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Item	Rate per 1,000 population								
	1979 ¹	1978	1977	1976	,1975	1974	1973	1972	
Births	15.8	15.3	15.4	14.8	14.8	14.9	14.9	15.6	
Deaths	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.9	8.9	9.2	9.4	9.4	
Natural increase	7.1	6.5	6.6	5.9	5.9	5.7	5.5	6.2	
Marriages	10.7	² 10.5	10.1	10.0	10.1	10.5	10.9	11.0	
Divorces (est.)	5.3	5.2	5.0	5.0	4.9	4.6	4.4	4.1	

¹Provisional.

²Beginning with 1978, data include nonlicensed marriages registered in California; see Explanatory Notes.

The provisional totals of births, marriages, divorces, and deaths reported here monthly have been summarized for the entire year. These preliminary totals show more births, marriages, and divorces and fewer deaths and infant deaths in 1979 than in 1978.

BIRTHS

In 1979 the estimated number of births in the United States was 3,473,000, up 4 percent from the final number recorded for 1978. The birth rate increased 3 percent, to a rate of 15.8 live births per 1,000 population, up from a final rate of 15.3 in 1978.

The fertility rate was 68.0 live births per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years, a 2-percent increase over the 1978 final rate. This is only the fourth year to show an increase since the longterm decline began in 1958; other increases oc-



curred in 1969, 1970, and 1977. Although the rate for 1979 showed an increase, it surpassed the rates only for the years 1975 through 1978.

The increase in the number of births and the birth rate can be attributed to the 2-percent increase in the number of women of childbearing ages (assumed to be 15-44 years) between 1978 and 1979, as well as to the increase in the rate of childbearing. The increases in the number of births and the birth rate could have been larger had not the greatest increases in the number of women (4 percent) occurred in the age groups 30-34 and 35-39 years, ages at which the rate of childbearing is comparatively low.

According to U.S. Bureau of the Census projections, the number of women of childbearing ages will continue to increase substantially through 1985, indicating the potential for increasing numbers of births. However, while the total number of women aged 15-44 years will increase 8 percent between 1979 and 1985, the largest increases will occur among women aged 30-34 (16.3 percent) and 35-39 years (26.7 percent). Women aged 20-24 years, one of the groups with the highest fertility rates, will actually decrease 1 percent, which may tend to hold down increases in the number of births.

Provisional data by place of occurrence show increases in the number of births in all nine geographic divisions and increases in the birth rate in all divisions except the Pacific where there was a slight decrease. The number of births increased in all States except Connecticut, New York, and Washington. The birth rate decreased in New York and Washington and remained constant in Connecticut and California, while increasing in the rest of the States.

Table A. LIVE BIRTHS, BIRTH RATES, AND FERTILITY RATES, BY MONTH: UNITED STATES, 1978 AND 1979

[Rates on an annual basis. Birth rates per 1,000 population and fertility rates per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years. Data are provisional unless otherwise specified]

		Number			Birth rate			Fertility rate		
Month	1979	1978	1978 (final)	1979	1978	1978 (final)	1979	1978	1978 (final)	
Total	3,473,000	3,329,000	3,333,279	. 15.8	15.3	15.3	68.0	66.4	66.6	
January	278,000	262,000	270,695	15.0	· 14.2	14.7	64.8	62.1	64.2	
February	253,000	251,000	249,898	15.1	15.0	15.0	65.2	65.8	65.5	
March	281,000	285,000	276,584	15.1	15.4	15.0	65.2	67.4	65.4	
April	272,000	260,000	254,585	15.1	14.6	14.2	65.1	63.5	62.1	
May	285,000	272,000	270,818	15.3	14.7	14.6	65.8	64.0	63.9	
June	281,000	265,000	270,704	15.6	14.8	15.1	67.1	64.5	65.9	
July	308,000	296,000	294,704	16.5	16.0	15.9	71.1	69.6	69.3	
August	325,000	312,000	302,805	17.4	16.8	16.3	74.8	73.2	71.1	
September	299,000	289,000	293,903	16.5	16.1	16.4	71.1	70.1	71.2	
October	299,000	282,000	288,965	16.0	15.2	15.6	68.6	66.0	67.6	
November	301,000	274,000	274,679	16.6	15.2	15.3	71.4	66.0	66.3	
December	290,000	281,000	284,939	15.5	15.1	15.3	66.4	65.4	66.4	

NATURAL INCREASE

During 1979 the growth of the population due to natural increase (the excess of births over deaths) amounted to 1,567,000 persons. The rate of natural increase was 7.1 persons per 1,000 population compared with a final rate of 6.5 for 1978. This increase was due primarily to the increase in the birth rate.

DEATHS

During 1979 an estimated 1,906,000 deaths occurred in the United States. The provisional crude death rate for 1979 (866.2 deaths per 100,000 population) was 1.9 percent lower than the final rate for 1978 (883.4). The provisional age-adjusted death rate for 1979 (587.4 deaths per 100,000 population) was 3.1 percent lower

Table B. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED BIRTH AND FERTILITY RATES, BY MONTH: UNITED STATES, 1978 AND 1979

[Rates on an annual basis. Birth rates per 1,000 population and fertility rates per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years. Data are provisional unless otherwise specified]

		Birth rate		Fertility		Rate	
Month	1979	1978	1978 (final)	1979	1978	1978 (final)	
anuary	15.5	14.6	15.1	67.0	63.8	66.3	
ebruary	15.2	15.3	15.2	65.9	66.8	66.3	
March	15.3	15.8	15.2	66.3	69.2	66.4	
April	15.7	15.2	14.9	68.0	66.3	65.1	
Лау	15.9	15.3	15.2	68.4	66.6	66.4	
une	15.6	15.0	15.2	67.5	65.4	66.4	
uly	15.9	15.3	15.3	68.5	66.7	66.8	
August	16.5	16.0	15.5	71.1	69.7	67.3	
September	15.5	15.0	15.3	66.5	65.3	66.5	
October	15.7	15.0	15.3	67.6	65.1	66.7	
ovember	16.8	15.5	15.5	72.3	67.3	67.2	
ecember	15.8	15.2	15.5	67.7	65.8	67.4	

Table C. DEATHS AND DEATH RATES, BY MONTH: UNITED STATES, 1978 AND 1979

[Rates on an annual basis per 1,000 population. Data are provisional unless otherwise specified]

Month	1979	1978	1978 (final)	1979	1978	1978 (final)
Total	1,906,000	1,924,000	1,927,788	8.7	8.8	8.8
January February March April May June July August September October November December	169,000 160,000 160,000 157,000 152,000 158,000 154,000 160,000 160,000 165,000	189,000 169,000 170,000 161,000 158,000 153,000 153,000 150,000 157,000 154,000 162,000	196,451 161,760 164,522 153,864 159,055 151,105 155,022 151,247 148,691 160,511 155,718 169,842	9.1 9.5 8.8 8.9 8.4 8.4 8.5 8.3 8.1 8.5 8.8 8.8	10.3 10.1 9.2 9.0 8.6 8.5 8.3 8.1 8.3 8.4 8.5 8.7	10.6 9.7 8.9 8.6 8.4 8.4 8.4 8.3 8.3 8.6 8.7 9.1

than the final age-adjusted death rate for 1978 (606.1), and was the lowest ever recorded in the United States. Age-adjusted death rates control for changes and variations in the age composition of the population. Therefore, they are better indicators than the crude death rates in showing changes in the risk of dying over a period of time between color-sex groups and among causes of death.

During 1970-79 the age-adjusted rate decreased 17.8 percent, or an average annual percent decrease of 2.1 percent. The sharper reduction in the age-adjusted death rate during 1978-79 compared with the average annual change during 1970-79 reflects the absence of an influenza epidemic in 1979 compared with 1978, which was characterized by an influenza outbreak during the early part of the year.

Expectation of Life

The provisional expectation of life at birth in 1979 was 73.8 years for the total population, the highest life expectancy ever attained in the United States. The gain of 0.5 years between 1978 and 1979 was the largest gain since 1974-75 when life expectancy increased by 0.6 years. For the four color-sex groups the provisional life expectancies at birth in 1979 were as follows: white females, 78.3 years; all other females, 74.5 years; white males, 70.6 years; and all other males, 65.5 years. The expectation of life at birth represents the average number of years that a group of infants would live if they were to experience throughout life the age-specific death rates prevailing during the year of their birth.

