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Dear Mr. James and Mr. Hurley,

Pursuant to Section 2 of Chapter 111 of the Massachusetts General Laws, please find enclosed a report from the Department of Public Health entitled, Massachusetts Deaths 2020.

Sincerely,

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Legislative Mandate

Chapter 111: Section 2. Annual report

Section 2. The commissioner shall administer the laws relative to health and sanitation and the regulations of the department, and shall prepare rules and regulations for the consideration of the council. The secretary of elder affairs and the commissioner shall jointly develop and submit to the council rules and regulations governing the licensure and operation of convalescent or nursing homes, rest homes, infirmaries maintained in a town and charitable homes for the aged. He may direct any executive officer or employee of the department to assist in the study, suppression or prevention of disease in any part of the commonwealth. He shall submit annually to the council a report containing recommendations in regard to health legislation.

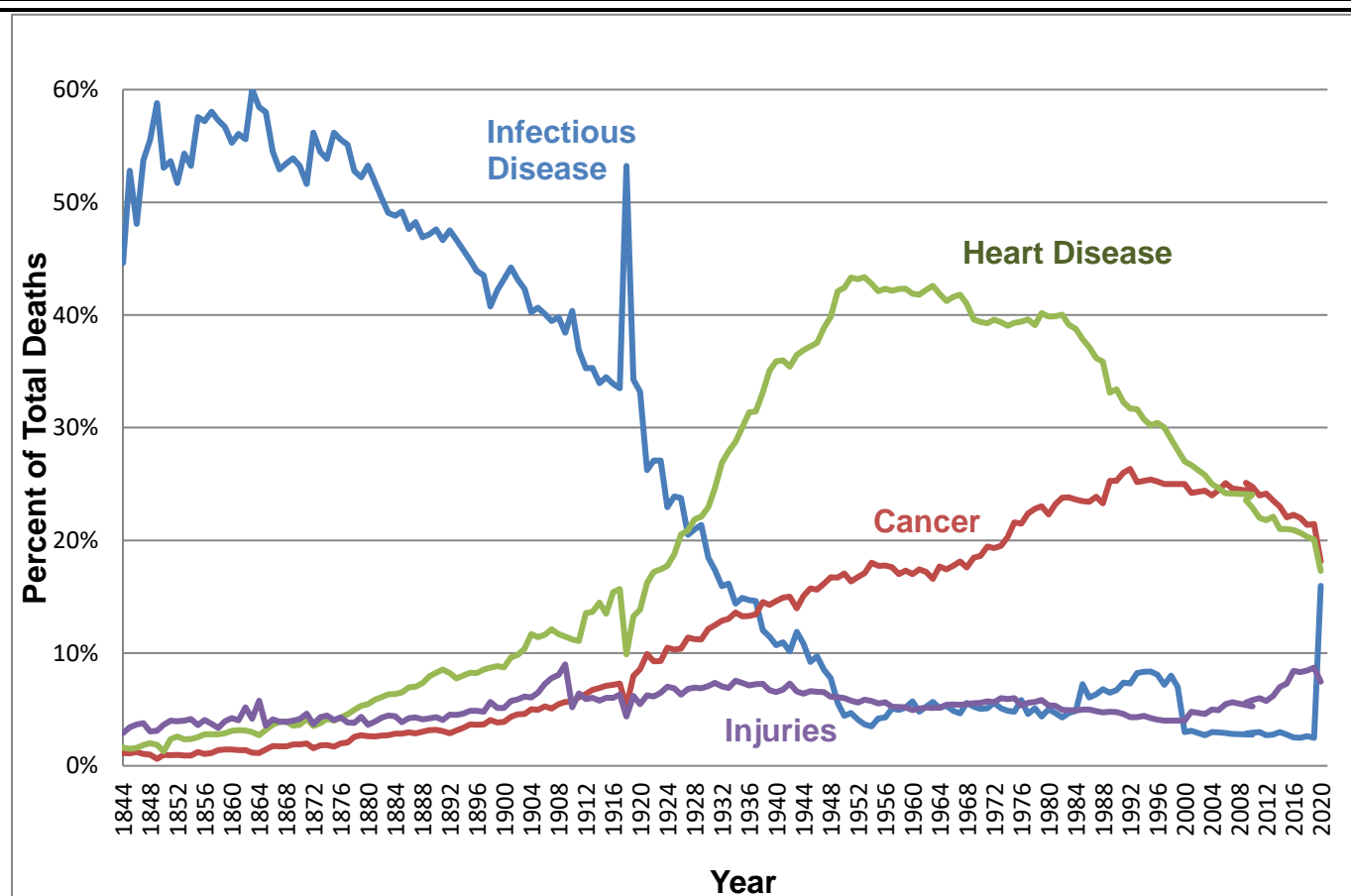
The commissioner shall prepare from the birth, marriage and death records received by him under the provisions of chapter forty-six, and from the divorce returns received by him under the provisions of section forty-six of chapter two hundred and eight, such statistical tables as he deems useful, and shall make annual report thereof to the general court. The commissioner may transmit such information to the appropriate agency of the federal government to participate in the development of a cooperative system for producing uniform statistical information at the federal, state and local level. The commissioner may make further use of such records as he deems useful for administrative and research purposes connected with health programs and population studies. He shall, as soon as is reasonably practicable, cause the birth, marriage and death records to be bound with indexes thereto and shall retain their custody. He shall prepare an alphabetical index of such divorce returns showing the names of the parties, year and number of the judgment and the county in which the divorce occurred.

Prior to undertaking any activity or implementing any policy which would affect expenditures for medical assistance under chapter one hundred and eighteen E, including but not limited to the certification and licensure of providers of services under said chapter, the commissioner shall assure that such activity is reviewed by the commissioner of medical assistance.

The commissioner shall consult with the commissioner of mental health prior to taking an action substantially affecting the design and implementation of behavioral health services for children under guidelines established by the secretary of health and human services under section 16S of chapter 6A.

The commissioner, subject to the approval of the governor, may make such rules and regulations governing the conduct of written and oral examinations by the several boards of registration and examination under the department as shall be necessary to standardize procedures and protect the commonwealth and applicants for registration against fraud. Nothing in this section shall prevent a board from adopting, under authority of other provisions of law, specific rules and regulations that are not in conflict with the rules and regulations authorized by this section.

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2020 Massachusetts Deaths Highlights

- 2020 was an extraordinary year for Massachusetts, the United States, and the world in facing the COVID-19 pandemic. In Massachusetts, 9,455 residents died of COVID in 2020 which was the third leading cause of death overall. Massachusetts had not seen this level of death due to infectious disease since the 1919 Spanish Flu Pandemic (Figure 1 and Table 6). The number of deaths due to COVID-19 had an impact on many other key mortality indicators. Black, Indigenous, Asian/Pacific Islander and Other Communities of Color were disproportionately impacted by COVID-19.
 - From 2019 to 2020, the age-adjusted mortality rate for Massachusetts residents increased 15.6% from 654.0 deaths per 100,000 to 756.3 deaths per 100,000 due to the COVID-19 pandemic (Table 1 and Figure 1). There were disproportionately higher increases in mortality rates among Asian non-Hispanic, Black non-Hispanic, and Hispanic residents compared with White non-Hispanic residents; and among residents ages 65-74 and 75-84 years (Table 1). Deaths to residents ages 1-14 years decreased 34.9% (Table 1).
 - The average life expectancy of Massachusetts residents was 79.2 years in 2020, down from 81.1 years in 2019 and down 1.6 years from 80.8 years in 2010 (Figure 2). This was the largest ten year decrease in life expectancy Massachusetts has experienced since 1900 with a loss of nearly 2 years of life in 2020 alone. Black non-Hispanic residents and Hispanic residents saw the greatest losses in life expectancy (5.0 years for Black women and 5.1 years for Black men; 4.1 years for Hispanic women and 5.5 years for Hispanic men), while the life expectancies for White non-Hispanic women and men dropped only 1.4 and 1.1 years, respectively (Table 3).
 - The age-adjusted mortality rates for COVID-19 and All Other Causes were highest for Black non-Hispanic residents at 186.0 deaths per 100,000 residents for COVID-19 and 708.3 deaths per 100,000 residents for All Other Causes (Figure 5).
 - In 2020, the premature mortality rate (deaths that occur before age 75 per 100,000 residents under age 75) due to COVID-19 was higher for Asian non-Hispanic (26.9), Black non-Hispanic (63.9), and Hispanic (61.7) residents compared with White non-Hispanic residents (20.2). Premature mortality for Black non-Hispanic residents due to all other causes remained high compared to all other racial groups (Figure 6).
 - COVID-19 was in the top ten causes of death for all age groups over age 14. COVID-19 was the leading cause of death for Black non-Hispanic and Hispanic residents; the second leading cause of death (after Cancer) for Asian non-Hispanic residents, and the third leading cause of death (after Cancer and Heart Disease) for White non-Hispanic residents (Table 12).
- In 2020, the rate of infant mortality for Black non-Hispanic residents (7.3 per 1,000 live births) was over two times higher than the corresponding rate for White non-Hispanic residents (2.9 per 1,000 live births; Table 7).
- Among Massachusetts residents ages 25-64, the death rate for those who completed high school or less was more than three times higher than the corresponding rate among those who completed education above high school. This is most notable in the 25-34 year age group where residents with a high school education or less have a death rate five times higher than those with more than a high school education (Table 5).

- Cancer was the leading cause of death for Massachusetts residents in 2020, followed by heart disease and COVID-19 (Table 6). Lung cancer remained the leading cancerous cause of death for both males and females (Table 14).
- Deaths due to cancer, chronic lower respiratory disease and stroke decreased slightly, while deaths due to Alzheimer's and diabetes increased slightly in 2020 (Table 6). The number of deaths with diabetes as a contributing factor increased 43.1% from 2019 to 2020, (Figure 15).
- Poisonings, which include opioid overdoses, continued to be the largest cause of injury deaths in 2020, and increased from a rate of 33.8 per 100,000 in 2019 to 35.2 per 100,000 in 2020 (Table 22). For all leading causes of injury death, rates were approximately twice as high for men than for women with the exception of firearm deaths which were 11.7 times higher for men than for women (7.0 per 100,000 and 0.6 per 100,000, respectively). The firearm mortality rate was 4.6 times higher for Black non-Hispanic residents than for White non-Hispanic residents (11.4 per 100,000 and 2.5 per 100,000, respectively; Table 23). Overall, injury mortality rates were lowest for Asian non-Hispanic residents (Table 23).
- The rate of homicide for men increased from 3.6 homicides per 100,000 in 2019 to 4.7 homicides per 100,000 in 2020 (Table 26). The homicide rate also increased for Black non-Hispanic and Hispanic men (Table 27). These increases are driven by an increase in firearm homicide (Table 28).
- Deaths due to legal intervention decreased from 7 total (5 firearm, 2 other or unspecified) in 2019 to 2 total (1 firearm, 1 other or unspecified) in 2020 (Table 28).
- The rate of suicide deaths for White non-Hispanic residents (9.6 per 100,000) was almost double the corresponding rates for other groups (4.8 per 100,000 for Asian non-Hispanics, 4.4 per 100,000 for Black non-Hispanics, and 5.3 per 100,000 for Hispanics; Table 27).

Note to Readers

Please review the information below before reading the report. As required by Chapter 111, Section 2 of the General Laws, this report satisfies the requirement of the annual report on statistics on deaths for calendar year 2020 (Annual Report Vital Statistics of Massachusetts-Deaths, Public Document #1 2020). Public Document #1 information on 2020 births, marriages, and divorces is covered in separate reports.

Please Note: Collection of vital records is a complex process. The National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) deems an annual file closed when it has reached a certain level of completeness. In the past, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health has followed their definition to match the national numbers. Starting with the 2013 report, the department is closing our annual file later than the file sent to the NCHS to get more complete reporting of events.¹ While cause of death information will be more complete due to this change, it may also cause the appearance of an increase in the number of deaths when compared to previous years. Thus, comparisons between years should be interpreted with caution. This caution should be applied especially for causes of death that are often referred to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner for determination of underlying causes of death. See Figure 5 for details. Accidental deaths, poisonings, and complex cases are most likely to be impacted by closure dates that differ from year to year.

VIP System

The Vitals Information Partnership (VIP) is an electronic registration system designed to streamline and integrate vital event registration, securely, across the Commonwealth. The VIP death application was launched in September 2014, and a revised version of the death certificate was also introduced at that time. Therefore, 2015 was the first full year of data using improved data collection methods and new data items. Changes in data fields promote accuracy and now align with national standards.

Changes in data fields impact figures and tables that report trends over time. The reader must use caution when comparing 2020 results to findings from years prior to 2015.

- For example, families of decedents now report race separately from ethnicity and may choose more than one race from the standard checkbox lists. Previously, families wrote free-form responses in a single field that were often difficult to categorize and may have resulted in some misclassifications.
- While the new method improves accuracy, an algorithm must still be used to analyze multiple race responses and choose the most appropriate standard race category as used in this report. (See Technical Notes.)

2003 Revisions of the U.S. Standard Certificate of Death

This report includes 2020 data on items that are collected on both the 1989 revision of the Standard Certificate of Death (unrevised) and the 2003 revision of the Standard Certificate of Death (revised). In addition to the collection of new variables, the 2003 revision allows the reporting of more than one race in accordance with the revised standards issued by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in 1997. See “Technical Notes” for detailed information on

¹ This report uses death record data prepared on 10/3/2017. In a very small number of cases, additional data will be obtained at a later date. Therefore, the statistics presented in this report could change slightly based on any information received after 10/3/2017.

the 2020 multiple-race reporting area and methods used to bridge responses for those who report more than one race to a single race.

Cabo Verdean Race Categorization

Prior to launching the VIP death application in September 2014, “Cape Verdean”² was an option that could be selected for a decedent’s race. Decedents of Cabo Verdean race were then reclassified as non-Hispanic Black for Death Report analyses for consistency with NCHS standards. However, in the VIP death application “Cape Verdean”² is considered an ethnicity, and is collected separately from race. For this reason, decedents of Cabo Verdean ethnicity are now classified according to their reported race and may be distributed to any one of the five Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) race/ethnicity categories (non-Hispanic White, non-Hispanic Black, non-Hispanic Asian and Pacific Islander, non-Hispanic American Indian and Alaska Native, or Hispanic). This change in categorization may result in fewer non-Hispanic Black deaths, and may particularly impact rates stratified by race/ethnicity that are based on smaller counts.

Population Source

The population source for this report is: State, County, and Small Area Population Estimates 2011-2020, version 2019, Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Environmental Health. Population estimates used for years following the decennial census were developed by the University of Massachusetts Donahue Institute (UMDI) in partnership with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Environmental Health. Detailed population estimates at fine levels of geography are prone to estimation error. Estimated error was best described by age and population size and was used to adjust final population numbers, however a margin of error exists for all estimates.

Resident deaths

All data in this publication are resident data unless otherwise stated. Resident data include all events that occur to residents of the Commonwealth, wherever they occur.

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² The U.S. Board on Geographic Names approved the change of the country name from “Cape Verde” to “Cabo Verde” on December 9, 2013. However, in earlier years and in 2016 the death worksheet still used the name “Cape Verdean”.

Table 1. Trends in Mortality Characteristics, Massachusetts: 2010-2020

Year		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Resident deaths	Number	52,420	53,536	53,169	54,609	55,159	57,785	56,953	58,844	59,169	58,660	68,269
	Crude rate ^{1,2,3}	800.6	812.7	807.1	815.9	817.7	850.5	836.1	849.7	848.1	840.9	978.7
	Age-adjusted rate ⁴	672.7	674.0	669.2	664.1	662.5	684.6	668.9	675.7	662.8	654.0	756.3
Race/ethnicity of decedent^{5,6}												
Asian non-Hispanic	Number	759	806	811	816	938	1,091	1,028	1,165	1,222	1,270	1759
	Percent ⁷	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.9	1.8	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.6
	Age-adjusted rate ⁴	364.8	375.2	372.4	320.5	344.7	371.8	324.7	361.1	351.8	351.4	490.0
Black non-Hispanic	Number	2,278	2,333	2,318	2,446	2,390	2,349	2,504	2,636	2,717	2,760	3,925
	Percent ⁷	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.3	4.1	4.4	4.5	4.6	4.7	5.7
	Age-adjusted rate ⁴	702.6	707.6	701.8	675.5	630.4	589.5	612.4	641.6	625.4	626.7	894.3
Hispanic	Number	1,308	1,477	1,487	1,548	1,702	2,037	2,126	2,372	2,377	2,544	3,451
	Percent ⁷	2.5	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.1	3.5	3.7	4.0	4.0	4.3	5.1
	Age-adjusted rate ⁴	443.9	468.9	484.9	444.9	447.9	493.0	473.2	505.7	480.4	506.3	689.3
White non-Hispanic	Number	48,010	48,844	48,430	49,486	49,621	51,688	50,654	52,038	52,196	51,456	58,356
	Percent ⁷	91.6	91.2	91.1	90.6	90.0	89.4	88.9	88.4	88.2	87.7	85.5
	Age-adjusted rate ⁴	684.4	686.9	681.0	680.9	679.5	703.3	687.9	697.1	686.8	676.3	761.6
Gender of decedent⁶												
Female	Number	27,368	27,983	27,883	28,558	28,289	29,880	28,952	29,665	29,891	29,481	34,320
	Age-adjusted rate ⁴	567.2	572.8	571.1	569.5	557.9	581.2	560.2	563.2	555.1	546.9	631.6
Male	Number	25,051	25,553	25,280	26,051	26,867	27,905	28,000	29,178	29,276	29,177	33,949
	Age-adjusted rate ⁴	811.9	808.5	797.9	786.5	795.9	814.7	804.9	817.9	798.3	789.2	911.9
Age of decedent												
<1 year	Number	319	310	309	298	321	310	283	263	291	255	263
1-14 years	Number	113	114	99	118	129	119	115	122	111	106	69
15-24 years	Number	453	471	419	449	441	519	526	501	416	389	437
25-44 years	Number	1,823	1,870	1,880	1,993	2,234	2,475	2,742	2,788	2,751	2,646	3,019
45-64 years	Number	8,753	8,808	8,791	9,013	9,214	9,348	9,270	9,516	9,350	9,417	10,359
65-74 years	Number	7,423	7,616	7,891	8,259	8,678	9,038	9,332	9,719	9,918	9,974	11,945
75-84 years	Number	13,639	13,598	13,272	13,182	12,784	13,299	12,870	13,272	13,806	13,570	16,385
85+ years	Number	19,888	20,747	20,506	21,296	21,356	22,677	21,813	22,663	22,526	22,303	25,788

1. Deaths per 100,000 residents. 2. See Glossary for further definition of terms and rates. 3. Rate calculations are based on resident population estimates. 4. Rates are age-adjusted per 100,000 residents using the 2000 US standard population. 5. Race and ethnicity data in this table are presented as mutually exclusive categories. Persons of Hispanic ethnicity are not included in a race category. Please see the Technical Notes in the Appendix for a more detailed explanation. 6. Column sum may not equal total because the race, gender or age of some decedents was unknown. 7. Percent of all resident deaths in that year.

**Table 2. Selected Leading Causes of Death, Age-Adjusted Rates,
Massachusetts and United States: 2004-2020**

Year	Age-Adjusted Rates ^{1,2}	Heart Disease		Cancer		Stroke	
		MA	US ³	MA	US ³	MA	US ³
2010	Rate	149.4	178.5	171.0	172.5	31.2	39.0
	% of Total	22.9	24.1	24.7	23.3	4.8	5.2
2011	Rate	144.4	173.7	166.1	173.7	30.2	37.9
	% of Total	22.1	23.7	24.0	23.7	4.6	5.1
2012	Rate	141.3	170.5	166.7	166.5	28.7	36.9
	% of Total	21.8	23.6	24.2	22.9	4.4	5.1
2013	Rate	142.2	169.8	159.5	163.2	27.7	36.2
	% of Total	22.1	23.5	23.5	22.5	4.3	5.0
2014	Rate	137.5	167.0	155.6	161.2	28.7	36.5
	% of Total	21.5	23.4	23.2	22.5	4.5	5.1
2015	Rate	138.7	167.0	152.8	161.2	28.4	36.5
	% of Total	21.0	23.4	22.1	22.5	4.3	5.1
2016	Rate	134.8	165.5	149.8	155.8	27.9	37.3
	% of Total	20.9	23.1	22.3	21.8	4.3	5.2
2017	Rate	134.5	165.0	149.1	152.5	26.5	37.6
	% of Total	20.7	23.0	22.0	21.3	4.0	5.2
2018	Rate	131.1	163.6	142.5	149.1	27.1	37.1
	% of Total	20.3	23.1	21.4	21.1	4.2	5.2
2019	Rate	126.9	197.2	139.5	185.4	26.6	43.7
	% of Total	20.1	23.4	21.5	22.0	4.2	5.2
2020	Rate	127.6	168.2	136.8	144.1	24.6	38.8
	% of Total	17.3	20.6	18.1	17.8	3.3	4.7

**Table 2. Selected Leading Causes of Death, Age-Adjusted Rates,
Massachusetts and United States: 2004-2020**

Year	Age-Adjusted Rates ^{1,2}	Influenza/Pneumonia		Unintentional Injuries		All Causes	
		MA	US ³	MA	US ⁴	MA	US ³
2010	Rate	15.9	15.1	28.3	37.1	672.7	746.2
	% of Total	2.5	2.0	3.9	4.8		
2011	Rate	16.9	15.7	30.0	39.4	674.0	740.6
	% of Total	2.6	2.0	4.1	4.9		
2012	Rate	16.3	14.4	30.0	39.1	669.2	732.8
	% of Total	2.6	2.0	4.1	5.0		
2013	Rate	18.0	15.9	34.0	39.4	664.1	731.9
	% of Total	2.8	2.2	4.6	5.0		
2014	Rate	15.7	15.1	39.4	40.5	662.5	724.6
	% of Total	2.5	2.1	5.2	5.2		
2015	Rate	17.1	15.1	45.5	40.5	684.6	724.6
	% of Total	2.6	2.1	5.8	5.2		
2016	Rate	14.1	13.5	53.6	47.4	668.9	728.8
	% of Total	2.2	1.9	6.8	5.9		
2017	Rate	15.8	14.3	52.6	49.4	675.7	731.9
	% of Total	2.4	2.0	6.7	6.0		
2018	Rate	15.8	14.9	52.8	48	662.8	723.6
	% of Total	2.4	2.1	6.7	5.9		
2019	Rate	13.1	17.8	53.7	49.3	654.0	844.0
	% of Total	2.1	2.1	7.0	6.1		
2020	Rate	14.6	13.0	54.5	57.6	756.3	835.4
	% of Total	1.9	1.6	6.0	5.9		

Note: Cause of death: the disease or injury that initiated the events leading to death or the circumstances of the unintentional or intentional injury that resulted in the death. Data coded according to ICD-10. ICD-10 codes used in this publication are listed in the Appendix. 2. Rates are age-adjusted per 100,000 residents using the 2000 US standard population. 3. US data for 2020 obtained from NCHS Data Brief Mortality in the United States, 2020.

Figure 1. Trends in Percentage of Deaths from Selected Causes, Massachusetts: 1844-2020

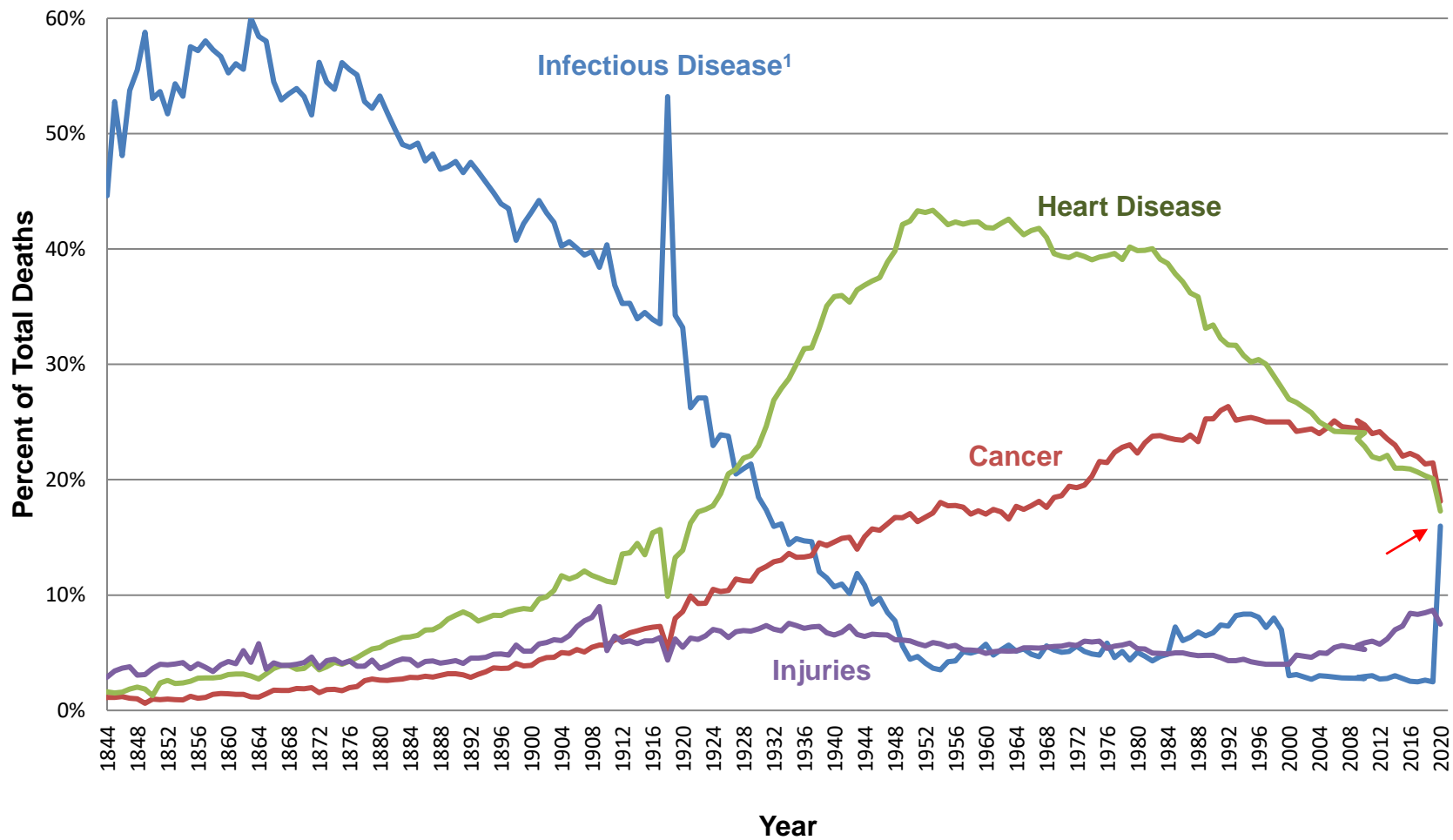
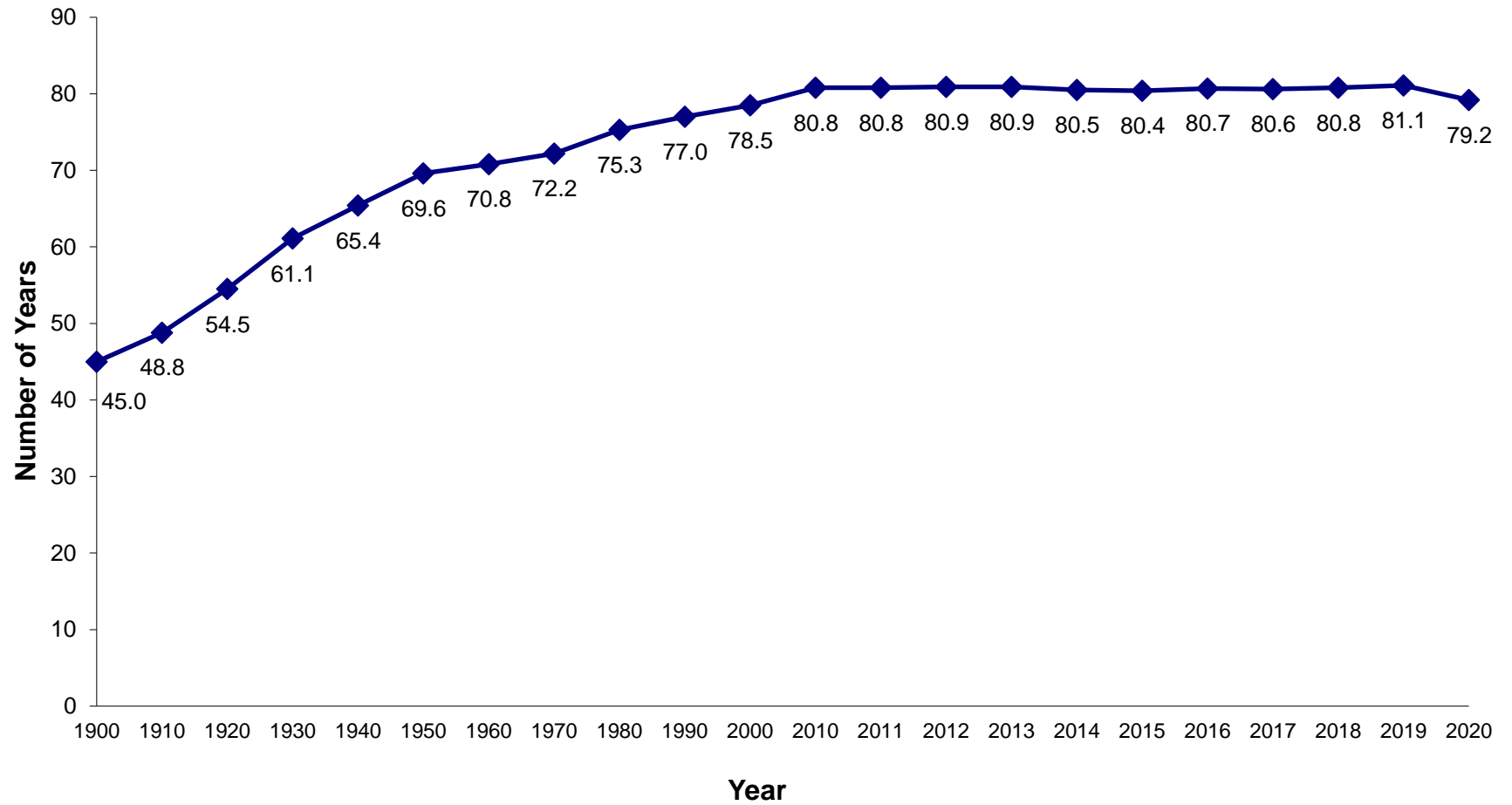


Figure 2. Life Expectancy at Birth, Massachusetts: 1900-2020



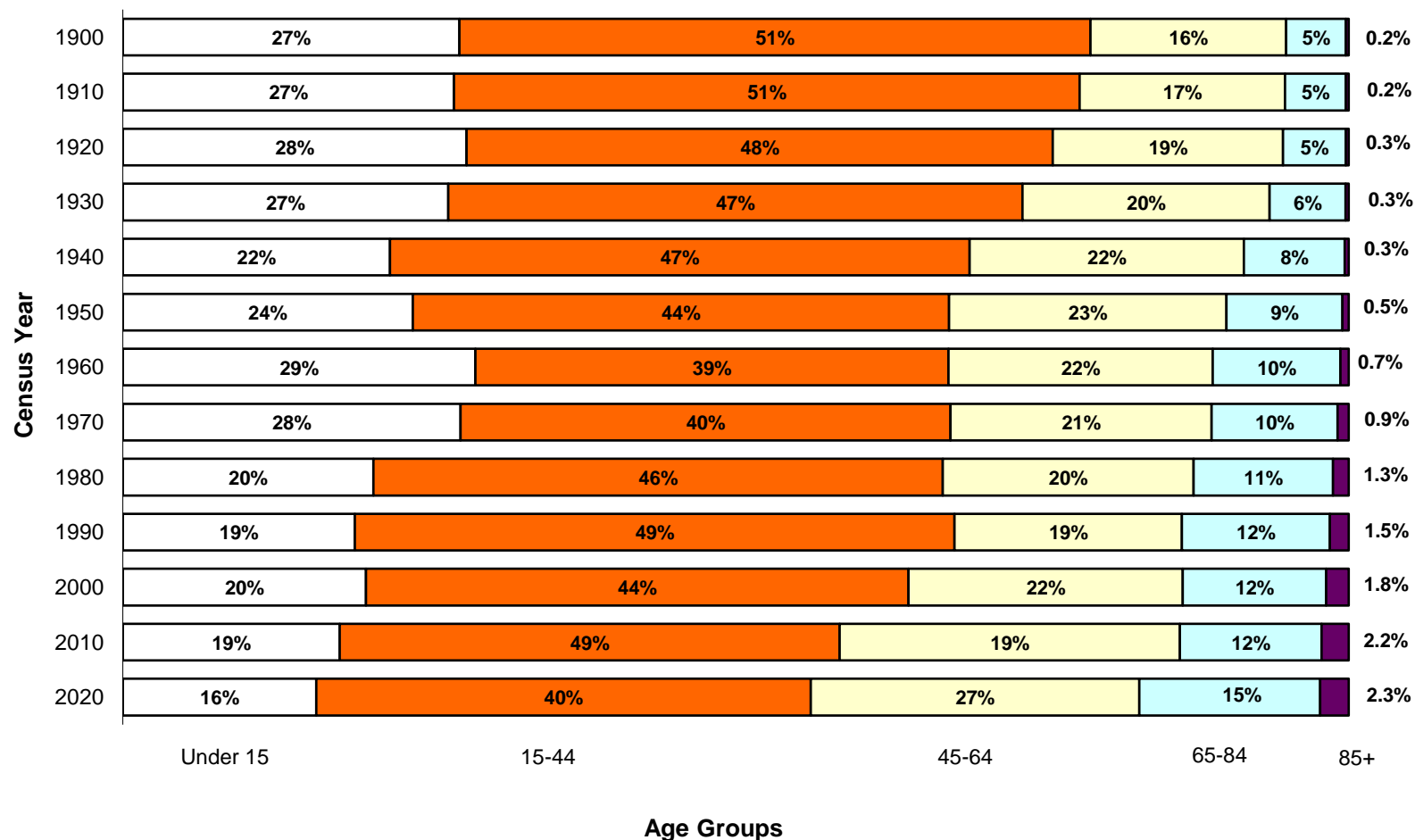
Note: Life Expectancy at birth calculated using the Greville Abridged Life Table Method (source: Dublin LI. Length of Life - A Study of the Life Table. Ronald Press Co. New York. 1949).

