

Leading Causes of Death

(Data are for the U.S.)

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/FASTATS/lcod.htm>

Number of deaths for leading causes of death

- Heart disease: 631,636
- Cancer: 559,888
- Stroke (cerebrovascular diseases): 137,119
- Chronic lower respiratory diseases: 124,583
- Accidents (unintentional injuries): 121,599
- Diabetes: 72,449
- Alzheimer's disease: 72,432
- Influenza and Pneumonia: 56,326
- Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome, and nephrosis: 45,344
- Septicemia: 34,234

Source: [Deaths: Final Data for 2006, table B](#)

More data

- [Deaths and mortality](#)
- [Deaths: Final Data for 2006](#)
- [Deaths: Leading Causes for 2005](#)
- [Deaths, percent of total deaths, and death rates for the 15 leading causes of death: United States and each State](#)
- [Deaths: Preliminary Data for 2007](#)

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