	1,796	7.2%	3	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	406	8.0%	3	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	355	6.5%	3	Alzheimer's Disease	277	7.0%	3	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	312	6.7%	3	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	398	7.1%
4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,561	6.3%	4	COVID-19	322	6.4%	4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	344	6.3%	4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	252	6.3%	4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	283	6.1%	4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	368	6.6%
5	COVID-19	1,325	5.3%	5	Cerebrovascular Diseases	313	6.2%	5	COVID-19	317	5.8%	5	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	247	6.2%	5	COVID-19	237	5.1%	5	Alzheimer's Disease	342	6.1%
6	Alzheimer's Disease	1,320	5.3%	6	Diabetes Mellitus	272	5.4%	6	Alzheimer's Disease	264	4.8%	6	COVID-19	149	3.7%	6	Alzheimer's Disease	201	4.3%	6	COVID-19	299	5.3%
7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	913	3.7%	7	Alzheimer's Disease	233	4.6%	7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	235	4.3%	7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	149	3.7%	7	Diabetes Mellitus	184	4.0%	7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	201	3.6%
8	Diabetes Mellitus	907	3.6%	8	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	161	3.2%	8	Diabetes Mellitus	186	3.4%	8	Parkinson's Disease	103	2.6%	8	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	164	3.5%	8	Diabetes Mellitus	174	3.1%
9	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	576	2.3%	9	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	133	2.6%	9	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	130	2.4%	9	Diabetes Mellitus	87	2.2%	9	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	129	2.8%	9	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	136	2.4%
10	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	458	1.8%	10	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	106	2.1%	10	Parkinson's Disease	101	1.8%	10	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	77	1.9%	10	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	82	1.8%	10	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	111	2.0%
11	Parkinson's Disease	413	1.7%	11	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	71	1.4%	11	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	85	1.5%	11	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	71	1.8%	11	Parkinson's Disease	59	1.3%	11	Parkinson's Disease	89	1.6%
12	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	359	1.4%	12	Parkinson's Disease	61	1.2%	12	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	66	1.2%	12	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	46	1.2%	12	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	59	1.3%	12	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	82	1.5%
13	Influenza And Pneumonia	237	1.0%	13	Influenza And Pneumonia	43	0.9%	13	Influenza And Pneumonia	54	1.0%	13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	35	0.9%	13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	42	0.9%	13	Influenza And Pneumonia	73	1.3%
14	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	197	0.8%	14	Assault (Homicide)	39	0.8%	14	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	38	0.7%	14	Nutritional Deficiencies	27	0.7%	14	Influenza And Pneumonia	40	0.9%	14	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	49	0.9%
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16	All other causes (not rankable)	4,630	18.6%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	898	17.8%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	1,016	18.5%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	787	19.8%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	858	18.5%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	995	17.7%
<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>24,930</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>5,056</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>5,489</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>3,980</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>4,649</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>5,606</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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3	COVID-19	2,825	10.8%	3	COVID-19	861	15.5%	3	COVID-19	510	9.0%	3	Cerebrovascular Diseases	296	7.5%	3	COVID-19	500	10.1%	3	COVID-19	696	11.8%
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6	Alzheimer's Disease	1,391	5.3%	6	Diabetes Mellitus	236	4.2%	6	Alzheimer's Disease	286	5.0%	6	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	234	5.9%	6	Alzheimer's Disease	226	4.6%	6	Alzheimer's Disease	383	6.5%
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8	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	887	3.4%	8	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	167	3.0%	8	Diabetes Mellitus	197	3.5%	8	Parkinson's Disease	93	2.4%	8	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	179	3.6%	8	Diabetes Mellitus	173	2.9%
9	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	501	1.9%	9	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	120	2.2%	9	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	123	2.2%	9	Diabetes Mellitus	90	2.3%	9	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	114	2.3%	9	Parkinson's Disease	116	2.0%
10	Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis	472	1.8%	10	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	107	1.9%	10	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	119	2.1%	10	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	62	1.6%	10	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	84	1.7%	10	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	110	1.9%
11	Parkinson's Disease	399	1.5%	11	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	60	1.1%	11	Parkinson's Disease	76	1.3%	11	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	61	1.5%	11	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	63	1.3%	11	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	82	1.4%
12	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	344	1.3%	12	Parkinson's Disease	58	1.0%	12	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	75	1.3%	12	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	49	1.2%	12	Parkinson's Disease	55	1.1%	12	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	81	1.4%
13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	179	0.7%	13	Assault (Homicide)	40	0.7%	13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	38	0.7%	13	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	35	0.9%	13	Assault (Homicide)	38	0.8%	13	Influenza And Pneumonia	55	0.9%