Table 3. Life Expectancy at Birth¹ by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity² and Gender, Massachusetts: 2010 – 2020

Year	All	All Females	White non-Hispanic Females	Black non-Hispanic Females	Hispanic Females	All Males	White non-Hispanic Males	Black non-Hispanic Males	Hispanic Males
2010	80.8	83.2	83.0	83.2	90.9	78.3	78.3	75.0	83.1
2011	80.8	83.1	82.9	81.6	89.6	78.4	78.2	76.9	83.9
2012	80.9	83.0	82.9	82.3	88.8	78.6	78.6	76.5	82.3
2013	80.9	83.1	82.7	83.0	90.7	78.8	78.5	76.6	83.7
2014	80.8	83.4	83.0	84.3	89.6	78.3	78.1	77.5	84.3
2015	80.4	82.8	82.6	85.1	87.9	78.1	77.8	78.7	83.0
2016	80.7	83.1	82.9	83.6	89.0	78.0	77.8	78.9	83.3
2017	80.6	83.1	82.9	83.6	89.1	77.9	77.6	77.7	81.7
2018	80.8	83.2	82.7	84.0	88.8	78.2	77.8	77.4	83.1
2019	81.1	83.5	83.2	84.4	88.2	78.5	78.1	77.9	81.5
2020	79.2	81.9	81.8	79.4	84.1	76.7	77.0	72.8	76.0

1. Note: Life Expectancy at birth calculated using the Greville Abridged Life Table Method (source: Dublin L.I. Length of Life - A Study of the Life Table. Ronald Press Co. New York. 1949). 2. Population estimates are from 2019 bridged population file, MARS (Modified Age, Race/Ethnicity, and Sex) file. Please see the technical notes for more information on race and ethnicity.

Figure 3. Changes in Age Composition of the Population, Massachusetts: 1900-2020

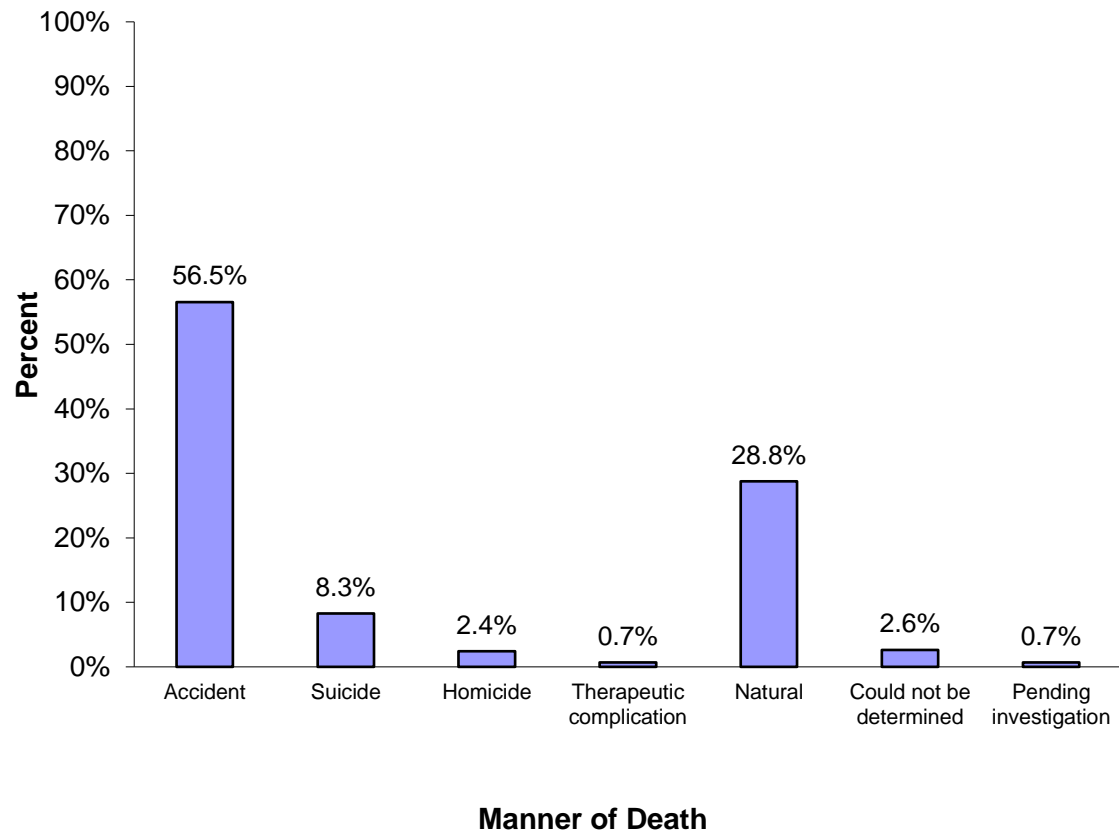


Source: US Census Bureau 1900-1999. Resident death data for 2000 are calculated using the Massachusetts (Department of Public Health) Modified Age, Race/Ethnicity, & Sex Estimates 2000 (MMARS00), released October 2006. Population estimates for 2010 are from the NCHS Modified Age, Race/Ethnicity, & Sex Estimates 2009, released July 2010. 2020 Population estimates were generated by the University of Massachusetts Donhaue Institute.

Table 4. Distribution of Deaths by Place of Occurrence, Massachusetts: 2016-2020

Type of Place where Death Occurred	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Hospital (inpatient/outpatient)	20,579	36%	21,343	36%	20,579	36%	21,343	36%	25,742	38%
Dead on Arrival	732	1%	644	1%	732	1%	644	1%	547	1%
Nursing Home	14,800	26%	15,003	26%	14,800	26%	15,003	26%	15,168	22%
Hospice	3,137	6%	3,321	6%	3,137	6%	3,321	6%	3,090	5%
Assisted Living Facility or Rest Home	1,332	2%	1,646	3%	1,332	2%	1,646	3%	2,360	3%
At Home	14,925	26%	15,361	26%	14,925	26%	15,361	26%	19,531	29%
Other	1,446	3%	1,520	3%	1,446	3%	1,520	3%	1,822	3%
Unknown	2	0%	6	0%	2	0%	6	0%	9	0%

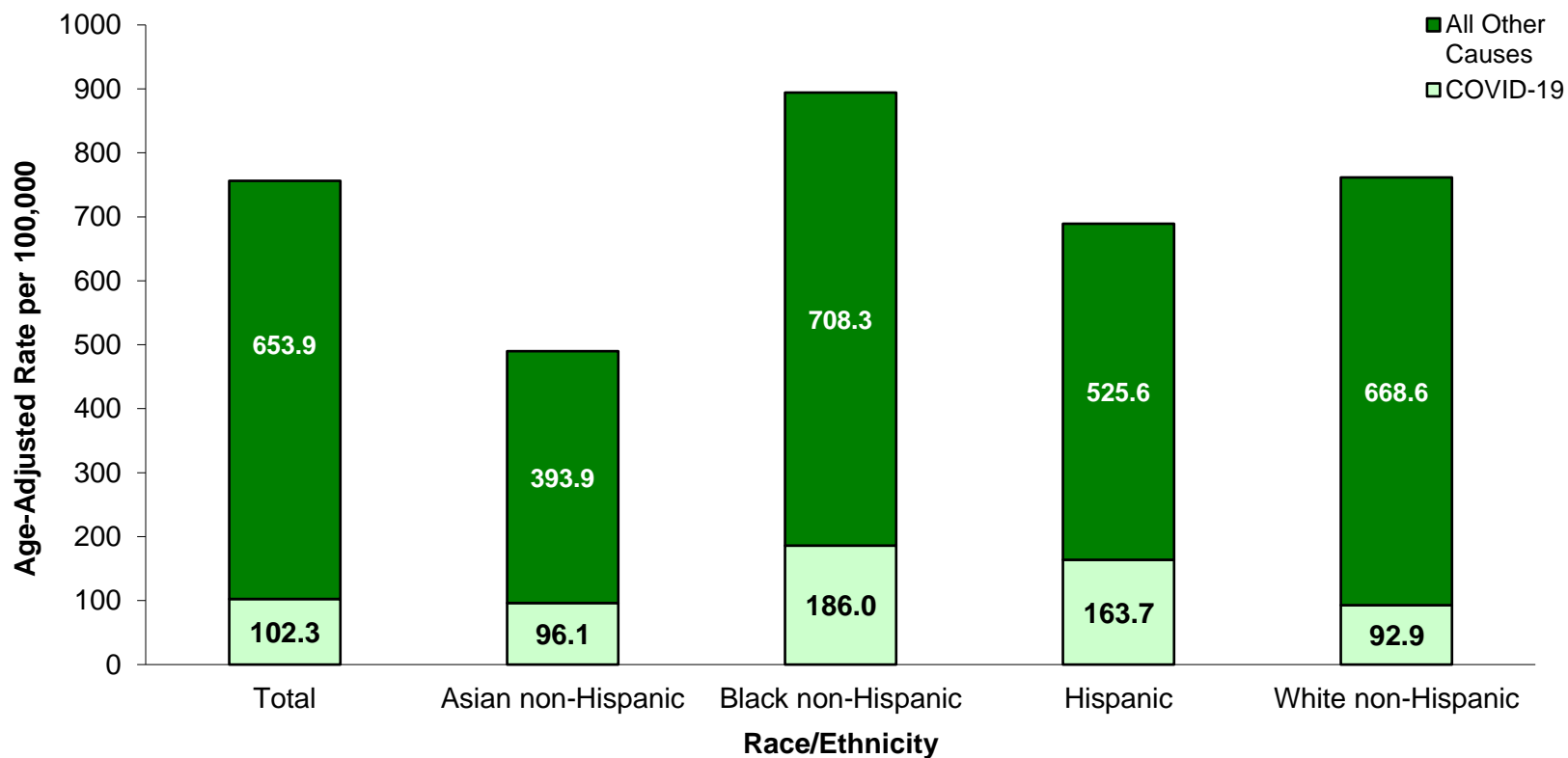
Figure 4. Manner of Death Among Massachusetts Occurrence Deaths Certified by the Medical Examiner, 2020



Note: See the Appendix section, "Circumstance for Referral to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME)" for a list of circumstances requiring referral to the Medical Examiner's Office.

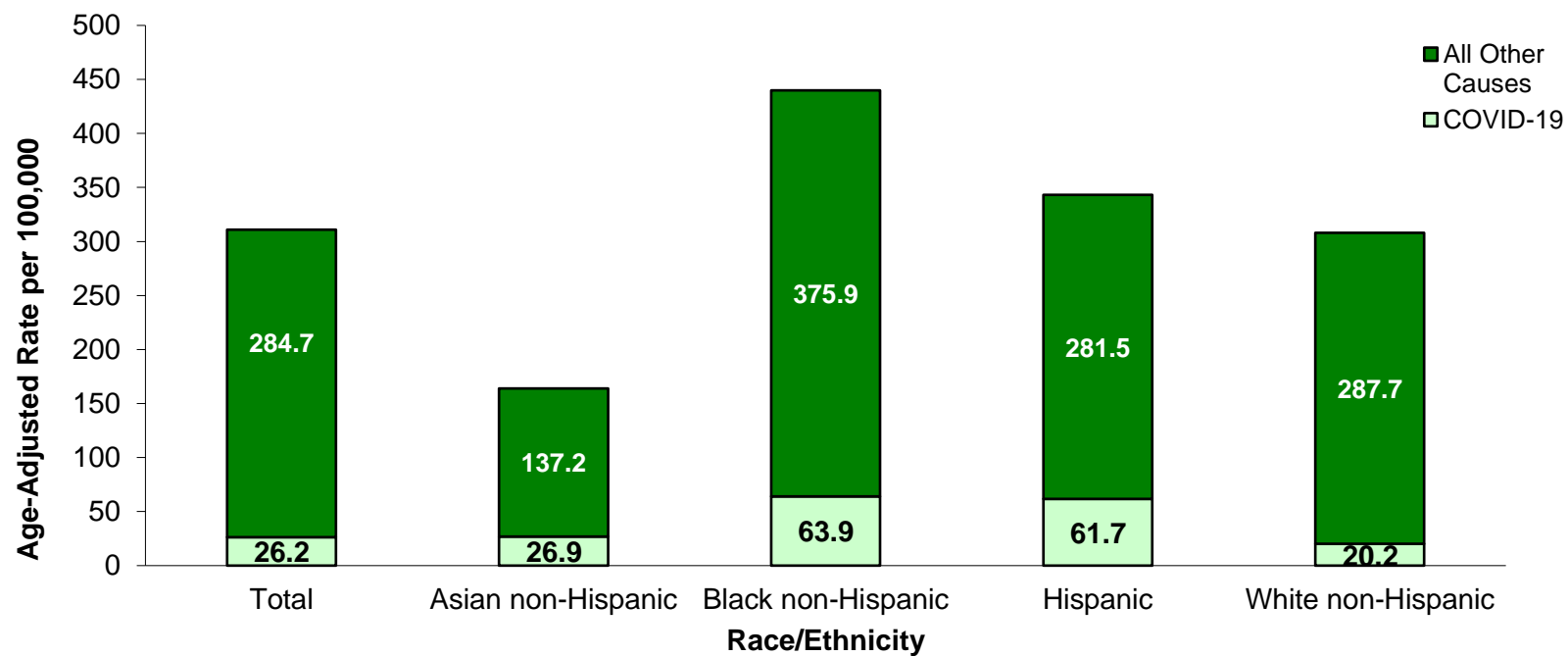
Note: 7511 total cases investigated by the Medical Examiner=7511.

Figure 5. Age-Adjusted Mortality Rate for COVID-19 and All Other Causes by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity, Massachusetts: 2020



Note: The ICD-10 codes used for COVID-19 deaths were U07.1 and B34.2. Please see the technical notes for more information on race and ethnicity

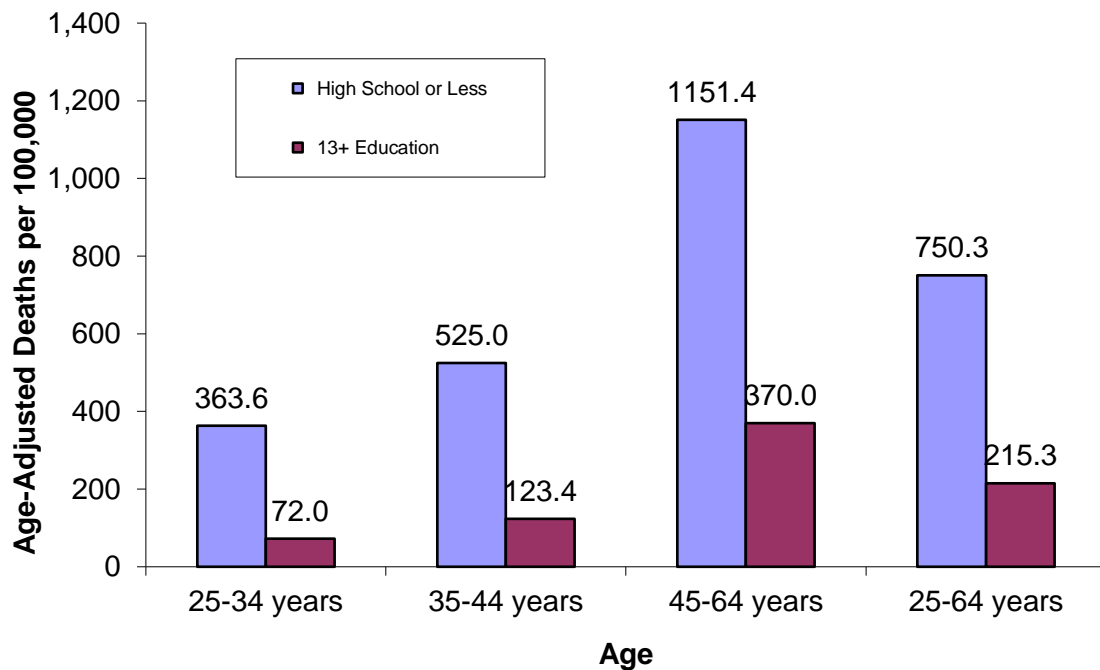
Figure 6. Premature Mortality Rate (PMR) for COVID-19 and All Other Causes by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity, Massachusetts: 2020



Note: Premature Mortality Rate is defined as deaths that occur before the age of 75 years per 100,000, age-adjusted to the 2000 US standard population under 75 years of age. The ICD-10 codes used for COVID-19 deaths were U07.1 and B34.2. Please see the technical notes for more information on race and ethnicity.

Table 5. Age-Specific and Age-Adjusted Death Rates for Ages 25-64 Years by Educational Attainment, Massachusetts: 2020

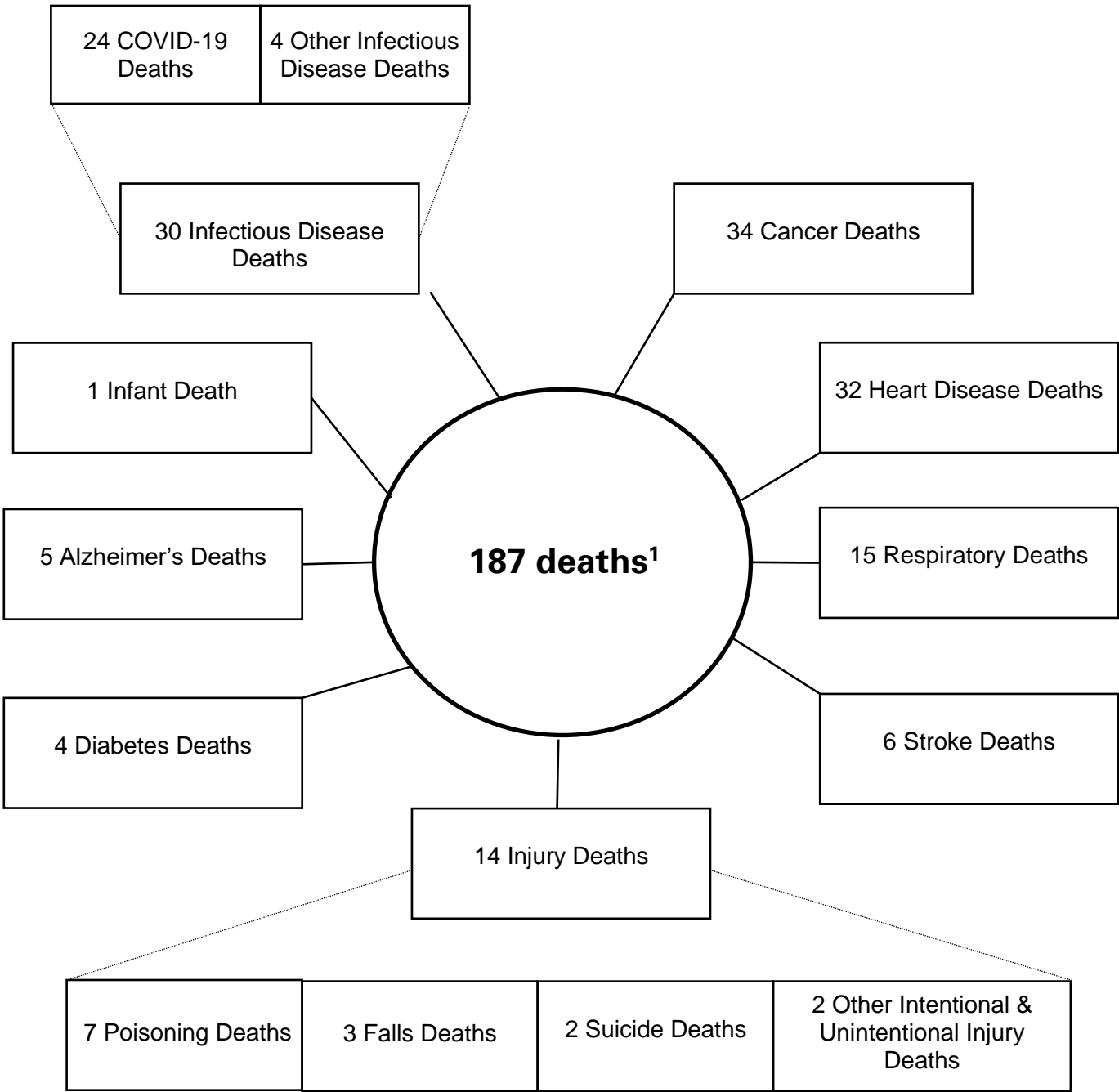
Years of School Completed	<u>Age-Specific Rates</u>			<u>Age-Adjusted Rates</u>
	25-34 years	35-44 years	45-64 years	25-64 years
High School or Less	363.6	525.0	1151.4	750.3
13+ Education	72.0	123.4	370.0	215.3



Source: C15001: SEX BY AGE BY EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT FOR THE POPULATION 18 YEARS AND OVER
 Universe: Population 18 Years And Over. 2014 American Community Survey Estimates.

Figure 7. Daily Mortality Statistics, Massachusetts: 2020

Every day in 2020 in Massachusetts there were on average:



1. Includes 46 deaths due to other causes. Individual categories may not sum to the total due to rounding.

Table 6. Top Ten Leading Underlying Causes of Death by Age, Massachusetts: 2020

	Age Groups (number of deaths)								
Rank	<1 year	1-14 years	15-24 years	25-44 years	45-64 years	65-74 years	75-84 years	85+ years	All
1	Congenital malformations (49)	Unintentional Injuries ³ (13)	Unintentional Injuries ³ (197)	Unintentional Injuries ³ (1398)	Cancer (2625)	Cancer (3481)	Cancer (3402)	Heart Disease (5320)	Cancer (12381)
2	Short Gestation and LBW ¹ (45)	Cancer (10)	Suicide (72)	Cancer (246)	Heart Disease (1648)	Heart Disease (1924)	Heart Disease (2669)	COVID-19 (4477)	Heart Disease (11797)
3	SIDS ² (23)	Congenital Malformations (5)	Homicide (59)	Heart Disease (221)	Unintentional Injuries ³ (1116)	COVID-19 (1493)	COVID-19 (2571)	Cancer (2592)	COVID-19 (9455)
4	Pregnancy Complications (18)	Heart Disease (4)	Cancer (25)	Suicide (196)	COVID-19 (830)	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease ⁵ (566)	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease ⁵ (833)	Stroke (1122)	Unintentional Injuries³ (4103)
5	Complications of Placenta (11)	Suicide (4)	Injuries of Undetermined Intent (9)	Chronic Liver Disease (118)	Chronic Liver Disease (457)	Diabetes (362)	Stroke (589)	Alzheimer's Disease (1114)	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease⁵ (2546)
6	Neonatal Hemorrhage (11)	Ill-defined Conditions-signs and symptoms ⁴ (3)	Congenital malform (7)	Homicide (81)	Diabetes (370)	Unintentional Injuries ³ (333)	Alzheimer's Disease (457)	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease ⁵ (778)	Stroke (2272)
7	Circulatory System (7)	Stroke (2)	Heart Disease (6)	COVID-19 (78)	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease ⁵ (343)	Stroke (312)	Diabetes (380)	Unintentional Injuries ³ (680)	Alzheimer's Disease (1753)
8	Respiratory Distress (6)	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease ⁵ (2)	COVID-19 (5)	Diabetes (49)	Suicide (229)	Nephritis (209)	Influenza & Pneumonia (363)	Influenza & Pneumonia (612)	Diabetes (1559)
9	Bacterial Sepsis of Newborn (6)	Homicide (2)	Septicemia (4)	Ill-defined Conditions-signs and symptoms ⁴ (41)	Stroke (225)	Chronic liver disease (201)	Unintentional Injuries ³ (362)	Nephritis (506)	Influenza & Pneumonia (1331)
10	Atelectasis (5)	Injuries of Undetermined Intent (2)	Ill-defined Conditions-signs and symptoms ⁴ (4)	Injuries of Undetermined Intent (31)	Septicemia (147)	Influenza & Pneumonia (196)	Parkinsons (346)	Diabetes (396)	Nephritis (1215)
All Causes	263	69	437	3,019	10,359	11,945	16,385	25,788	68,269

Note: Ranking based on number of deaths. The number of deaths is shown in parentheses.

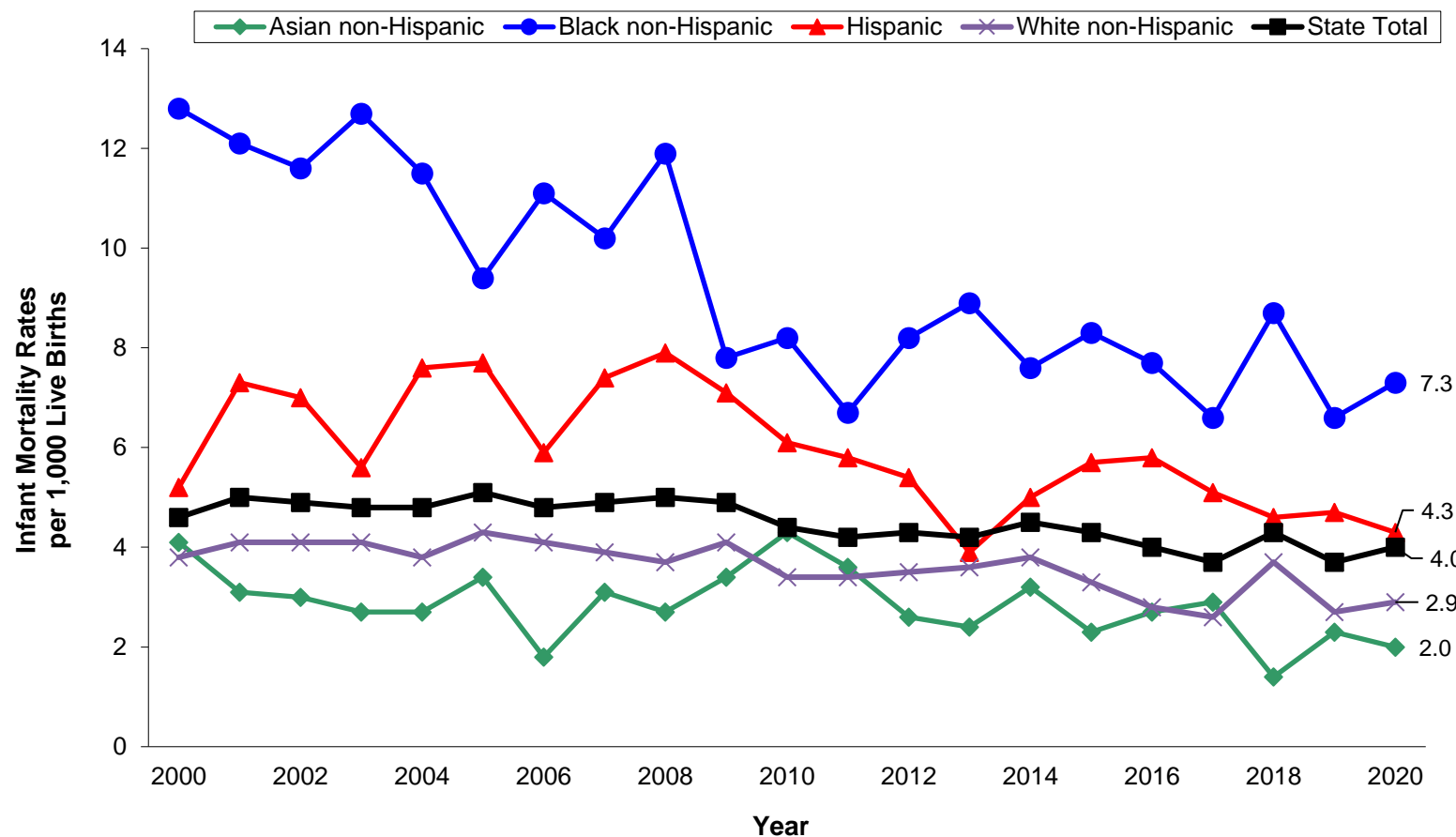
1. LBW: Low birthweight. 2. SIDS: Sudden Infant Death Syndrome. 3. Injuries are subdivided into 4 separate categories by intent: unintentional, homicide, suicide, and injuries of undetermined intent (deaths where investigation has not determined whether injuries were accidental or purposely inflicted). 4. Ill-Defined Conditions: Includes ICD-10 codes R00-R99. 5. The title of this cause of death has changed between ICD-10 and ICD-9. Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease (ICD-10 title) corresponds to Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) (ICD-9 title).

Table 7. Trends in Infant, Neonatal, and Post Neonatal Mortality, by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity⁵, Massachusetts: 2010-2020

INFANT MORTALITY (less than one year of age)												
Year	State Total ¹		Asian non-Hispanic		Black non-Hispanic		Hispanic		White non-Hispanic		Other ²	
	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³
2010	319	4.4	25	4.3	56	8.2	65	6.1	163	3.4	7	4.4
2011	310	4.2	22	3.6	47	6.7	75	5.8	158	3.4	6	4.2
2012	309	4.3	17	2.6	57	8.2	71	5.4	158	3.5	4	-- ⁴
2013	298	4.2	15	2.4	63	8.9	49	3.9	161	3.6	3	-- ⁴
2014	321	4.5	20	3.2	54	7.6	62	5.0	169	3.8	8	10.5
2015	310	4.3	15	2.3	59	8.3	75	5.7	146	3.3	14	21.8
2016	283	4.0	18	2.7	56	7.7	78	5.8	119	2.8	10	13.7
2017	263	3.7	19	2.9	49	6.6	71	5.1	109	2.6	12	17.1
2018	291	4.3	9	1.4	62	8.7	63	4.6	148	3.7	4	-- ⁴
2019	255	3.7	15	2.3	48	6.6	67	4.7	108	2.7	7	8.3
2020	263	4.0	13	2.0	51	7.3	61	4.3	111	2.9	12	15.3
NEONATAL MORTALITY (birth to 27 days)												
Year	State Total ¹		Asian non-Hispanic		Black non-Hispanic		Hispanic		White non-Hispanic		Other ²	
	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³
2010	238	3.3	20	3.4	43	6.3	47	4.4	121	2.5	5	4.6
2011	230	3.1	19	3.1	33	4.7	60	4.7	111	2.4	3	-- ⁴
2012	216	3.0	13	2.0	41	5.9	46	3.5	111	2.5	3	-- ⁴
2013	221	3.1	10	1.6	45	6.3	39	3.1	119	2.6	0	0.0
2014	236	3.3	15	2.3	38	5.3	50	3.9	122	2.7	6	9.5
2015	237	3.3	15	2.3	45	6.4	59	4.5	106	2.4	11	17.1
2016	214	3.0	9	1.3	47	6.5	64	4.8	87	2.0	5	6.8
2017	180	2.5	11	1.7	32	4.3	52	3.7	70	1.7	12	17.1
2018	224	2.7	6	0.9	54	7.6	49	3.6	107	2.7	4	-- ⁴
2019	188	2.7	11	1.7	41	5.6	52	3.6	69	1.7	5	5.9
2020	190	2.9	10	1.5	39	5.6	42	3.0	75	2.0	10	12.7
POST NEONATAL MORTALITY (28-365 days)												
Year	State Total ¹		Asian non-Hispanic		Black non-Hispanic		Hispanic		White non-Hispanic		Other ²	
	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³
2010	81	1.1	5	0.9	13	1.9	18	1.7	42	0.9	2	-- ⁴
2011	80	1.1	3	-- ⁴	14	2.0	15	1.2	47	1.0	3	-- ⁴
2012	93	1.3	4	-- ⁴	16	2.3	25	1.9	47	1.0	1	-- ⁴
2013	77	1.1	5	0.8	18	2.5	10	0.8	42	0.9	1	-- ⁴
2014	85	1.2	5	0.8	16	2.2	12	0.9	47	1.1	2	-- ⁴
2015	73	1.0	0	0.0	14	2.0	16	1.2	40	0.9	3	-- ⁴
2016	69	1.0	9	1.3	9	1.2	14	1.0	32	0.7	5	6.8
2017	83	1.2	8	1.2	17	2.3	19	1.4	39	0.9	0	0.0
2018	67	1.0	3	-- ⁴	8	1.1	14	1.0	41	1.0	0	0.0
2019	67	1.0	4	-- ⁴	7	1.0	15	1.0	39	1.0	2	-- ⁴
2020	73	1.1	3	-- ⁴	12	1.7	19	1.3	36	0.9	2	-- ⁴

1. Deaths of infants of unknown race are included in the total calculation. For rate computations, births of infants of unknown race are allocated into the race categories according to the distribution of births of known race. 2. Other: American Indian and Other races. 3. Rates are expressed per 1,000 live births. 4. Calculations based on values 1-4 are excluded. 5. Race and ethnicity data in this table are presented as mutually exclusive categories. Persons of Hispanic ethnicity are not included in a race category. Please see the Technical Notes for more information on race and ethnicity.

Figure 8. Infant Mortality Rates by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity, Massachusetts: 2000-2020



1. Deaths of infants of unknown race are included in the total calculation. For rate computations, births of infants of unknown race are allocated into the race categories according to the distribution of births of known race. 2. Rates are expressed per 1,000 live births. 3. Race and ethnicity data in this table are presented as mutually exclusive categories. Persons of Hispanic ethnicity are not included in a race category. Please see the Technical Notes for more information on race and ethnicity.