Based on the respective annual age-specific death rates, the expectations of life at birth for the total population for 1968-79 were as follows:

1979 (est.)	1973
1978	
1977	1971
1976	1970
1975	1969
197471.9	1968

Death Rates by Age, Color, and Sex

Provisional death rates decreased for most age groups in 1979. The age group 1-4 years showed the largest percent decrease between 1978 and 1979; the age group 85 years and over showed the second largest percent decrease. Death rates at ages 5-14 years, 15-24 years, and 25-34 years increased between 1978 and 1979. The increase in the death rates at ages 5-14 years and 15-24 years can be attributed to increases in the death rates at those ages for white males. The increase at ages 25-34 years can be attributed to increases for both white males and males of races other than white.

Table D. DEATH RATES BY AGE: UNITED STATES, 1978 AND 1979

Age	1979 (est.)	1978 (final)	Percent difference
All ages ¹	866.2	883.4	-1.9
Under 1 year 1-4 years 5-14 years 15-24 years 25-34 years 35-44 years 45-54 years 65-74 years 65-74 years 85 years and over	1,372.5 62.7 34.8 118.2 139.1 227.9 588.5 1,371.1 2,921.9 7,014.0 13,831.0	1,434.4 69.2 33.9 117.5 135.5 238.9 609.7 1,416.3 3,027.2 7,187.8 14,700.7	-4.3 -9.4 2.7 0.6 2.7 -4.6 -3.5 -3.5 -3.5 -3.5 -3.5 -3.5 -2.4 -5.9

[For 1979, based on a 10-percent sample of deaths. Rates per 100,000 population in specified group]

¹Figures for age not stated included in "All ages" but not distributed among age groups.

Color differentials.—In 1979 the provisional age-adjusted death rate for the population of races other than white (771.9 deaths per 100,000 population) was 37.2 percent higher than the rate for the white population (562.6). Death rates for each age group under 80 years were higher for all other races than those for the white population.

Sex differentials.—The estimated age-adjusted death rate for 1979 for the male population (780.2 deaths per 100,000 population) was 81.3 percent higher than the rate for the female population (430.4). For 1979 death rates were higher for males than for females in each age group.

Major Causes of Death

Deaths assigned to the 15 leading causes accounted for 89.4 percent of the estimated total number of deaths in 1979. Age-adjusted rates are shown for 13 of the 15 leading causes. Since deaths from the other two causes (Congenital anomalies and Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period) occur almost entirely at ages under 1 year, age-adjusted rates for these causes are not shown.

Due to the introduction of the Ninth Revision International Classification of Diseases (ICD-9), there was a major restructuring of the



leading causes of death in 1979 (see Explanatory Notes). This change has created new category titles that can be compared with those under the Eighth Revision (ICDA-8), as follows: Accidents and adverse effects under the Ninth Revision

Table E. DEATH RATES FOR 15 LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH: UNITED STATES, 1979

[Based on a 10-percent sample of deaths. Rates per 100,000 population. See table 8 for category numbers of causes of death]

Rank	Cause of death (Ninth Revision International Classification of Diseases, 1975)	Death rate	Percent of total deaths
	All causes	866.2	100.0
1 2	Diseases of heart Malignant neoplasms, including neoplasms of lymphatic and	331.3	38.3
	hematopoletic tissues	183.5	21.2
3	Cerebrovascular diseases	76.9	8.9
4	Accidents and adverse effects	47.9	5.5
	Motor vehicle accidents	24.5	2.8
	All other accidents and		
	adverse effects	23.4	2.7
5	Chronic obstructive pulmonary	l .	
ļ	diseases and allied conditions	22.7	2.6
6	Pneumonia and influenza	20.0	2.3
7	Diabetes mellitus	15.0	1.7
8	Chronic liver disease and	Į	
ا _	cirrhosis	13.6	1.6
9	Atherosclerosis	13.0	1.5
10	Suicide	12.6	1.5
11	Homicide and legal intervention	10.5	1.2
12	Certain conditions originating in	1	1
13	the perinatal period Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome,	10.4	1.2
	and nephrosis	7.3	0.8
14	Congenital anomalies	6.1	0.7
15	Septicemia	3.8	0.4
	All other causes	91.6	10.6
		1	1

compared with Accidents under the Eighth Revision; Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases and allied conditions, with Bronchitis, emphysema, and asthma; Pneumonia and influenza, with Influenza and pneumonia; Chronic liver diseases and cirrhosis, with Cirrhosis of liver; Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period, with Certain causes of mortality in early infancy; Homicide and legal intervention, with Homicide; and Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome, and nephrosis compared with Nephritis and nephrosis. The remainder of the 15 leading causes under the Ninth Revision retained the same title used under the Eighth Revision.

While the new categories under ICD-9 differ in content from those under ICDA-8, they are the most nearly comparable categories. Since the categories are not identical, a measure of similarity is needed for comparisons. The comparability ratio is one such measure. Comparability ratios for the causes of death shown in this publication were published in a previous report.¹

Cause-of-Death Ranking

The introduction of ICD-9 and the subsequent changes in category content resulted in changes in the ranking of causes of death (for ranking procedures see Explanatory Notes). A major change is that, under the Ninth Revision, Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases and allied conditions ranked as the fifth leading

¹National Center for Health Statistics: Estimates of selected comparability ratios based on dual coding of 1976 death certificates by the Eighth and Ninth Revisions of the International Classification of Diseases, by A. J. Klebba and J. H. Scott. *Monthly Vital Statistics Report.* Vol. 28, No. 11, Supplement. DHEW Pub. No. (PHS) 80-1120. Public Health Service. Washington. U.S. Government Printing Office, Feb. 29, 1980.

Table F. AGE-ADJUSTED DEATH RATES FOR 15 LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH, 1978 AND 1979; AND COM-PARABILITY RATIOS, 1976: UNITED STATES

Rank ¹	Cause of death (Ninth Revision International Classification of Diseases, 1975)	1979 (est.)	1978	Comparability ratio
•••	All causes	587.4	606.1	•••
1 2	Diseases of heart Malignant neoplasms, including neoplasms of	203.0	207.6	1.0126
	lymphatic and hematopoietic tissues	133.4	133.8	1.0026
3	Cerebrovascular diseases	42.5	45.3	1.0049
4	Accidents and adverse effects	43.6	44.3	0.9970
•••	Motor vehicle accidents	23.9	23.4	1.0117
• • •	All other accidents and adverse effects	19.7	20.9	0.9841
5	Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases and allied			
	conditions	14.8	6.8	1.8846
6	Pneumonia and influenza	11.1	15.4	0.9264
7	Diabetes mellitus	. 9.9	10.4	0.9991
8	Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis	12.3	12.5	1.0110
9	Atherosclerosis	5.6	6.0	1.0649
10	Suicide	12.0	12.0	1.0032
11	Homicide and legal intervention	10.6	9.6	1.0057
12	Certain conditions originating in the perinatal	_	_	
	period	(2)	(²)	1.0765
13	Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome, and nephrosis	4.5	2.8	1.7397 `
14	Congenital anomalies	(²)	(2)	0.9984
15	Septicemia	2.5	2.6	0.8500 -

[Rates per 100,000 population. For method of computation, see Explanatory Notes]

¹Based on numbers of deaths for 1979; see Explanatory Notes.

²Since deaths from these causes occur primarily among infants, rates adjusted to the total population of the United States in 1940 are not shown. See table H.

NOTE: Inasmuch as the comparability ratios were developed for comparing crude rates, they are not strictly applicable for comparing age-adjusted death rates.

cause of death in 1979. In 1978, the most nearly comparable title, Bronchitis, emphysema, and asthma (ICDA-8) ranked as the 11th leading cause of death; however, the inclusions under these Eighth and Ninth Revision titles are not comparable.

Another leading cause for which there was a major change in rank between the Eighth and Ninth Revisions was Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period, which ranked 12th in 1979 compared with 10th in 1978 for the most nearly comparable category, Certain causes of mortality in early infancy. The other leading causes of death shifted rank by no more than one position between 1978 and 1979. Thus Pneumonia and influenza ranked 6th in 1979 compared with 5th in 1978; Diabetes mellitus. 7th compared with 6th; Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis, 8th compared with 7th; Atherosclerosis, 9th compared with 8th; Suicide, 10th compared with 9th; Homicide and legal intervention, 11th compared with 12th; Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome, and nephrosis, 13th compared with 14th; and Congenital anomalies ranked 14th compared with 13th. The ranking of the remaining leading causes remained unchanged from 1978.

