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	1979–1981	1989–1991	2003–2005	2003–2005	2003–2005	2003–2005	2003–2005	2003–2005	2003–2005
Age-adjusted death rate per 100,000 population <sup>2</sup>									
United States . . . . .	1,022.8	942.2	812.0	797.4	1,038.8	664.5	451.4	600.6	807.7
New England . . . . .	979.9	882.4	742.7	744.5	816.3	*	356.9	486.4	744.7
Connecticut . . . . .	961.5	857.5	708.5	703.6	813.8	*	314.7	538.1	701.7
Maine . . . . .	1,002.9	918.7	816.8	816.7	668.0	*	411.3	263.3	816.1
Massachusetts . . . . .	982.6	884.8	745.6	750.2	819.3	*	363.4	491.0	750.4
New Hampshire . . . . .	982.3	891.7	751.3	755.6	638.3	*	306.2	347.6	751.9
Rhode Island . . . . .	990.8	889.6	753.3	752.0	886.4	*	471.7	376.4	757.3
Vermont . . . . .	990.2	908.6	741.5	745.1	*	*	*	*	748.2
Middle Atlantic . . . . .	1,059.1	967.8	771.4	764.2	903.1	*	379.8	551.6	768.5
New Jersey . . . . .	1,047.5	956.0	762.7	748.1	987.1	*	349.1	478.4	765.9
New York . . . . .	1,051.8	973.7	738.5	740.4	805.9	*	395.7	577.2	738.3
Pennsylvania . . . . .	1,076.4	963.4	822.9	803.6	1,075.6	*	355.7	564.2	804.0
East North Central . . . . .	1,048.0	957.9	828.1	804.7	1,081.7	*	376.7	504.0	808.4
Illinois . . . . .	1,063.7	973.8	811.6	781.9	1,086.8	*	374.1	460.4	794.3
Indiana . . . . .	1,048.3	962.0	866.1	852.4	1,092.2	*	389.8	483.3	856.8
Michigan . . . . .	1,050.2	966.0	823.0	791.2	1,073.4	*	370.1	703.7	788.5
Ohio . . . . .	1,070.6	967.4	862.5	842.8	1,082.3	*	318.9	556.4	842.2
Wisconsin . . . . .	956.4	879.1	758.3	743.5	1,063.5	*	502.5	409.1	746.5
West North Central . . . . .	951.6	876.6	784.9	770.4	1,084.8	*	445.7	529.0	769.4
Iowa . . . . .	919.9	848.2	748.0	745.5	1,005.4	*	407.2	463.4	747.4
Kansas . . . . .	940.1	867.2	810.6	799.2	1,119.0	*	378.9	543.8	795.5
Minnesota . . . . .	892.9	825.2	697.6	690.9	848.3	1,110.0	494.9	431.7	689.7
Missouri . . . . .	1,033.7	952.4	884.8	864.5	1,129.7	*	432.0	636.1	865.6
Nebraska . . . . .	930.6	867.9	765.5	755.7	1,050.8	1,098.4	424.5	547.0	756.4
North Dakota . . . . .	922.4	818.4	723.6	704.5	*	1,338.2	*	*	682.2
South Dakota . . . . .	941.9	846.4	767.0	724.9	868.3	1,567.5	*	490.9	725.8
South Atlantic . . . . .	1,033.1	951.3	834.2	799.2	1,043.2	*	369.9	565.7	814.5
Delaware . . . . .	1,069.7	1,001.9	833.4	805.8	1,033.7	*	335.9	603.0	807.2
District of Columbia . . . . .	1,243.1	1,255.3	982.1	604.3	1,223.8	*	489.8	206.5	637.3
Florida . . . . .	960.8	870.9	765.9	746.2	987.9	*	343.1	608.2	770.0
Georgia . . . . .	1,094.3	1,037.4	932.7	897.4	1,077.3	*	321.3	337.0	908.4
Maryland . . . . .	1,063.3	985.2	818.0	773.6	997.0	*	367.3	305.2	785.3
North Carolina . . . . .	1,050.4	986.0	888.6	851.1	1,071.7	875.7	368.0	260.7	858.9
South Carolina . . . . .	1,104.6	1,030.0	916.4	866.0	1,088.1	*	396.2	415.6	869.6
Virginia . . . . .	1,054.0	963.1	823.3	794.2	1,029.1	*	430.8	411.7	799.6
West Virginia . . . . .	1,100.3	1,031.5	974.1	975.5	1,094.8	*	*	254.0	978.9
East South Central . . . . .	1,079.3	1,031.6	985.6	955.9	1,161.6	*	421.4	362.8	959.5
Alabama . . . . .	1,091.2	1,037.9	1,004.0	968.0	1,156.0	*	344.2	325.4	972.4
Kentucky . . . . .	1,088.9	1,024.5	961.3	955.9	1,112.6	*	428.1	651.0	956.3
Mississippi . . . . .	1,108.7	1,071.4	1,022.4	966.0	1,163.3	*	503.7	249.3	971.2
Tennessee . . . . .	1,045.5	1,011.8	971.1	944.1	1,184.6	*	436.0	293.6	949.0
West South Central . . . . .	1,036.8	974.9	892.9	870.0	1,140.1	*	426.1	677.2	900.2
Arkansas . . . . .	1,017.0	996.3	934.6	910.6	1,153.7	*	474.3	291.6	919.5
Louisiana . . . . .	1,132.6	1,074.6	1,007.5	941.1	1,204.6	*	499.4	423.8	950.1
Oklahoma . . . . .	1,025.6	961.4	974.8	968.9	1,177.7	*	479.4	581.8	975.8
Texas . . . . .	1,014.9	947.6	846.2	832.3	1,098.5	*	413.8	688.2	865.8
Mountain . . . . .	961.8	878.2	788.5	786.7	908.2	870.8	465.8	721.7	787.4
Arizona . . . . .	951.5	873.5	775.2	768.8	911.5	925.4	426.6	745.3	767.3
Colorado . . . . .	941.1	856.1	759.1	761.9	888.0	480.0	433.5	741.7	757.2
Idaho . . . . .	936.7	856.6	775.2	775.9	579.0	957.1	445.8	604.6	777.9
Montana . . . . .	1,013.6	890.2	804.1	785.0	*	1,236.5	518.1	672.9	785.5
Nevada . . . . .	1,077.4	1,017.4	897.8	913.8	972.3	688.7	524.2	500.9	944.0
New Mexico . . . . .	967.1	891.9	801.1	798.5	793.7	837.7	343.9	779.4	789.1
Utah . . . . .	924.9	823.2	764.8	767.6	894.2	795.8	514.1	591.5	772.6
Wyoming . . . . .	1,016.1	897.4	814.6	809.5	918.9	1,057.6	*	761.0	809.6