Table 8. Infant, Neonatal, and Post Neonatal Deaths by Cause, Massachusetts: 2020

Cause of Death ⁴	ICD-10 Code	Infant (<1 year)		Neonatal (<28 days)		Post Neonatal (28-365 days)	
		#	%	#	%	#	%
TOTAL		263	100	190	100	73	100
Infectious and parasitic diseases	A00-B99	0	0.0	0	0.0	5	6.8
Cancer	C00-C97	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Diseases of the blood and blood forming organs (anemia)	D50-D89	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Diseases of nervous system and ear	G00-G98, H60-H93	4	--²	0	0.0	4	--²
Diseases of the respiratory system	J00-J98	3	--²	0	0.0	3	--²
Diseases of digestive system	K00-K92	3	--²	1	--²	2	--²
Congenital malformations	Q00-Q99	49	18.6	36	18.9	13	17.8
Congenital malformations of nervous system	Q00-Q07	7	2.7	5	2.6	2	-- ²
Anencephalus and similar malformations	Q00	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Congenital malformations of heart	Q20-Q24	13	4.9	10	5.3	3	-- ²
Other congenital malformations of circulatory system	Q25-Q28	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Congenital malformations of respiratory system	Q30-Q34	7	2.7	7	3.7	0	0.0
Congenital malformations of genitourinary system	Q50-Q64	7	2.7	5	2.6	2	-- ²
Congenital malformations of musculoskeletal system	Q65-Q85	5	1.9	3	-- ²	2	-- ²
Chromosomal abnormalities	Q90-Q99	8	3.0	6	3.2	2	-- ²
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	P00-P96	151	57.4	144	75.8	7	9.6
Newborn affected by maternal conditions which may be unrelated to present pregnancy	P00	2	-- ²	2	-- ²	0	0.0
Newborn affected by maternal complications of pregnancy	P01	18	6.8	18	9.5	0	0.0
Newborn affected by complications of placenta, cord and membrane	P02	11	4.2	11	5.8	0	0.0
Newborn affected by other complications of labor and delivery	P03	2	-- ²	2	-- ²	0	0.0
Disorders relating to short gestation and low birthweight	P07	45	17.1	45	23.7	0	0.0
Intrauterine hypoxia and birth asphyxia	P20-P21	4	-- ²	4	-- ²	0	0.0
Respiratory distress of newborn	P22	6	2.3	6	3.2	0	0.0
Other respiratory conditions of newborn	P23-P28	13	4.9	10	5.3	3	-- ²
Infections specific to the perinatal period	P35-P39	7	2.7	6	3.2	1	-- ²
Neonatal hemorrhage	P50-P52, P54	11	4.2	11	5.8	0	0.0
Other and ill-defined conditions originating in the perinatal period	P90-P96	6	2.3	6	3.2	0	0.0
Symptoms, signs, and ill-defined conditions	R00-R99	33	12.5	5	2.6	28	38.4
Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS)	R95	23	8.7	2	-- ²	21	28.8
COVID-19	U701, B342	1	--²	0	0.0	1	--²
Unintentional injuries	V01-X59	3	--²	0	0.0	3	--²
Homicide	X85-Y09	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
All other causes	Residual	12	4.6	4	--²	8	11.0
1. Please see Technical Notes in the Appendix for an explanation of ICD-10 codes. 2. Calculations based on values 1-4 are excluded.							

Table 9. Infant¹ Deaths by Major Causes², Race and Hispanic Ethnicity⁴, Massachusetts: 2020

Cause of Death ²	ICD-10 Code	Asian non-Hispanic		Black non-Hispanic		Hispanic		White non-Hispanic	
		#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
TOTAL		13	100.0	51	100.0	61	100.0	111	100.0
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	P00- P96	8	61.5	29	56.9	33	54.1	61	55.0
Congenital malformations	Q00-Q99	2	-- ³	11	21.6	14	23.0	18	16.2
Symptoms, signs, and ill-defined conditions	R00-R99	3	-- ³	5	9.8	8	13.1	15	13.5
SIDS	R95	2	-- ³	4	-- ³	5	8.2	10	9.0
Unintentional Injuries	V01-X59	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	-- ³	2	-- ³
All other causes	Residual	0	0.0	6	11.8	5	8.2	15	13.5

1. Deaths less than 1 year of age. 2. Deaths are coded according to ICD-10. 3. Calculations based on values 1-4 are excluded. 4. Race and ethnicity data in this table are presented as mutually exclusive categories. Persons of Hispanic ethnicity are not included in a race category. Please see the Technical Notes for more information on race and ethnicity.

Table 10. Leading Underlying Causes of Death, Numbers and Age-Specific Rates by Gender, Massachusetts: 2020

Age	Cause of Death ¹	<u>Total</u>		<u>Female</u>		<u>Male</u>	
		Number	Rate ²	Number	Rate ²	Number	Rate ²
1-14	TOTAL	69	6.5	32	6.1	37	6.8
	Unintentional Injuries	13	1.2	8	1.5	5	0.9
	Cancer	10	0.9	3	0.6	7	1.3
	Congenital Malformations	5	0.5	N/A	N/A	4	0.7
	Heart Disease	4	— ⁴	2	— ⁴	2	— ⁴
15-24	TOTAL	437	45	136	27.9	301	61.9
	Unintentional Injuries	197	20.2	62	12.7	135	27.8
	Suicide	72	7.4	22	4.5	50	10.3
	Homicide	59	6.1	4	— ⁴	55	11.3
	Cancer	25	2.6	11	2.3	14	2.9
25-44	TOTAL	3,019	164.3	956	103.7	2,063	225.2
	Unintentional Injuries	1,398	76.1	380	41.2	1,018	111.1
	Cancer	246	13.4	124	13.4	122	13.3
	Heart Disease	221	12.0	64	6.9	157	17.1
	Suicide	196	10.7	50	5.4	146	15.9
45-64	TOTAL	10,359	559.8	3,801	397.0	6,558	734.4
	Cancer	2,625	141.9	1,212	126.6	1,413	158.2
	Heart Disease	1,648	89.1	434	45.3	1,214	136.0
	Unintentional Injuries	1,116	60.3	293	30.6	823	92.2
	COVID-19	830	44.9	297	31.0	533	59.7
65+³	TOTAL	54,118	4601.6	29,278	4,402.8	24,840	4,860.4
	Heart Disease	9,913	842.9	4,968	747.1	4,945	967.6
	Cancer	9,475	805.7	4,654	699.9	4,821	943.3
	COVID-19	8,541	726.2	4,565	686.5	3,976	778.0
	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	2,177	185.1	1,211	182.1	966	189.0

1. Cause of Death classified using ICD-10 ranked based on number of deaths for all persons at specific age group. See Appendix for a list of ICD-10 codes. 2. Number of deaths per 100,000 residents in each age group. 3. See Table 8 for leading causes of death for detailed age groups for persons ages 65+ years. 4. Calculations based on values 1-4 are excluded

Table 11. Leading Underlying Causes of Death, Numbers and Age-Specific Rates (Ages 65 and Older) by Gender, Massachusetts: 2020

Age	Cause of Death ¹	Total		Female		Male	
		Number	Rate ²	Number	Rate ²	Number	Rate ²
65-74	TOTAL	11,945	1,749.4	5,038	1,372.2	6,907	2,188.2
	Cancer	3,481	509.8	1,613	439.3	1,868	591.8
	Heart Disease	1,924	281.8	648	176.5	1,276	404.2
	COVID-19	1,493	218.7	590	160.7	903	286.1
	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	566	82.9	293	79.8	273	86.5
75-84	TOTAL	16,385	4,937.4	8,072	4,229.2	8,313	5,896.2
	Cancer	3,402	1,025.2	1,651	865.0	1,751	1,241.9
	Heart Disease	2,669	804.3	1,149	602.0	1,520	1,078.1
	COVID-19	2,571	774.7	1,212	635.0	1,359	963.9
	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	833	251.0	451	236.3	382	270.9
85+	TOTAL	25,788	15,977.0	16,168	15,114.5	9,620	17,671.6
	Heart Disease	5,320	3,296.0	3,171	2,964.4	2,149	3,947.6
	COVID-19	4,477	2,773.7	2,763	2,583.0	1,714	3,148.6
	Cancer	2,592	1,605.9	1,390	1,299.4	1,202	2,208.0
	Stroke	1,122	695.1	774	723.6	348	639.3

1. Cause of Death classified according to ICD-10 ranked based on number of deaths for all persons at specific age group. See Appendix for a list of ICD-10 codes. 2. Number of deaths per 100,000 residents in each age group.

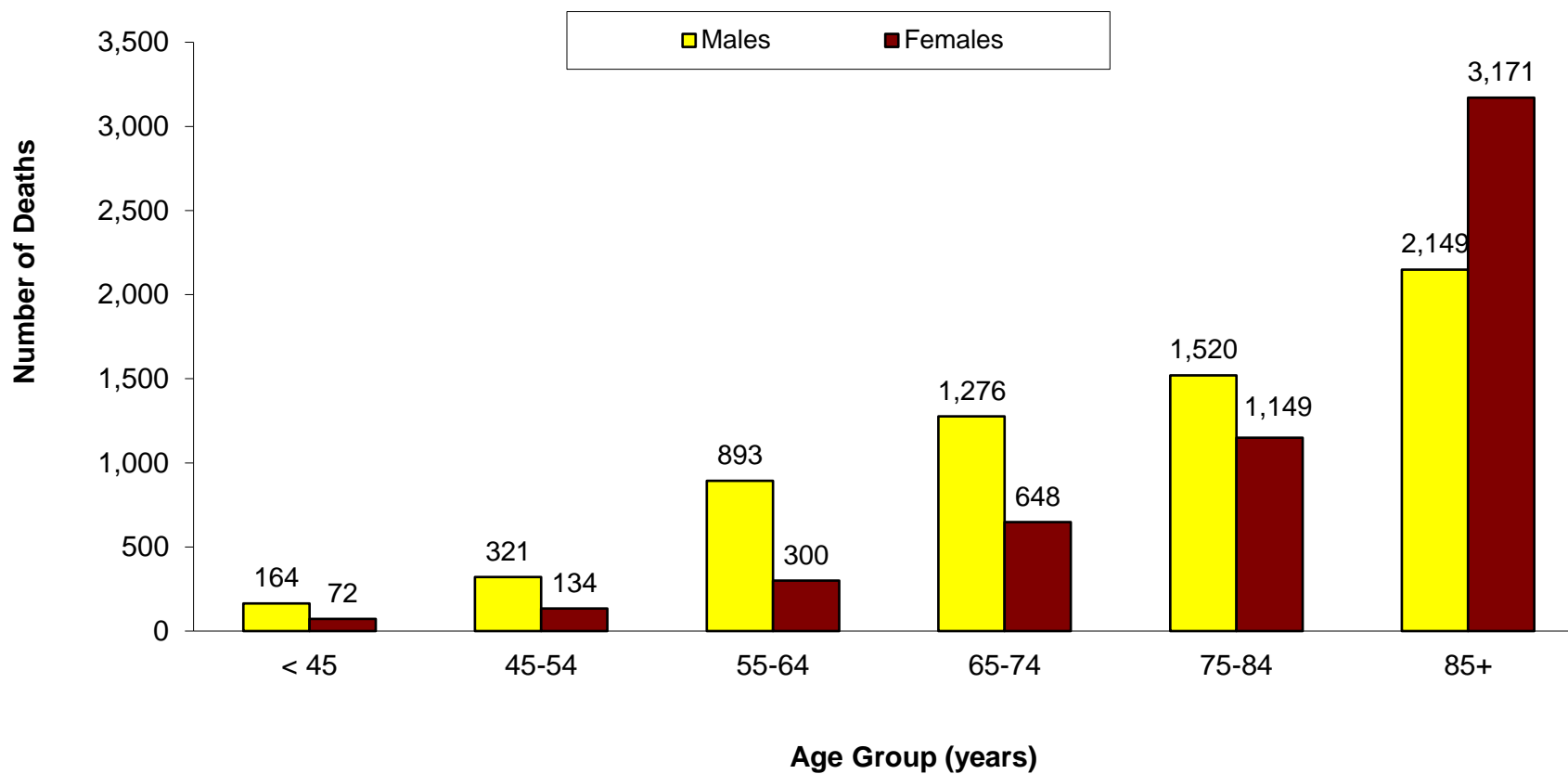
Table 12. Leading Underlying Causes of Death¹ and Age-Adjusted Rates by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity, Massachusetts: 2020

<u>Asian non-Hispanic²</u>			<u>Black non-Hispanic²</u>			<u>Hispanic²</u>			<u>White non-Hispanic²</u>		
Cause ³	#	Rate ⁴	Cause ³	#	Rate ⁴	Cause ³	#	Rate ⁴	Cause ³	#	Rate ⁴
Total	1,759	490.0	Total	3,925	894.3	Total	3,451	689.3	Total	58,356	761.6
Cancer	374	99.6	COVID-19	760	186.0	COVID-19	711	163.7	Cancer	10,784	140.7
COVID-19	331	96.1	Cancer	643	143.7	Heart Disease	447	96.1	Heart Disease	10,395	130.3
Heart Disease	253	72.2	Heart Disease	604	140.1	Cancer	445	92.4	COVID-19	7,527	92.9
Stroke	83	24.4	Unintentional Injuries ⁵	289	56.2	Unintentional Injuries ⁵	426	54.0	Unintentional Injuries ⁵	3,247	57.2
Unintentional Injuries ⁵	64	14.9	Diabetes	146	33.1	Diabetes	118	23.8	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	2,350	30.2
Diabetes	56	16.1	Stroke	145	35.1	Stroke	104	24.0	Stroke	1,910	23.8
Nephritis	46	14.0	Nephritis	96	22.9	Chronic liver disease	77	13.6	Alzheimer"s Disease	1,600	19.4
Influenza & Pneumonia	40	11.7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	79	18.7	Alzheimer"s Disease	60	16.4	Diabetes	1,217	16.0
Septicemia	37	10.3	Homicide	71	12.7	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	60	13.4	Influenza & Pneumonia	1,154	14.7
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	37	11.3	Hypertension	68	15.4	Nephritis	59	12.8	Nephritis	994	12.6

<u>Total</u>		
Cause ³	#	Rate ⁴
Total	68,269	756.3
Cancer	12,381	136.8
Heart Disease	11,797	127.5
COVID-19	9,455	102.3
Unintentional Injuries	4,103	54.5
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	2,546	28.1
Stroke	2,272	24.6
Alzheimer"s Disease	1,753	18.6
Diabetes	1,559	17.4
Influenza & Pneumonia	1,331	14.6
Nephritis	1,215	13.3

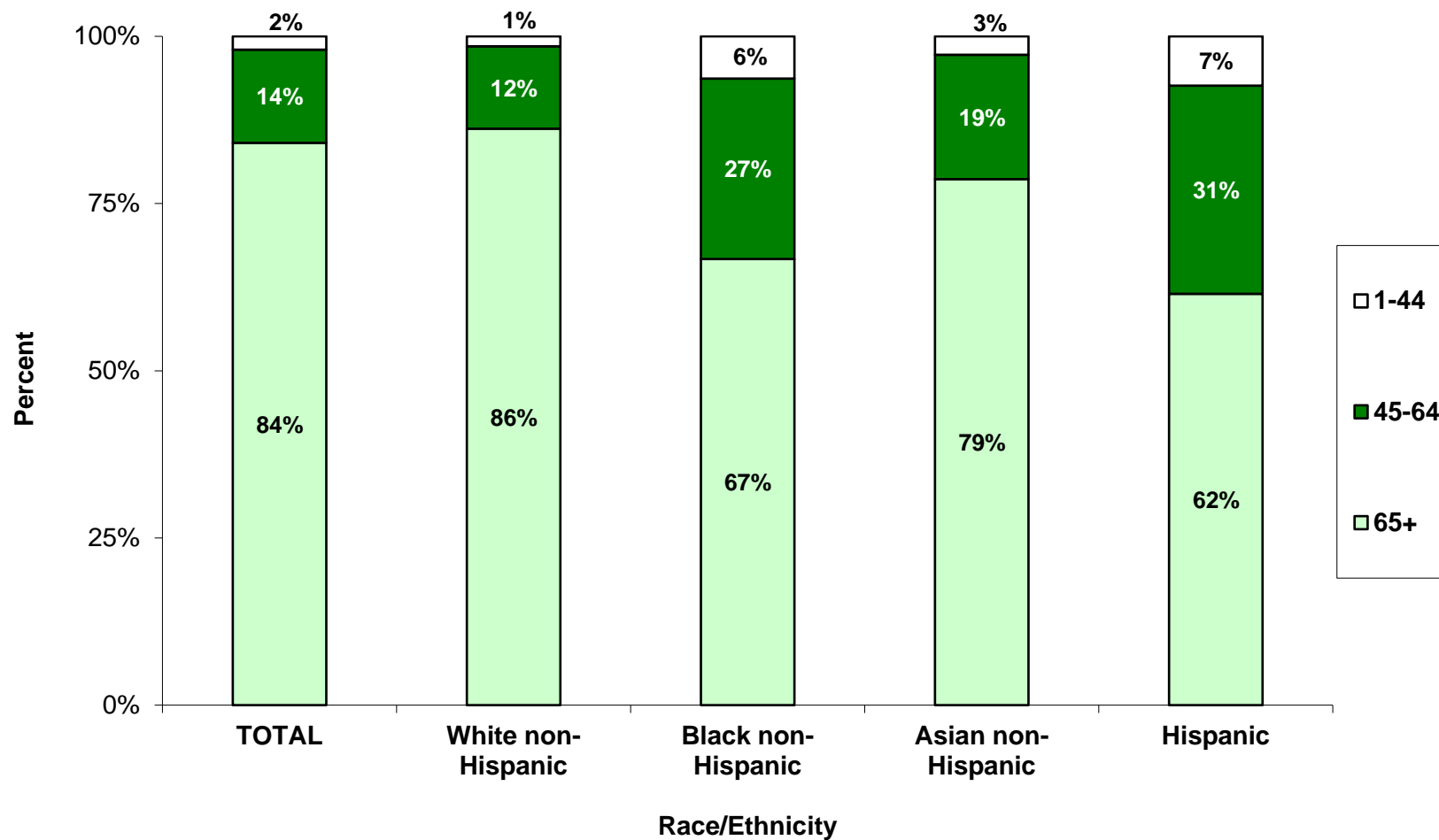
1. Ranking based on number of deaths. 2. Race and ethnicity data in this table are presented as mutually exclusive categories. Persons of Hispanic ethnicity are not included in a race category. Please see the technical notes for more information on race and ethnicity. 3. Underlying Cause of Death based on ICD-10. Please see Appendix for a list of ICD-10 codes used. 4. All rates are age-adjusted per 100,000 residents using the 2000 US standard population. 5. Unintentional injuries include injuries such as motor vehicle-related and other transportation related deaths, falls, fires, and drownings that were not intended to occur.

Figure 9. Number of Heart Disease Deaths by Age Group and Gender, Massachusetts: 2020



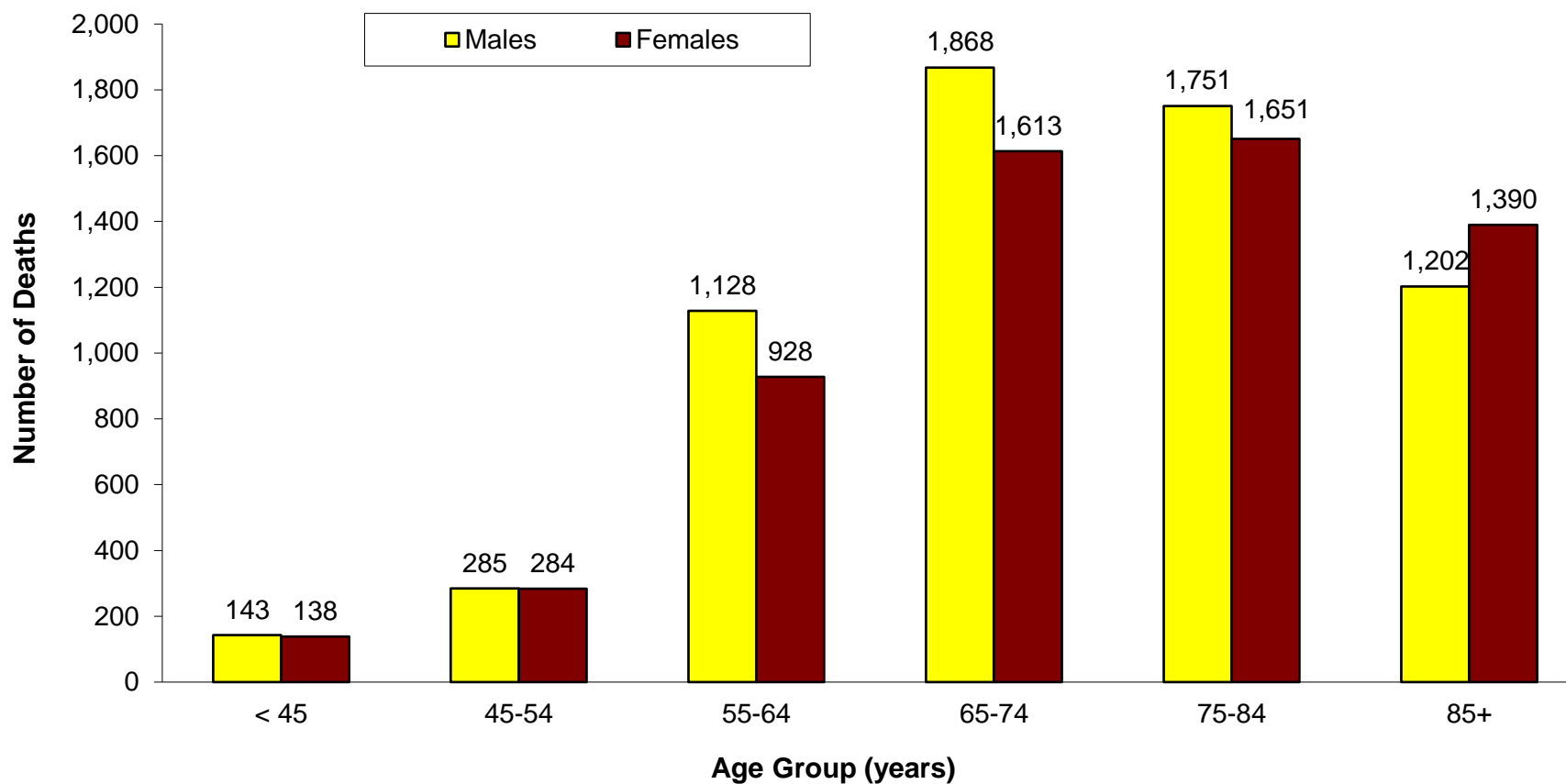
Note: The ICD-10 codes used for heart disease deaths were I00-I09, I11, I13, and I20-I51.

Figure 10. Age Distribution by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity for Heart Disease Deaths, Massachusetts: 2020



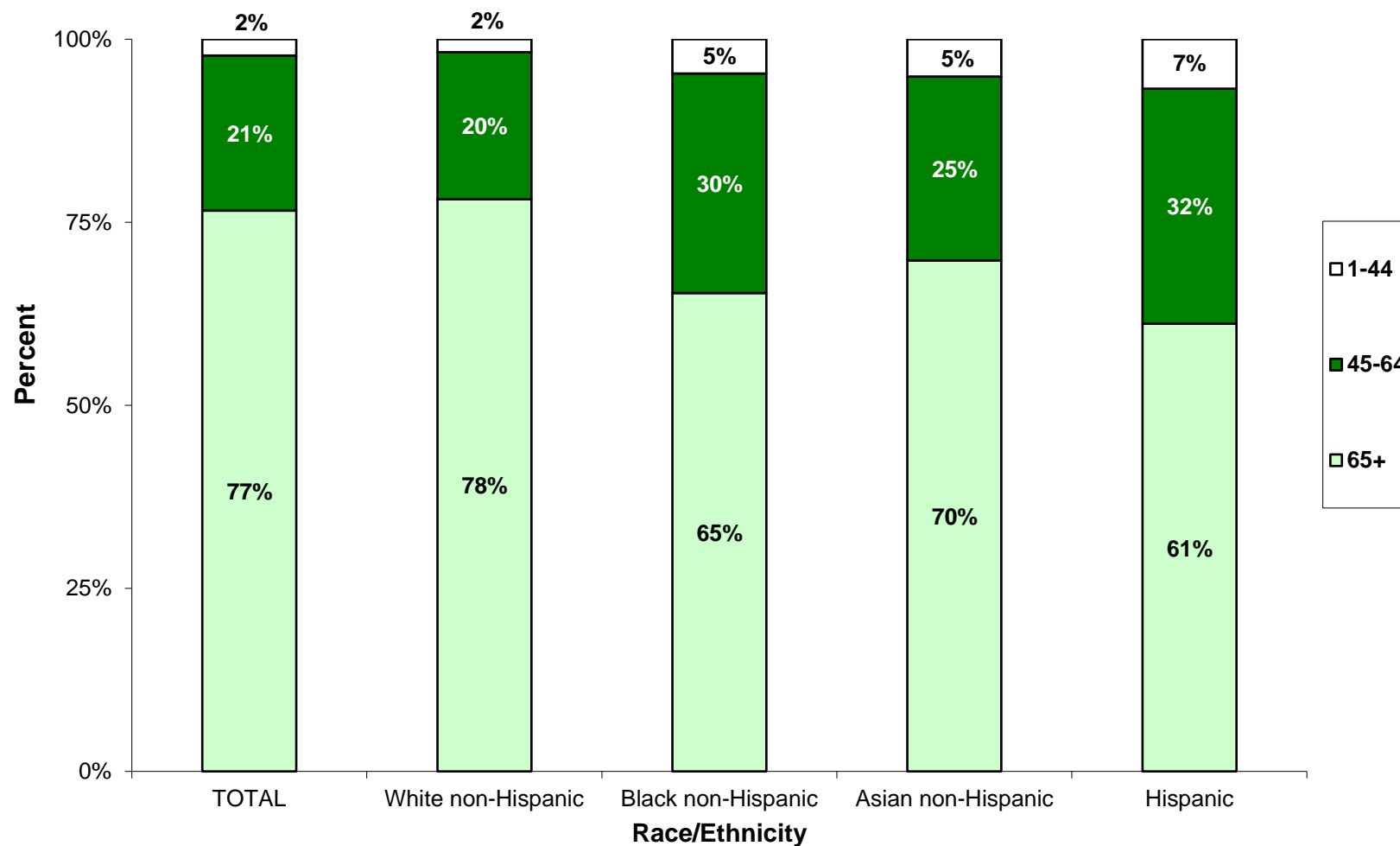
Note: The ICD-10 codes used for heart disease deaths were I00-I09, I11, I13, and I20-I51. Please see the technical notes for more information on race and ethnicity

Figure 11. Number of Cancer Deaths by Age Group and Gender, Massachusetts: 2020



Note: The ICD-10 codes used for cancer deaths were C00-C97.

Figure 12. Age Distribution by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity for Cancer Deaths, Massachusetts: 2020



Note: The ICD-10 codes used for cancer deaths were C00-C97. Please see the technical notes for more information on race and ethnicity.

Table 13. Heart Disease and Cancer Deaths by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity and Gender, Age-Adjusted Rates¹, Massachusetts: 2006-2020

Heart Disease						
Year	<u>Asian non-Hispanic²</u>			Year	<u>Black non-Hispanic²</u>	
	Male	Female	Total		Male	Total
2006	73.6	70.0	72.8	2006	222.3	165.3
2007	83.3	52.9	67.4	2007	233.5	180.8
2008	86.0	51.7	66.3	2008	226.7	181.7
2009	69.6	51.3	60.1	2009	217.3	181.6
2010	64.8	50.4	57.1	2010	222.3	159.7
2011	74.1	61.0	67.5	2011	185.6	143.7
2012	74.7	43.2	57.1	2012	167.3	144.3
2013	67.7	43.2	54.4	2013	164.6	128.3
2014	74.3	42.6	57.5	2014	168.3	127.9
2015	78.6	47.2	60.6	2015	156.6	114.3
2016	61.5	50.4	55.3	2016	147.5	113.9
2017	74.6	52.9	63.1	2017	148.2	122.2
2018	76.5	42.0	57.9	2018	150.0	120.2
2019	79.7	42.3	59.2	2019	146.3	111.3
2020	81.2	64.3	72.2	2020	176.7	140.1
Year	<u>Hispanic²</u>			Year	<u>White non-Hispanic²²</u>	
	Male	Female	Total		Male	Total
2006	124.2	84.9	102.3	2006	216.5	172.2
2007	124.9	61.8	88.3	2007	216.2	168.5
2008	93.2	66.1	78.3	2008	217.1	167.9
2009	111.6	62.7	83.8	2009	211.3	158.4
2010	90.8	66.8	76.9	2010	197.5	152.9
2011	114.9	72.0	89.7	2011	196.0	148.0
2012	106.8	70.5	85.8	2012	187.5	144.7
2013	81.3	56.4	67.7	2013	192.3	147.4
2014	83.4	65.4	72.9	2014	185.5	142.0
2015	104.6	77.6	90.0	2015	184.8	142.7
2016	103.7	73.2	87.5	2016	179.8	139.2
2017	107.0	71.5	86.1	2017	187.3	139.4
2018	93.2	60.6	75.0	2018	179.2	136.5
2019	103.3	68.6	84.0	2019	174.5	132.1
2020	136.0	66.8	96.1	2020	173.5	130.3

Table 13 (continued). Heart Disease and Cancer Deaths by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity and Gender, Age-Adjusted Rates, Massachusetts: 2006-2020

Cancer						
Year	<u>Asian non-Hispanic²</u>			<u>Black non-Hispanic²</u>		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
2006	126.0	91.7	107.2	265.6	180.9	212.4
2007	124.4	76.4	98.4	270.7	159.7	201.7
2008	132.1	89.3	109.0	255.0	163.7	197.9
2009	123.2	71.0	94.3	244.7	164.7	193.1
2010	128.0	98.1	111.8	244.0	131.3	174.3
2011	127.1	92.6	107.3	209.9	162.3	178.0
2012	137.3	78.8	104.6	229.4	150.7	180.6
2013	106.3	66.3	84.4	207.0	141.7	166.3
2014	131.0	83.3	104.7	194.0	114.1	145.0
2015	112.9	86.5	97.9	161.8	116.3	133.2
2016	124.8	71.9	95.0	165.3	113.6	133.7
2017	123.4	83.8	101.4	192.0	116.5	145.2
2018	113.2	83.8	96.6	169.6	115.0	136.5
2019	115.2	71.9	91.4	169.7	111.6	133.7
2020	122.0	81.8	99.6	175.3	125.3	143.7
Year	<u>Hispanic²</u>			<u>White non-Hispanic²</u>		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
2006	119.9	74.3	93.7	234.9	161.5	190.0
2007	125.0	90.0	104.7	226.0	156.5	183.2
2008	141.2	83.1	107.8	221.4	154.8	180.6
2009	129.9	98.2	111.8	212.7	157.0	177.7
2010	129.9	87.2	103.9	211.9	150.8	174.9
2011	125.6	84.0	101.1	206.5	145.9	170.4
2012	150.5	94.4	117.7	201.3	149.1	170.2
2013	122.6	91.7	105.1	193.2	144.0	163.8
2014	115.9	89.3	100.2	192.1	137.4	159.8
2015	114.3	83.3	95.6	185.2	138.6	157.3
2016	109.2	80.3	91.7	185.2	133.2	154.3
2017	116.3	86.3	98.0	181.7	133.3	153.2
2018	116.7	88.0	99.1	178.1	125.1	146.8
2019	112.8	83.5	95.3	172.7	124.9	144.4
2020	119.8	75.2	92.4	168.7	120.7	140.7

1. Rates are per 100,000 age-adjusted to the 2000 US standard population. 2. Race and ethnicity data in this table are presented as mutually exclusive categories. Persons of Hispanic ethnicity are not included in a race category. Please see the technical notes for more information on race and ethnicity.

Table 14. Number and Age-Adjusted Rates of Cancer Deaths by Selected Causes and Gender, Massachusetts: 2020

Cause of Death ¹	ICD-10 Code	Total		Female		Male	
		#	Rate ^{2,3}	#	Rate ²	#	Rate ²
Total Cancer Deaths	C00-C97	12,381	136.8	6,004	117.4	6,377	164.4
Bladder	C67	370	4.0	94	1.7	276	7.4
Brain and nervous system	C70-C72	410	4.6	170	3.3	240	6.0
Cervix	C53	45	1.0	45	1.0	N/A	N/A
Colorectal	C18-C21	947	10.7	472	9.3	475	12.3
Esophagus	C15	392	4.3	97	1.9	295	7.4
Female breast	C50	810	16.2	810	16.2	N/A	N/A
Hodgkin's disease	C81	22	0.2	9	0.2	13	0.3
Kidney and other urinary organs	C64, C65	223	2.5	78	1.4	145	3.8
Leukemia	C91-C95	497	5.6	224	4.4	273	7.4
Lung	C33, C34	2,756	30.2	1,409	27.4	1,347	33.9
Melanoma of the skin	C43	192	2.1	78	1.5	114	2.9
Multiple myeloma	C88, C90	265	3.0	103	2.0	162	4.4
Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma	C82-C85	403	4.5	161	3.0	242	6.5
Ovary	C56	305	6.1	305	6.1	N/A	N/A
Pancreas	C25	1,034	11.4	483	9.5	551	13.9
Prostate	C61	669	18.1	N/A	N/A	669	18.1
Stomach	C16	253	2.8	104	2.1	149	3.8
Uterus	C54, C55	274	5.5	274	5.5	N/A	N/A
All other cancers	Residual	2,514	27.6	1,088	20.9	1,426	36.4

1. Common terms are used to describe the causes of cancer deaths. For detailed terminology of cancer sites, please see the ICD-10 code list in the Appendix. 2. Rates are per 100,000 age-adjusted to the 2000 US standard population. 3. The total resident population is used to calculate all "Total Rates" except for ICD-10 codes C50, C53-C56, which are based on the total female population, and ICD-10 C61, which is based on the total male population.

Table 15. Selected Causes of Cancer Deaths by Age, Massachusetts: 2020

Age	Cause of death ¹	ICD-10 Code	Number	Age-specific rate ²
1 – 14 years	Total		10	0.9
	Brain and nervous system	C70-C72	3	_.3
	Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma	C82-C85	1	_.3
	Leukemia	C91-C95	1	_.3
15 – 24 years	Total		25	2.6
	Brain and nervous system	C70-C72	4	_.3
	Leukemia	C91-C95	3	_.3
	Colorectal	C18-C21	2	_.3
	Ovary ⁴	C56	1	_.3
25 – 44 years	Total		246	13.4
	Colorectal	C18-C21	37	2.0
	Female breast ⁴	C50	28	3.0
	Brain and nervous system	C70-C72	19	1.0
	Leukemia	C91-C95	18	1.0
45 – 64 years	Total		2,625	141.9
	Lung	C33, C34	556	30.0
	Colorectal	C18-C21	259	14.0
	Pancreas	C25	227	12.3
	Female breast ⁴	C50	218	22.8
65 + years	Total		9,475	805.7
	Lung	C33, C34	2,183	185.6
	Pancreas	C25	795	67.6
	Colorectal	C18-C21	649	55.2
	Prostate ⁵	C61	606	118.6
65 – 74 years	Total		3,481	509.8
	Lung	C33, C34	892	130.6
	Pancreas	C25	315	46.1
	Female breast ⁴	C50	210	57.2
	Colorectal	C18-C21	204	29.9
75 – 84 years	Total		3,402	1,025.2
	Lung	C33, C34	832	250.7
	Pancreas	C25	298	89.8
	Prostate ⁵	C61	216	153.2
	Colorectal	C18-C21	211	63.6
85+ years	Total		2,592	1,605.9
	Lung	C33, C34	459	284.4
	Colorectal	C18-C21	234	145.0
	Prostate ⁵	C61	234	429.8
	Pancreas	C25	182	112.8

1. Common terms are used to describe causes of cancer death. For detailed terminology, please see the ICD-10 codes listed in the Appendix. 2. Number of deaths per 100,000 residents in each age group. 3. Calculations based on values 1-4 are excluded.