Among the 15 leading causes of death that were comparable between the Eighth and Ninth Revisions (comparability ratios close to 1.0), decreases in the age-adjusted death rate occurred between 1978 and 1979 for Diseases of heart. Malignant neoplasms, Cerebrovascular diseases, Accidents and adverse effects, Diabetes mellitus, and Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis. An increase occurred in the age-adjusted rate for Homicide and legal intervention and in the infant mortality rate for Congenital anomalies. The age-adjusted rate for Suicide remained the same. For the other leading causes of death (Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases and allied conditions; Pneumonia and influenza; Atherosclerosis; Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period; Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome, and nephrosis; and Septicemia) discontinuities in classification of cause of death were substantial between 1978 and 1979, making trend comparisons difficult.

Maternal and Infant Mortality

In 1979 the deaths of an estimated 270 women were assigned to Complications of



pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium. The maternal mortality rate had decreased from 24.5 deaths per 100,000 live births in 1968 to 9.6 deaths per 100,000 live births in 1978. The provisional rate for 1979 was 7.8 deaths per 100,000 live births.

1979 (est.)	1968
1978	1967
1977	1966
1976	1965
1975	1964
197414.6	1963
1973	1962
1972	1961
1971	1960
1970	1950
1969	

Table G. INFANT MORTALITY RATES BY AGE: UNITED STATES, 1950, 1960, 1965, AND 1970-79

[For 1979, based on a 10-percent sample of deaths; for all other years, based on final data. Rates per 1,000 live births]

Year	Under 1 year	Under 28 days	28 days to 11 months
1979 (est.) 1978	13.0 13.8 14.1 15.2 16.1 16.7 17.7 18.5 19.1 20.0 24.7 26.0 29.2	8.7 9.5 9.9 10.9 11.6 12.3 13.0 13.6 14.2 15.1 17.7 18.7 20.5	4.2 4.3 4.2 4.3 4.5 4.4 4.8 4.8 4.9 4.9 7.0 7.3 8.7

¹Based on a 50-percent sample of deaths.

Table H. INFANT MORTALITY RATES FOR 10 SELECTED CAUSES OF DEATH, 1970 AND 1975-79; AND
COMPARABILITY RATIOS, 1976: UNITED STATES

[For 1979, based on a 10-percent sample of deaths; for all other years, based on final data. Rates per 100,000 live births]

Cause of death (Ninth Revision International Classification of Diseases, 1975)	1979 (est.)	1978	1977	1976	1975	1970	Compara- bility ratio
All causes	1,296.7	1,378.4	1,412.1	1,523.6	1,606.9	2,001.1	1.0000
Certain gastrointestinal diseases	10.7 33.1 257.7 100.5 31.7 48.4 155.8 317.3 142.8 199.0	23.0 46.0 252.1 110.3 57.4 88.7 99.7 ² 403.3 148.9 ³ 397.6	20.8 50.6 253.1 111.6 53.9 98.3 107.8 ² 438.3 142.8 ³ 385.5	24.2 61.9 263.4 125.5 57.2 113.6 119.7 ² 485.4 137.5 ³ 392.2	26.0 70.0 272.9 139.9 55.3 128.8 123.3 ² 521.5 133.0 ³ 392.4	24.1 168.9 301.7 234.6 64.2 252.9 119.5 ² 605.5 ³ 349.1	1.0071 0.9630 0.7154 0.3270 (¹)

¹Comparability ratio has not been computed for this cause; see Explanatory Notes. ²Includes deaths from Respiratory distress syndrome; see Explanatory Notes. ³Includes deaths from Sudden infant death syndrome; see Explanatory Notes.

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Table J. DEATHS UNDER 1 YEAR AND INFANT MORTALITY RATES, BY MONTH: UNITED STATES,1978 AND 1979

[Rates on an annual basis per 1,000 live births. Monthly rates adjusted for changing number of births. Data are provisional unless otherwise specified]

		Number		Rate				
Month	1979	1978	1978 (final)	1979	1978	1978 (final)		
Total	45,000	45,300	45,945	13.0	13.6	13.8		
January February March April May June July August September October November	3,700 4,000 3,600 3,600 3,600 3,800 3,500 3,800 3,800	3,900 3,700 4,000 3,600 3,900 3,800 3,700 3,700 3,800 3,800 3,800 3,700	4,148 3,598 3,825 3,635 3,906 3,732 3,784 3,702 3,765 3,925 3,824	14.0 14.6 14.1 13.2 12.7 12.9 12.5 11.0 12.9 12.9 12.9 13.1	14.7 14.6 14.1 13.6 14.1 14.2 12.7 12.0 13.2 13.5 13.7	15.3 14.4 13.8 14.3 14.4 13.8 12.8 12.2 12.8 13.6 13.9		

In 1979 an estimated 45,000 infants died in the United States. This resulted in an infant mortality rate of 13.0 deaths per 1,000 live births, the lowest annual rate ever recorded in the United States. The 1979 rate decreased 5.8 percent from the final rate for 1978. The neonatal (under 28 days) rate and the postneonatal (28 days to 11 months) mortality rate decreased between 1978 and 1979.

Table K. MARRIAGES AND MARRIAGE RATES, BY MONTH: UNITED STATES, 1978 AND 1979

[Rates on an annual basis per 1,000 population. Data are provisional unless otherwise specified. Data include nonlicensed marriages registered in California; see Explanatory Notes]

3			Number		Rate					
	Month	1979	1978	1978 (final)	1979	1978	1978 (final)			
	Total	2,359,000	2,281,000	2,282,272	10.7	10.5	10.5			
n 1. 2	January February March April May June July August September October November December	131,000 135,000 150,000 221,000 277,000 227,000 254,000 204,000 199,000 187,000 181,000	118,000 125,000 163,000 213,000 287,000 211,000 256,000 202,000 173,000 180,000 187,000	114,206 128,353 150,624 177,705 202,384 261,584 231,494 239,937 222,599 184,838 174,381 194,167	7.1 8.1 10.5 11.9 15.4 12.2 13.6 11.3 10.6 10.3 9.6	6.4 7.5 8.8 9.2 11.5 16.0 11.4 13.8 11.2 9.3 10.0 10.0	6.2 7.7 8.2 9.9 10.9 14.6 12.5 12.9 12.4 10.0 9.7 10.4			

MARRIAGES

During 1979 there were 2,359,000 marriages performed in the United States. This provisional number represented an increase of 3.4 percent over the final number for 1978 (2,282,272). The 1979 provisional marriage total was the largest annual number of marriages ever recorded in the United States, exceeding by about 68,000 the previous peak of 2,291,045 recorded in 1946.

The provisional marriage rate for 1979 was 10.7 per 1,000 population, up 2 percent over the final rate for 1978 (10.5). The 1979 rate was higher than any previous annual rate since 1973.

Table L. MARRIAGE RATES, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND UNADJUSTED, BY MONTH: UNITED STATES, 1978 AND 1979

[Rates on an annual basis per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years. Data are provisional unless otherwise specified. Data include nonlicensed marriages registered in California; see Explanatory Notes]

Month	Rate unadjust	ed for season	al variation	Rate adjusted for seasonal variation				
	1979	1978	1978 (final)	1979	1978	1978 (fínal)		
January	30.6	28.1	27.1	46.8	38.3	41.8		
February	34.9	32.7	33.7	44.3	39.0	42.8		
March	34.9	38:6	35.6	42.5	51.5	44.3		
April	45.4	40.0	43.4	50.7	45.1	46.2		
May	51.2	50.2	47.7	47.2	53.4	44.8		
June	66.2	69.8	63.6	46.4	47.1	45.6		
July	52.5	49.7	54.4	47.6	46.8	45.4		
August	58.5	60.2	56.3	46.3	48.2	45.6		
September	48.6	48.8	53.9	45.6	43.7	50,9		
October	45.7	40.6	43.2	46.4	42.3	44.6		
November	44.4	43.5	42.1	47.5	45.0	45.7		
December	41.4	43.5	45.3	42.3	43.2	46.2		

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Provisional data for 1979 show that the number of marriages increased over final totals for 1978 in every geographic division, and the marriage rate also increased in every division except the East North Central Division. Provisional reports from each State for 1979 further indicate that the marriage rate increased in 31 States and the District of Columbia, declined in 15 States, and remained unchanged in 4 States. Nevada had the highest 1979 provisional marriage rate at 173.6 per 1,000 population. All the other States had marriage rates between 7.4 (Massachusetts) and 18.4 (South Carolina).

