

Table 1.

**Regional Summary, Selected Causes of Death for Year 2002
Age-adjusted Rates for Regions and San Diego County Residents**

COUNTY RANK in 2002	CAUSE OF DEATH *	AGE-ADJUSTED RATES							SAN DIEGO COUNTY
		REGION							
		N. Coastal	N. Central	Central	South	East	N. Inland		
1	Diseases of Heart	179.8	170.4	244.7	234.6	245.7	166.7	201.9	
2	Malignant neoplasms (cancer, all)	166.8	170.1	199.7	163.8	191.7	165.9	175.7	
3	Cerebrovascular diseases (stroke)	53.4	48.7	64.3	55.6	58.6	55.5	55.7	
4	Chronic lower respiratory diseases (COPD)	39.9	34.1	35.9	32.8	49.0	38.2	38.6	
5	Alzheimer's disease	42.8	28.6	32.1	23.5	37.7	37.9	34.6	
7	Influenza and pneumonia	16.0	23.7	22.1	19.2	25.1	25.7	20.6	
6	Accidents (unintentional injuries)	19.3	12.8	28.3	21.3	20.2	20.6	22.3	
8	Diabetes mellitus	17.1	11.0	28.0	21.3	22.4	14.5	18.2	
9	Suicide	9.8	8.6	12.5	8.5	12.4	10.7	10.8	
10	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis	7.5	10.8	15.8	12.4	11.5	8.9	11.2	
11	Essential (primary) hypertension & hypertensive renal disease	6.4	5.9	12.8	9.2	8.4	9.0	8.4	
12	Parkinson's disease	9.2	7.0	3.5	5.4	6.5	6.5	6.6	
14	Pneumonitis due to solids & liquids	4.1	5.0	9.6	5.3	6.1	6.5	6.0	
13	Atherosclerosis	4.6	5.9	6.8	4.1	10.0	6.7	6.4	
15	HIV/AIDS	2.1	2.8	15.1	3.4	2.9	2.6	4.6	
	All Other Causes	90.3	98.1	136.5	121.4	122.0	106.8	111.9	
	TOTAL DEATHS:	669.2	643.4	867.7	742.1	830.2	682.6	733.6	

Rank ordered based on total number of deaths in each of the NCHS "rankable" categories. Top 15 based on rank in San Diego County for entire period 2000-2002

* Underlying cause of death.

All rates are per 100,000 population and are adjusted to 2000 Standard U.S. Population estimates (revised 2004)

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