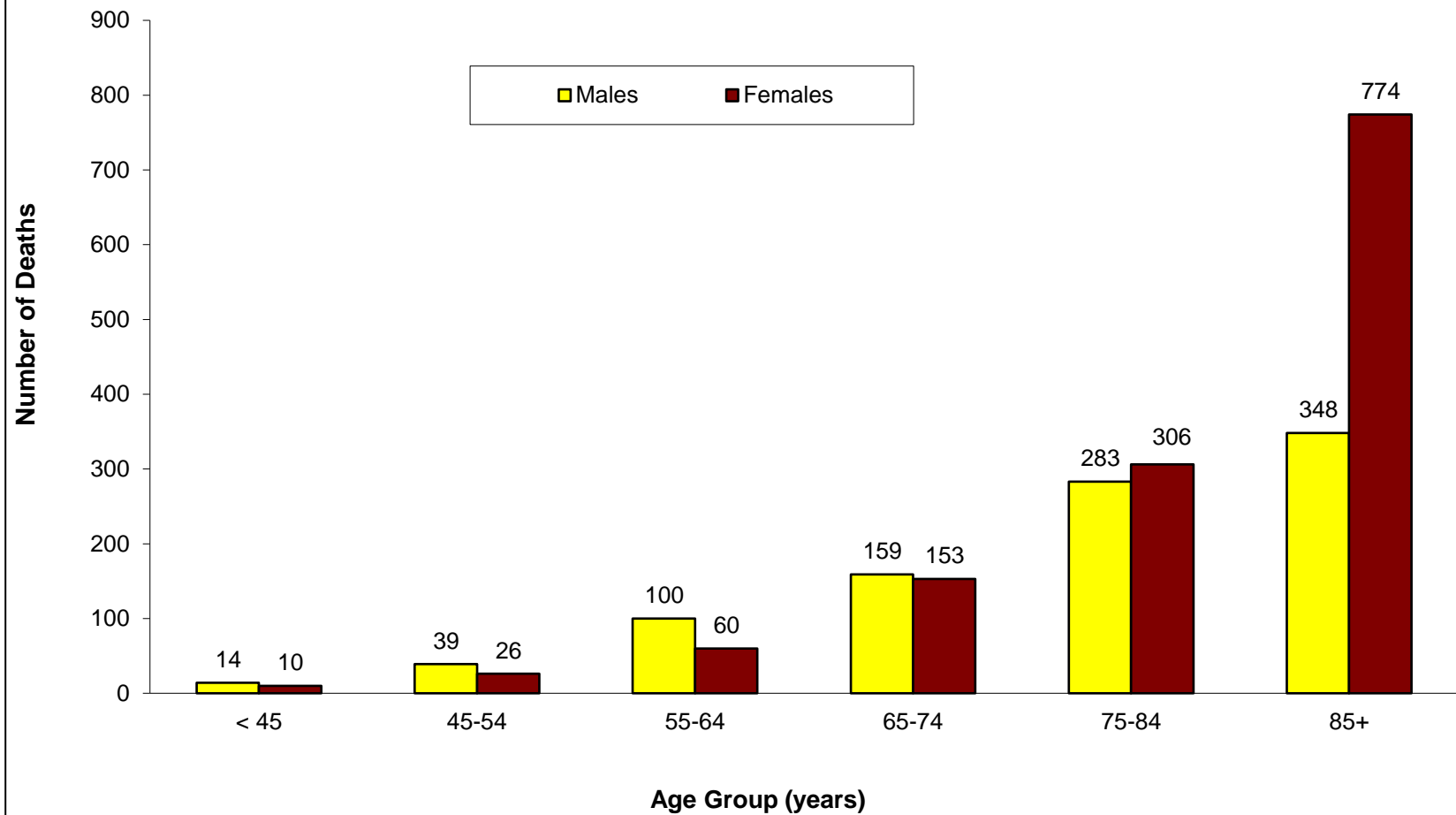
4. Calculation based on female population in specified age group. 5. Calculation based on male population in specified age group.

Table 16. Leading Causes of Cancer Deaths and Age-Adjusted Rates by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity, Massachusetts: 2020

<u>Asian non-Hispanic</u>			<u>Black non-Hispanic</u>			<u>Hispanic</u>			<u>White non-Hispanic</u>		
Cause ²	#	Rate ³	Cause ²	#	Rate ³	Cause ²	#	Rate ³	Cause ²	#	Rate ³
Lung	77	21.3	Lung	108	23.2	Lung	68	15.0	Lung	2,484	32.0
Pancreas	34	9.3	Colorectal	65	13.9	Prostate ⁵	39	24.3	Pancreas	899	11.7
Colorectal	31	7.3	Pancreas	58	12.9	Colorectal	36	6.5	Colorectal	802	10.7
Stomach	24	6.8	Prostate ⁵	56	36.6	Pancreas	32	7.0	Female Breast ⁴	696	16.7
Female Breast ⁴	18	8.3	Female Breast ⁴	54	20.7	Female Breast ⁴	32	10.0	Prostate ⁵	555	17.3
Total Cancer	374	99.6	Total Cancer	643	143.7	Total Cancer	445	92.4	Total Cancer	10,784	140.7

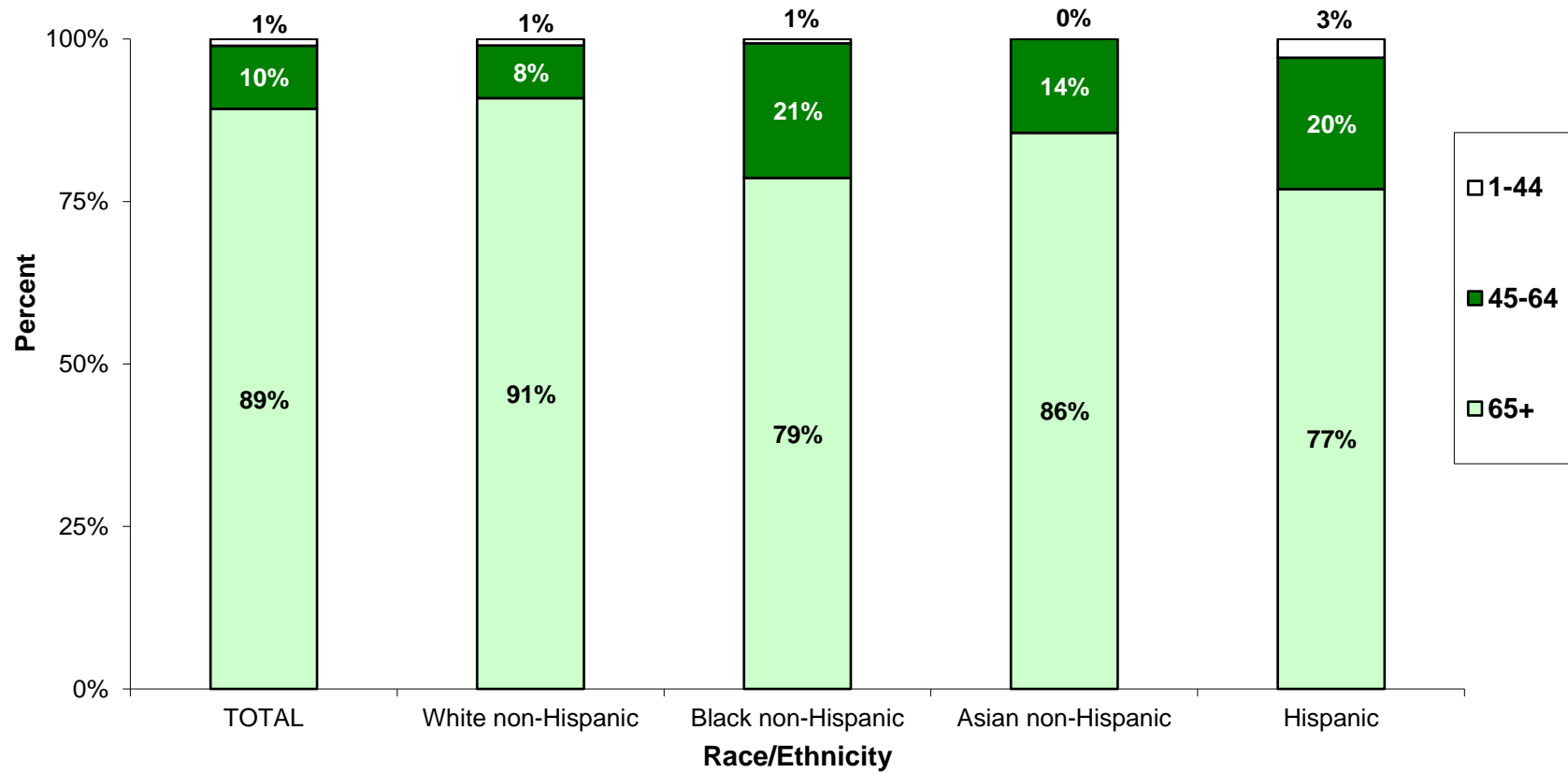
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Figure 13. Number of Stroke Deaths by Age Group and Gender, Massachusetts: 2020



Note: The ICD-10 codes used for stroke deaths were I60-I69.

Figure 14. Age Distribution by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity for Stroke Deaths, Massachusetts: 2020



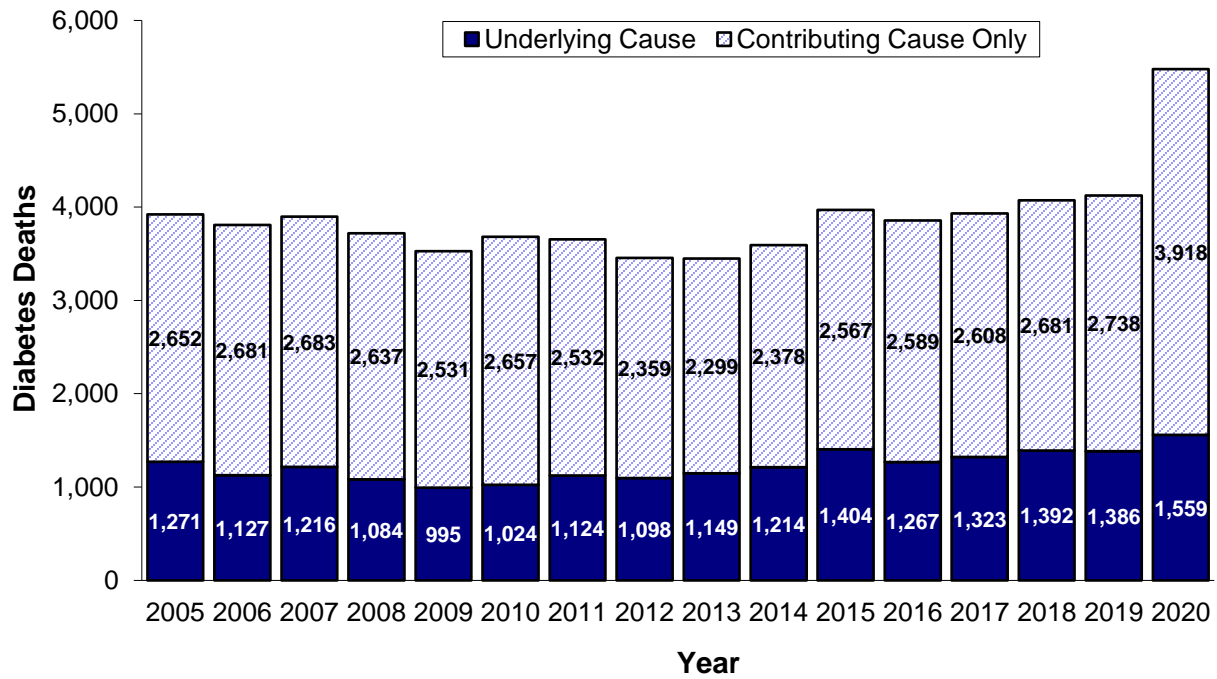
Note: The ICD-10 codes used for stroke deaths were I60-I69. Please see the technical notes for more information on race and ethnicity.

Table 17. Stroke Deaths by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity and Gender, Age-Adjusted Rates¹, Massachusetts: 2007-2020

<u>Asian non-Hispanic²</u>				<u>Black non-Hispanic²</u>		
Year	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
2007	26.7	29.5	28.4	34.4	36.4	35.6
2008	23.4	27.1	25.6	53.5	40.7	45.5
2009	38.1	22.0	28.1	51.7	36.0	42.7
2010	35.2	27.0	30.8	46.2	39.9	42.9
2011	21.3	25.5	24.2	34.4	29.8	32.0
2012	31.0	24.4	27.0	37.2	34.2	36.1
2013	16.0	25.6	21.6	33.4	29.6	31.3
2014	19.1	20.8	20.4	35.8	30.2	32.7
2015	28.6	26.4	27.3	33.1	24.7	28.0
2016	24.9	26.7	26.4	29.1	34.0	32.8
2017	32.0	28.4	30.0	39.4	27.3	32.9
2018	26.1	24.6	25.8	33.2	22.0	26.9
2019	23.2	26.1	25.1	40.3	33.5	36.3
2020	20.3	27.6	24.4	37.8	32.7	35.1
<u>Hispanic²</u>				<u>White non-Hispanic²</u>		
Year	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
2007	32.0	26.7	28.9	35.4	34	34.8
2008	23.9	18.4	21.1	33.1	33.4	33.6
2009	23.9	16.7	19.9	31.7	31.7	32
2010	31.1	22.1	26.0	30.5	30.1	30.5
2011	22.0	23.3	23.1	30.4	29.6	30.2
2012	19.2	27.2	24.7	27.6	28	28.1
2013	25.7	18.1	21.2	26.4	27.9	27.7
2014	24.8	22.2	23.4	26.8	28.8	28.4
2015	23.7	22.5	23.5	27.4	28	28
2016	26.5	19.6	22.4	26.8	27.2	27.4
2017	18.0	19.8	19.7	26.4	25.3	26
2018	19.5	21.1	20.8	27.5	26.2	26.9
2019	33.0	23.3	27.2	25.8	25.2	25.7
2020	23.4	23.7	24.0	25.5	22.2	23.8

1. Rates are per 100,000 age-adjusted to the 2000 US standard population. 2. Race and ethnicity data in this table are presented as mutually exclusive categories. Persons of Hispanic ethnicity are not included in a race category. Please see the technical more information on race and ethnicity.

Figure 15. Diabetes Deaths, Massachusetts: 2004-2019



Note: The ICD-10 codes used for diabetes deaths were E10-E14.

Table 18. Diabetes Deaths by Gender, Massachusetts: 2020

Cause of Death	Proportion of all Deaths (%) ¹			Number		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Underlying	2.7%	1.8%	2.3%	930	629	1,559
Contributing/Associated	6.4%	5.0%	5.7%	2,188	1,730	3,918
Total Diabetes-Related	9.2%	6.9%	8.0%	3,118	2,359	5,477

Note: The ICD-10 codes used for diabetes deaths were E10-E14.

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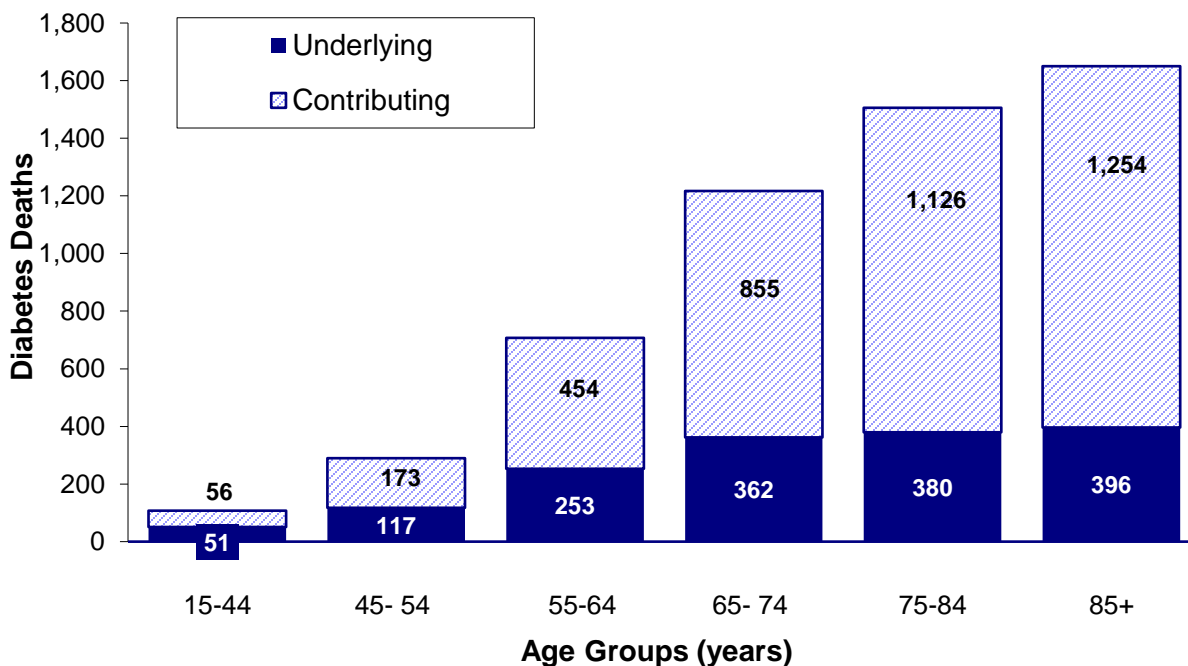
Table 19. Diabetes Deaths by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity, Massachusetts: 2020

	Race/Hispanic Ethnicity				
Cause of Death	Asian non-Hispanic	Black non-Hispanic	Hispanic	White non-Hispanic	Total
	Number				
Underlying	54	146	118	1,218	1,559
Contributing/Associated	127	324	330	3,083	3,918
<i>Total Diabetes-Related</i>	181	470	448	4,301	5,477
Total Deaths (All Causes)	1,759	3,925	3,451	58,356	68,269
	Proportion of all deaths (%)				
Underlying	3.1	3.7	3.4	2.1	2.3
Contributing/Associated	7.2	8.3	9.6	5.3	5.7
Total Diabetes-Related	10.3	12.0	13.0	7.4	8.0
	Death Rates ¹				
Underlying	15.6	33.1	23.8	16.1	17.4
Contributing/Associated	36.8	77.5	72.5	39.6	43.3
Total Diabetes-Related	52.4	110.6	96.3	55.7	60.7

Note: The ICD-10 codes used for diabetes deaths were E10-E14. Please see the technical notes for more information on race and ethnicity.

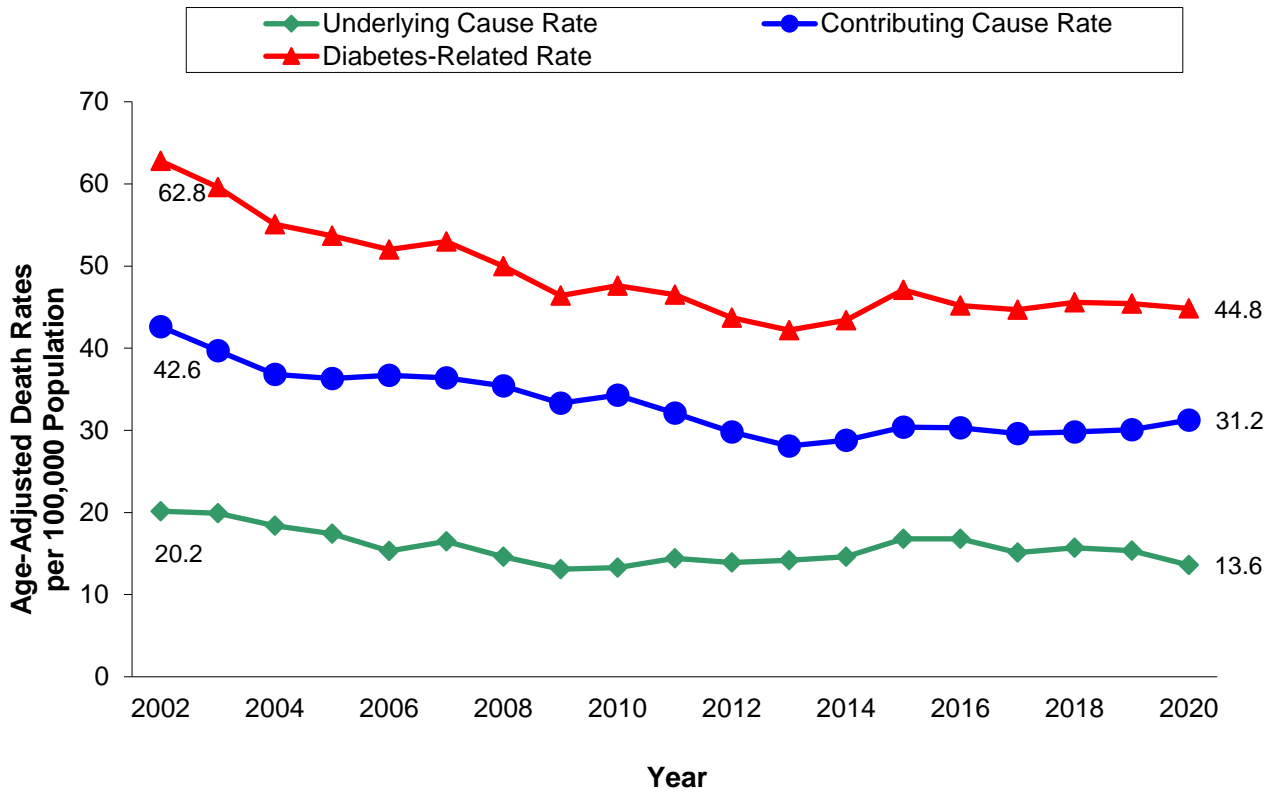
1. Rates are per 100,000 age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population

Figure 16. Age Distribution of Diabetes Deaths, Massachusetts: 2020



Note: The ICD-10 codes used for diabetes deaths were E10-E14.

Figure 17. Diabetes Death Rates, Massachusetts: 2002-2020



Note: The ICD-10 codes used for diabetes deaths were E10-E14.

Note: Rates are per 100,000 age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population.

Table 20. COVID-19 Deaths by Gender, Massachusetts: 2020

Cause of Death	Proportion of all Deaths (%) ¹			Number		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Underlying	13.5%	14.2%	13.8%	4,570	4,885	9,455
Contributing/Associated	1.0%	1.4%	1.2%	354	468	822
Total COVID-19-Related	14.5%	15.6%	15.1%	4,924	5,353	10,277

Note: The ICD-10 codes used for COVID-19 deaths were U071 and B342.

1. Proportions are out of total deaths due to all causes.

Table 21. COVID-19 Deaths by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity, Massachusetts: 2020

Cause of Death	Race/Hispanic Ethnicity				
	Asian non-Hispanic	Black non-Hispanic	Hispanic	White non-Hispanic	Total
	Number				
Underlying	331	760	711	7,527	9,455
Contributing/Associated	20	46	57	690	822
<i>Total COVID-19-Related</i>	351	806	768	8,217	10,277
Total Deaths (All Causes)	1,759	3,925	3,451	58,356	68,269
	Proportion of all deaths (%)				
Underlying	18.8	19.4	20.6	12.9	13.8
Contributing/Associated	1.1	1.2	1.7	1.2	1.2
Total COVID-19-Related	20.0	20.5	22.3	14.1	15.1
	Death Rates ¹				
Underlying	96.1	186.0	163.7	92.9	102.3
Contributing/Associated	5.7	10.8	12.9	8.6	9.0
Total COVID-19-Related	101.8	196.8	176.6	101.6	111.3

Note: The ICD-10 codes used for diabetes deaths were U071 and B342. Please see the technical notes for more information on race and ethnicity.

1. Rates are per 100,000 age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population

Table 22. Injury Deaths by Leading Causes, Gender, Age: Numbers, Age-Adjusted, and Age-Specific Rates, Massachusetts: 2020

	All Injury Deaths¹		Poisoning²		Falls		Hanging, Strangulation, or Suffocation		Motor Vehicle-Related³		Firearm		Other⁴	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate⁵</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate⁵</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate⁵</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate⁵</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate⁵</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate⁵</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate⁵</u>
All Persons	5,107	68.0	2,413	35.2	1,043	11.4	441	5.7	380	5.1	270	3.7	560	6.9
< 1	4	-. ⁶	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	-. ⁶	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	-. ⁶
1-14	22	2.1	1	-. ⁶	2	-. ⁶	6	0.6	4	-. ⁶	0	0.0	9	0.8
15-24	338	34.7	122	12.5	5	0.5	42	4.3	72	7.4	68	7.0	29	3.0
25-44	1,711	93.1	1,258	68.4	25	1.4	104	5.7	124	6.7	98	5.3	102	5.5
45-64	1,433	77.4	897	48.5	93	5.0	135	7.3	89	4.8	60	3.2	159	8.6
65-74	447	65.5	107	15.7	127	18.6	55	8.1	47	6.9	23	3.4	88	12.9
75-84	431	129.9	24	7.2	245	73.8	44	13.3	27	8.1	11	3.3	80	24.1
85+	719	445.5	3	-. ⁶	546	338.3	52	32.2	17	10.5	10	6.2	91	56.4
All Females	1,674	39.6	690	19.7	523	9.1	131	3.2	104	2.7	25	0.6	201	4.3
< 1	2	-. ⁶	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	-. ⁶	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	-. ⁶
1-14	12	2.3	0	0.0	1	-. ⁶	4	-. ⁶	2	-. ⁶	0	0.0	5	1.0
15-24	92	18.9	44	9.0	0	0.0	19	3.9	17	3.5	7	1.4	5	1.0
25-44	452	49.0	351	38.1	5	0.5	29	3.1	34	3.7	9	1.0	24	2.6
45-64	377	39.4	244	25.5	29	3.0	29	3.0	19	2.0	4	-. ⁶	52	5.4
65-74	149	40.6	37	10.1	41	11.2	17	4.6	16	4.4	5	1.4	33	9.0
75-84	184	96.4	13	6.8	121	63.4	10	5.2	10	5.2	0	0.0	30	15.7
85+	406	379.5	1	-. ⁶	326	304.8	22	20.6	6	5.6	0	0.0	51	47.7
All Males	3,433	98.9	1,723	51.4	520	14.4	310	8.5	276	7.7	245	7.0	359	9.9
< 1	2	-. ⁶	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	-. ⁶	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	-. ⁶
1-14	10	1.8	1	-. ⁶	1	-. ⁶	2	-. ⁶	2	-. ⁶	0	0.0	4	-. ⁶
15-24	246	50.6	78	16.0	5	1.0	23	4.7	55	11.3	61	12.5	24	4.9
25-44	1,259	137.5	907	99.0	20	2.2	75	8.2	90	9.8	89	9.7	78	8.5
45-64	1,056	118.3	653	73.1	64	7.2	106	11.9	70	7.8	56	6.3	107	12.0
65-74	298	94.4	70	22.2	86	27.2	38	12.0	31	9.8	18	5.7	55	17.4
75-84	247	175.2	11	7.8	124	88.0	34	24.1	17	12.1	11	7.8	50	35.5
85+	313	575.0	2	-. ⁶	220	404.1	30	55.1	11	20.2	10	18.4	40	73.5

1. Data presented in this table are classified according to ICD-10. Please see Appendix for a list of ICD-10 codes used in this table. 2. Includes drug overdoses, which account for the largest percentage. 3. Motor vehicle deaths to occupants, pedestrians, motorcyclists and bicyclists. 4. All remaining injury causes. 5. Number of deaths per 100,000 persons in each age group; rates for all rows except the age group rows are age-adjusted to the 2000 US standard population. 6. Calculations based on values 1-4 are excluded.

Table 23. Injury Deaths by Leading Causes, Gender and Race and Hispanic Ethnicity⁷: Numbers and Age Adjusted Rates, Massachusetts: 2020

	All Injury Deaths¹		Poisoning²		Falls		Hanging, Strangulation, or Suffocation		Motor Vehicle-Related³		Firearm		Other⁴	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate⁵</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate⁵</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate⁵</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate⁵</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate⁵</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate⁵</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate⁵</u>
Asian non-Hispanic⁷	99	21.9	25	4.5	23	6.6	17	3.4	12	2.5	6	1.0	16	3.8
Females	32	13.8	3	-. ⁶	9	4.8	8	3.2	5	2.2	0	0.0	7	2.7
Males	67	31.3	22	8.5	14	8.9	9	3.7	7	2.8	6	2.2	9	5.1
Black non-Hispanic⁷	402	77.2	215	40.8	19	4.6	25	5.7	35	6.2	64	11.4	44	8.4
Females	94	34.3	50	18.4	10	3.9	9	3.5	10	3.5	4	-. ⁶	11	3.7
Males	308	124.2	165	65.5	9	5.3	16	8.5	25	9.0	60	21.8	33	13.9
Hispanic⁷	543	67.5	330	40.1	26	5.5	31	4.3	50	5.2	48	5.1	58	7.4
Females	121	31.2	67	15.6	13	5.2	14	3.4	7	1.5	4	-. ⁶	16	4.5
Males	422	104.9	263	65.7	13	5.8	17	5.5	43	8.6	44	9.2	42	9.9
White non-Hispanic⁷	3,966	70.1	1,797	37.8	967	12.2	361	6.1	265	4.7	142	2.5	434	6.7
Females	1,393	43.0	552	22.5	487	9.7	98	3.2	77	2.7	15	0.5	164	4.4
Males	2,573	99.8	1,245	53.5	480	15.6	263	9.5	188	7.0	127	4.8	270	9.3

1. Data presented in this table are classified according to ICD-10. Please see Appendix for a list of ICD-10 codes used in this table. 2. Includes drug overdoses, which account for the largest percentage. 3. Motor vehicle deaths to occupants, pedestrians, motorcyclists and bicyclists. 4. All remaining injury causes. 5. Number of deaths per 100,000 persons in each group; rates are age-adjusted to the 2000 US standard population. 6. Calculations based on values 1-4 are excluded. 7. Please see the technical notes for more information on race and ethnicity.

Table 24. Unintentional Injury Deaths by Gender, Age: Numbers, Age-Adjusted, and Age-Specific Rates, Massachusetts: 2020

	All Unintentional¹		Poisonings		Falls		Motor Vehicle-Related	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate²</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate²</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate²</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate²</u>
All Persons	4,103	54.5	2,252	33.1	1,016	11.0	380	5.1
<1	3	-. ³	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
1-14	13	1.2	0	0.0	2	-. ³	4	-. ³
15-24	197	20.2	110	11.3	2	-. ³	72	7.4
25-44	1398	76.1	1208	65.7	16	0.9	124	6.7
45-64	1116	60.3	835	45.1	82	4.4	89	4.8
65-74	333	48.8	84	12.3	125	18.3	47	6.9
75-84	362	109.1	13	3.9	244	73.5	27	8.1
85+	680	421.3	1	-. ³	545	337.7	17	10.5
All Females	1404	32.8	614	17.8	520	9.0	104	2.7
<1	1	-. ³	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
1-14	8	1.5	0	0.0	1	-. ³	2	-. ³
15-24	62	12.7	40	8.2	0	0.0	17	3.5
25-44	380	41.2	332	36.0	4	-. ³	34	3.7
45-64	293	30.6	213	22.2	28	2.9	19	2.0
65-74	109	29.7	23	6.3	41	11.2	16	4.4
75-84	156	81.7	5	2.6	120	62.9	10	5.2
85+	395	369.3	1	-. ³	326	304.8	6	5.6
All Males	2,699	78.2	1638	49.0	496	13.7	276	7.7
<1	2	-. ³	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
1-14	5	0.9	0	0.0	1	-. ³	2	-. ³
15-24	135	27.8	70	14.4	2	-. ³	55	11.3
25-44	1018	111.1	876	95.6	12	1.3	90	9.8
45-64	823	92.2	622	69.7	54	6.0	70	7.8
65-74	224	71.0	61	19.3	84	26.6	31	9.8
75-84	206	146.1	8	5.7	124	88.0	17	12.1
85+	285	523.5	0	0.0	219	402.3	11	20.2

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2. Number of deaths per 100,000 persons in each age group; rates for all rows except the age group rows are age-adjusted to the 2000 US standard population. 3. Calculations based on values 1-4 are excluded.

**Table 25. Unintentional Injury Deaths by Gender and Race and Hispanic Ethnicity⁴:
Numbers and Age-Adjusted Rates, Massachusetts: 2020**

	All Unintentional¹		Poisonings		Falls		Motor Vehicle-Related	
	Number	Rate²	Number	Rate²	Number	Rate²	Number	Rate²
Asian non-Hispanic⁴	64	14.9	23	4.2	21	6.1	12	2.5
Females	18	8.4	2	-. ³	8	4.1	5	2.2
Males	46	22.7	21	8.2	13	8.6	7	2.8
Black non-Hispanic⁴	289	56.2	206	39.1	17	4.2	35	6.2
Females	76	28.1	47	17.4	10	3.9	10	3.5
Males	213	87.4	159	63.0	7	4.5	25	9.0
Hispanic⁴	426	54.0	313	38.1	24	5.3	50	5.2
Females	94	24.6	61	14.2	13	5.2	7	1.5
Males	332	84.3	252	63.1	11	5.4	43	8.6
White non-Hispanic⁴	3,247	57.2	1664	35.5	946	11.8	265	4.7
Females	1,186	35.9	486	20.4	485	9.6	77	2.7
Males	2,061	80.5	1178	50.9	461	14.9	188	7.0

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2. Number of deaths per 100,000 persons in each group; rates are age-adjusted to the 2000 US standard population. 3. Calculations based on values 1-4 are excluded. 4. Please see the technical notes for more information on race and ethnicity.