DIVORCES

During 1979 an estimated 1,170,000 divorces were granted in the United States. This was 3.5 percent higher than the final total for 1978 (1,130,000). The increase of an estimated 40,000 divorces between 1978 and 1979 indicates a continuation of the somewhat larger rate of growth in the divorce total than that recorded in the period of marked slowdown between 1976 and 1977.

Table M. MARRIAGES, DIVORCES, AND RATES: UNITED STATES, 1958-79

[Rates on an annual basis per 1,000 population. Data refer only to events occurring in the United States. Alaska included beginning with 1959 and Hawaii with 1960]

Year	Marriag	e	Divor	ce
rear	Number	Rate ¹	Number	Rate ¹
1979 ² 1978 ³ 1977 1976 1975 1974 1973 1974 1975 1974 1975 1974 1975 1974 1975 1974 1975 1976 1971 1969 1968 1966 1965 1964 1963 1964 1963 1964 1963 1964 1966 19960	2,359,000 2,282,272 2,178,367 2,154,807 2,152,662 2,229,667 2,284,108 2,282,154 2,190,481 2,158,802 2,145,000 1,927,000 1,857,000 1,654,000 1,577,000 1,523,000	10.7 10.5 10.1 10.0 10.1 10.5 10.9 11.0 10.6 10.6 10.6 10.4 9.7 9.5 9.3 9.0 8.8 8.5 8.5	1,170,000 1,130,000 1,091,000 1,083,000 1,036,000 977,000 915,000 845,000 773,000 708,000 639,000 584,000 523,000 499,000 479,000 450,000 413,000 414,000 393,000	5.3 5.2 5.0 5.0 4.9 4.6 4.4 4.1 3.7 3.5 3.2 2.9 2.6 2.5 2.5 2.4 2.3 2.2 2.3 2.2
1959 1958	1,494,000 1,451,000	8.5 8.4	395,000 368,000	2.2 2.1

¹Rates are based on population enumerated as of April 1 for 1960 and 1970 and estimated as of July 1 for all other years. ²Provisional.

³Beginning with 1978, marriage data include nonlicensed marriages registered in California; see Explanatory Notes.

In 1979 the provisional divorce rate increased to 5.3 per 1,000 population, up slightly over the final rate of 5.2 for 1978. Except for 1977, the annual divorce rate has increased each year since 1966.

In comparison with 1978 final divorce rates, the 1979 provisional divorce rates for the 49 reporting areas indicate that the rate increased in 32 States and the District of Columbia and decreased in 11 States. Except for Nevada, all areas reporting in 1979 had divorce rates between 3.0 (Massachusetts) and 8.9 (Arkansas).

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Nature and Sources of Data

All data for 1979 in this report are provisional. Data for the United States as a whole refer to events occurring within the United States; other data refer to events within the reporting areas shown.

Beginning with 1970, final birth and mortality statistics except those by place of occurrence exclude data for births and deaths to nonresidents of the United States. Final mortality statistics for 1972 are based on a 50-percent sample of deaths for that year. Data for nonresidents are included in provisional data for 1978 and 1979.

Provisional or estimated figures for births, marriages, divorces, and deaths, except data estimated from the Current Mortality Sample, summarize data from monthly reports of the numbers of birth, marriage, divorce, and death certificates received in registration offices between two dates a month apart regardless of when the events occurred. Final figures are counts of events occurring in the specified year. Monthly estimates of births and marriages for the entire United States are based on the monthly reports adjusted for observed differences from final monthly figures. State figures are not adjusted in this manner. All mortality figures exclude fetal deaths.

Marriage data by State are shown in table 1. For most States, data represent marriages performed. For some or all counties of Arizona and New York City, provisional data are marriage licenses issued; for New Mexico all data are marriage licenses issued.

The method of seasonal adjustment used for birth, fertility, and marriage rates is described in *The X-11 Variant of the Census Method II Seasonal Adjustment Program*, Technical Paper No. 15, November 1965, published by the U.S. Bureau of the Census. Marriage rates were adjusted for monthly variation in the number of specified days of the week (Sundays, Mondays, and so forth) because marriages are more likely on some days than on others.

Beginning with final marriage statistics for 1978 and provisional data for 1978 and 1979 as shown in this report, nonlicensed (confidential) marriages registered in California are included in marriage totals and rates. Nonlicensed California marriages have increased rapidly since reporting began, totaling 2,857 in 1973; 10,555 in 1974; 19,061 in 1975; 30,125 in 1976; 32,008 in 1977; 37,462 in 1978; and 41.961 in 1979. These nonlicensed California marriages have not been included in national totals or rates previously published for years prior to 1978. Further discussion of nonlicensed marriages is given in the final marriage statistics report for 1978.² The table below shows the number of marriages and marriage rates for the United States in 1973-77, including the reported number of nonlicensed California marriages. Rates are given per 1,000 population estimated as of July 1.

Year	Number	Rate		
1977	2,210,375 2,184,932	10.2 10.2		
1976 1975	2,171,723	10.2		
1974 1973	2,240,222 2,286,965	10.6 10.9		

Provisional divorce data including reported annulments are shown in table 3 for the areas reporting divorce data monthly. Divorce figures for the United States are estimated from a summary of monthly reports from 45 States and the District of Columbia. These areas contain over 90 percent of the population of the United States as enumerated in 1970.

Current Mortality Sample

The Current Mortality Sample is a 10-percent systematic sample of death certificates received each month in State vital statistics offices. Deaths and death rates for 1979 by cause, age, color, and sex were estimated from this sample.

²National Center for Health Statistics: Advance report, final marriage statistics. *Monthly Vital Statistics Report*, Vol. 29, No. 6, Supplement (1). DHHS Pub. No. (PHS) 80-1120. Public Health Service. Washington. U.S. Government Printing Office, Sept. 12, 1980.

The sample was taken from death certificates received monthly during 1979 in the vital statistics offices in the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and the independent registration area of New York City. The sample for each of these areas consists of one-tenth of the death certificates received in the office between a given date and the same date of the following month. All death certificates received during the 1-month period are sampled regardless of the month or year in which the death occurred. As a result, the monthly sample is not strictly comparable to a sample on a month-of-occurrence basis. The proportion of death certificates received in the samples for each month of 1979 representing deaths occurring in the current month and those occurring in other months are shown in the following table.

	Death	s occurring i	in—
Month	Same month	Previous month	All other months
January	74.4	18.6	6.9
February	70.4	16.5	13.1
March	74.9	14.0	· 11.1
April	72.9	14.8	12.2
May	74.5	13.5	12.0
June	73.7	14.7	11.7
July	72.5	14.5	13.0
August	73.1	14.2	12.7
September	71.8	14.7	13.5
October	73.3	14.4	12.3
November	72.5	15.6	11.9
December	75.0	14.3	10.7

Because of the way in which death certificates are processed in California, this State contributes a high proportion of the certificates for deaths not occurring in the sample month. For the sample exclusive of California, the percent of the sample deaths occurring in the current month constitutes about 80 percent of the total as opposed to 73 percent of the entire sample. As for the year of occurrence, 96.7 percent of the 189,538 transcripts in the 1979 sample were for deaths occurring in 1979 and 3.3 percent for deaths occurring in 1978.

Correction for Bias and Adjustments to Provisional Counts

The Current Mortality Sample is selected at a specified time each month. Complete information concerning the underlying cause of death is sometimes not available in the State offices when the sample is drawn but is available later when copies of the final death certificates are processed. As a result, estimates based on sample counts for certain causes are recurringly biased estimates of final counts. Comparisons of sample and final counts for previous years have shown that these biases are primarily associated with certain cause-of-death groups.

Due to the introduction of the Ninth Revision, some modification was made in the rules for selection of a cause of death to be corrected for bias. An ICD-9 cause of death with a comparability ratio between 0.95 and 1.05 was considered as if there had been no discontinuity between 1978 and 1979. Final and sample data for the previous 3 years-1976, 1977, and 1978-were compared for the most nearly comparable ICDA-8 cause of death. If the sample count for these years departs from one-tenth of the final count by more than would be expected on the basis of sampling variability alone, the sample deaths for the corresponding ICD-9 causes were corrected by multiplying the sample frequency by an adjusted weight. The adjusted weight used was the ratio of the number of deaths from the given ICDA-8 cause in the final count of deaths for 1976-78 to the number of deaths from this cause in the sample returns for the same years, multipled by 10 times the 3year average sampling fraction for all causes.