14	Influenza and Pneumonia	164	0.6%	14	Influenza And Pneumonia	32	0.6%	14	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	31	0.5%	14	Influenza And Pneumonia	28	0.7%	14	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	33	0.7%	14	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	45	0.8%
15	Nutritional Deficiencies	132	0.5%	15	Septicemia	32	0.6%	15	Nutritional Deficiencies	28	0.5%	15	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	27	0.7%	15	Influenza And Pneumonia	27	0.5%	15	In Situ Neoplasms, Benign Neoplasms And Neoplasms Of Uncertain Or Unknown Behavior	29	0.5%
																15	Nutritional Deficiencies	27	0.5%				
16	All other causes (not rankable)	4,463	17.1%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	848	15.2%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	1,011	17.8%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	731	18.5%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	827	16.7%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	938	15.9%
<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>26,168</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>5,566</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>5,674</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>3,950</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>4,948</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>5,900</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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Leading Causes of Death <sup>1,2</sup> Among San Diego County Residents by Supervisorial District, 2020																							
San Diego County				Supervisorial District 1				Supervisorial District 2				Supervisorial District 3				Supervisorial District 4				Supervisorial District 5			
Rank	Underlying Cause of Death	Count	%	Rank	Underlying Cause of Death	Count	%	Rank	Underlying Cause of Death	Count	%	Rank	Underlying Cause of Death	Count	%	Rank	Underlying Cause of Death	Count	%	Rank	Underlying Cause of Death	Count	%
1	Malignant Neoplasms	4,939	20.1%	1	Diseases Of The Heart	914	19.5%	1	Malignant Neoplasms	1,171	20.2%	1	Malignant Neoplasms	948	21.6%	1	Diseases Of The Heart	982	20.3%	1	Malignant Neoplasms	1,002	21.1%
2	Diseases Of The Heart	4,853	19.8%	2	Malignant Neoplasms	877	18.7%	2	Diseases Of The Heart	1,159	20.0%	2	Diseases Of The Heart	804	18.3%	2	Malignant Neoplasms	932	19.2%	2	Diseases Of The Heart	980	20.6%
3	COVID-19	1,728	7.0%	3	COVID-19	578	12.3%	3	COVID-19	391	6.7%	3	Cerebrovascular Diseases	358	8.2%	3	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	330	6.8%	3	Alzheimer's Disease	351	7.4%
4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	1,722	7.0%	4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	297	6.3%	4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	388	6.7%	4	Alzheimer's Disease	352	8.0%	4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	326	6.7%	4	Cerebrovascular Diseases	344	7.2%
5	Alzheimer's Disease	1,521	6.2%	5	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	256	5.5%	5	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	332	5.7%	5	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	267	6.1%	5	COVID-19	291	6.0%	5	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	309	6.5%
6	Accidents/Unintentional Injuries	1,513	6.2%	6	Alzheimer's Disease	244	5.2%	6	Alzheimer's Disease	296	5.1%	6	COVID-19	213	4.9%	6	Alzheimer's Disease	277	5.7%	6	COVID-19	249	5.2%
7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	930	3.8%	7	Diabetes Mellitus	217	4.6%	7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	271	4.7%	7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	144	3.3%	7	Diabetes Mellitus	189	3.9%	7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	189	4.0%
8	Diabetes Mellitus	852	3.5%	8	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	142	3.0%	8	Diabetes Mellitus	209	3.6%	8	Parkinson's Disease	113	2.6%	8	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	183	3.8%	8	Diabetes Mellitus	124	2.6%
9	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	453	1.8%	9	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	94	2.0%	9	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	117	2.0%	9	Diabetes Mellitus	110	2.5%	9	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	97	2.0%	9	Parkinson's Disease	87	1.8%
10	Parkinson's Disease	429	1.7%	10	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	82	1.8%	10	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	109	1.9%	10	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	81	1.8%	10	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	92	1.9%	10	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	86	1.8%
11	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	411	1.7%	11	Parkinson's Disease	60	1.3%	11	Parkinson's Disease	95	1.6%	11	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	69	1.6%	11	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	78	1.6%	11	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	83	1.7%
12	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	391	1.6%	12	Influenza And Pneumonia	55	1.2%	12	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	89	1.5%	12	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	55	1.3%	12	Parkinson's Disease	72	1.5%	12	Influenza And Pneumonia	73	1.5%
13	Influenza And Pneumonia	297	1.2%	13	Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide)	49	1.0%	13	Influenza And Pneumonia	60	1.0%	13	Influenza And Pneumonia	52	1.2%	13	Influenza And Pneumonia	56	1.2%	13	Essential Hypertension And Hypertensive Renal Disease	69	1.5%
14	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	163	0.7%	14	Assault (Homicide)	36	0.8%	14	Nutritional Deficiencies	36	0.6%	14	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	38	0.9%	14	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis	38	0.8%	14	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	38	0.8%
15	Nutritional Deficiencies	138	0.6%	15	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	27	0.6%	15	Pneumonitis Due To Solids And Liquids	33	0.6%	15	Atherosclerosis	30	0.7%	15	Nutritional Deficiencies	29	0.6%	15	Nutritional Deficiencies	28	0.6%
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16	All other causes (not rankable)	4,209	17.1%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	756	16.1%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	971	16.8%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	749	17.1%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	870	18.0%	16	All other causes (not rankable)	715	15.0%
<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>24,549</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>4,684</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>5,793</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>4,383</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>4,842</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>Total Deaths<sup>3</sup></b>		<b>4,755</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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