Table 26. Intentional Injury Deaths by Gender, Age: Numbers, Age-Adjusted, and Age-Specific Rates, Massachusetts: 2020

	All Intentional¹		Suicide		Homicide	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate²</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate²</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate²</u>
All Persons	808	11.0	622	8.4	186	2.7
<1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
1-14	6	0.6	4	-. ³	2	-. ³
15-24	131	13.5	72	7.4	59	6.1
25-44	277	15.1	196	10.7	81	4.4
45-64	264	14.3	229	12.4	35	1.9
65-74	84	12.3	77	11.3	7	1.0
75-84	27	8.1	25	7.5	2	-. ³
85+	18	11.2	18	11.2	0	0.0
All Females	178	4.8	152	4.1	26	0.7
<1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
1-14	3	-. ³	3	-. ³	0	0.0
15-24	26	5.3	22	4.5	4	-. ³
25-44	58	6.3	50	5.4	8	0.9
45-64	61	6.4	51	5.3	10	1.0
65-74	25	6.8	21	5.7	4	-. ³
75-84	5	2.6	5	2.6	0	0.0
85+	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
All Males	630	17.8	470	13.1	160	4.7
<1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
1-14	3	-. ³	1	-. ³	2	-. ³
15-24	105	21.6	50	10.3	55	11.3
25-44	219	23.9	146	15.9	73	8.0
45-64	203	22.7	178	19.9	25	2.8
65-74	59	18.7	56	17.7	3	-. ³
75-84	22	15.6	20	14.2	2	-. ³
85+	18	33.1	18	33.1	0	0.0

1. Data presented in this table are classified according to ICD-10. Please see Appendix for a list of ICD-10 codes used in this table.

2. Number of deaths per 100,000 persons in each age group; rates for all rows except the age group rows are age-adjusted to the 2000 US standard population. 3. Calculations based on values 1-4 are excluded.

Table 27. Intentional Injury Deaths by Gender and Race and Hispanic Ethnicity⁴: Numbers and Age-Adjusted Rates, Massachusetts: 2020

	All Intentional ¹		Suicide		Homicide	
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate</u> ²	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate</u> ²	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate</u> ²
Asian non-Hispanic⁴	30	5.7	25	4.8	5	0.9
Females	11	4.1	11	4.1	0	0.0
Males	19	7.3	14	5.5	5	1.8
Black non-Hispanic⁴	93	17.1	22	4.4	71	12.7
Females	11	4.1	5	1.8	6	2.2
Males	82	30.7	17	7.5	65	23.2
Hispanic⁴	97	10.8	46	5.3	51	5.5
Females	17	3.9	13	2.9	4	— ³
Males	80	17.9	33	7.9	47	10.0
White non-Hispanic⁴	572	10.6	521	9.6	51	1.0
Females	136	5.1	121	4.6	15	0.5
Males	436	16.6	400	15.1	36	1.5

1. Data presented in this table are classified according to ICD-10. Please see Appendix for a list of ICD-10 codes used in this table.

2. Number of deaths per 100,000 persons in each group; rates are age-adjusted to the 2000 US standard population. 3. Calculations based on values 1-4 are excluded. 4. Please see the technical notes for more information on race and ethnicity.

Table 28. Injury Deaths by Intent, Method and Gender: Numbers and Age-Adjusted Rates, Massachusetts: 2020

Type of Injury ¹	<u>All Injury Deaths</u>		<u>Female</u>		<u>Male</u>	
	Number	Rate ²	Number	Rate ²	Number	Rate ²
Unintentional Injuries (Accidents)	4,103	54.5	1,404	32.8	2,699	78.2
Motor vehicle-related	380	5.1	104	2.7	276	7.7
Injury to pedestrian	70	0.9	25	0.6	45	1.2
Injury to pedal cyclist	9	0.1	1	-. ³	8	0.2
Injury to motorcyclist	52	0.7	5	0.1	47	1.3
Injury to occupant	24	0.3	10	0.3	14	0.4
Other and unspecified	225	3.1	63	1.7	162	4.6
Poisoning	2,252	33.1	614	17.8	1,638	49.0
Falls	1,016	11.0	520	9.0	496	13.7
Hanging, strangulation or suffocation	153	1.7	60	1.1	93	2.5
Cut or pierce	2	-. ³	0	0.0	2	-. ³
Firearm	1	-. ³	0	0.0	1	-. ³
Drowning and submersion	46	0.6	12	0.4	34	1.0
Smoke, fire and flames	37	0.4	14	0.3	23	0.6
Other and unspecified	216	2.5	80	1.5	136	3.7
Suicide	622	8.4	152	4.1	470	13.1
Poisoning	113	1.5	54	1.3	59	1.7
Hanging, strangulation or suffocation	281	3.9	66	2.0	215	6.0
Firearm	134	1.7	12	0.3	122	3.4
Other and unspecified	94	1.3	20	0.6	74	2.1
Homicide	186	2.7	26	0.7	160	4.7
Firearm	133	1.9	12	0.3	121	3.6
Cut or pierce	25	0.3	5	0.1	20	0.6
Other and unspecified	28	0.4	9	0.2	19	0.5
Injury Deaths of Undetermined Intent	92	1.2	40	1.0	52	1.5
Poisoning	47	0.6	22	0.6	25	0.7
Other and unspecified	45	0.6	18	0.4	27	0.8
Legal Intervention	2	-. ³	0	-. ³	2	-. ³
Firearm	1	-. ³	0	-. ³	1	-. ³
Other and unspecified	1	-. ³	0	-. ³	1	-. ³
Adverse Effects	102	1.2	52	1.1	50	1.4
Medical care	88	1.0	45	0.9	43	1.2
Drugs	14	0.2	7	0.2	7	0.2
ALL INJURIES	5,107	68.0	1,674	39.6	3,433	98.9

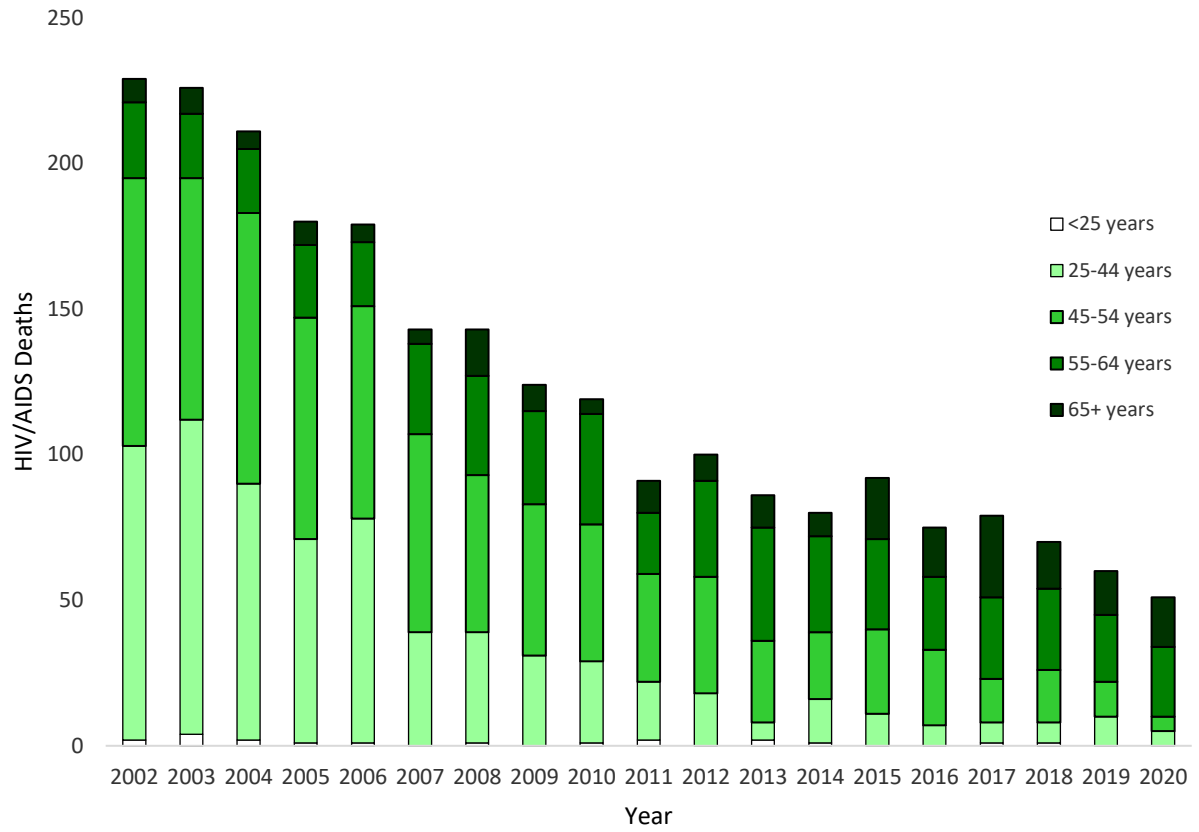
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Table 29. HIV/AIDS¹ Deaths by Gender, Race and Hispanic Ethnicity: Numbers, Percent and Age-Adjusted Rates, Massachusetts: 2007-2020

Year	Black non-Hispanic²			Hispanic²			White non-Hispanic²		
	#	Percent	Rate ³	#	Percent	Rate ³	#	Percent	Rate ³
2007	48	34%	13.0	37	26%	8.9	58	41%	1.0
2008	37	27%	10.6	31	23%	8.3	69	50%	1.2
2009	37	31%	15.2	33	28%	11.6	48	41%	0.5
2010	34	29%	15.2	26	22%	11.6	58	49%	0.5
2011	30	33%	6.9	24	27%	4.7	36	40%	0.6
2012	26	26%	6.1	23	23%	4.6	50	51%	0.8
2013	32	38%	6.7	18	21%	3.2	35	41%	0.5
2014	21	26%	4.4	16	20%	3.2	41	51%	0.6
2015	28	31%	5.9	21	23%	3.6	41	46%	0.6
2016	23	33%	4.7	11	16%	1.8	36	51%	0.5
2017	16	21%	3.8	30	39%	1.9	31	41%	0.4
2018	22	32%	4.4	12	17%	1.8	35	51%	0.5
2019	16	28%	3.3	20	34%	2.9	22	38%	0.3
2020	16	31%	3.2	9	18%	1.2	26	51%	0.4
MALE									
2007	23	24%	13.4	25	26%	13.3	48	50%	1.7
2008	25	26%	16.0	18	18%	11.0	55	56%	1.9
2009	29	34%	15.6	24	28%	12.4	32	38%	1.1
2010	20	25%	15.6	19	24%	12.4	40	51%	1.1
2011	14	22%	6.6	19	30%	8.2	30	48%	1.1
2012	14	23%	7.8	12	20%	5.6	35	57%	1.2
2013	21	21%	9.8	12	12%	4.3	24	69%	0.7
2014	14	24%	6.5	10	17%	4.7	34	59%	1.0
2015	23	32%	10.3	17	23%	6.4	33	45%	1.0
2016	12	26%	5.7	6	13%	2.2	28	61%	0.9
2017	12	24%	8.8	15	31%	6.6	22	45%	0.7
2018	12	27%	5.7	7	16%	2.5	25	57%	0.7
2019	10	25%	4.8	13	33%	4.1	17	43%	0.5
2020	10	27%	3.7	5	14%	1.3	22	59%	0.2
FEMALE									
2007	25	53%	12.8	12	26%	5.2	10	21%	0.3
2008	12	31%	6.4	13	33%	6.4	14	36%	0.5
2009	8	24%	3.8	9	27%	3.8	16	48%	0.5
2010	14	36%	3.8	7	18%	3.8	18	46%	0.5
2011	16	59%	7.1	5	19%	1.6	6	22%	0.2
2012	12	32%	4.9	11	29%	3.9	15	39%	0.4
2013	11	11%	4.4	6	6%	2.1	11	11%	0.3
2014	7	35%	2.7	6	30%	2.0	7	35%	0.2
2015	5	29%	2.1	4	-- ⁴	-- ⁴	8	47%	0.3
2016	11	46%	4.0	5	21%	1.5	8	33%	0.2
2017	4	-- ⁴	-- ⁴	15	54%	2.3	9	32%	0.2
2018	10	40%	3.6	5	20%	1.3	10	40%	0.2
2019	6	33%	2.2	7	39%	1.9	5	28%	0.1
2020	6	43%	2.5	4	-- ⁴	-- ⁴	4	-- ⁴	-- ⁴

1. AIDS and HIV disease deaths coded using ICD-10: B20-B24. 2. Race and ethnicity data in this table are presented as mutually exclusive categories. Persons of Hispanic ethnicity are not included in a race category. Please see the Technical Notes for a more information on race and ethnicity. 3. Number of deaths per 100,000 persons; rates are age-adjusted to the 2000 US standard population. 4. Calculations based on values 1-4 are excluded

Figure 18. HIV/AIDS¹ by Age, Massachusetts 2001-2020



1. AIDS and HIV disease deaths coded using ICD-10: B20-B24.

**Table 30. Premature Mortality Rates (PMR) by Community,
Massachusetts: 2020**

<u>City/Town</u>	<u>Premature Deaths (#)</u>	<u>PMR</u>¹ (per 100,000 population)
STATE	26,092	305.5
Abington	57	263.2
Acton	46	151.6
Acushnet	37	270.4
Adams	41	341.6
Agawam	160	443.4
Alford	1	-- ²
Amesbury	91	388.3
Amherst	54	234.6
Andover	76	164.3
Aquinnah	1	-- ²
Arlington	103	167.5
Ashburnham	33	387.0
Ashby	14	273.1
Ashfield	7	297.9
Ashland	49	198.9
Athol	86	605.7
Attleboro	188	331.8
Auburn	89	398.8
Avon	24	434.1
Ayer	36	368.2
Barnstable	213	342.0
Barre	17	247.4
Becket	8	348.2
Bedford	40	204.5
Belchertown	49	208.0
Bellingham	58	261.5
Belmont	50	145.6
Berkley	20	252.4
Berlin	9	229.4
Bernardston	5	172.0
Beverly	180	343.6
Billerica	149	283.8
Blackstone	37	313.2
Blandford	2	-- ²
Bolton	9	131.1
Boston	2244	337.1
Bourne	89	324.3
Boxborough	16	240.9
Boxford	19	136.6
Boylston	13	280.3
Braintree	152	324.4
Brewster	40	223.4
Bridgewater	86	254.2
Brimfield	18	311.7
Brockton	538	493.2
Brookfield	18	410.1

**Table 30. Premature Mortality Rates (PMR) by Community,
Massachusetts: 2020**

<u>City/Town</u>	<u>Premature Deaths (#)</u>	<u>PMR</u>¹ (per 100,000 population)
Brookline	73	107.6
Buckland	7	254.3
Burlington	71	205.2
Cambridge	217	225.5
Canton	70	243.4
Carlisle	5	65.3
Carver	63	319.5
Charlemont	6	453.6
Charlton	40	235.2
Chatham	23	242.7
Chelmsford	125	270.2
Chelsea	146	435.4
Cheshire	15	474.1
Chester	8	436.9
Chesterfield	4	-- ²
Chicopee	275	383.6
Chilmark	2	-- ²
Clarksburg	6	342.8
Clinton	63	380.0
Cohasset	22	226.2
Colrain	7	313.8
Concord	38	143.5
Conway	6	128.0
Cummington	4	-- ²
Dalton	24	219.7
Danvers	150	390.9
Dartmouth	111	243.1
Dedham	80	226.7
Deerfield	13	186.8
Dennis	99	560.3
Dighton	21	216.9
Douglas	26	237.5
Dover	9	212.6
Dracut	108	268.1
Dudley	38	268.2
Dunstable	2	-- ²
Duxbury	28	129.4
East Bridgewater	67	390.5
East Brookfield	13	460.2
East Longmeadow	52	235.6
Eastham	19	339.5
Easthampton	73	307.5
Easton	79	275.8
Edgartown	19	289.2
Egremont	7	235.0
Erving	4	-- ²
Essex	9	224.5
Everett	167	344.2
Fairhaven	88	434.9

**Table 30. Premature Mortality Rates (PMR) by Community,
Massachusetts: 2020**

<u>City/Town</u>	<u>Premature Deaths (#)</u>	<u>PMR</u>¹ (per 100,000 population)
Fall River	536	527.9
Falmouth	146	375.5
Fitchburg	233	502.2
Florida	4	-- ²
Foxborough	58	261.0
Framingham	221	269.9
Franklin	82	209.2
Freetown	49	424.4
Gardner	113	443.4
Georgetown	32	253.7
Gill	12	352.0
Gloucester	163	391.6
Goshen	2	-- ²
Gosnold	0	-- ²
Grafton	40	165.1
Granby	17	192.8
Granville	8	395.7
Great Barrington	41	456.6
Greenfield	109	454.1
Groton	32	220.2
Groveland	9	96.5
Hadley	24	350.3
Halifax	40	357.5
Hamilton	19	162.9
Hampden	12	198.4
Hancock	1	-- ²
Hanover	41	218.8
Hanson	44	328.5
Hardwick	23	592.0
Harvard	10	126.9
Harwich	48	245.7
Hatfield	16	252.1
Haverhill	317	397.6
Hawley	3	-- ²
Heath	2	-- ²
Hingham	49	173.8
Hinsdale	11	339.6
Holbrook	41	276.5
Holden	60	249.6
Holland	10	293.4
Holliston	43	245.0
Holyoke	229	529.6
Hopedale	19	309.2
Hopkinton	34	181.9
Hubbardston	16	262.1
Hudson	74	264.9
Hull	60	403.9
Huntington	13	391.2

**Table 30. Premature Mortality Rates (PMR) by Community,
Massachusetts: 2020**

<u>City/Town</u>	<u>Premature Deaths (#)</u>	<u>PMR</u>¹ (per 100,000 population)
Ipswich	49	208.8
Kingston	56	312.4
Lakeville	40	251.8
Lancaster	16	163.2
Lanesborough	11	306.3
Lawrence	324	391.3
Lee	36	402.1
Leicester	39	278.4
Lenox	17	277.9
Leominster	179	353.4
Leverett	3	-- ²
Lexington	54	107.9
Leyden	1	-- ²
Lincoln	17	228.5
Littleton	24	208.1
Longmeadow	45	204.3
Lowell	548	465.6
Ludlow	76	275.6
Lunenburg	43	300.2
Lynn	450	429.6
Lynnfield	17	113.1
Malden	239	326.3
Manchester	10	163.9
Mansfield	69	243.1
Marblehead	47	175.9
Marion	23	342.8
Marlborough	165	333.3
Marshfield	117	344.4
Mashpee	56	244.3
Mattapoisett	17	266.6
Maynard	34	241.2
Medfield	19	136.9
Medford	181	265.1
Medway	40	231.9
Melrose	100	255.6
Mendon	18	245.5
Merrimac	17	174.5
Methuen	192	295.6
Middleborough	119	315.2
Middlefield	3	-- ²
Middleton	29	197.1
Milford	92	274.4
Millbury	53	306.5
Millis	24	240.9
Millville	11	254.3
Milton	85	240.2
Monroe	1	-- ²
Monson	40	340.8
Montague	62	504.8

**Table 30. Premature Mortality Rates (PMR) by Community,
Massachusetts: 2020**

<u>City/Town</u>	<u>Premature Deaths (#)</u>	<u>PMR</u>¹ (per 100,000 population)
Monterey	3	-- ²
Montgomery	7	576.1
Mount Washington	1	-- ²
Nahant	15	346.0
Nantucket	28	221.0
Natick	104	226.5
Needham	67	170.5
New Ashford	0	-- ²
New Bedford	554	507.5
New Braintree	9	731.6
New Marlborough	4	-- ²
New Salem	3	-- ²
Newbury	18	167.3
Newburyport	57	187.9
Newton	161	143.0
Norfolk	28	176.5
North Adams	80	538.0
North Andover	74	200.4
North Attleborough	119	330.9
North Brookfield	20	299.7
North Reading	42	192.3
Northampton	131	331.4
Northborough	37	206.2
Northbridge	74	329.1
Northfield	7	158.5
Norton	71	280.6
Norwell	29	197.6
Norwood	129	337.5
Oak Bluffs	26	355.4
Oakham	10	350.8
Orange	50	456.3
Orleans	22	131.8
Otis	5	113.8
Oxford	65	386.6
Palmer	66	393.1
Paxton	15	278.3
Peabody	233	312.0
Pelham	2	-- ²
Pembroke	61	264.6
Pepperell	32	201.5
Peru	3	-- ²
Petersham	2	-- ²
Phillipston	8	273.0
Pittsfield	289	508.9
Plainfield	2	-- ²
Plainville	40	346.6
Plymouth	287	328.8
Plympton	9	226.8
Princeton	13	211.3

**Table 30. Premature Mortality Rates (PMR) by Community,
Massachusetts: 2020**

<u>City/Town</u>	<u>Premature Deaths (#)</u>	<u>PMR</u>¹ (per 100,000 population)
Provincetown	20	640.2
Quincy	426	348.3
Randolph	157	380.3
Raynham	68	347.6
Reading	62	190.9
Rehoboth	34	190.8
Revere	212	312.4
Richmond	5	257.0
Rochester	19	208.8
Rockland	92	408.1
Rockport	27	276.4
Rowe	0	-- ²
Rowley	12	127.7
Royalston	6	264.3
Russell	8	269.5
Rutland	21	186.0
Salem	172	326.4
Salisbury	51	387.7
Sandisfield	10	604.8
Sandwich	92	279.5
Saugus	129	339.9
Savoy	3	-- ²
Scituate	63	232.6
Seekonk	77	418.8
Sharon	35	144.8
Sheffield	16	460.4
Shelburne	9	231.8
Sherborn	6	171.5
Shirley	41	394.5
Shrewsbury	80	175.4
Shutesbury	10	399.6
Somerset	82	354.9
Somerville	200	291.1
South Hadley	60	261.2
Southampton	20	218.6
Southborough	14	102.9
Southbridge	116	625.0
Southwick	48	339.7
Spencer	57	348.1
Springfield	831	528.7
Sterling	22	183.1
Stockbridge	4	-- ²
Stoneham	77	258.6
Stoughton	122	362.0
Stow	22	251.0
Sturbridge	30	219.8
Sudbury	37	167.0
Sunderland	7	150.8
Sutton	31	250.8

**Table 30. Premature Mortality Rates (PMR) by Community,
Massachusetts: 2020**

<u>City/Town</u>	<u>Premature Deaths (#)</u>	<u>PMR</u>¹ (per 100,000 population)
Swampscott	45	210.4
Swansea	85	389.4
Taunton	259	371.1
Templeton	37	312.3
Tewksbury	131	315.0
Tisbury	17	257.1
Tolland	2	-- ²
Topsfield	25	346.1
Townsend	43	333.0
Truro	10	263.3
Tyngsborough	40	245.2
Tyringham	1	-- ²
Upton	14	121.0
Uxbridge	48	206.1
Wakefield	84	229.3
Wales	14	630.2
Walpole	66	203.2
Waltham	184	271.4
Ware	63	447.3
Wareham	138	409.4
Warren	20	313.2
Warwick	5	405.4
Washington	3	-- ²
Watertown	103	244.4
Wayland	31	184.0
Webster	87	442.9
Wellesley	41	111.6
Wellfleet	11	243.9
Wendell	4	-- ²
Wenham	8	123.6
West Boylston	27	213.1
West Bridgewater	29	292.2
West Brookfield	22	395.4
West Newbury	12	221.5
West Springfield	158	417.2
West Stockbridge	6	159.9
West Tisbury	10	202.6
Westborough	49	217.7
Westfield	205	397.3
Westford	54	183.0
Westhampton	7	273.5
Westminster	26	278.4
Weston	17	117.4
Westport	80	371.3
Westwood	37	203.7
Weymouth	268	373.8
Whately	7	320.5
Whitman	65	374.7
Wilbraham	49	239.7

**Table 30. Premature Mortality Rates (PMR) by Community,
Massachusetts: 2020**

<u>City/Town</u>	<u>Premature Deaths (#)</u>	<u>PMR</u>¹ (per 100,000 population)
Williamstown	14	147.0
Wilmington	86	297.4
Winchendon	56	444.5
Winchester	36	138.9
Windsor	2	-- ²
Winthrop	60	221.2
Woburn	157	313.3
Worcester	948	495.7
Worthington	8	254.6
Wrentham	45	266.5
Yarmouth	105	272.4
Williamstown	14	147.0
1. Premature mortality rates (PMR) are age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population for persons ages 0-74 years. 2. Age-adjusted rates based on values 1-4 are excluded.		

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Additional Tables & Figures

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Table 31. Number and Age-Specific Rates for Leading Underlying Causes of Death by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity, Massachusetts: 2020

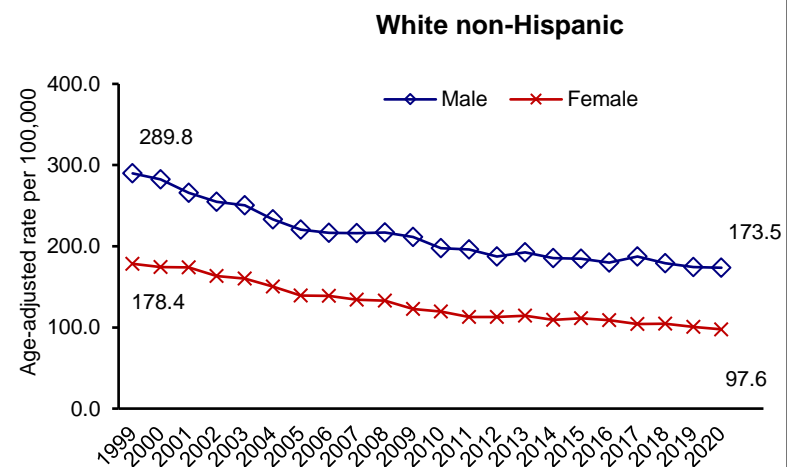
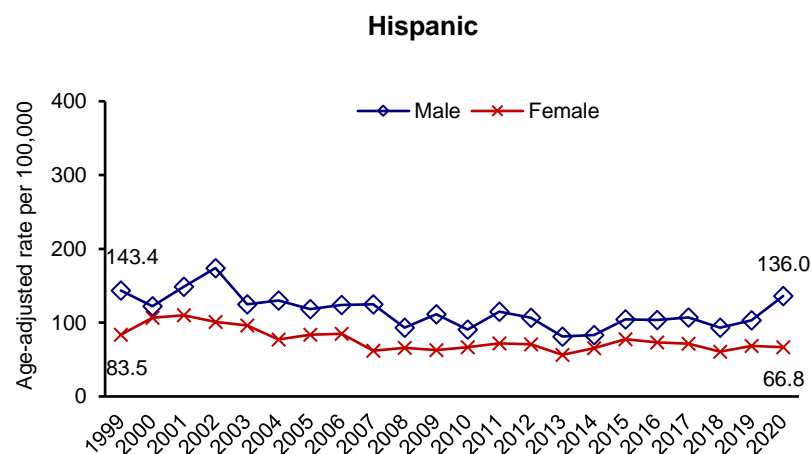
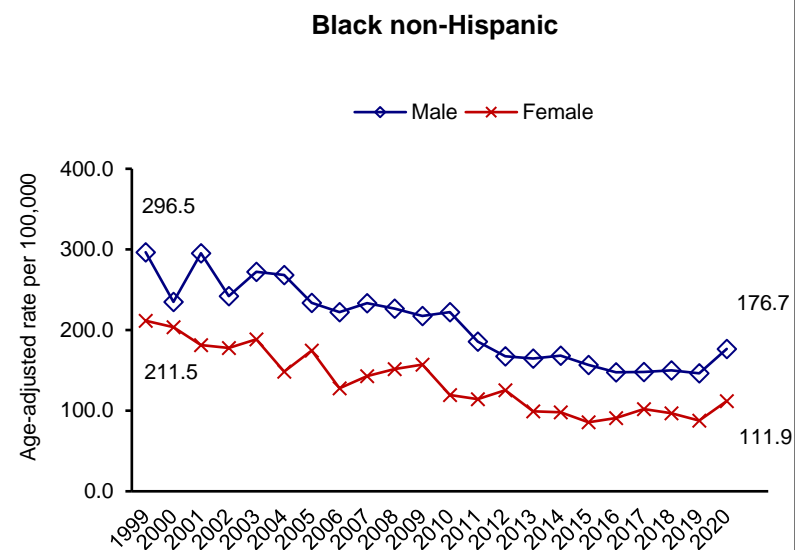
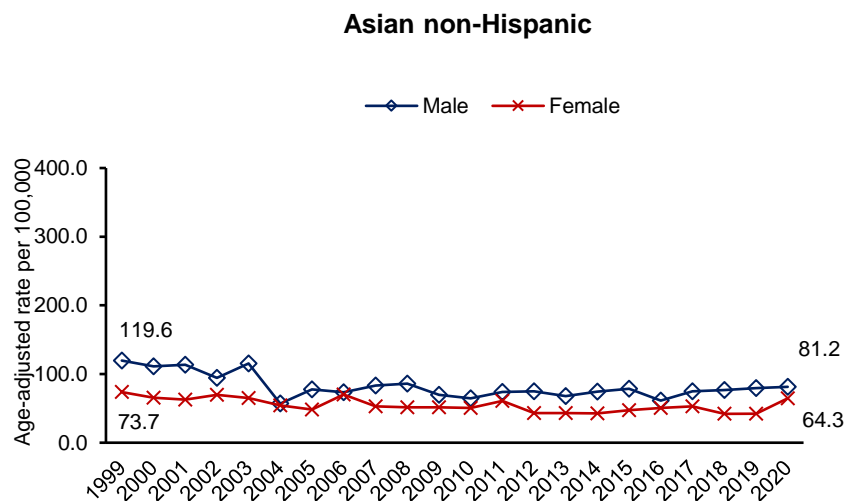
Selected Causes ²	Total		Asian non-Hispanic ¹		Black non-Hispanic ¹		Hispanic ¹		White non-Hispanic ¹	
	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³
Age: 1-14, TOTAL	69	0.7	5	0.8	12	1.5	19	1.1	29	0.5
Unintentional Injuries ⁴	13	0.1	0	0.0	1	-- ⁶	6	0.4	5	0.1
Cancer	10	0.1	1	-- ⁶	0	0.0	4	-- ⁶	4	-- ⁶
Congenital malformations	5	0.1	1	-- ⁶	0	0.0	3	-- ⁶	1	-- ⁶
Heart Disease	4	-- ⁶	0	0.0	1	-- ⁶	2	-- ⁶	1	-- ⁶
Age: 15-24, TOTAL	437	5.0	18	2.8	66	9.2	90	7.0	239	4.1
Unintentional Injuries ⁴	197	2.3	3	-- ⁶	20	2.8	39	3.0	124	2.1
Suicide	72	0.8	4	-- ⁶	5	0.7	12	0.9	47	0.8
Homicide	59	0.7	3	-- ⁶	24	3.4	20	1.5	8	0.1
Cancer	25	0.3	5	0.8	2	-- ⁶	4	-- ⁶	14	0.2
Age: 25-44, TOTAL	3,019	18.8	75	5.1	318	25.4	465	21.5	2,088	19.0
Unintentional Injuries ⁴	1,398	8.7	22	1.5	106	8.5	228	10.5	1,007	9.2
Cancer	246	1.5	13	0.9	28	2.2	22	1.0	174	1.6
Heart Disease	221	1.4	7	0.5	33	2.6	29	1.3	149	1.4
Suicide	196	1.2	9	0.6	6	0.5	19	0.9	158	1.4
Age: 45-64, TOTAL	10,359	61.5	271	32.5	969	95.9	931	76.4	8,043	59.3
Cancer	2,625	15.6	94	11.3	193	19.1	143	11.7	2,164	15.9
Heart Disease	1,648	9.8	47	5.6	163	16.1	139	11.4	1,280	9.4
Unintentional Injuries ⁴	1,116	6.6	12	1.4	116	11.5	123	10.1	849	6.3
COVID-19	830	4.9	33	4.0	137	13.6	167	13.7	473	3.5
Age: 65+, TOTAL	54,118	571.4	1,377	424.7	2,509	625.1	1,884	500.8	47,843	576.6
Heart Disease	9,913	104.7	199	61.4	403	100.4	275	73.1	8,960	108.0
Cancer	9,475	100.0	261	80.5	420	104.6	272	72.3	8,428	101.6
COVID-19	8,541	90.2	294	90.7	602	150.0	515	136.9	7,027	84.7
Chronic lower respiratory disease ⁵	2,177	23.0	34	10.5	55	13.7	40	10.6	2,031	24.5

Table 31. Number and Age-Specific Rates for Leading Underlying Causes of Death by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity, Massachusetts: 2020

Selected Causes ²	<u>Total</u>		<u>Asian non-Hispanic¹</u>		<u>Black non-Hispanic¹</u>		<u>Hispanic¹</u>		<u>White non-Hispanic¹</u>	
	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³	#	Rate ³
Age: 65-74, TOTAL	11,945	1,749.4	331	1,194.8	770	2,363.7	647	1,882.4	10,068	1,733.1
Cancer	3,481	509.8	96	346.5	194	595.5	120	349.1	3,032	521.9
Heart Disease	1,924	281.8	36	129.9	117	359.2	90	261.8	1,664	286.4
COVID-19	1,493	218.7	75	270.7	158	485.0	164	477.1	1,071	184.4
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease ⁵	566	82.9	4	-- ⁶	15	46.0	12	34.9	530	91.2
Age: 75-84, TOTAL	16,385	4,937.4	455	3,476.2	857	5,785.0	675	4,692.7	14,236	4,958.5
Cancer	3,402	1,025.2	98	748.7	142	958.5	95	660.5	3,033	1,056.4
Heart Disease	2,669	804.3	69	527.2	126	850.5	96	667.4	2,354	819.9
COVID-19	2,571	774.7	89	680.0	227	1,532.3	199	1,383.5	2,022	704.3
Chronic Lower Respiratory ⁵	833	251.0	16	122.2	26	175.5	14	97.3	773	269.2
Age: 85+, TOTAL	25,788	15,977.0	591	11,831.2	882	15,004.2	562	10,422.9	23,539	16,348.4
Heart Disease	5,320	3,296.0	94	1,881.8	160	2,721.9	89	1,650.6	4,942	3,432.3
COVID-19	4,477	2,773.7	130	2,602.5	217	3,691.5	152	2,819.0	3,934	2,732.3
Cancer	2,592	1,605.9	67	1,341.3	84	1,429.0	57	1,057.1	2,363	1,641.2
Stroke	1,122	695.1	35	700.7	47	799.5	23	426.6	1,007	699.4