The remaining ICD-9 causes, those with a comparability ratio less than 0.95 or greater than 1.05, were then examined to determine, empirically, if failure to correct for bias would lead to greater possible error in the provisional estimate for 1979 than could be expected by the comparability discontinuity alone. On the basis of this examination, the following two causes were also chosen to be corrected for bias: Benign neoplasms, carcinoma in situ, and neoplasms of uncertain behavior and of unspecified nature (ICD-9 Nos. 210-239) and Symptoms, signs, and ill-defined conditions (ICD-9 Nos. 780-799). For these two causes the adjusted weights were based on data for 1976-78 for the most nearly comparable ICDA-8 categories (ICDA-8 Nos. 210-239 and ICDA-8 Nos. 780-796, respectively).

The adjusted weights which were applied to the 1979 sample for all ages are shown in the

Cause of death ¹	Adjusted weight (all ages)
Malignant neoplasms of all other and unspecified sites170-173,190-199	9.79
Benign neoplasms, carcinoma in situ, and neoplasms of uncertain behavior and of unspecified nature210-239 Intracerebral and other intracranial	8.79
hemorrhage	10.28
childbirth, and the puerperium	8.18
conditions780-799	7.79
Motor vehicle accidentsE810-E825	10.35
SuicideE950-E959	10.66
Homicide and legal intervention	10.44 11.02

¹Causes of death eligible to have an adjusted weight were those that had 50 or more deaths based on final data for 1978.

table above. Because of comparability discontinuities, no infant causes were corrected for bias.

Cause-of-Death Classification

The mortality statistics presented here are compiled in accordance with the World Health Organization regulations, which specify that member nations classify causes of death in accordance with the current revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases, Injuries, and Causes of Death.

During the period 1968-78, causes of death were classified according to the Eighth Revision International Classification of Diseases, Adapted for Use in the United States, 1965 (ICDA-8).³ Causes of death in 1979 were classified according to the Ninth Revision (ICD-9).⁴ This produces some major changes in the classification of causes of death. Cause-of-death comparisons between 1978 and 1979 data require consideration of the comparability ratios and estimates of their standard errors, shown in tables 11 and 12. A description of the comparability ratios and how they were derived may be found in the report cited in footnote 1.

Comparability ratios for causes of infant mortality have been computed for the List of 8 Causes of Infant Death published in the Monthly Vital Statistics Report for 1968-78. Because Respiratory distress syndrome (ICDA-8 No. 776.2) and Sudden infant death syndrome (ICDA-8 No. *795.0) were contained in residual categories in this list, separate comparability ratios were not computed. However, infant mortality rates for these causes based on final data for 1978 and previous years are available and are shown in table H.

Age-Adjusted Rates

The age-adjusted rates presented in this report were computed by the direct method, that is, by applying the age-specific death rates for a given cause of death to the standard population distributed by age. The total population as enumerated in 1940 was selected as the standard. The age-adjusted rates were based on 10-year age groups. Rates by cause for 1979 were based on the same 10-year age groups except that the age group 1-14 years was used instead of 1-4 years and 5-14 years. It is important not to compare age-adjusted death rates directly with crude rates shown in other tables.

Life Tables

Abridged life table values for 1968-69 have been revised using revised intercensal population estimates. Values for 1970-73 have also been revised, using the most recent U.S. decennial life tables as standard tables. In this and other recent publications these figures may differ from those initially published in Vital Statistics of the United States.

Cause-of-Death Ranking

Cause-of-death ranking is based on the List of 72 Selected Causes of Death, adapted from one of the special lists for mortality tabulations recommended by the World Health Organization

³National Center for Health Statistics: Eighth Revision International Classification of Diseases, Adapted for Use in the United States. PHS Pub. No. 1693. Public Health Service. Washington. U.S. Government Printing Office, 1967.

⁴World Health Organization: Manual of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases, Injuries, and Causes of Death, based on the recommendations of the Ninth Revision Conference, 1975. Geneva. World Health Organization, 1977.

for use with the Ninth Revision of the International Classification of Diseases. Two group titles—Major cardiovascular diseases and Symptoms, signs, and ill-defined conditions—are not ranked. The remaining titles are ranked according to the number of deaths for 1979 to determine the leading causes of death. When one of the titles that represents a subtotal is ranked (e.g., Tuberculosis), its component parts (in this case, Tuberculosis of respiratory system and Other tuberculosis) are not ranked.

Sampling Variability

Since the estimates of deaths and death rates presented in this report (with the exceptions of total deaths and deaths under 1 year) are based on a sample of the death certificates, they are subject to sampling variability. The estimated percent error shown in this report is a measure of the sampling error of the estimated number of deaths (or of the estimated death rate) expressed as a percent of the estimate. The chances are about 2 out of 3 that the percent difference between an estimate and the result of a complete count is less than the percent error shown. The chances are about 19 out of 20 that the percent difference is less than twice the percent error.

Two methods are used for estimating percent errors—one for the ratio estimates for the causes of death corrected for bias and the other for estimates for the remaining causes of death or for given age-color-sex groups. The percent error of a ratio estimate for a given cause of death corrected for bias for all ages is computed as follows:

$$V = 300 \sqrt{\frac{1}{10} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{D}\right)} + \left(\frac{1}{Y} - \frac{1}{M}\right)$$

where

- V = percent error of the estimate X
- X = the estimated number of deaths (or estimated death rate) in a given cause or agecolor-sex group
- x = the number of deaths in the sample from the given cause
- D = 189,538, the total number of death certificates in the sample for 1979

- Y = the final number of deaths from the given cause in the 3 years—1976, 1977, and 1978 combined
- M = 5,736,825, the final count of all deaths occurring in the 3 years—1976, 1977, and 1978 combined.

The percent errors for the remaining estimates for given causes of death not requiring a correction for bias or for a given age-color-sex group are computed as follows:

$$V = 300 \sqrt{\frac{1}{X} - \frac{1}{N}}$$

where

- V = the percent error of the estimate X
- X = the estimated number of deaths from a given cause or age-color-sex group
- N = 1,906,000, the provisional number of registered deaths in 1979.

The percent error due to sampling may be obtained by using the above formula where X is the estimated number of deaths in a given group. For easy reference, the percent errors ascribable to sampling for estimates based on several levels in the number of deaths are

10	900
20 67.1	1,000 9.5
50	2,000 6.7
100	5,000 4.2
200	10,000 3.0
300 17.3	20,000 2.1
400	50,000 1.3
500	100,000 0.9
60012.2	200,000
70011.3	500,000 0.4
800	1,000,000 0.2

Population Bases for Computing Rates

The populations used for computing rates shown in this report represent the population residing in the specified area, as published by the U.S. Bureau of the Census. The populations for 1979 were published by the U.S. Bureau of the Census in the following issues of the *Current Population Reports*, Series P-25:

1. No. 870. "Estimates of the Population



of the United States, by Age, Race, and Sex: 1976 to 1979."

2. No. 876. "Annual Estimates of the Population of States: July 1, 1970 to 1979."

Infant mortality rates are based on live births. For an explanation of the method used in

computing infant mortality rates adjusted for the changing numbers of births, see "Effect of Changing Birth Rates Upon Infant Mortality Rates," Vital Statistics-Special Reports, Vol. 19, No. 21, Nov. 1944 (U.S. Bureau of the Census). .