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Alaska . . . . .	1,087.4	944.6	781.5	734.8	760.6	1,133.5	474.9	502.4	739.8
California . . . . .	975.5	911.0	727.2	745.9	1,013.1	*	467.7	581.7	775.5
Hawaii . . . . .	801.2	752.2	623.6	654.5	463.2	*	614.1	1,228.0	664.9
Oregon . . . . .	953.9	893.0	788.5	792.8	929.4	*	478.3	443.6	800.2
Washington . . . . .	947.7	869.4	752.7	759.4	892.1	902.0	491.3	505.7	764.1

\* Data for states with population under 10,000 in the middle year of a 3-year period or fewer than 50 deaths for the 3-year period are considered unreliable and are not shown. Data for American Indian or Alaska Native category in states with more than 10% misclassification of American Indian or Alaska Native deaths on death certificates or without information on misclassification are also not shown (Support Services International, Inc. Methodology for adjusting IHS mortality data for miscoding race-ethnicity of American Indian or Alaska Native on state death certificates. Report submitted to Indian Health Service. 1996). Division death rates for American Indians or Alaska Natives are not shown when any state within the division does not meet reliability criteria.

<sup>1</sup>Caution should be used when comparing death rates by Hispanic origin and race among states. Estimates of death rates may be affected by several factors including possible misreporting of race and Hispanic origin on the death certificate, migration patterns between United States and country of origin for persons who were born outside the United States, and possible biases in population estimates. See [Appendix I, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality File](#) and [Appendix II, Hispanic origin; Race](#).

<sup>2</sup>Average annual death rates, age-adjusted using the year 2000 standard population. Prior to 2001, age-adjusted rates were calculated using standard million proportions based on rounded population numbers. Starting with 2001 data, unrounded population numbers are used to calculate age-adjusted rates. See [Appendix II, Age adjustment](#). Denominators for rates are resident population estimates for the middle year of each 3-year period, multiplied by 3. See [Appendix I, Population Census and Population Estimates](#).

NOTES: The race groups, white, black, American Indian or Alaska Native, and Asian or Pacific Islander, include persons of Hispanic and non-Hispanic origin. Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race. Death rates for the American Indian or Alaska Native and Asian or Pacific Islander populations are known to be underestimated. See [Appendix II, Race](#), for a discussion of sources of bias in death rates by race and Hispanic origin. In 2003, seven states reported multiple-race data. In 2004, 15 states reported multiple-race data. In 2005, 21 states and the District of Columbia reported multiple-race data. The multiple-race data for these states were bridged to the single-race categories of the 1977 Office of Management and Budget Standards for comparability with other states. See [Appendix II, Race](#).

**SOURCES:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics, National Vital Statistics System; numerator data from annual mortality files; denominator data from state population estimates prepared by the U.S. Census Bureau 1980 from April 1, 1980 MARS Census File; 1990 from April 1, 1990 MARS Census File; 2004 from bridged-race Vintage 2004 file. Estimates of the July 1, 2004, resident populations of the United States by state and county, race, age, sex, and Hispanic origin, prepared under a collaborative arrangement with the U.S. Census Bureau. Available from: [www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/dvs/popbridge/popbridge.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/dvs/popbridge/popbridge.htm). 2005.