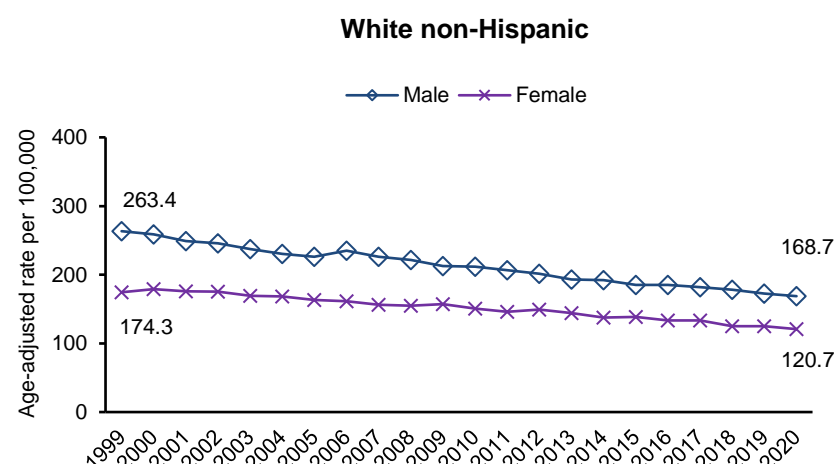
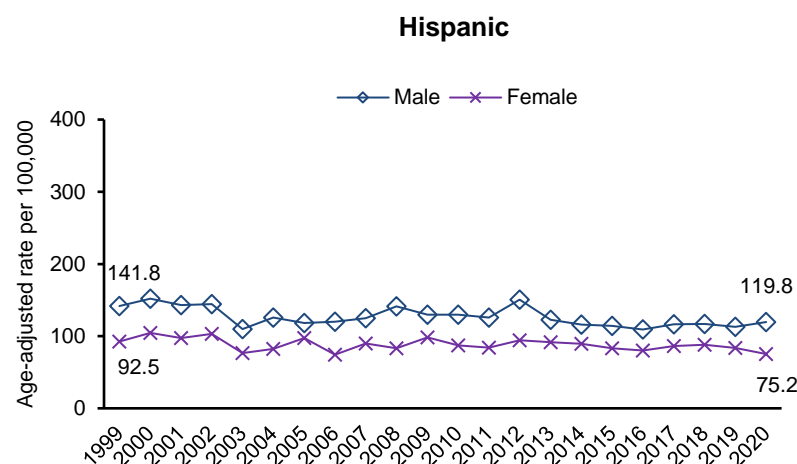
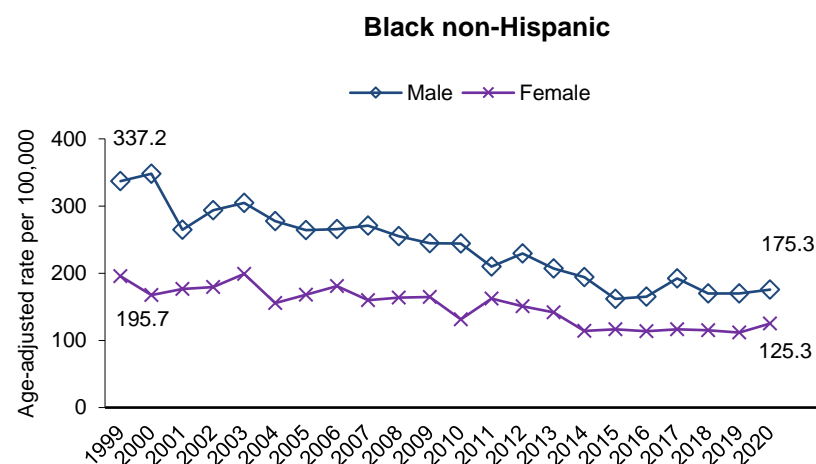
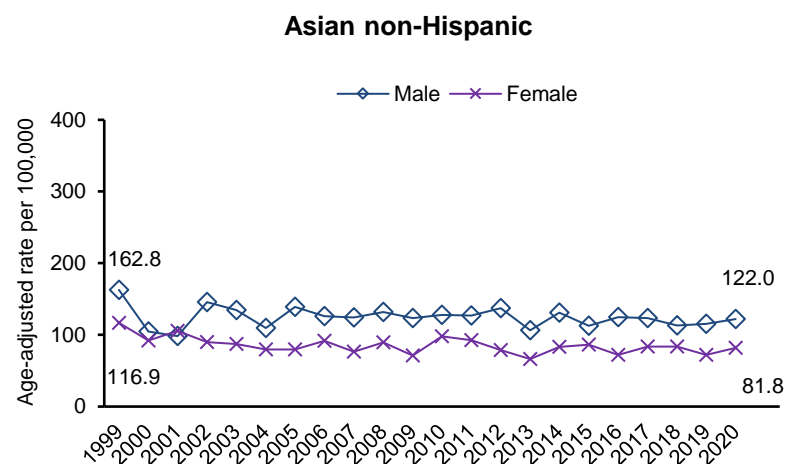
1. Race and ethnicity data in this table are presented as mutually exclusive categories. Persons of Hispanic ethnicity are not included in a race category. Please see the Technical Notes for more information on race and ethnicity. 2. Deaths are coded according to ICD-10. Please see Appendix for a list of ICD-10 codes used in this table. 3. Number of deaths per 100,000 persons in each age group. 4. Unintentional injuries include injuries such as motor vehicle-related and other transportation related deaths, falls, fires, and drownings that were not intended to occur. 5. The title of this cause of death has changed between ICD-10 and ICD-9. Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease (ICD-10 title) corresponds to Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) (ICD-9 title). 6. Calculations based on values 1-4 are excluded.

Figure 19. Heart Disease Death Rates¹ by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity² and Gender, Massachusetts: 1999-2020



1. Rates are per 100,000 population, age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. Standard Population. 2. Race and ethnicity data in this table are presented as mutually exclusive categories. Persons of Hispanic ethnicity are not included in a race category. Please see the Technical Notes for more information on race and ethnicity.

Figure 20. Cancer Death Rates¹ by Race and Hispanic Ethnicity² and Gender, Massachusetts: 1999-2020



1. Rates are per 100,000 population, age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. Standard Population. 2. Race and ethnicity data in this table are presented as mutually exclusive categories. Persons of Hispanic ethnicity are not included in a race category. Please see the Technical Notes for more information on race and ethnicity.

Table 32. Premature Mortality¹ Rates (PMR) by Community Health Network Area (CHNA), Massachusetts: 2020

CHNA (Name and Number)	Number of Deaths	PMR² (per 100,000 population)
Massachusetts	26,092	305.5
1. Community Health Network of Berkshire	672	390.1
2. Upper Valley Health Web (Franklin County)	452	365.0
3. Partnership for Health in Hampshire County (Northampton)	553	282.1
4. The Community Health Connection (Springfield)	1,488	427.7
5. Community Health Network of Southern Worcester County	568	374.0
6. Community Partners for Health (Milford)	550	244.8
7. Community Health Network of Greater Metro West (Framingham)	1,200	235.2
8. Common Pathways (Worcester)	1,364	377.6
9. Community Health Network of North Central Massachusetts	1,156	333.3
10. Greater Lowell Community Health Network	1,157	332.6
11. Greater Lawrence Community Health Network	695	286.8
12. Greater Haverhill Community Health Network	635	299.9
13. Community Health Network North (Beverly/Gloucester)	490	302.6
14. North Shore Community Health Network	1,258	337.0
15. Northwest Suburban Health Alliance	590	200.3
16. North Suburban Health Alliance (Medford/Malden/Melrose)	952	271.8
17. Greater Cambridge/Somerville Community Health Network	673	220.6
18. West Suburban Health Network (Newton/Waltham)	669	167.6
19. Alliance for Community Health (Boston/Chelsea/Revere/Winthrop)	2,662	333.7
20. Blue Hills Community Health Alliance (Greater Quincy)	1,545	305.9
21. Community Health Network of Chicopee, Holyoke, Ludlow, Westfield	806	407.0
22. Greater Brockton Community Health Network	1,108	379.2
23. South Shore Community Health Network	838	304.9
24. Greater Attleboro-Taunton Health & Education Response	1,085	314.6
25. Partners for Healthier Communities (Fall River)	783	465.8
26. Greater New Bedford Community Health Network	1,036	406.1
27. Cape Cod and Islands Health Network	1,096	306.4

1. Premature mortality is death before 75 years of age. 2. Rates are per 100,000 population age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population for persons ages 0-74 years.

Table 33. Premature Mortality¹ Rates by County, Massachusetts: 2020

County	Number of Deaths	PMR² (per 100,000 population)
Massachusetts	26,092	305.5
Barnstable	995	315.7
Berkshire	672	390.1
Bristol	2,628	383.5
Dukes	75	273.7
Essex	3,078	309.7
Franklin	351	339.1
Hampden	2,324	419.6
Hampshire	566	283.6
Middlesex	4,753	249.0
Nantucket	28	221.0
Norfolk	2,298	261.6
Plymouth	2,237	330.8
Suffolk	2,666	334.3
Worcester	3,420	343.4

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Table 34. Selected Causes of Death by Community, Massachusetts: 2020

CITY/TOWN	Total Deaths	Age-Adjusted Death Rate ¹	Heart Disease	Total Cancer	Lung Cancer	Female Breast Cancer	Stroke	CLRD ²	Diabetes	Influenza & Pneumonia	COVID-19	Motor Vehicle	Homicide	Suicide	Opioid-related ⁴
Massachusetts	68,269	756.3	11,797	12,381	2,756	810	2,272	2,546	1,559	1,331	9,455	380	186	621	2,084
Abington	153	881.5	32	27	3	4	2	4	1	3	21	0	0	1	2
Acton	148	513.8	25	25	4	1	2	1	1	1	27	2	1	0	2
Acushnet	108	728.4	16	28	4	3	3	3	0	0	9	0	0	1	2
Adams	103	762.3	20	19	3	3	2	7	1	4	7	0	0	3	1
Agawam	438	889.2	81	65	18	9	17	18	15	4	44	3	2	6	17
Alford	4	— ³	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amesbury	206	973.2	38	36	8	4	7	10	4	8	22	1	1	1	5
Amherst	174	584.4	29	35	7	4	10	4	3	4	22	1	0	0	2
Andover	273	571.8	44	44	6	3	12	8	5	2	53	0	1	3	0
Aquinnah	1	— ³	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arlington	376	544.4	68	70	6	5	11	10	8	11	59	0	0	5	4
Ashburnham	56	872.4	9	16	2	0	2	3	1	2	3	1	0	0	2
Ashby	30	881.7	6	6	2	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
Ashfield	17	725.2	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Ashland	145	725.8	30	20	4	1	6	5	3	4	32	1	0	0	1
Athol	173	1,122.3	26	42	13	5	10	9	0	6	13	2	0	2	14
Attleboro	443	786.3	83	73	18	5	11	23	14	12	66	5	2	4	10
Auburn	234	837.7	41	39	11	1	6	13	4	3	35	0	0	1	3
Avon	52	858.5	5	15	3	1	4	4	1	1	2	0	0	0	3
Ayer	99	1,231.4	18	17	2	0	6	2	0	1	11	1	0	1	1
Barnstable	556	733.2	95	113	32	12	33	24	9	9	40	0	1	5	14
Barre	47	736.7	7	9	1	2	0	2	1	1	2	0	1	2	1
Becket	18	897.0	4	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Bedford	171	632.3	30	30	6	3	5	6	3	2	36	1	0	2	3
Belchertown	134	798.5	27	20	3	1	8	7	3	3	16	2	0	0	4
Bellingham	135	679.2	23	38	9	3	3	6	3	0	15	2	0	0	2
Belmont	213	567.5	32	36	6	1	8	2	0	2	45	0	0	3	1
Berkley	43	741.0	8	12	3	1	1	1	1	2	6	2	0	1	1
Berlin	34	631.3	6	6	2	1	0	3	1	0	3	0	0	0	0
Bernardston	18	541.4	1	7	0	1	0	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	1
Beverly	520	941.9	102	81	20	8	12	22	9	6	79	2	1	4	14

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Billerica	410	813.8	61	96	27	4	14	22	12	7	44	0	1	3	10
Blackstone	71	657.8	12	19	2	3	3	4	2	1	11	0	0	1	2
Blandford	6	317.1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Bolton	26	514.1	6	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Boston	4,898	766.6	735	806	160	62	174	128	138	87	854	22	53	38	247
Bourne	291	849.5	57	55	11	5	11	11	5	4	18	2	0	5	7
Boxborough	25	412.1	2	5	2	0	0	2	0	1	2	0	0	1	1
Boxford	52	458.0	13	11	2	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Boylston	27	502.0	3	5	2	0	1	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	1
Braintree	477	817.5	74	89	19	5	12	19	4	13	67	2	1	3	11
Brewster	164	602.7	27	41	5	5	10	3	1	1	19	0	0	3	4
Bridgewater	232	793.7	46	53	12	2	5	9	3	6	26	0	0	1	5
Brimfield	37	754.1	6	9	3	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Brockton	1,124	1,080.1	180	177	48	10	28	34	31	31	249	14	5	12	48
Brookfield	42	982.6	15	7	1	0	2	3	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
Brookline	339	441.4	53	68	9	8	12	4	4	4	47	0	0	6	3
Buckland	20	728.8	2	5	1	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	1	0
Burlington	278	618.9	54	49	7	4	7	14	3	9	34	0	0	0	1
Cambridge	582	605.9	92	94	18	5	16	21	17	9	102	2	0	8	12
Canton	282	728.3	51	38	8	2	20	10	6	4	37	3	1	4	3
Carlisle	14	238.0	3	4	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carver	148	914.9	30	33	8	2	7	4	1	4	17	1	0	0	5
Charlemont	17	971.0	2	4	2	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Charlton	125	544.3	25	18	0	0	5	7	3	2	19	0	0	0	2
Chatham	111	607.6	21	24	8	2	5	7	3	1	6	0	0	1	0
Chelmsford	391	700.0	60	86	27	4	12	12	4	7	42	2	0	3	4
Chelsea	335	1,118.4	37	42	11	3	7	7	6	10	107	0	1	2	12
Cheshire	28	768.3	4	10	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	2
Chester	18	1,100.0	7	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	2
Chesterfield	9	589.3	2	4	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Chicopee	719	957.4	136	121	28	2	27	44	17	10	65	8	2	10	35
Chilmark	9	452.6	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Clarksburg	13	640.1	2	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	1	0	0	1

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CITY/TOWN	Total Deaths	Age-Adjusted Death Rate ¹	Heart Disease	Total Cancer	Lung Cancer	Female Breast Cancer	Stroke	CLRD ²	Diabetes	Influenza & Pneumonia	COVID-19	Motor Vehicle	Homicide	Suicide	Opioid-related ⁴
Clinton	141	920.2	10	26	6	2	3	6	1	6	22	2	0	1	7
Cohasset	69	546.8	18	14	0	1	3	2	3	0	4	0	0	1	1
Colrain	16	699.9	5	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Concord	178	400.8	30	37	6	5	5	2	2	1	31	3	0	3	2
Conway	19	1,035.1	0	5	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cummingtown	5	450.5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Dalton	80	615.2	20	9	1	1	5	8	4	1	3	0	0	0	0
Danvers	462	929.2	72	58	11	4	11	13	13	7	84	4	0	3	9
Dartmouth	383	675.3	69	74	17	5	8	12	7	11	45	0	1	2	5
Dedham	360	643.7	60	61	13	3	19	14	5	7	50	2	0	2	7
Deerfield	43	610.1	10	5	0	1	0	3	1	2	3	1	0	0	0
Dennis	258	919.1	40	56	20	1	12	8	7	7	20	6	0	3	10
Dighton	69	804.8	16	9	4	1	0	6	3	1	13	1	0	0	1
Douglas	56	790.3	7	14	2	0	3	4	6	1	8	2	0	0	1
Dover	33	635.9	3	10	4	0	3	0	1	0	4	1	1	0	0
Dracut	284	755.3	40	52	19	2	10	14	7	4	26	2	2	5	7
Dudley	110	877.2	18	24	8	2	2	6	10	2	12	0	0	1	1
Dunstable	14	455.6	2	5	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Duxbury	138	484.8	33	25	3	4	1	4	3	4	14	0	0	1	3
East Bridgewater	160	926.1	29	25	6	1	3	14	4	3	21	0	0	4	6
East Brookfield	28	1,069.8	5	5	0	0	1	2	1	3	1	0	0	2	0
East Longmeadow	256	688.9	49	40	15	4	14	8	1	7	43	0	0	0	2
Eastham	66	635.4	14	16	2	0	1	3	3	0	0	0	0	2	2
Easthampton	178	725.0	37	36	5	3	6	12	8	5	14	1	0	1	6
Easton	244	851.3	42	37	7	2	15	5	4	11	32	1	0	4	3
Edgartown	51	960.2	5	20	2	2	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Egremont	16	597.6	1	7	2	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Erving	7	282.1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Essex	29	642.7	4	4	0	0	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	1
Everett	331	739.3	56	47	8	3	5	14	12	5	67	1	0	5	16
Fairhaven	287	989.3	48	49	15	4	14	7	8	5	41	2	0	3	8
Fall River	1,169	1,017.6	195	191	60	11	36	43	33	27	145	14	4	9	75
Falmouth	510	800.4	99	79	18	6	21	17	9	10	31	1	0	2	14

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Fitchburg	483	1,040.2	75	84	18	8	20	21	11	10	72	4	2	3	19
Florida	7	765.0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Foxborough	148	682.3	28	46	5	2	5	3	3	2	13	1	0	2	2
Framingham	662	669.4	121	105	17	11	12	27	14	8	129	0	1	8	24
Franklin	238	694.7	47	50	15	2	7	7	4	3	27	0	0	3	3
Freetown	89	867.6	23	20	5	1	4	4	3	0	9	1	0	1	3
Gardner	261	956.6	50	45	9	3	17	13	13	2	21	0	1	3	4
Georgetown	78	903.5	18	16	6	0	2	1	1	2	10	1	0	3	0
Gill	21	837.4	7	3	2	0	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Gloucester	380	818.4	66	83	18	8	10	23	7	7	31	2	0	6	12
Goshen	5	314.2	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gosnold	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grafton	105	524.4	15	28	7	0	6	5	1	0	12	0	1	1	2
Granby	45	592.5	5	9	1	0	3	2	1	1	5	0	1	0	1
Granville	20	1,040.1	3	7	1	1	1	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0
Great Barrington	98	910.8	14	19	2	1	5	4	3	2	2	0	0	1	3
Greenfield	281	972.9	49	52	14	5	8	16	9	4	39	0	0	4	7
Groton	88	625.2	14	24	8	2	1	3	1	0	8	1	0	2	2
Groveland	54	473.1	8	12	2	0	4	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	1
Hadley	73	728.6	9	15	3	1	2	2	2	1	8	0	0	2	1
Halifax	81	833.1	11	21	5	1	1	4	2	1	6	0	0	1	3
Hamilton	61	650.6	14	13	3	1	2	2	2	0	8	0	0	1	0
Hampden	67	754.3	8	11	3	0	1	1	0	4	8	0	0	0	1
Hancock	5	380.0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hanover	139	788.0	24	30	5	0	1	7	3	2	9	0	0	0	0
Hanson	108	994.6	16	21	8	0	3	2	1	6	16	0	0	2	4
Hardwick	37	1,021.1	8	8	2	0	1	1	0	2	3	0	0	0	4
Harvard	33	603.6	10	7	2	0	1	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0
Harwich	196	687.8	33	41	8	6	12	6	5	1	20	0	0	2	2
Hatfield	38	684.6	6	10	4	0	1	3	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Haverhill	694	899.4	119	109	26	4	20	40	13	13	103	1	5	7	31
Hawley	5	892.1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Heath	7	486.0	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Hingham	309	501.5	53	49	7	1	9	6	9	2	45	0	0	1	2
Hinsdale	15	430.5	2	4	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Holbrook	113	834.5	17	23	5	2	4	7	5	3	13	1	0	1	2
Holden	151	601.0	20	31	6	4	6	13	2	1	25	0	0	1	2
Holland	17	689.6	6	2	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	2	0	0	1
Holliston	122	720.6	25	27	5	3	2	1	3	5	13	0	0	2	1
Holyoke	563	1,063.0	102	65	18	5	15	23	8	7	106	3	5	2	21
Hopedale	59	759.9	12	10	2	0	0	1	0	0	9	1	0	1	1
Hopkinton	97	780.2	21	14	2	1	2	3	1	0	21	0	0	2	2
Hubbardston	26	528.9	4	9	0	0	0	0	2	1	2	0	0	0	1
Hudson	181	659.9	30	42	6	5	3	6	6	3	21	0	0	0	8
Hull	129	958.7	21	22	4	1	5	5	0	4	9	0	0	3	9
Huntington	23	854.9	0	8	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
Ipswich	161	637.5	29	30	4	3	10	6	10	4	11	3	0	3	3
Kingston	159	755.8	22	37	8	3	3	9	5	3	16	0	0	2	3
Lakeville	104	807.6	14	30	7	2	6	5	2	4	8	2	0	1	4
Lancaster	71	762.7	13	9	1	0	3	4	5	1	10	0	0	0	2
Lanesborough	26	626.7	7	4	3	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	2
Lawrence	666	965.6	93	88	19	7	21	22	22	15	178	1	1	5	38
Lee	104	906.6	27	15	1	1	3	0	0	0	14	0	0	1	2
Leicester	95	695.9	22	15	3	0	4	6	1	3	17	1	0	0	5
Lenox	114	684.6	22	22	5	2	7	6	4	2	13	0	0	0	2
Leominster	497	868.2	95	85	19	5	14	25	12	14	59	3	0	7	14
Leverett	13	549.1	4	5	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lexington	278	435.6	47	44	3	0	11	8	2	3	48	0	0	1	0
Leyden	3	— ³	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lincoln	85	1,609.1	15	12	0	3	3	1	1	0	11	1	0	2	2
Littleton	87	628.4	10	16	5	0	4	2	2	3	22	0	0	4	0
Longmeadow	198	622.6	29	31	11	1	7	6	5	3	46	0	0	1	1
Lowell	1,075	1,007.1	162	192	57	9	29	44	40	19	151	10	5	8	46
Ludlow	232	702.4	54	45	9	2	11	8	0	2	17	4	0	2	2
Lunenburg	106	814.9	21	19	4	2	3	5	1	1	12	1	0	1	4
Lynn	894	930.2	164	153	31	11	21	37	26	13	149	7	5	5	48

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Lynnfield	111	586.7	24	17	7	1	4	0	0	5	19	0	0	1	1
Malden	504	759.2	77	93	24	4	21	18	15	13	69	4	2	6	24
Manchester	43	554.6	10	7	1	0	3	4	0	0	2	0	0	1	0
Mansfield	196	843.9	29	44	11	1	13	5	2	1	21	1	0	2	3
Marblehead	189	651.4	32	36	6	2	3	1	2	5	33	0	0	1	1
Marion	83	837.4	14	19	1	2	4	5	2	1	11	0	0	0	1
Marlborough	390	707.9	72	66	15	1	18	9	12	10	69	0	1	2	15
Marshfield	274	841.3	51	62	12	3	6	10	6	5	28	3	0	4	9
Mashpee	188	608.3	40	36	8	2	11	9	2	4	8	0	3	1	5
Mattapoissett	64	703.2	17	9	1	0	1	4	2	2	5	1	0	0	2
Maynard	85	703.3	18	15	2	2	4	4	2	2	12	0	0	0	2
Medfield	71	489.7	13	15	1	1	4	3	0	1	6	0	0	1	1
Medford	567	712.2	91	108	21	9	19	18	10	4	124	2	0	4	8
Medway	109	703.9	19	20	8	0	3	5	1	0	15	0	0	1	1
Melrose	289	694.0	61	51	18	4	6	10	2	5	35	1	1	2	3
Mendon	51	917.9	13	14	1	1	3	1	2	1	6	0	0	1	1
Merrimac	62	798.9	9	19	9	3	1	4	2	1	5	0	0	0	0
Methuen	542	812.3	109	88	18	4	25	20	11	12	77	2	1	5	13
Middleborough	304	753.4	51	50	10	2	12	13	7	8	38	0	2	3	14
Middlefield	6	370.3	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Middleton	81	564.3	10	16	1	1	3	5	3	1	17	0	0	0	0
Milford	299	838.8	44	60	10	4	14	11	6	4	47	0	1	1	2
Millbury	151	852.0	34	25	7	3	5	5	3	1	28	0	0	2	6
Millis	65	746.7	11	15	2	2	3	4	0	0	6	3	0	1	2
Millville	19	612.2	7	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
Milton	239	576.6	44	53	8	5	12	7	3	4	35	1	1	4	2
Monroe	3	— ³	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Monson	75	719.2	15	26	5	5	4	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	5
Montague	126	998.7	27	25	8	1	4	8	2	3	8	0	1	3	2
Monterey	6	286.4	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Montgomery	13	1,155.1	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Mount Washington	1	— ³	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Nahant	47	787.1	10	7	2	0	1	1	1	2	9	0	0	1	0

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Nantucket	76	622.8	9	19	3	2	4	5	0	1	3	1	0	1	1
Natick	323	692.9	54	60	19	2	10	5	8	6	45	2	0	1	5
Needham	319	604.3	66	44	8	3	11	8	12	5	52	0	0	1	2
New Ashford	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Bedford	1,198	976.5	204	176	42	11	30	52	36	21	160	13	5	5	64
New Braintree	12	936.5	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1
New Marlborough	9	327.1	1	3	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
New Salem	13	1,750.8	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Newbury	57	695.5	13	11	1	1	3	1	1	4	1	0	0	0	1
Newburyport	218	679.8	40	41	6	3	8	7	5	6	16	0	0	2	2
Newton	696	495.0	116	107	15	5	21	13	16	10	128	2	1	5	8
Norfolk	69	668.8	15	18	3	0	0	2	2	1	6	0	0	1	2
North Adams	187	1,037.0	40	20	8	3	7	9	4	3	13	1	0	3	13
North Andover	294	687.8	49	53	5	3	8	10	8	6	53	3	0	0	2
North Attleborough	269	838.7	44	56	15	5	11	15	9	4	33	0	0	3	9
North Brookfield	52	878.9	11	13	3	0	1	1	1	1	5	1	0	0	0
North Reading	128	657.3	24	35	9	2	1	2	7	1	16	2	0	0	4
Northampton	341	867.5	58	52	9	4	12	11	8	11	33	0	1	6	9
Northborough	139	636.9	20	24	9	2	9	1	4	1	37	0	0	1	2
Northbridge	213	852.9	30	41	7	2	5	6	2	3	47	1	0	1	3
Northfield	19	450.9	2	4	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	1	1
Norton	178	786.8	38	31	6	3	6	9	5	4	18	2	0	1	5
Norwell	121	645.1	14	23	5	0	4	3	3	2	21	0	0	0	4
Norwood	380	786.8	71	71	12	6	14	13	10	21	54	3	1	2	4
Oak Bluffs	50	591.9	9	12	4	1	3	2	1	1	1	1	0	1	4
Oakham	18	797.4	3	6	3	1	0	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
Orange	96	920.8	16	21	5	3	6	9	1	1	6	1	0	1	3
Orleans	100	471.8	24	24	3	0	8	3	0	2	3	0	0	0	1
Otis	12	383.1	2	5	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Oxford	141	978.0	29	27	8	2	7	11	3	3	11	2	0	1	9
Palmer	158	979.9	34	28	4	2	4	10	1	3	15	1	0	0	7
Paxton	38	699.2	11	5	0	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	2
Peabody	902	748.4	171	147	44	11	20	26	17	13	146	5	0	2	18

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Pelham	10	565.4	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pembroke	151	800.1	17	34	6	2	4	5	6	2	15	1	0	3	4
Pepperell	91	747.2	19	17	7	0	3	4	4	7	5	0	0	1	4
Peru	7	1,189.7	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Petersham	11	762.2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Phillipston	17	997.0	7	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Pittsfield	621	923.5	132	120	30	10	23	27	15	13	55	6	1	5	22
Plainfield	7	795.2	3	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Plainville	84	807.5	14	22	7	3	4	5	0	1	8	1	0	0	5
Plymouth	687	783.7	109	138	31	6	17	25	11	30	76	2	2	11	21
Plympton	25	699.7	6	5	0	0	2	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	1
Princeton	25	590.0	5	7	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Provincetown	41	1,044.8	6	6	3	0	1	2	2	0	3	0	0	0	1
Quincy	1,033	769.9	164	206	57	13	41	37	22	28	129	8	2	13	42
Randolph	343	847.5	50	58	5	5	17	15	5	13	68	3	5	0	6
Raynham	184	944.0	30	33	7	2	4	15	2	2	27	0	0	2	6
Reading	238	652.1	39	44	11	3	12	7	6	4	35	0	0	3	1
Rehoboth	94	652.4	21	17	4	0	1	5	2	1	11	1	0	2	3
Revere	504	646.4	88	86	23	6	5	12	15	12	113	3	1	6	21
Richmond	17	818.4	4	4	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
Rochester	41	605.8	12	7	3	1	0	3	0	0	2	1	0	0	1
Rockland	201	886.5	40	38	13	1	8	9	5	2	21	3	0	5	8
Rockport	93	727.3	14	12	1	0	6	2	0	0	15	1	0	1	3
Rowe	3	-.3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Rowley	45	610.5	16	8	3	1	2	3	0	2	1	0	0	1	0
Royalston	8	451.4	1	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Russell	18	998.0	2	6	2	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Rutland	49	585.7	10	8	5	0	2	6	0	0	2	1	0	1	1
Salem	393	768.0	69	66	14	3	9	18	13	7	49	1	0	3	22
Salisbury	108	916.8	21	25	9	0	1	4	6	4	11	3	0	1	3
Sandisfield	17	1,144.5	3	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Sandwich	208	666.4	39	45	8	2	11	8	0	3	9	0	0	4	5
Saugus	334	808.5	58	73	17	1	9	14	12	6	39	0	2	2	14

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Savoy	6	855.2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Scituate	200	662.9	39	38	10	4	8	8	2	5	24	0	0	3	1
Seekonk	174	924.1	36	40	8	4	7	4	6	1	18	2	0	5	8
Sharon	130	576.4	23	30	7	2	6	1	1	6	21	0	0	0	1
Sheffield	41	862.5	3	11	4	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
Shelburne	24	720.3	6	4	2	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0
Sherborn	21	480.5	6	5	0	1	2	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0
Shirley	74	893.8	9	15	4	1	2	4	1	0	10	0	1	1	3
Shrewsbury	311	585.2	64	58	9	4	7	6	5	5	42	1	0	5	4
Shutesbury	15	744.7	1	4	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Somerset	263	754.3	61	49	17	2	5	16	9	9	30	0	1	5	4
Somerville	486	780.8	96	91	21	6	10	12	15	4	74	2	2	8	14
South Hadley	217	737.0	40	44	7	5	7	6	2	3	29	0	0	1	5
Southampton	48	670.3	7	10	3	1	1	3	1	2	3	0	0	0	0
Southborough	50	445.5	10	11	3	0	1	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0
Southbridge	210	1,028.9	35	37	5	2	2	11	6	3	18	0	1	2	15
Southwick	109	689.9	21	26	6	3	1	3	2	2	13	1	0	3	6
Spencer	128	817.5	14	26	6	1	2	5	1	4	14	0	0	0	2
Springfield	1,646	1,102.9	248	256	61	11	65	65	62	31	228	16	18	9	88
Sterling	74	518.9	13	15	2	1	1	4	2	0	11	0	0	0	1
Stockbridge	19	551.8	2	7	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
Stoneham	262	696.1	48	58	10	7	5	8	4	2	41	2	0	1	9
Stoughton	332	832.8	53	57	9	2	16	16	2	6	63	5	0	1	18
Stow	55	569.8	6	19	2	1	1	1	1	1	5	0	0	0	1
Sturbridge	80	603.4	11	27	7	1	2	3	3	3	5	1	0	0	1
Sudbury	140	584.3	33	31	3	3	4	2	2	0	19	0	0	0	0
Sunderland	18	469.3	1	4	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Sutton	80	902.8	16	14	3	0	1	2	1	2	12	1	0	1	2
Swampscott	155	598.8	22	29	4	1	6	5	3	5	24	0	0	0	0
Swansea	211	826.7	40	43	14	1	12	11	6	4	13	3	0	4	5
Taunton	611	825.6	103	107	25	8	20	22	12	14	73	4	2	9	16
Templeton	86	761.8	13	14	2	0	2	7	4	2	16	1	0	1	1
Tewksbury	354	791.9	57	68	12	3	14	12	9	6	59	2	0	3	5

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Tisbury	33	579.3	8	9	3	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tolland	6	1,176.2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Topsfield	91	900.4	14	11	2	0	2	3	1	3	16	0	0	0	2
Townsend	83	864.4	19	26	4	3	3	1	2	1	6	1	0	1	2
Truro	25	599.7	3	6	1	1	0	3	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
Tyngsborough	79	658.1	10	23	7	3	2	6	2	1	5	0	0	2	1
Tyringham	6	866.6	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Upton	46	559.3	10	13	0	1	2	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	1
Uxbridge	116	550.5	18	25	6	2	4	4	2	2	16	2	0	1	3
Wakefield	269	740.7	30	52	11	3	6	8	5	7	54	1	0	2	5
Wales	20	849.7	1	6	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	1
Walpole	219	565.4	34	44	10	2	5	10	1	4	29	2	0	2	1
Waltham	518	718.1	102	92	29	0	19	11	14	9	88	2	1	6	6
Ware	126	909.4	31	28	5	1	3	7	1	0	12	1	0	0	3
Wareham	330	958.8	48	55	15	3	9	29	8	6	39	2	1	2	16
Warren	37	670.8	9	10	4	0	0	3	2	2	3	0	0	1	2
Warwick	10	997.0	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Washington	11	2,171.5	1	3	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Watertown	317	729.9	60	59	16	2	4	9	4	8	54	3	0	5	4
Wayland	142	643.1	25	22	3	3	5	2	2	4	30	0	1	0	1
Webster	229	968.8	44	39	8	2	4	11	5	3	17	2	0	3	8
Wellesley	203	516.5	33	38	4	3	8	6	2	1	28	0	0	0	1
Wellfleet	44	762.7	9	9	5	0	1	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Wendell	9	1,646.8	2	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Wenham	35	490.8	7	7	2	2	2	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
West Boylston	68	422.3	11	17	2	1	3	1	1	2	6	0	0	1	1
West Bridgewater	90	737.5	22	13	2	0	5	3	1	5	5	2	0	0	2
West Brookfield	53	813.7	10	15	1	1	1	5	0	2	4	0	0	0	0
West Newbury	31	665.0	5	7	0	0	4	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	1
West Springfield	364	935.6	60	66	22	3	21	8	9	9	51	3	1	3	12
West Stockbridge	16	609.6	3	6	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
West Tisbury	25	705.5	7	5	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Westborough	180	659.9	28	33	4	2	7	8	2	1	39	2	1	2	2

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Westfield	511	968.7	85	91	21	10	7	22	17	9	75	4	1	5	8
Westford	156	743.6	25	40	3	2	3	1	1	5	16	2	0	2	4
Westhampton	14	583.2	2	4	1	0	0	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	0
Westminster	54	677.2	14	11	3	2	2	2	1	0	5	0	0	3	3
Weston	106	490.9	17	31	7	5	6	3	2	2	16	0	0	0	1
Westport	222	804.1	44	55	9	2	7	9	6	3	17	1	0	4	3
Westwood	178	621.6	28	32	6	2	9	4	3	4	26	1	0	3	0
Weymouth	644	851.0	126	119	32	6	27	20	11	13	86	4	1	6	25
Whately	18	769.7	6	4	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Whitman	134	933.3	23	31	10	4	4	6	3	2	8	3	0	1	4
Wilbraham	192	674.8	29	28	5	1	3	5	4	4	28	1	0	1	2
Williamsburg	27	658.5	6	6	1	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
Williamstown	64	415.1	17	7	3	0	1	1	1	1	4	0	0	1	0
Wilmington	272	841.5	35	39	8	1	11	13	5	2	58	4	2	1	4
Winchendon	121	1,086.4	19	25	4	2	2	7	4	6	14	0	0	1	6
Winchester	187	505.5	40	35	4	4	15	3	2	4	16	0	0	1	0
Windsor	6	508.2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Winthrop	191	688.2	35	30	8	0	2	9	6	5	36	0	0	1	6
Woburn	480	747.1	84	86	19	2	13	20	6	6	83	1	0	2	12
Worcester	2,002	1,026.0	324	307	73	28	52	80	48	36	339	10	8	20	103
Worthington	13	585.8	3	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Wrentham	154	918.2	17	19	5	1	8	3	2	11	26	0	0	1	3
Yarmouth	383	662.3	76	73	17	6	23	14	5	11	20	1	0	2	10

1. Rates are per 100,000 population age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population and calculated using MDPH population estimates for 2010, which are the most up-to-date information available on the number of persons by age, race, and sex at the sub-state level. Data presented in this table are classified according to ICD-10. Please see Appendix for a list of ICD-10 codes used in this table. 2. The title of this cause of death has changed between ICD-10 and ICD-9. Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease (CLRD) (ICD-10 title) corresponds to Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) (ICD-9 title). 3. Rates based on 1 to 4 deaths are not calculated. 4. The term opioid designates a class of drugs derived naturally from the opium poppy (opium, morphine, codeine), synthesized or derived from a natural opiate (heroin, oxycodone, hydrocodone), or manufactured synthetically with a chemical structure similar to opium (fentanyl, methadone). (Opioid Overdose Response Strategies in Massachusetts, MDPH, 2014). This report combines all opioid overdoses since classification of specific drugs can be difficult. For example, many deaths related to heroin cannot be specifically coded as such due to the fast metabolism of heroin into morphine, as well as, the possible interaction of multiple drugs.