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Data not available	
Category not applicable	•••
Quantity zero	-
Quantity more than 0 but less than 0.05	0.0
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Table 1. LIVE BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND RATES: EACH REPORTING AREA, 1978 AND 1979

[By place of occurrence. Rates per 1,000 population in specified area. Data are provisional unless otherwise specified]

		Liv	e births				Ma	rriages ¹		
Area	Nun	nber		Rate		Num	ber		Rate	
	1979	1978 (final)	1979	1978	1978 (final)	1979	1978 (final)	1979	1978	1978 (final)
New England	158,279	153,666	12.9	12.3	12.5	101,024	99,742	8.2	8.4	8.1
Maine	15,755	15,297	14.4	13.4	14.0	11,944	11,658	10.9	10.7	10,7
New Hampshire	12,830	12,357	14.5	14.2	14.2	9,175	9,120	10.3	10.4	10.5
Vermont	7,396	6,910	15.0	14.6	14.2	5,228	4,804	10.6	10.1	9.9
Massachusetts	73,104	70,311	12.7	12.0	12.2	42,652	42,882	7.4	8.0	7.4
Rhode Island	12,235	11,785	13.2	12.6	12.6 11.9	7,350	7,277	7.9 7.9	7.8	7,8
Connecticut	36,959	37,006	11.9	11.5	11.9	24,675	24,001	7.9	7.7	
Middle Atlantic	481,466	479,024	13.1	12.8	13.0	285,611	282,459	7.8	7.7	7.7
New York	231,787	235,024	13.1	12.9	13.2	141,350	136,784	8.0	7.7	7.7
New Jersey	91,896	90,682	12.5	12.3	12.4	54,844	52,993	7.5	7,2	7.2
Pennsylvania	157,783	153,318	13.5	13.0	13.0	89,417	92,682	7.6	8.0	7.9
East North Central	647,726	622,560	15.7	15.1	15.1	396,806	394,249	9.6	9.5	9.6
Ohio	164,111	161,050	15.3	15.1	15.0	102,539	103,754	9.6	9.7	9.7
Indiana	87,452 181,218	83,513 171,710	16.2 16.1	15.6	15.5	59,613	58,050	11.0	10.8	10.8
Illinois Michigan		137,900	15.4	15.5 14.8	15.3 15.0	108,443 86,660	105,923 88,333	9.7 9.4	9.4 9.4	9.4 9.6
Wisconsin	72,818	68,387	15.4	14.6	14.6	39,551	38,189	8.4	8.1	8.2
West North Central	279,112	267,098	16.3	15.8	15.7	170,339	168,363	10.0	10.0	9.9
Minnesota	64,939	62,387	16.0	15.6	15.5	36,298	33,480	8.9	8.4	8.3
lowa	47,083	44,979	16.2	15.6	15.5	27,731	28,030	9.6	9.7	9.6
Missouri	78,505	75,283	16.1	15.9	15.5	52,336	52,878	10.8	11.2	10.9
North Dakota	12,769	12,126	19.4	18.6	18.6	5,977	5,651	9.1	8.7	8.7
South Dakota	12,623	12,104	18.3	17.4	17.5	9,098	10,638	13.2	15.3	15,4
Nebraska Kansas	26,093	25,424 34,795	16.6 15.7	16.1 14.8	16.2 14.8	14,032 24,867	13,711 23,975	8.9 10.5	8.6 10.2	8.7
South Atlantic		506,624	15.1	14.6	14.6	400,272	390,527	11.4	11.2	11.3
Delaware Maryland	9,123 50,043	8,958 48,227	15.7 12.1	15,3 11,6	15.3 11.6	4,418 45,903	4,322 45,029	7.6	7.3	7.4
District of Columbia	20,334	19,666	31.0	28.3	29.3	45,903	4,624	7.6	6.9	6.9
Virginia	73,812	70,653	14.2	13.7	13.6	58,739	58,967	11.3	11.5	11.4
West Virginia	30,263	29,732	16.1	16.9	16.0	17,733	17,275	9.4	9.3	9.3
North Carolina		82,801	15,1	14.8	14.9	45,233	43,852	8.1	7,9	7,9
South Carolina	49,956	47,654	17.0	16.2	16.4	53,968	52,960	18.4	18.2	18.2
Georgia		86,000	17.5	16.5	16.9	65,898	68,171	12.9	13.3	13.4
Flordia	120,839	112,933	13.6	13.1	13.0	103,406	95,327	11.7	11.0	11.0
East South Central	238,984	231,878	16.9	16.6	16.6	171,445	² 165,830	12.2	11.9	² 11.9 ² 9.5
Kentucky	60,182 72,261	58,295 70,248	17.1 16.5	16.7 16.2	16.7 16.2	36,513 59,407	² 33,301 57,529	10.4 13.6	9.7 13.3	13.3
Alabama	60,628	59,185	16.1	15.7	15.9	48,807	47,720	12.9	12.8	12.8
Mississippi	45,913	44,150	18.9	19.0	18.3	26,718	27,280	11.0	11.2	11.3
West South Central	426,701	395,665	19.0	17.7	18.0	285,958	276,483	12.7	12,3	12.5
Arkansas	35,008	33,822	16.1	15.3	15.6	24,947	25,096	11.4	10.7	11.6
Louisiana	79,413	75,029	19.8	19.1	18.9	41,816	39,877	10.4	9.9	10.0
Oklahoma	47,214	44,266	16.3	15.2	15.6	44,452	43,683	15.4	15.0	15.4
Texas	265,066	242,548	19.8	18.2	18.6	174,743	167,827	13.1	12.6	12.9
Mountain		201,649	20.2	19.5	19.5	244,766	234,451	22.9	22.8	22.6
Montana		13,243	17.6 21.8	16.8	17.0	8,246	8,136	10.5	10.4	10.4
Wyoming		18,878 8,168	19.9	21.4 19.1	21.4 19.2	13,568 6,032	13,570 6,298	15.0 13.4	15.7 14.6	15,4
Colorado		44,511	17.2	16.6	16.4	31,889	31,129	11.5	11.4	11.5
New Mexico	25,570	23,266	20.6	18.1	19.1	16,785	16,582	13.5	14.1	13.6
Arizona	45,707	43,014	18.7	18.3	18.1	29,549	27,725	12.1	12.0	11.7
Utah	42,304	39,758	30.9	30.6	30.2	16,823	16,365	12.3	12.6	12.4
Nevada	11,830	10,811	16.9	16.5	16.2	121,874	114,646	173.6	173.0	172.1
Pacific	487,865	480,136	16.0	16.1	16.1	285,578	270,168	9.4	8.9	9.0
Washington		58,421	14.0	15.3	15.4	45,809	45,210	11.7	11.6	11.9
Oregon	42,984	40,015	17.0	16.3	16.3	21,907	21,055	8.7	8.6	8.6
California ³ Alaska		356,196 8,752	16.0 22.0	16.0 21.7	16.0 21.3	201,133 5,071	188,056 5,111	8.9 12.5	8.4 12.7	8.4
Hawaii	17,429	16,752	19.0	18.6	18.6	11,658	10,736	12.5	11.9	11.9

¹Data are either marriages reported or marriage licenses issued; see Explanatory Notes. ²Data are incomplete. ³Marriage data include nonlicensed marriages; see Explanatory Notes.

Table 2. DEATHS, INFANT DEATHS, AND RATES: EACH REPORTING AREA, 1978 AND 1979

By place of occurrence. Rates for deaths at all ages are per 1,000 population. Infant mortality rates are deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births. Data are provisional unless otherwise specified]