Table 35. Selected Causes of Death by Community Health Network Area (CHNA), Massachusetts: 2020

CHNA Name	Total Deaths	Age-Adjusted Death Rate ¹	Heart Disease	Total Cancer	Lung Cancer	Female Breast Cancer	Stroke	CLRD ²	Diabetes	Influenza & Pneumonia	COVID-19	Motor Vehicle	Homicide	Suicide	Opioid-related ³
Massachusetts	68,269	756.3	11,797	12,381	2,756	810	2,272	2,546	1,559	1,331	9,455	380	186	621	2,084
1. Community Health Network of Berkshire	1,677	788.4	341	311	70	26	62	77	37	33	122	11	1	20	56
2. Upper Valley Health Web (Franklin County)	1,050	832.0	196	223	58	19	34	56	25	21	86	4	1	16	35
3. Partnership for Health in Hampshire County (Northampton)	1,470	724.3	270	281	54	20	56	59	33	33	150	5	2	12	34
4. The Community Health Connection (Springfield)	3,566	923.3	583	594	153	40	138	128	99	67	487	27	21	23	141
5. Community Health Network of Southern Worcester County	1,309	822.3	239	265	56	11	29	72	39	29	112	10	1	11	45
6. Community Partners for Health (Milford)	1,492	726.5	258	320	65	18	48	52	29	18	218	10	1	11	23
7. Community Health Network of Greater Metro West (Framingham)	3,542	660.1	631	673	127	49	115	104	69	65	573	13	4	26	80
8. Community Wellness Coalition (Worcester)	3,182	838.1	545	530	120	43	90	130	66	52	508	12	9	31	129
9. Fitchburg/Gardner Community Health Network	2,722	831.5	479	521	112	36	91	128	69	63	307	17	5	29	86
10. Greater Lowell Community Health Network	2,763	828.2	417	562	153	27	84	113	75	50	343	18	8	26	77
11. Greater Lawrence Community Health Network	1,856	778.5	305	289	49	18	69	65	49	36	378	6	3	13	53
12. Greater Haverhill Community Health Network	1,605	795.3	300	295	72	17	53	72	32	44	176	6	6	15	44
13. Community Health Network North (Beverly/Gloucester)	1,413	787.7	260	248	51	22	49	64	29	22	164	8	1	16	35
14. North Shore Community Health Network	3,487	800.8	622	586	136	34	84	115	87	63	552	17	7	18	113
15. Greater Woburn/Concord/Littleton Community Health Network	2,203	590.0	375	382	65	23	77	72	27	32	368	12	3	17	27
16. North Suburban Health Alliance (Medford/Malden/Melrose)	2,588	717.1	426	488	112	35	75	85	61	41	441	13	3	23	70
17. Greater Cambridge/Somerville Community Health Network	1,974	640.1	348	350	67	19	49	54	44	34	334	7	2	29	35
18. West Suburban Health Network (Newton/Waltham)	2,752	556.1	478	483	95	29	108	63	59	42	439	8	3	23	28
19. Alliance for Community Health (Boston/Chelsea/Revere/Winthrop)	5,928	763.0	895	964	202	71	188	156	165	114	1,110	25	55	47	286
20. Blue Hills Community Health Alliance (Greater Quincy)	4,356	734.5	748	810	174	51	178	146	79	115	600	24	12	40	111
21. Four (For) Communities (Holyoke, Chicopee, Ludlow, Westfield)	2,066	948.2	384	331	79	19	60	99	43	28	266	20	8	19	70
22. Greater Brockton Community Health Network	2,634	926.0	449	458	105	28	86	102	55	71	440	26	5	25	93
23. South Shore Community Health Network	2,111	777.1	359	444	99	22	53	80	45	60	218	10	2	29	61
24. Greater Attleboro-Taunton Health & Education Response	2,669	803.3	473	502	118	34	92	123	65	54	332	20	6	33	80
25. Partners for Healthier Communities	1,865	921.2	340	338	100	16	60	79	54	43	205	18	5	22	87
26. Greater New Bedford Community Health Network	2,583	879.7	451	437	103	30	73	119	66	46	321	20	7	14	102
27. Cape Cod and Islands Health Network	3,386	704.1	622	694	161	53	171	133	57	55	204	12	5	33	83

1. Rates are per 100,000 population age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population. Data presented in this table are classified according to ICD-10. Please see Appendix for a list of ICD-10 codes used in this table. 2. The title of this cause of death has changed between ICD-10 and ICD-9. Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease (ICD-10 title) corresponds to Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) (ICD-9 title). 3. The term opioid designates a class of drugs derived naturally from the opium poppy (opium, morphine, codeine), synthesized or derived from a natural opiate (heroin, oxycodone, hydrocodone), or manufactured synthetically with a chemical structure similar to opium (fentanyl, methadone). (Opioid Overdose Response Strategies in Massachusetts, MDPH, 2014). This report combines all opioid overdoses since classification of specific drugs can be difficult. For example, many deaths related to heroin cannot be specifically coded as such due to the fast metabolism of heroin into morphine, as well as, the possible interaction of multiple drugs.

Table 36. Selected Causes of Death by County, Massachusetts: 2020

County	Total Deaths	Age-Adjusted Death Rate ¹	Heart Disease	Total Cancer	Lung Cancer	Female Breast Cancer	Stroke	CLRD ²	Diabetes	Influenza & Pneumonia	COVID-19	Motor Vehicle	Homicide	Suicide	Opioids-related ³
Massachusetts	68,265	756.3	11,797	12,381	2,756	810	2,272	2,546	1,559	1,331	9,455	380	186	621	2,084
Barnstable	3,143	715.4	584	625	149	48	160	121	53	53	200	10	4	30	76
Berkshire	1,676	788.0	341	311	70	26	62	77	37	33	122	11	1	20	56
Bristol	6,436	861.9	1,150	1,144	291	72	208	267	168	133	788	53	15	67	234
Dukes	169	626.3	30	51	9	3	7	7	4	1	1	1	1	2	6
Essex	8,362	788.7	1,489	1,417	308	91	255	316	197	164	1,270	37	17	62	245
Franklin	842	797.4	160	172	43	14	24	47	24	14	71	2	1	13	20
Hampden	5,684	929.5	980	935	234	59	198	229	145	95	755	50	29	42	213
Hampshire	1,493	726.4	270	289	57	20	56	61	33	33	150	6	2	12	36
Middlesex	13,677	679.3	2,326	2,543	553	155	416	431	301	231	2,157	61	22	127	297
Nantucket	76	622.8	9	19	3	2	4	5	0	1	3	1	0	1	1
Norfolk	6,818	693.6	1,159	1,313	274	85	280	235	116	156	937	43	13	59	153
Plymouth	5,689	812.4	973	1,072	243	59	158	231	124	144	750	35	10	61	182
Suffolk	5,937	764.2	898	964	202	71	188	156	165	115	1,110	26	55	47	286
Worcester	8,262	812.7	1,428	1,526	320	105	256	363	192	158	1,141	44	16	78	279

1. Rates are per 100,000 population age-adjusted to the 2000 US Standard Population. Data presented in this table are classified according to ICD-10. Please see Appendix for a list of ICD-10 codes used in this table. 2. The title of this cause of death has changed between ICD-10 and ICD-9. Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease (ICD-10 title) corresponds to Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) (ICD-9 title). 3. The term opioid designates a class of drugs derived naturally from the opium poppy (opium, morphine, codeine), synthesized or derived from a natural opiate (heroin, oxycodone, hydrocodone), or manufactured synthetically with a chemical structure similar to opium (fentanyl, methadone). (Opioid Overdose Response Strategies in Massachusetts, MDPH, 2014). This report combines all opioid overdoses since classification of specific drugs can be difficult. For example, many deaths related to heroin cannot be specifically coded as such due to the fast metabolism of heroin into morphine, as well as, the possible interaction of multiple drugs.

TECHNICAL NOTES

RACE AND ETHNICITY DATA

The 2003 revision of the Standard Certificate of Death allows the reporting of more than one race in accordance with the revised standards issued by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in 1997. The revised standards require federal data collection programs to allow respondents to select *one or more categories in the race and ethnicity sections (see “Decedent Race” and “Decedent Ethnicity” sections below)*. In order to provide uniformity and comparability of the data during the transition period, before multiple-race data are available for all reporting areas, it is necessary to “bridge” the responses of those who reported more than one race to a single-race. The method used to bridge responses for those who report more than one race to a single race is based on a procedure whereby multiple races are assigned to the smallest minority group first (i.e. Asian and White becomes Asian or Black and Native American becomes Native American). All respondents reporting Hispanic/Latino ethnicity are included in the Hispanic/Latino category regardless of race. Even though we bridge responses down to 6 categories (Asian NH, Black NH, Hispanic, White NH, American Indian / Alaska Native and Other NH, and Unknown) not all categories are used in each table or figure that compares race and ethnicity data. There are well-known difficulties in calculating accurate mortality rates for smaller populations such as Asians and Native Americans. Please use caution when interpreting these small numbers. When numbers are below a certain threshold, they are suppressed to protect privacy and ensure statistical stability (see “Limitations of Small Numbers” below). Not all race groups are presented in the tables and graphs due to small numbers of events.

Decedent Race

<input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaska Native (specify tribal nation): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Black <input type="checkbox"/> Guamanian or Chamorro <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino/Black <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino/White <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino/Other(specify): _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian <input type="checkbox"/> Samoan <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Other Pacific Islander (specify): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other race not listed (specify): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Refused <input type="checkbox"/> Not obtainable <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
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Decedent Race

Enter race to appear on death certificate: _____
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Decedent Ethnicity

<input type="checkbox"/> African (specify): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> African-American	<input type="checkbox"/> Laotian <input type="checkbox"/> Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano
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<input type="checkbox"/> American <input type="checkbox"/> Asian Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Brazilian <input type="checkbox"/> Cambodian <input type="checkbox"/> Cape Verdean <input type="checkbox"/> Caribbean Islander (specify): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese <input type="checkbox"/> Colombian <input type="checkbox"/> Cuban <input type="checkbox"/> Dominican <input type="checkbox"/> European (specify): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Filipino <input type="checkbox"/> Guatemalan <input type="checkbox"/> Haitian <input type="checkbox"/> Honduran <input type="checkbox"/> Japanese <input type="checkbox"/> Korean	<input type="checkbox"/> Middle Eastern (specify): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Native American (specify tribal nation(s)): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Portuguese <input type="checkbox"/> Puerto Rican <input type="checkbox"/> Russian <input type="checkbox"/> Salvadoran <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnamese <input type="checkbox"/> Other Asian (specify): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other Central American (specify): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other Pacific Islander (specify): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other Portuguese (specify): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other South American (specify): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other ethnicity (ies) not listed (specify): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Refused <input type="checkbox"/> Not obtainable <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
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DATA SOURCES

Data for this document are derived from Massachusetts death certificates, Massachusetts birth certificates, the US Census, the Massachusetts Institute for Social and Economic Research (MISER) (population data pre-2000), and the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS).

CHANGES TO MORTALITY DATA, EFFECTIVE 1999

Beginning with data year 1999, two major changes in Federal classification and tabulation procedures occurred that affects the tabulation and analyses of mortality data over time. First, a new revision for classifying causes of death was implemented: The International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision (ICD-10) replaced the International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision (ICD-9) for coding all mortality data. Second, a new standard population for the tabulation of age-adjusted mortality rates was also implemented.

POPULATION ESTIMATES

State, County, and Small Area Population Estimates 2011-2020, version 2018, Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Environmental Health. Population estimates used for years following the decennial census were developed by the University of Massachusetts Donahue Institute (UMDI) in partnership with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Environmental Health. Detailed population estimates at fine levels of geography are prone to estimation error. Estimated error was best described by age and population size and was used to adjust final population numbers, however a margin of error exists for all estimates.

LIMITATIONS OF SMALL NUMBERS

Cells in some tables contain small numbers. Rates and proportions based on fewer than five observations are suppressed, and trends based upon small numbers should be interpreted cautiously.

APPLYING COMPARABILITY RATIOS TO EXAMINE TRENDS IN MORTALITY

Beginning with 1999, mortality data are coded according to the International Classification of Diseases Tenth Revision (ICD-10). Due to the changes in coding rules, comparison of mortality

trends over time using different revisions of ICD is challenging. A method was devised to assess if changes in causes of death are “real” changes, or due to the new classification system. Using this method, death data for 1996 were coded twice; once according to ICD-9 and again according to ICD-10. A comparability ratio (CR) was then calculated by dividing the number of deaths coded according to ICD-10 by the number of deaths coded according to the most similar codes in ICD-9 (please refer to Table A4. Preliminary Comparability Ratios for a list of codes and CR used in this publication).

A CR of 1.00 indicates that the same number of deaths was assigned to a cause of death whether ICD-9 or ICD-10 was used. A CR of less than 1.00 results from 1) a decrease in the number of deaths assigned to a cause in ICD-10 compared with ICD-9 or 2) the cause described in ICD-10 is only a part of the ICD-9 title to which it is being compared. A CR of more than 1.00 results from 1) an increase in the assignments of deaths to a cause in ICD-10 compared with ICD-9 or 2) the ICD-10 title is broader than the ICD-9 title to which it is being compared.

EXAMPLE: Influenza and Pneumonia¹ Deaths: Massachusetts, 1996-2000

Year	Age-adjusted rate ²	Comparability Ratio	Comparability Modified Rate (=Age-Adjusted Rate*Comparability Ratio)
1996	41.5	0.6982	29.0
1997	39.1	0.6982	27.3
1998	40.2	0.6982	28.1
1999	30.3		
2000	29.3		

1. Influenza and pneumonia defined as ICD-9: 480-487 for years 1996-1998 and ICD-10: J10-J18 for year 1999 and 2000.
2. Age-adjusted to the 2000 US standard population, per 100,000.

Looking only at the age-adjusted rate over time, not taking the ICD coding changes into account, it appears that deaths from influenza and pneumonia have decreased between 1996-1999. However, because the coding rules changed between ICD-9 and ICD-10 revisions, we need to apply the comparability ratio to the rates for 1996-1998. (This is done by multiplying the age-adjusted rate by the comparability ratio.) Now we can make a fairer comparison and examine the changes between the comparability modified rate and the 1999 or 2000 rate. We see that deaths to influenza and pneumonia have remained constant between 1996-2000, and have actually increased between 1998 and 1999 (28.1 to 30.3 per 100,000, respectively) after taking the changes in the classification system into account.

PLEASE NOTE: The comparability ratios used in this report are based on the Preliminary Comparability Study conducted by the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), February 2001, and are subject to change once the Final Comparability Study is completed.

TESTS OF STATISTICAL SIGNIFICANCE

Beginning with *Massachusetts Deaths 2004*, statistics presented in the text section have been tested to determine whether they differ significantly from a target statistic. For example, the number of deaths in 2008 was compared with the number of deaths in 2007 to determine whether their difference was unlikely to have occurred by chance. When a difference is unlikely to have occurred by chance, it is referred to as “significant.”

Note: With respect to statistical difference, the language of this year's report differs from the language of reports prior to 2004, and caution must be used when comparing the text of previous reports with this year's report.

In testing for statistical significance, we have used the testing methods from the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS). These methods are presented in the following document:

National Vital Statistics Reports, Volume 52, Number 10

Births: Final Data for 2002

by Joyce A. Martin, M.P.H.; Brady E. Hamilton, Ph.D.; Paul D. Sutton, Ph.D.; Stephanie J. Ventura, M.A.; Fay Menacker, Dr. P.H.; and Martha L. Munson, M.S.;

From the Division of Vital Statistics, NCHS. (Technical Notes, "Significance testing" section begins on page 110).

This document is available from the following website:

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/products/pubs/pubd/nvsr/52/52-23.htm>

For comparisons of more than 100 events, whether they are rates, proportions, or numbers, the binomial distribution is assumed, and confidence intervals are examined to see whether they overlap (Refer to the "Confidence Intervals" section in the next page for an explanation of using confidence intervals to determine statistical significance). When the number of events is less than 100, a Poisson distribution is assumed, and confidence intervals are constructed based upon the Poisson distribution. For more details and exact formulas for calculating confidence intervals or other tests of statistical significance, refer to the publication listed above.

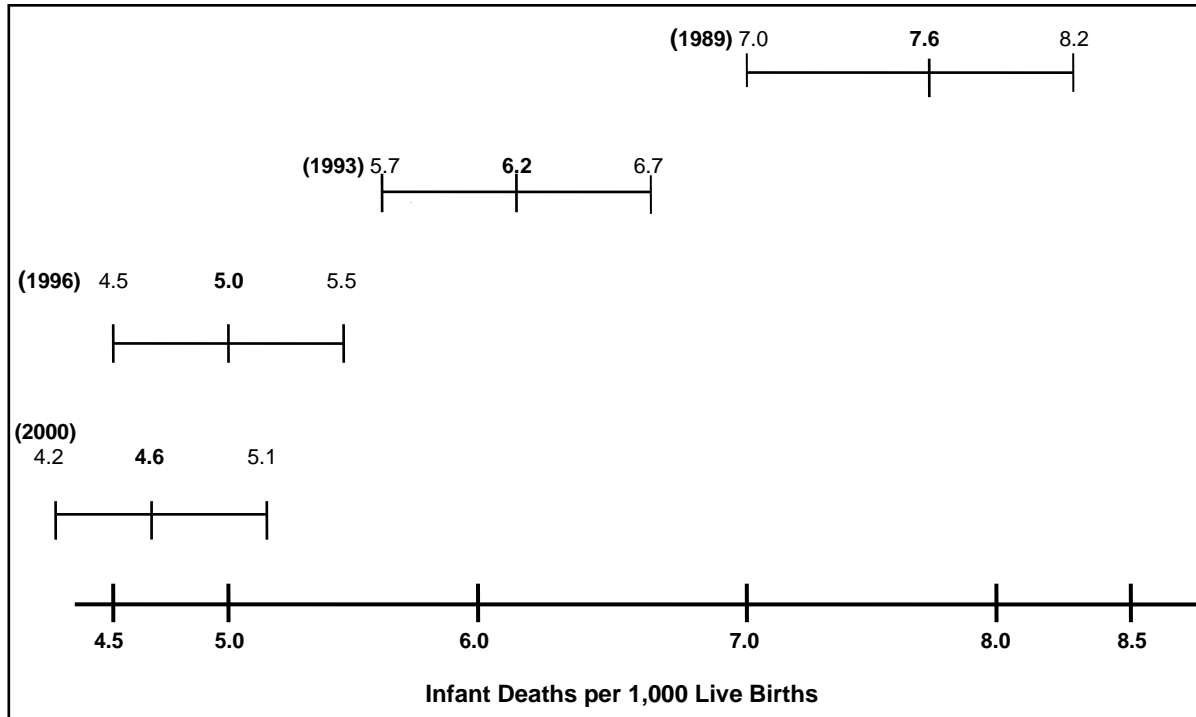
When two statistics are determined to differ significantly, they are referred to in the text as being "significantly" different, either lower or higher than the statistic of comparison.

CONFIDENCE INTERVALS

The confidence interval (CI) provides a measure of rate stability and a basis for comparing rates to determine if they are statistically different. Rates can be compared for the same group in different years or for different groups in the same year. The width of the CI reflects the stability of the rate. For example, a narrow CI reflects high stability, and a wide CI reflects low stability. If the CIs around two rates being compared do not overlap, the difference between the two rates is statistically significant. The following table and chart illustrate the concept of statistically significant differences using actual infant mortality data from 1989, 1993, 1996, and 2000.

Comparison of Infant Mortality Rates and Confidence Intervals for Selected Years

Year	IMR (per 1,000 births)	95% Confidence Interval
1989	7.6	(7.0-8.2)
1993	6.2	(5.7-6.7)
1996	5.0	(4.5-5.5)
2000	4.6	(4.2-5.1)



The difference between the 1993 IMR and 1996 IMR is statistically significant – the confidence intervals do not overlap. The same is true for the differences between the 1989 IMR and each annual IMR for 1993, 1996, and 2000. However, the difference between the 1996 and 2000 IMRs is not statistically significant, since their confidence intervals overlap.

GLOSSARY

Age-Adjusted Rate

A summary rate designed to minimize the distortions created by differences in age distribution when comparing rates for populations with different age compositions. Age-adjusted rates are useful when comparing death rates from different populations or in the same population over time. For example, if one wished to compare the 1998 death rates between Barnstable County and Hampshire County, the age-adjusted formula would account for the fact that 24% of the Barnstable County residents were 65 years of age or older, whereas only 11% of the Hampshire County residents were in this age group.

Age-adjusted rates are calculated by weighting the age-specific rates for a given year by the age distribution of a standard population. The weighted age-specific rates are then added to produce the adjusted rate for all ages combined. (Please see example below).

The 2000 US projected population is used as the standard population in this document for consistency with data published by the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS). **Only rates using the same standard population can be compared.** All age-adjusted rates published in this report have been re-calculated using the 2000 US standard population. These rates should NOT be compared with age-adjusted rates previously published that used the 1940 US standard population.

Example: Calculation of 1999 Age-Adjusted Mortality Rate Massachusetts: All Causes of Death

A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Age group (in years)	# of deaths (1999)	Population (1998)	1940 US standard	2000 US standard	Age-adjusted rate (using 1940 standard) = [(B/C)*D]*100,000	Age-adjusted rate (using 2000 standard) = [(B/C)*E]*100,000
< 1	418	79,860	0.015343	0.013818	8.0	7.2
1-4	65	320,000	0.064718	0.055317	1.3	1.1
5-14	100	806,670	0.170355	0.145565	2.1	1.8
15-24	407	883,830	0.181677	0.138646	8.4	6.4
25-34	701	1,005,337	0.162066	0.135573	11.3	9.5
35-44	1,696	1,019,365	0.139237	0.162613	23.2	27.1
45-54	2,870	818,660	0.117811	0.134834	41.3	47.3
55-64	4,561	495,555	0.080294	0.087247	73.9	80.3
65-74	9,782	442,003	0.048426	0.066037	107.2	146.1
75-84	17,397	299,482	0.017303	0.044842	100.5	260.5
85+	17,765	120,501	0.002770	0.015508	40.8	228.6
Total					418.0	815.9

Age-Specific Rate

A rate for a specified age group. Age-specific death rates are calculated by dividing the number of deaths for a specific age group by its population for that year. The numerator and denominator refer to the same age group.

$$\text{Age-specific death rate (ages 25-34)} = \frac{\text{Number of deaths among residents ages 25-34 in a given year}}{\text{population ages 25-34 in that year}} \times 100,000$$

Community Health Network Areas (CHNA)

The Community Health Network Areas (CHNAs) represent 27 geographies in MA that MDPH designated in the 1990s to support community health assessment and planning at the local level. While these geographic designations are not used currently by MDPH, several community health network areas continue to operate at the local level.

Comparability Modified Rate

A rate designed to assist in the analysis of mortality trends between revisions of the International Classification of Diseases (ICD). A comparability-modified rate is calculated by multiplying the cause-specific comparability ratio by the cause-specific rate for years 1994-1998. Comparability modified rates should be used to compare trends between causes of death in 1994-1998 with causes of death in 1999 forward.

Comparability Ratio (CR)

A factor used to adjust mortality statistics for causes of death classified in ICD-9 to be comparable with mortality statistics classified in ICD-10. It is calculated by dividing the number of deaths for a selected cause of death classified by the new revision (i.e. ICD-10) by the number of deaths for a selected cause of death classified by the old revision (i.e. ICD-9).

More specifically, the CRs used in this report were calculated by the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) based on a national sample of death records. Death records for 1996 were double coded, once according to ICD-9 and again according to ICD-10. Secondly, the leading causes of death were grouped according to ICD-10 titles, using the ICD-10 codes for data coded in ICD-10, and the most similar ICD-9 titles for data coded in ICD-9. Finally, the number of deaths coded in ICD-10 were divided by the number of deaths in ICD-9 to produce a CR for the cause of death.

A CR of 1.00 indicates that the same number of deaths was assigned to a cause of death whether ICD-9 or ICD-10 was used.

A CR of less than 1.00 results from 1) a decrease in the number of deaths assigned to a cause in ICD-10 compared with ICD-9 or 2) the cause described in ICD-10 is only a part of the ICD-9 title to which it is being compared.

A CR of more than 1.00 results from 1) an increase in the assignments of deaths to a cause in ICD-10 compared with ICD-9 or 2) the ICD-10 title is broader than the ICD-9 title to which it is being compared.

Preliminary comparability ratios supplied by the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) in February 2001 are used in this report (see Table A4 and A5).

See also, comparability modified rate.

Crude Death Rate

An estimate of the proportion of a population that died during the year. The numerator is the number of persons who died during the year and the denominator is the size of the population. The death rate in a population is calculated by the formula:

$$\text{Crude death rate} = \frac{\text{Number of resident deaths in a year}}{\text{Number of residents}} \times 100,000$$

Death Certificate

A vital record can be signed by a licensed physician doctor (which includes medical examiners) or a Nurse Practitioner. Starting in 2016 Physician Assistants (PA) could also sign. Some of the data elements found on the death certificate are cause of death, decedent's name, gender, birth date, place of residence, and place of occurrence. (A copy of the Massachusetts death certificate used is in the Appendix). In a properly completed death certificate, the immediate cause of death is recorded on line 29a. The other mentioned causes are written on lines 29 b-d. The underlying cause of death is the disease or injury that initiated the events leading to the death. All causes of death are data entered and processed by a software program supplied by NCHS. This software assigns the appropriate ICD-10 codes. Trained nosologists review the ICD-10 codes assigned.

International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision (ICD-9)

The International Classification of Diseases (ICD) classifies mortality information for statistical purposes. The ICD was first used in 1900 and has since been revised about every 10 years, with the exception of the ICD-9, which was in use between 1979-1998. Mortality data in this report was coded using ICD-10 codes, though a comparison between these ICD-10 codes and their corresponding ICD-9 codes is presented in Tables A1-A6.

Because of coding changes between the Ninth and Tenth revision, caution should be used when comparing data coded under ICD-9 and ICD-10.

International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision (ICD-10)

Since 1999, the tenth revision of the International Classification of Diseases has been used to code mortality data. For a list of ICD-10 codes used in the publication, please see Tables A1, A4, and A5.

Because of coding changes between the Ninth and Tenth revision, caution should be used when comparing data coded under ICD-9 and ICD-10.

Life Expectancy at Birth

Life expectancy at birth is based on the expected age at death for a newborn infant, based upon the actual experience of mortality of the population in Massachusetts.

NCHS

National Center for Health Statistics (US Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention).

Occurrence Death

Occurrence deaths include all deaths that occur within the state, including deaths of nonresidents. An interstate exchange agreement among the 50 states, Washington, DC, Canada, the US Virgin Islands, and Guam provides for exchanges of copies of birth and death records. These out-of-state records are used for statistical purposes only and allow each state or province to track the births and deaths of residents.

Opioid

The term opioid designates a class of drugs derived naturally from the opium poppy (opium, morphine, codeine), synthesized or derived from a natural opiate (heroin, oxycodone, hydrocodone), or manufactured synthetically with a chemical structure similar to opium (fentanyl, methadone). (Opioid Overdose Response Strategies in Massachusetts, MDPH, 2014)

This report combines all opioid overdoses since classification of specific drugs can be difficult. For example, many deaths related to heroin cannot be specifically coded as such due to the fast metabolism of heroin into morphine, as well as, the possible interaction of multiple drugs.

Other and Unspecified Narcotics (T40.6)

The Injury Surveillance Workgroup (ISW7) Consensus Recommendations for national and state poisoning surveillance (Safe States Alliance, 2012) states that this category is intended for other and unspecified drugs classified pharmacologically as narcotics (opioids/opiates). However, in practice it may also be used for drugs classified legally as narcotics such as cocaine. The proportion of this category made up by opioids/opiates varies by jurisdiction, so inclusion of this code depends on more detailed analysis of death certificate text and/or medical examiner records. Reviews in Massachusetts indicate that most deaths classified as T40.6 were opioid-related overdose deaths. For that reason, we include T40.6 in our opioid-related definition.

Premature Mortality Rate

Premature mortality rate (PMR) measures the rate of premature death, that is, death before the age of 75 years, and it is given as a rate per 100,000 and it is adjusted to the 2000 US population. PMR is considered the best single measure to reflect the health status of a population.

Resident Death

The death of a person whose usual place of residence or permanent address (as reported by the informant) is in one of the 351 cities or towns of Massachusetts, regardless of where the death took place. Unless otherwise noted, all data in this publication are resident data. An interstate exchange agreement among the 50 states, Washington, DC, Canada, the US Virgin Islands, and Guam provides for exchange of copies of birth and death records. These records are used for statistical purposes only and allow each state or province to track the births and deaths of residents.

Underlying Cause of Death

The disease or injury that initiated the series of events leading to death, or the circumstances of the unintentional or intentional injury that resulted in the death. The underlying cause of death is used for all analyses published in this report except for diabetes mortality.