		Deaths	s (all ages)				Infant death	s (under 1	year)	
Area	Num	ber	Rate Number Rate							
	1979	1978 (final)	1979	1978	1978 (final)	979	1978 (final)	1979	1978	1978 (final)
New England	110,061	110,037	9.0	9.1	9.0	1,706	1,751	10.8	10.0	11.4
Maine	10,367	10,149	9.5	9.3	9.3	152	154	9.6	9.2	10.1
New Hampshire Vermont	7,287 4,364	7,214 4,496	8.2 8.9	8.3 9.4	8.3 9.2	131 57	117 85	10.2 7.7	8.3 11.4	9.5 12.3
Massachusetts	52,624	52,915	9.1	9.3	9.2	764	785	10.5	9.7	11.2
Rhode Island	9,295	9,103	10.0	9.7	9.8	186	184	15.2	15.7	15.6
Connecticut	26,124	26,160	8.4	8.4	8.4	416	426	11.3	9.6	11.5
Middle Atlantic	342,332	351,012	9.3	9.5	9.5	6,849	6,539	14.2	14.9	13.7
New York New Jersey	160,937 64,126	166,845 64,381	9.1 8.7	9.3 8.8	9.4 8.8	3,661 1,089	3,332 1,055	15.8 11.9	16.3 11.8	14.2
Pennsylvania	117,269	119,786	10.0	10.2	10.2	2,099	2,152	13.3	14.8	14.0
East North Central	351,921	358,619	8.5	8.7	8.7	8,326	8,533	12.9	13.0	13.7
Ohio	93,197	96,384 47,449	8.7	9.1 8.8	9.0 8.8	1,966	2,190 1,025	12.0	13.0	13.6 12.3
Indiana Illinois	47,153	100,783	8.7 8.9	8.8	9.0	1,126 2,750	2,656	12.9 15.2	12.2	12.3
Michigan	72,480	73,837	7.9	8.0	8.0	1,916	1,905	13.5	13.4	13.8
Wisconsin	38,873	40,166	8.2	8.7	8.6	568	757	7.8	9.2	11.1
West North Central	153,715	159,088	9.0	9.4	9.3	3,324	3,613	11.9	13.3	13.5
Minnesota	32,450	33,998	8.0	8.5	8.4	706	787	10.9	12.3	12.6
lowa Missouri	26,237 48,558	27,035 50,439	9.0 10.0	9.4 10.7	9.3 10.4	476 1,165	537 1,236	10.1 14.8	11.8 16.0	11.9 16.4
North Dakota	5,566	5,687	8.5	8.8	8.7	161	155	12.6	13.1	12.8
South Dakota	6,236	6,365	9.1	9.2	9.2	126	155	10.0	12.0	12.8
Nebraska Kansas	14,116 20,552	14,518 21,046	9.0 8.7	9.3 8.9	9.3 9.0	305 385	349 394	11.7 10.4	13.8	13.7 11.3
South Atlantic	319,722	318,809	9,1	9.2	9.2	7,847	7,888	14.9	15.3	15.6
Delaware	5,048	5,099	8.7	8.7	8.7	144	118	15.8	12.0	13.2
Maryland	32,002	32,402	7.7	7.8	7.8	623	659	12.4	14.4	13.7
District of Columbia Virginia	9,042 40,183	8,766 40,206	13.8 7.7	13.0 7.8	13.1 7.8	392 1,049	486 965	19.3 14.2	23.1 13.3	24.7 13.7
West Virginia	19,140	19,618	10.2	10.8	10.5	413	466	13.6	15.1	15.7
North Carolina	47,168	47,717	8.4	8.5	8.6	1,292	1,376	15.3	16.3	16.6
South Carolina Georgia	23,736 42,646	23,461 43,837	8.1 8.3	8.1 8.5	8.1 8.6	859	888 1,313	17.2	18.5 14.7	18.6 15.3
Florida	100,757	97,703	0.3 11.4	11.4	11.3	1,264 1,811	1,617	15.0	14.2	14.3
East South Central	130,840	131,664	9.3	9.4	9.4	3,495	3,548	14.6	15,3	15.3
Kentucky	32,552	33,180	9.2	9.5	9.5	710	682	11.8	12.0	11.7
Tennessee	41,264 34,304	41,122 34,478	9.4 9.1	9.5 9.2	9.5 . 9.2	1,094 872	1,129 946	15.1 14.4	16.1 16.4	16.1 16.0
Mississippi	22,720	22,884	9.4	9.5	9.5	819	791	17.8	17,1	17.9
West South Central	191,169	190,007	8.5	8.5	8.6	5,403	5,897	12.7	14.6	14.9
Arkansas Louisiana	21,554 34,918	21,742 35,539	9.9 8.7	9.9 9.0	10.0 8.9	442 1,177	509 1,331	12.6 14.8	14.3 17.8	15.0 17.7
Oklahoma	27,204	27,130	9.4	9.3	9.5	527	636	11.2	13.8	14.4
Texas ,	107,493	105,596	8.0	7.9	8.1	3,257	3,421	12.3	13.8	14.1
Mountain	77,823	76,522	7.3	7.4	7.4	2,617	2,455	12.1	12.4	12.2
Montana	6,407	6,402	8.2	8.2	8.2	136	135	9.9	10.0	10.2
Idaho Wyoming	6,061 2,929	6,169 3,050	6.7 6.5	7.0 7.1	7.0 7.2	155 80	181 75	7.9 8.9	9.7 9.0	9.6 9.2
Colorado	19,057	18,967	6.9	7.1	7.0	542	541	11.3	11.9	12.2
New Mexico	8,596	8,409	6.9	7.0	6.9	344	313	13.5	14.5	13.5
Arizona	20,385	19,799	8.3	8.3	8.3	671	587	14.7	15.0	13.6
Utah Nevada	8,546 5,842	8,256 5,470	6.3 8.3	6.3 7.9	6.3 8.2	536 153	491 132	12.7 12.9	12.0 11.3	12.3 12.2
Pacific	227,288	234,869	7.5	7.7	7.9	5,456	5,803	11.2	11.8	12.1
Washington	29,496	30,730	7.5	8.0	8.1	599	759	10.9	11.5	13.0
Oregon	21,071	21,007	8.3	8.6	8.6	477	530	11.1	13.2	13.2
California Alaska	169,954 1,639	176,579 1,695	7.5 4.0	7.7 4.4	7.9 4.1	4,052 137	4,202 115	11.1 15.4	11.6 16.3	11.8 13.1
Hawaii	5,128	4,858	5.6	5.4	5.4	191	197	11.0	11.8	11.8



Table 3. DIVORCES AND DIVORCE RATES: UNITED STATES AND EACH REPORTING AREA, 1978 AND 1979

[By place of occurrence. Rates per 1,000 population in specified area. Data are provisional unless otherwise specified]

	Nun	nber		Rate	
Area	1979	1978 (final)	1979	1978	1978 (final)
United States ¹	1,170,000	1,130,000	5.3	5.2	5,2
Total, 49 areas	1,119,279	1,077,543	5.3	5.1	5.2
Alabama	26,900	25,059	7.1	6.8	6.7
Alaska	3,513	3,469	8.7	8.3	8.4
Arizona	19,917	17,320	8.1	7.4	7,3
Arkansas	19,337	19,964	8.9	8.9	9.2
California	137,714	133,402	6.1	6.0	6.0
Colorado	16,688	18,590	6.0	6.6	6.9
Connecticut	12,780	12,765	4.1	4.1 5.6	4.1 5.7
Delaware,	3,166	3,302	5.4 6.4		
District of Columbia	4,173	3,437	6.4 7.9	5.2	5,1
Florida	70,155	65,831	6.4	7.7 6.2	7.6
Georgia	32,842	31,554	6.4 5.5		
Hawaii	5,035	4,837	7.2	5.4	5.4
ldaho	6,519	6,356	1.2	7.3	7.2
Illinois	53,842	50,311	4.8	4.2	4.5
ove	11,403	11,123	3.9	3.8	3.8
Kansas	13,017	12,668	5.5	5.4	5.4
Kentucky	16,913	213,759	4.8	4.0	² 3.9
Maine	6,110	6,192	5.6	5.7	5.7
Maryland	15,541	16,497	3.7	3.8	4.0
Massachusetts	17,405	16,160	3.0	3.1	2.8
Michigan	45,951	45.029	5.0	4.9	4.9
Minnesota	14,705	14,393	3.6	3.5	3.6
Mississippi	12,901	13,313	5.3	5.4	5.5
Missouri.	28,467	26,308	5.8	5.4	5.4
Montana	5,159	4,884	6.6	6.2	6.3
Nebraska	6,021	6,066	3.8	3.9	3.9
Nevada	10,465	11,213	14.9	15.1	16.8
New Hampshire	5,051	4,721	5.7	5,1	5.4
New Jersey	23,544	26,575	3.2	3.6	3.6
New Mexico	9,329	9,608	7.5	7.6	7.9
New York	59,898	58,043	3.4	3.2	3.3
Next Acelia	27,523	26,558	4,9	4.8	4.8
North Carolina,	2,076	20,558	3.2	3.2	3.2
North Dakota	60,108	59,200	5.6	5.4	5.5
Ohio	22,823	22,439	7.9	7.8	7.9
Oklahoma	17,709	16,965	7.0		
OregonPennsylvania	39,689	38,261	3.4	6.9 3.3	6.9 3.3
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Rhode Island	3,599 13,965	3,475	3.9 4.8	3.7	3.7
South Carolina	2,635	2,449	3.8	3.5	3.5
South Dakota	32,349	2,449	7.4	6.6	6.6
Tennessee	91,454	85,784	6.8	6.6	6.6
Texas Utah	7,542	7,128	5.5	5,5	5,4
	2 200	0.055	4.7		1 45
Vermont	2,296	2,055	4.7	4,7	4.2
Virginia	23,648	22,654	4.6	4.4	4.4
Washington	26,802	26,485	6.8	6.9	7.0
Vest Virginia	10,066	9,698	5,4	5.2	5.2
Wisconsin	16,880	16,129	3.6	3.4	3.4
Wyoming	3,654				

¹Estimated. ²Data are incomplete.