Table A1. ICD-10 and ICD-9 Codes Used in this Publication

(Sorted by ICD-10 Codes)

Cause of Death	ICD-10 Code	ICD-9 Code
Infectious and Parasitic Diseases	A00-B99	001-139
Septicemia	A40-A41	038
Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) disease	B20-B24	042-044
Cancer (Malignant Neoplasms)	C00-C97	140-208
of esophagus	C15	150
of stomach	C16	151
of colon, rectum, rectum and anus	C18-C21	153-154, 159.9
of pancreas	C25	157
of trachea, bronchus and lung	C33-C34	162
of female breast	C50	174
of cervix uteri	C53	180
of corpus uteri and uterus, part unspecified	C54-C55	179,182
of ovary	C56	183.0
of prostate	C61	185
of kidney and renal pelvis	C64-C65	189.0-189.1
of bladder	C67	188
of meninges, brain & other parts of central nervous system	C70-C72	191-192
Hodgkin Disease	C81	201
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	C82-C85	200, 202 (except 202.4)
Leukemia	C91-C95	202.4, 204-208
Multiple myeloma and immunoproliferative neoplasms	C88, C90	203
Diabetes Mellitus	E10-E14	250
Alzheimer's Disease	G30	331.0
Heart Disease	I00-I09, I11, I13, I20-I51	390-398, 402, 404-29
Stroke (Cerebrovascular Disease)	I60-I69	430-38
Influenza and Pneumonia	J10-J18	480-87
COVID-19	U071, B342	N/A
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases¹	J40-J47	490-96
Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis	K70, K73-K74	571
Nephritis	N00-N07, N17-N19, N25-N27	580-589
Congenital Malformations, Deformations, and Chromosomal Abnormalities	Q00-Q99	740-759
Certain Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period (Perinatal Conditions)	P00-P96	760-779
III-defined Conditions	R00-R99	780-797, 798.1-798.9, 799
Sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS)	R95	798.0
External Causes of Injuries and Poisonings (intentional, unintentional and of undetermined intent)	V01-Y89	E800-E999
Accidents (Unintentional Injuries)	V01-X59, Y85-Y86	E800-E949
Motor Vehicle-related injuries	V02-V04, V09.0, V09.2, V12-V14, V19.0-V19.2, V19.4-V19.6, V20-V79, V80.3-V80.5, V81.0-V81.1, V82.0-V82.1, V83-V86, V87.0-V87.8, V88.0-V88.8, V89.0, V89.2	E810-E825
Unintentional non-transport injuries	W00-X59, Y86	E850-E869, E880-E928, E929.2-E929.9
Suicide	X60-X84, Y87.0	E950-E959
Homicide	X85-Y09, Y87.1	E960-E969
Injuries of undetermined intent	Y10-Y34, Y87.2, Y89.9	E980-E989

1. The title of this cause of death has changed between ICD-10 and ICD-9. Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease (ICD-10 title) corresponds to Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) (ICD-9 title).

Table A2. ICD-10 Injury Codes Used in this Publication

Cause of Death	ICD-10 Code
Suicide	X60-X84, Y87.0
Poisoning	X60-X69
Hanging, strangulation or suffocation	X70
Firearm	X72-X74
Other and unspecified	Residual
Homicide	X85-Y09, Y87.1
Firearm	X93-X95
Cut or pierce	X99
Other and unspecified	Residual
Unintentional Injuries (Accidents)	V01-X59, Y85-Y86
Falls	W00-W19
Hanging, strangulation or suffocation	W75-W84
Drowning or submersion	W65-W74
Smoke, fire and flames and contact with heat and hot substances	X00-X19
Poisoning	X40-X49
Firearm	W32-W34
Motor Vehicle-related	V02-V04, V09.0, V09.2, V12-V14, V19.0-V19.2, V19.4-V19.6, V20-V79, V80.3-V80.5, V81.0-V81.1, V82.0-V82.1, V83-V86, V87.0-V87.8, V88.0-V88.8, V89.0, V89.2
Injury to pedestrian	V02-V04, V09.0, V09
Injury to pedal cyclist	V12-V14, V19.0, V19.2, V19.4, V19.5, V19.6
Injury to motorcyclist	V20-V29
Injury to occupant	V30-V79, V80.3, V80.4, V80.5, V81.0, V81.1, V82.0, V82.1, V83-V86
Other and unspecified	Residual
Other and unspecified	Residual
Events of Undetermined Intent	Y10-Y34, Y87.2, Y89.9
Poisoning	Y10-Y19
Drowning or submersion	Y21
Other and unspecified	Residual
Legal Intervention	Y35-Y36, Y89.0, Y89.1
Firearm	Y35.0
Adverse Effects	Y40-Y59, Y60-Y84, Y88
Drugs	Y40-Y59, Y88.0
Medical Care	Y60-Y84, Y88.1, Y88.2, Y88.3

Table A3. Preliminary Comparability Ratios

Cause of Death	ICD-10 Code	ICD-9 Code (most similar title)	Comparability Ratio
Infectious and Parasitic Diseases	A00-B99		NA
Septicemia	A40-A41	038	1.1949
Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) disease	B20-B24	042-044	1.0637 ¹ and 1.1448 ²
Cancer (Malignant Neoplasms)	C00-C97	140-208	1.0068
of esophagus	C15	150	0.9965
of stomach	C16	151	1.0063
of colon, rectum, rectum and anus	C18-C21	153-154	0.9993
of pancreas	C25	157	0.9980
of trachea, bronchus and lung	C33-C34	162	0.9837
of breast	C50	174-175	1.0056
of cervix uteri	C53	180	0.9871
of corpus uteri and uterus, part unspecified	C54-C55	179,182	1.0260
of ovary	C56	183.0	0.9954
of prostate	C61	185	1.0134
of kidney and renal pelvis	C64-C65	189.0-189.1	1.0000
of bladder	C67	188	0.9968
of meninges, brain & other parts of central nervous system	C70-C72	191-192	0.9691
Hodgkin Disease	C81	201	0.9855
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	C82-C85	200, 202	0.9781
Leukemia	C91-C95	204-208	1.0119
Multiple myeloma and immunoproliferative neoplasms	C88, C90	203	1.0383
Diabetes Mellitus	E10-E14	250	1.0082
Alzheimer's Disease	G30	331.0	1.5536
Heart Disease	I00-I09, I11, I13, I20-I51	390-398, 402, 404, 410-429	0.9858
Stroke (Cerebrovascular Disease)	I60-I69	430-434, 436-438	1.0588
Influenza and Pneumonia	J10-J18	480-487	0.6982
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	J40-J47	490-494,496	1.0478
Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis	K70, K73-K74	571	1.0367
Nephritis	N00-N07, N17-N19, N25-N27	580-589	1.2320
Congenital Malformations, Deformations, and Chromosomal Abnormalities	Q00-Q99	740-759	0.8470
Certain Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period (Perinatal Conditions)	P00-P96	760-771.2, 771.4-779	1.0658
External Causes of Injuries and Poisonings (intentional, unintentional and of undetermined intent)	V01-Y89	E800-E999	NA
Accidents (Unintentional Injuries)	V01-X59, Y85-Y86	E800-E869, E880-E929	1.0305
Motor Vehicle-related injuries	V02-V04, V09.0, V09.2, V12-V14, V19.0-V19.2, V19.4-V19.6, V20-V79, V80.3-V80.5, V81.0-V81.1, V82.0-V82.1, V83-V86, V87.0-V87.8, V88.0-V88.8, V89.0, V89.2	E810-E825	0.9754 ³
Non-transport injuries	W00-X59, Y86	E850-E869, E880-E928, E929.2-E929.9	1.0763
Suicide	X60-X84, Y87.0	E950-E959	0.9962
Homicide	X85-Y09, Y87.1	E960-E969	0.9983
Injuries of undetermined intent	Y10-Y34, Y87.2, Y89.9	E980-E989	*

Source: National Center for Health Statistics, Preliminary Comparability Study. February 2001. NA: not available *: not reliable
Note. Please refer to Appendix for an example of how to apply comparability ratios.

1. Comparability Modified number and rate based on preliminary comparability ratios (CR) from NCHS based on 1996 data (February 2001). 2. Comparability Modified number and rate based on preliminary comparability ratios (CR) from NCHS based on 1998 data (revised June 2001). 3. This is the revised comparability ratio for motor vehicle-related injuries, effective May 2001.

Table A4. Preliminary Comparability Ratios: Causes of Infant Death

Cause of Death	ICD-10 Code	ICD-9 Code (most similar title)	Comparability Ratio
Certain Infectious and Parasitic Diseases	A00-B99	001-033, 034.1-134, 136-139, 771.3	0.7339
Septicemia	A40-A41	038	1.3802
Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) disease	B20-B24	042-044	1.0455
Cancer (Malignant Neoplasms)	C00-C97	140-208	1.0435
Influenza and Pneumonia	J10-J18	480-487	0.7624
Certain Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period (Perinatal Conditions)	P00-P96	760-771.2, 771.4-779	1.0581
Newborn affected by maternal complications of pregnancy	P01	761	1.0295
Newborn affected by complications of placenta, cord and membranes	P02	762	1.0470
Disorders relating to short gestation and low birthweight	P07	765	1.1060
Intrauterine hypoxia and birth asphyxia	P20-P21	768	1.4477
Respiratory distress of newborn	P22	769	1.0257
Other respiratory conditions originating in perinatal period	P23-P28	770	0.8455
Infections specific to the perinatal period	P35-P39	771.0-771.2, 771.4- 771.8	1.0199
Neonatal hemorrhage	P50-P52, P54	772	1.4369
Congenital Malformations, Deformations, and Chromosomal Abnormalities	Q00-Q99	740-759	0.9064
Anencephaly and similar malformations	Q00	740	1.0000
Congenital malformations of heart	Q20-Q24	745-746	0.9951
Congenital malformations of respiratory system	Q30-Q34	748	0.6322
Congenital malformations of digestive system	Q35-Q45	749-751	*
Congenital malformations of genitourinary system	Q50-Q64	752-753	0.9432
Congenital malformations of musculoskeletal system	Q65-Q85	754-757	0.8650
Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS)	R95	798.0	1.0362
External Causes of Injuries and Poisonings (intentional, unintentional and of undetermined intent)	V01-Y89	E800-E999	NA
Accidents (Unintentional Injuries)	V01-X59	E800-E869, E880- E929	1.0246
Motor Vehicle-related injuries	V02-V04, V09.0, V09.2, V12-V14, V19.0-V19.2, V19.4-V19.6, V20-V79, V80.3-V80.5, V81.0-V81.1, V82.0-V82.1, V83-V86, V87.0-V87.8, V88.0-V88.8, V89.0, V89.2	E810-E825	0.9167
Homicide	X85-Y09	E960-E969	0.9481
Injuries of undetermined intent	Y10-Y34, Y87.2, Y89.9	E980-E989	*

Source: National Center for Health Statistics, Preliminary Comparability Study. February 2001. NA: not available *: not reliable
Note: Please refer to Appendix for an example of how to apply comparability ratios.

Table A5. Population Estimates¹ for Massachusetts Community Health Network Areas (CHNA) and Counties: 2019

CHNA	POPULATION ¹	COUNTY	POPULATION ¹
1. Community Health Network of Berkshire County	126,767	Barnstable	216,727
2. Upper Valley Health Web (Franklin County)	87,388	Berkshire	126,767
3. Partnership for Health in Hampshire County (Northampton)	162,519	Bristol	572,798
4. The Community Health Connection (Springfield)	301,756	Dukes	17,486
5. Community Health Network of Southern Worcester County	123,969	Essex	800,188
6. Community Partners for Health (Milford)	179,770	Franklin	71,199
7. Community Health Network of Greater Metro West (Framingham)	416,215	Hampden	471,104
8. Common Pathways (Worcester)	328,925	Hampshire	164,730
9. Community Health Network of North Central Massachusetts	274,029	Middlesex	1,631,071
10. Greater Lowell Community Health Network	298,465	Nantucket	11,330
11. Greater Lawrence Community Health Network	219,289	Norfolk	717,433
12. Greater Haverhill Community Health Network	156,366	Plymouth	529,308
13. Community Health Network North (Beverly/Gloucester)	116,779	Suffolk	809,162
14. North Shore Community Health Network	307,755	Worcester	838,424
15. Northwest Suburban Health Alliance	236,360		
16. North Suburban Health Alliance (Medford/Malden/Melrose)	300,419	STATE	6,975,490
17. Greater Cambridge/Somerville Community Health Network	295,008		
18. West Suburban Health Network (Newton/Waltham)	341,135		
19. Alliance for Community Health (Boston/Chelsea/Revere/Winthrop)	809,162		
20. Blue Hills Community Health Alliance (Greater Quincy)	403,870		
21. Community Health Network of Chicopee, Holyoke, Ludlow, Westfield	163,378		
22. Greater Brockton Community Health Network	252,156		
23. South Shore Community Health Network (Plymouth)	202,616		
24. Greater Attleboro-Taunton Health & Education Response	273,729		
25. Partners for Healthier Communities (Fall River)	140,874		
26. Greater New Bedford Community Health Network	213,486		
27. Cape Cod and Islands Health Network	245,543		

1. State, County, and Small Area Population Estimates 2011-2020, version 2019, Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Environmental Health. Population estimates used for years following the decennial census were developed by the University of Massachusetts Donahue Institute (UMDI) in partnership with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Environmental Health. Detailed population estimates at fine levels of geography are prone to estimation error. Estimated error was best described by age and population size and was used to adjust final population numbers, however a margin of error exists for all estimates.

Table A6. Population Estimates¹ for Massachusetts Communities, 2019

TOWN NAME	COUNTY	CHNA	POPULATION	TOWN NAME	COUNTY	CHNA	POPULATION
Abington	Plymouth	22	17,956	Concord	Middlesex	15	18,718
Acton	Middlesex	15	23,762	Conway	Franklin	2	1,934
Acushnet	Bristol	26	10,451	Cummington	Hampshire	3	796
Adams	Berkshire	1	8,277	Dalton	Berkshire	1	6,515
Agawam	Hampden	4	28,643	Danvers	Essex	14	28,598
Alford	Berkshire	1	466	Dartmouth	Bristol	26	36,850
Amesbury	Essex	12	16,654	Dedham	Norfolk	18	27,168
Amherst	Hampshire	3	40,493	Deerfield	Franklin	2	5,319
Andover	Essex	11	36,068	Dennis	Barnstable	27	13,220
Aquinnah (Gay Head)	Dukes	27	265	Dighton	Bristol	24	7,842
Arlington	Middlesex	17	46,009	Douglas	Worcester	6	9,395
Ashburnham	Worcester	9	6,273	Dover	Norfolk	18	5,203
Ashby	Middlesex	9	3,449	Dracut	Middlesex	10	32,358
Ashfield	Franklin	2	1,713	Dudley	Worcester	5	12,379
Ashland	Middlesex	7	19,533	Dunstable	Middlesex	10	3,326
Athol	Worcester	2	11,959	Duxbury	Plymouth	23	15,127
Attleboro	Bristol	24	46,472	East Bridgewater	Plymouth	22	14,749
Auburn	Worcester	8	16,485	East Brookfield	Worcester	5	2,236
Avon	Norfolk	22	4,367	East Longmeadow	Hampden	4	16,907
Ayer	Middlesex	9	8,077	Eastham	Barnstable	27	4,641
Barnstable	Barnstable	27	44,999	Easthampton	Hampshire	3	16,206
Barre	Worcester	9	5,551	Easton	Bristol	22	23,724
Becket	Berkshire	1	1,796	Edgartown	Dukes	27	4,091
Bedford	Middlesex	15	14,888	Egremont	Berkshire	1	1,096
Belchertown	Hampshire	3	15,917	Erving	Franklin	2	2,088
Bellingham	Norfolk	6	17,904	Essex	Essex	13	3,713
Belmont	Middlesex	17	27,356	Everett	Middlesex	16	48,778
Berkley	Bristol	24	6,773	Fairhaven	Bristol	26	16,024
Berlin	Worcester	9	3,186	Fall River	Bristol	25	89,811
Bernardston	Franklin	2	2,087	Falmouth	Barnstable	27	31,287
Beverly	Essex	13	41,331	Fitchburg	Worcester	9	42,351
Billerica	Middlesex	10	43,749	Florida	Berkshire	1	783
Blackstone	Worcester	6	9,041	Foxborough	Norfolk	7	18,108
Blandford	Hampden	4	1,212	Frammingham	Middlesex	7	74,880
Bolton	Worcester	9	5,046	Franklin	Norfolk	6	33,915
Boston	Suffolk	19	692,314	Freetown	Bristol	26	9,043
Bourne	Barnstable	27	20,914	Gardner	Worcester	9	20,025
Boxborough	Middlesex	15	5,098	Georgetown	Essex	12	8,930
Boxford	Essex	12	7,710	Gill	Franklin	2	1,664
Boylston	Worcester	8	4,479	Gloucester	Essex	13	28,660
Braintree	Norfolk	20	39,531	Goshen	Hampshire	3	1,144
Brewster	Barnstable	27	9,907	Gosnold	Dukes	27	48
Bridgewater	Plymouth	22	28,477	Grafton	Worcester	8	19,980
Brimfield	Hampden	5	3,718	Granby	Hampshire	3	6,133
Brockton	Plymouth	22	98,742	Granville	Hampden	4	1,553
Brookfield	Worcester	5	3,653	Great Barrington	Berkshire	1	6,789
Brookline	Norfolk	19	64,638	Greenfield	Franklin	2	17,376
Buckland	Franklin	2	1,857	Groton	Middlesex	9	11,641
Burlington	Middlesex	15	27,689	Groveland	Essex	12	6,826
Cambridge	Middlesex	17	113,175	Hadley	Hampshire	3	5,742
Canton	Norfolk	20	23,102	Halifax	Plymouth	23	7,635
Carlisle	Middlesex	15	4,761	Hamilton	Essex	13	7,471
Carver	Plymouth	23	12,171	Hampden	Hampden	4	4,930
Charlemont	Franklin	2	1,190	Hancock	Berkshire	1	650
Charlton	Worcester	5	14,066	Hanover	Plymouth	23	14,320
Chatham	Barnstable	27	5,849	Hanson	Plymouth	23	10,702
Chelmsford	Middlesex	10	36,034	Hardwick	Worcester	9	3,302
Chelsea	Suffolk	19	37,881	Harvard	Worcester	9	6,917
Cheshire	Berkshire	1	2,976	Harwich	Barnstable	27	12,560
Chester	Hampden	21	1,354	Hatfield	Hampshire	3	3,242
Chesterfield	Hampshire	3	1,224	Haverhill	Essex	12	66,231
Chicopee	Hampden	21	57,239	Hawley	Franklin	2	293
Chilmark	Dukes	27	774	Heath	Franklin	2	603
Clarksburg	Berkshire	1	1,680	Hingham	Plymouth	20	23,827
Clinton	Worcester	9	14,069	Hinsdale	Berkshire	1	2,123
Cohasset	Norfolk	20	7,395	Holbrook	Norfolk	22	11,289
Colrain	Franklin	2	1,603	Holden	Worcester	8	18,860

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TOWN NAME	COUNTY	CHNA	POPULATION	TOWN NAME	COUNTY	CHNA	POPULATION
Holland	Hampden	5	2,555	New Marlborough	Berkshire	1	1,527
Holliston	Middlesex	7	13,777	New Salem	Franklin	2	987
Holyoke	Hampden	21	41,412	Newbury	Essex	12	6,643
Hopedale	Worcester	6	5,673	Newburyport	Essex	12	17,799
Hopkinton	Middlesex	7	16,312	Newton	Middlesex	18	92,127
Hubbardston	Worcester	9	4,650	Norfolk	Norfolk	7	12,341
Hudson	Middlesex	7	20,980	North Adams	Berkshire	1	13,050
Hull	Plymouth	20	9,874	North Andover	Essex	11	30,298
Huntington	Hampshire	21	2,206	North Attleboro	Bristol	24	30,263
Ipswich	Essex	13	13,442	North Brookfield	Worcester	5	4,639
Kingston	Plymouth	23	13,557	North Reading	Middlesex	16	16,527
Lakeville	Plymouth	24	11,286	Northampton	Hampshire	3	29,261
Lancaster	Worcester	9	8,562	Northborough	Worcester	7	13,685
Lanesborough	Berkshire	1	3,041	Northbridge	Worcester	6	18,011
Lawrence	Essex	11	88,678	Northfield	Franklin	2	2,972
Lee	Berkshire	1	5,870	Norton	Bristol	24	19,870
Leicester	Worcester	8	11,260	Norwell	Plymouth	20	10,700
Lenox	Berkshire	1	4,871	Norwood	Norfolk	20	30,167
Leominster	Worcester	9	40,755	Oak Bluffs	Dukes	27	5,160
Leverett	Franklin	2	2,016	Oakham	Worcester	9	2,108
Lexington	Middlesex	15	34,091	Orange	Franklin	2	8,159
Leyden	Franklin	2	627	Orleans	Barnstable	27	5,641
Lincoln	Middlesex	15	8,646	Otis	Berkshire	1	1,854
Littleton	Middlesex	15	9,714	Oxford	Worcester	5	13,776
Longmeadow	Hampden	4	15,505	Palmer	Hampden	4	11,890
Lowell	Middlesex	10	117,417	Paxton	Worcester	8	4,942
Ludlow	Hampden	21	20,858	Peabody	Essex	14	55,961
Lunenburg	Worcester	9	10,403	Pelham	Hampshire	3	1,246
Lynn	Essex	14	101,420	Pembroke	Plymouth	23	18,695
Lynnfield	Essex	14	11,645	Pepperell	Middlesex	9	12,275
Malden	Middlesex	16	68,048	Peru	Berkshire	1	841
Manchester	Essex	13	4,938	Petersham	Worcester	2	1,264
Mansfield	Bristol	24	23,674	Phillipston	Worcester	2	1,710
Marblehead	Essex	14	19,228	Pittsfield	Berkshire	1	44,450
Marion	Plymouth	26	4,629	Plainfield	Hampshire	3	631
Marlborough	Middlesex	7	43,645	Plainville	Norfolk	7	9,120
Marshfield	Plymouth	23	25,899	Plymouth	Plymouth	23	62,264
Mashpee	Barnstable	27	15,372	Plympton	Plymouth	23	2,983
Mattapoisett	Plymouth	26	5,775	Princeton	Worcester	9	3,256
Maynard	Middlesex	7	10,428	Provincetown	Barnstable	27	2,622
Medfield	Norfolk	7	11,395	Quincy	Norfolk	20	101,564
Medford	Middlesex	16	61,038	Randolph	Norfolk	20	34,277
Medway	Norfolk	6	13,073	Raynham	Bristol	24	14,930
Melrose	Middlesex	16	28,973	Reading	Middlesex	16	27,535
Mendon	Worcester	6	5,789	Rehoboth	Bristol	24	12,611
Merrimac	Essex	12	6,381	Revere	Suffolk	19	61,179
Methuen	Essex	11	53,787	Richmond	Berkshire	1	1,328
Middleborough	Plymouth	24	26,964	Rochester	Plymouth	26	5,628
Middlefield	Hampshire	3	454	Rockland	Plymouth	23	18,068
Middleton	Essex	11	10,313	Rockport	Essex	13	6,547
Milford	Worcester	6	29,358	Rowe	Franklin	2	342
Millbury	Worcester	8	13,651	Rowley	Essex	12	6,168
Millis	Norfolk	7	7,893	Royalston	Worcester	2	1,273
Millville	Worcester	6	3,542	Russell	Hampden	4	1,882
Milton	Norfolk	20	28,677	Rutland	Worcester	9	9,005
Monroe	Franklin	2	99	Salem	Essex	14	45,206
Monson	Hampden	4	8,430	Salisbury	Essex	12	8,835
Montague	Franklin	2	8,546	Sandisfield	Berkshire	1	934
Monterey	Berkshire	1	932	Sandwich	Barnstable	27	21,030
Montgomery	Hampden	4	886	Saugus	Essex	14	28,461
Mt. Washington	Berkshire	1	136	Savoy	Berkshire	1	632
Nahant	Essex	14	3,267	Scituate	Plymouth	20	18,122
Nantucket	Nantucket	27	11,332	Seekonk	Bristol	24	13,998
Natick	Middlesex	7	36,083	Sharon	Norfolk	20	18,306
Needham	Norfolk	18	29,357	Sheffield	Berkshire	1	3,082
New Ashford	Berkshire	1	182	Shelburne	Franklin	2	1,845
New Bedford	Bristol	26	100,006	Sherborn	Middlesex	7	3,831
New Braintree	Worcester	9	1,057	Shirley	Middlesex	9	8,423

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TOWN NAME	COUNTY	CHNA	POPULATION	TOWN NAME	COUNTY	CHNA	POPULATION
Shrewsbury	Worcester	8	39,565	Warwick	Franklin	2	750
Shutesbury	Franklin	2	1,752	Washington	Berkshire	1	457
Somerset	Bristol	25	18,502	Watertown	Middlesex	17	33,218
Somerville	Middlesex	17	76,785	Wayland	Middlesex	7	13,276
South Hadley	Hampshire	3	18,093	Webster	Worcester	5	17,212
Southampton	Hampshire	3	5,995	Wellesley	Norfolk	18	29,787
Southborough	Worcester	7	9,719	Wellfleet	Barnstable	27	2,755
Southbridge	Worcester	5	16,858	Wendell	Franklin	2	730
Southwick	Hampden	4	9,789	Wenham	Essex	13	5,199
Spencer	Worcester	5	11,515	West Boylston	Worcester	8	7,843
Springfield	Hampden	4	158,503	West Bridgewater	Plymouth	22	7,242
Sterling	Worcester	9	7,869	West Brookfield	Worcester	5	3,702
Stockbridge	Berkshire	1	1,742	West Newbury	Essex	12	4,072
Stoneham	Middlesex	16	22,333	West Springfield	Hampden	4	29,508
Stoughton	Norfolk	22	27,700	West Stockbridge	Berkshire	1	1,196
Stow	Middlesex	7	7,208	West Tisbury	Dukes	27	2,878
Sturbridge	Worcester	5	10,436	Westborough	Worcester	7	18,870
Sudbury	Middlesex	7	17,915	Westfield	Hampden	21	41,731
Sunderland	Franklin	2	3,794	Westford	Middlesex	10	23,164
Sutton	Worcester	6	8,982	Westhampton	Hampshire	3	1,697
Swampscott	Essex	14	13,700	Westminster	Worcester	9	7,327
Swansea	Bristol	25	15,963	Weston	Middlesex	18	11,090
Taunton	Bristol	24	57,527	Westport	Bristol	25	16,638
Templeton	Worcester	9	8,928	Westwood	Norfolk	18	14,734
Tewksbury	Middlesex	10	30,837	Weymouth	Norfolk	20	56,297
Tisbury	Dukes	27	4,150	Whately	Franklin	2	1,466
Tolland	Hampden	4	422	Whitman	Plymouth	22	15,419
Topsfield	Essex	13	5,837	Wilbraham	Hampden	4	14,537
Townsend	Middlesex	9	9,146	Williamsburg	Hampshire	3	2,462
Truro	Barnstable	27	1,972	Williamstown	Berkshire	1	7,359
Tyngsborough	Middlesex	10	11,986	Wilmington	Middlesex	15	24,416
Tyringham	Berkshire	1	251	Winchendon	Worcester	9	10,742
Upton	Worcester	6	9,036	Winchester	Middlesex	15	22,360
Uxbridge	Worcester	6	15,408	Windsor	Berkshire	1	854
Wakefield	Middlesex	16	27,048	Winthrop	Suffolk	19	18,838
Wales	Hampden	5	1,901	Woburn	Middlesex	15	41,664
Walpole	Norfolk	7	25,944	Worcester	Worcester	8	192,064
Waltham	Middlesex	18	66,908	Worthington	Hampshire	3	1,060
Ware	Hampshire	3	10,134	Wrentham	Norfolk	7	11,270
Wareham	Plymouth	26	23,987	Yarmouth	Barnstable	27	24,035
Warren	Worcester	5	5,415				


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Table A7. 2019 Massachusetts Population Estimates¹ By Age Group, Gender, Race and Hispanic Ethnicity (mutually exclusive)

AGE	GENDER	TOTAL	WHITE Non- Hispanic¹	BLACK Non- Hispanic¹	ASIAN Non- Hispanic¹	HISPANIC¹
Under 1	Male	36,936	21,178	3,227	2,679	8,082
	Female	35,022	20,247	3,150	2,406	7,679
	Total	71,958	41,425	6,376	5,085	15,761
1 TO 4	Male	152,305	89,781	13,423	10,868	32,157
	Female	145,375	85,147	13,119	10,130	31,003
	Total	297,680	174,928	26,542	20,997	63,160
5 TO 14	Male	391,768	232,673	34,485	27,477	73,113
	Female	376,113	222,274	33,801	26,463	70,518
	Total	767,881	454,947	68,286	53,940	143,631
15 TO 24	Male	486,351	316,365	39,588	37,499	78,995
	Female	487,292	316,275	40,139	41,843	74,886
	Total	973,643	632,640	79,727	79,343	153,881
25 TO 34	Male	497,884	327,465	44,566	48,200	78,510
	Female	491,007	324,106	42,894	52,115	72,773
	Total	988,891	651,571	87,460	100,315	151,283
35 TO 44	Male	418,025	276,016	33,638	38,450	61,227
	Female	430,987	281,798	34,781	43,700	61,097
	Total	849,012	557,814	68,419	82,150	122,324
45 TO 54	Male	436,292	322,840	30,449	29,987	44,546
	Female	463,994	339,458	33,077	32,966	49,350
	Total	900,286	662,298	63,526	62,954	93,896
55 TO 64	Male	456,643	373,792	26,422	20,906	29,239
	Female	493,431	398,630	29,851	23,706	34,461
	Total	950,074	772,422	56,273	44,613	63,699
65 TO 74	Male	315,648	270,513	14,293	12,470	14,920
	Female	367,159	310,401	18,283	15,235	19,452
	Total	682,806	580,915	32,575	27,704	34,371
75 TO 84	Male	140,988	122,939	5,525	5,804	5,534
	Female	190,865	164,165	9,289	7,285	8,850
	Total	331,853	287,103	14,814	13,089	14,384
85 +	Male	54,438	48,112	1,909	2,084	1,854
	Female	106,970	95,871	3,969	2,911	3,538
	Total	161,407	143,983	5,878	4,995	5,392
ALL AGES	Male	3,387,278	2,401,674	247,525	236,425	428,177
	Female	3,588,212	2,558,373	262,352	258,761	433,606
	Total	6,975,490	4,960,047	509,877	495,185	861,783

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Massachusetts Death Certificate

		Commonwealth of Massachusetts Registry of Vital Records and Statistics CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		State File # Registered #
		Form R-301 08012015		
DECEDENT	Place of Death			
	Date of Death		Age	Sex
	Current Name		SSN	
	Surname at Birth or Adoption			
	AKA			
	Date of Birth		Birthplace	
	Residence			
	Race		Education	
	Marital Status		Occupation/Industry	
	Last Spouse – Last, First, Middle (Surname at Birth or Adoption)		Decedent: U.S. Veteran (Most Recent)	
MEDICAL CERTIFIER	Mother/Parent Name – Last, First Middle (Surname at Birth or Adoption)		Birthplace	
	Father/Parent Name – Last, First Middle (Surname at Birth or Adoption)		Birthplace	
	Part I. Cause of Death – Sequentially list immediate cause then antecedent causes then underlying cause			
	a. Immediate Cause (Final condition resulting in death)			
	b. Due to or as a consequence of:			
	c. Due to or as a consequence of:			
	d. Due to or as a consequence of:			
	Part II. Other significant conditions contributing to death but not resulting in underlying cause		Manner of Death:	
			Time of Death:	
			Result of Injury:	
DISPOSITION	Certifier		Lic #	
	Addr.			
	Funeral Licensee/ Designee		Lic #	
	Facility/Addr.			
	Immediate Disposition			
	Date of Immediate Disposition			
	Place/Address			
	Date of Record			
	Date of Amendment			

<i>If U.S. war veteran, specify war/conflict(s)</i>			
<i>Branch of military (most recent)</i>		<i>Rank/organization/outfit(most recent)</i>	
<i>Date entered(most recent)</i>	<i>Date Discharged (most recent)</i>	<i>Service Number(most recent)</i>	
<i>Place of Death Type</i>		<i>Date of Pronouncement</i>	<i>Time of Pronouncement</i>
<i>RN/NP/PA Pronouncement?</i>	<i>Name of RN/NP/PA Pronouncing Death</i>		<i>Lic #</i>
<i>RN/NP/PA Employing Agency or Institution</i>		<i>Name of Physician or Medical Examiner notified</i>	
<i>Was M.E. Notified?</i>	<i>Provider in charge of patient's care, if not certifier</i>		
<i>Autopsy Performed?</i>	<i>Findings available for Cause?</i>	<i>Tobacco contribute to death?</i>	<i>Pregnancy Status, if female</i>
<i>Date of Injury</i>	<i>Time of Injury</i>	<i>Injury at Work?</i>	<i>If Transportation Injury, specify:</i>
<i>Place of Injury</i>		<i>Location/Address of Injury:</i>	
<i>Describe How Injury Occurred</i>			
<i>Expanded Race:</i>			
<i>Ethnicity:</i>			
<i>Informant Name</i>		<i>Relationship</i>	
<i>Addr.</i>			
<i>Date Disposition Permit Issued:</i>		<i>Board of Health Agent</i>	
<i>State Tracking No.</i>		<i>Local Permit No.</i>	

Circumstance for Referral to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME)

<http://www.mass.gov/legis/laws/mgl/38-3.htm>

CHAPTER 38. MEDICAL EXAMINERS AND INQUESTS

Chapter 38: Section 3. Duty to report deaths; failure to report

Section 3. It shall be the duty of any person having knowledge of a death which occurs under the circumstances enumerated in this paragraph immediately to notify the office of the chief medical examiner, or the medical examiner designated to the location where the death has occurred, of the known facts concerning the time, place, manner, circumstances and cause of such death:

- (1) death where criminal violence appears to have taken place, regardless of the time interval between the incident and death, and regardless of whether such violence appears to have been the immediate cause of death, or a contributory factor thereto;
- (2) death by accident or unintentional injury, regardless of time interval between the incident and death, and regardless of whether such injury appears to have been the immediate cause of death, or a contributory factor thereto;
- (3) suicide, regardless of the time interval between the incident and death;
- (4) death under suspicious or unusual circumstances;
- (5) death following an unlawful abortion;
- (6) death related to occupational illness or injury;
- (7) death in custody, in any jail or correctional facility, or in any mental health or mental retardation institution;
- (8) death where suspicion of abuse of a child, family or household member, elder person or disabled person exists;
- (9) death due to poison or acute or chronic use of drugs or alcohol;
- (10) skeletal remains;
- (11) death associated with diagnostic or therapeutic procedures;
- (12) sudden death when the decedent was in apparent good health;

(13) death within twenty-four hours of admission to a hospital or nursing home;

(14) death in any public or private conveyance;

(15) fetal death, as defined by section two hundred and two of chapter one hundred and eleven, where the period of gestation has been twenty weeks or more, or where fetal weight is three hundred and fifty grams or more;

(16) death of children under the age of 18 years from any cause;

(17) any person found dead;

(18) death in any emergency treatment facility, medical walk-in center, day care center, or under foster care; or

(19) deaths occurring under such other circumstances as the chief medical examiner shall prescribe in regulations promulgated pursuant to the provisions of chapter thirty A.

A physician, police officer, hospital administrator, licensed nurse, department of social services social worker, or licensed funeral director, within the commonwealth, who, having knowledge of such an unreported death, fails to notify the office of the chief medical examiner of such death shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars. Such failure shall also be reported to the appropriate board of registration, where applicable.

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