Table 4. ABRIDGED LIFE TABLE FOR THE TOTAL POPULATION: UNITED STATES, 1979

[For explanation of the colums of the life table, see Section 5 of Vital Statistics of the United States, 1976, Volume II, Part A]

Age interval	Proportion dying	Of 100,000	born alive	Stationary	population	Average remaining lifetime
Period of life between two exact ages stated in years	Proportion of persons alive at beginning of age interval dying during interval	Number living at beginning of age interval	Number dying during age interval	in the age interval	In this and all subsequent age intervals	Average number of years of life remaining at beginning of age interval
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
x to x + n	n ^q x	/ _x	n ^d x	n ^L x	r _x	e e x
0-1	0.0130 0.0025 0.0016 0.0058 0.0059 0.0070 0.0091 0.0140 0.0220 0.0358 0.0532 0.0821 0.1133 0.1670 0.2586	100,000 98,696 98,451 98,289 98,108 97,610 96,242 95,506 94,740 93,414 91,356 88,087 76,550 67,879 56,547	1,304 245 162 181 498 667 676 866 1,326 2,058 3,269 4,690 6,847 8,671 11,332 14,624	98,862 394,215 491,820 491,063 489,411 486,419 483,077 479,793 476,004 470,603 462,246 449,115 429,342 400,657 361,917 311,962 246,686	7,378,296 7,279,434 6,885,219 6,393,399 5,902,336 5,412,925 4,926,506 4,443,429 3,963,636 3,487,632 3,017,029 2,554,783 2,105,6688 1,676,326 1,275,669 913,752 601,790	73.8 73.8 69.9 65.0 60.2 55.5 50.8 46.2 46.2 46.2 36.8 32.3 28.0 23.9 20.1 16.7 13.5 10.6
80–85	0.3578	41,923 26,925	14,998 26,925	171,512	355,104 183,592	8.5

Table 5. DEATH RATES BY MONTH: UNITED STATES, 1965-79

[For 1979, based on provisional figures; for all other years, based on final data. Rates on an annual basis per 1,000 population]

Month	1979	1978	1977	1976	1975	1974	1973	1972 ¹	1971	1970	1969	1968	1967	1966	1965
Annual	8.7	8.8	8.8	8.9	8.9	9,2	9,4	9.4	9.3	9.5	9.5	9.7	9.4	9.5	9.4
January February March April June June July September October November	9.1 9.5 8.8 8.9 8.4 8.4 8.5 8.3 8.1 8.5 8.5 8.5	10.6 9.7 8.9 8.6 8.6 8.4 8.4 8.3 8.3 8.6 8.7	9.5 9.3 9.1 8.8 8.6 8.4 8.6 8.2 8.2 8.2 8.7 8.7	9.3 10.2 9.9 9.0 8.5 8.4 8.3 8.1 8.2 8.6 8.9	10.1 9.9 9.1 8.8 8.6 8.5 8.5 8.4 8.4 8.4 8.6	9.6 9.6 9.5 8.9 8.8 8.9 8.5 8.7 9.0 9.0	10.8 10.2 9.3 9.2 9.1 9.0 8.9 9.0 9.0 9.1 9.1	11.0 10.3 9.3 9.2 9.1 8.9 9.3 8.9 8.8 8.9 8.8 9.4	10.0 9.6 9.5 9.2 9.2 8.9 8.8 8.8 9.1 9.4	10.6 10.4 9.5 9.3 9.1 9.0 9.1 8.8 8.8 9.2 9.5	10.9 9.8 9.4 9.3 9.2 9.2 8.9 8.8 9.2 9.6	11.6 10.0 9.6 9.2 9.1 9.2 9.1 9.0 8.8 9.1 9.7	9.8 9.6 9.3 9.3 9.1 8.9 8.7 8.9 9.5	10.1 10.1 9.9 9.4 9.3 9.6 8.7 8.8 9.3 9.3	10.1 10.4 10.1 9.5 9.2 9.1 8.9 8.7 8.8 9.3 9.5

¹Based on a 50-percent sample of deaths.

Table 6. DEATH RATES BY AGE, COLOR, AND SEX: UNITED STATES, 1950, 1960, AND 1970-79

[For 1979, based on a 10-percent sample of deaths; for all other years, based on final data. Rates per 100,000 population in specified group]

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Color, sex, and year	All ages ¹	Under 1 year	1-4 years	5-14 years	15-24 years	25-34 years	35-44 years	45-54 years	55-64 years	65-74 years	75-84 years	85 years and over
TOTAL	-								1			
1979 (est.)	866.2	1.372.5	62.7	34.8	118.2	139.1	227.9	E00 E	1 271 1	2,921,9	70440	40.004.0
1978	883.4	1,434.4	69.2	33.9	117.5	135.5	238.9	588.5 609.7		3,027.2		13,831.0
1977	878.1	1,485.6	68.8	34.6	117.1	136.2	238.5	620.7		3,055.6		14,700.7
1976	889.6	1,595.0	69.9	34.7	113.5	136.2	254.1	634.8				14,725.9
1975	888.5	1,641.0	70.8	35.7	118.9	143.2	266.8	649.6				15,486.9
1974	915.1	1,755.7	73.9	38.2	121.7	146.8	278.6	675.0				16,532.8
1973	940.2	1,805.2	79.5	41.0	128.3	153.6	295.9	697.4				17,429.4
1972 ²	943.2	1,829.2	80.9	40.8	127.7	153.9	302.1	710.4		3,526.9		17,351.8
1971	934.7	1,904.8	82.6	41.1	126.6	156.5	307.5	710.2				17,426.4
1970	945.3	2,142.4	84.5	41.3	127.7	157.4	314.5	730.0				16,344.9
1960 1950	954.7 963.8	2,696.4 3,299.2	109.1 139.4	46.6 60.1	106.3 128.1	146.4 178.7	299.4 358.7	756.0 853.9		3,822.1 ³ 4,104.3	8,745.2	19,857.5 20,196.9
MALE												
1979 (est.)	974.7	1,552.4	67.8	44.2	179.9	204.6	303.4	767.1	1,855.6	4,018.2	9,127.3	10 077 0
1978	994.4	1,591.7	78.2	41.4	173.5	192.6	313.8	797.3	1,906.3	4,185.4	9,385.3	16,077.8
1977	994.1	1,659.0	76.5	42.6	172.8	193.6	323.2	814.0		4,230.3	9,385.3	17,258.9
1976	1,007.0	1,762.6	78.2	42.6	167.7	191.3	331.6	834.0		4,230.3	9,509.1	17,299.1
1975	1,013.2	1,829.3	77.8	43.9	176.8	202.7	346.9	856.3	2,034.7	4,414.5		17,983.9
1974 1973	1,041.0	1,970.4	82.3	46.9	181.3	205.1	358.5	890.5	2,111.9		9,786.9	18,875,7
1972 ²	1,072.9 1,080.3	2,032.1	88.8	50.0	189.8	214.5	380.4	916.6	2,206.6		10,108.1	19,809.4
1971	1,080.3	2,063.6	90.0	48.9	188.1	211.8	386.6	940.0	2,245.6		10,124.0	19,595.8
1970	1,072.8	2,142.4	90.8	49.5	186.2	214.0	392.5	931.5	2,226.2	4,760.5	9,919.1	19,746.5
1960	1,104.5	2,410.0 3,059.3	93.2 119.5	50.5 55.7	188.5	215.3	402.6	958.5	2,282.7		10,010.2	17,821.5
1950	1,106.1	3,728.0	151.7	70.9	152.1	187.9	372.8	992.2	2,309.5		10,178.4	21,186.3
	1,100.1	3,720.0	151.7	70.9	167.9	216.5	428.8	1,067.1	2,395.3	4,931.4	10,426.0	21,636.0
FEMALE				ĺ								
1979 (est.)	763.4	1,184.3	57.2	25.0	55.7	75.2	156.5	420.5	936.4	2,078.1	5,739.3	12,829.4
1978	778.3	1,269.6	59.9	26.1	60.9	79.7	167.8	433.2	976.3	2,137.6	5,863.1	13,541.2
1077		1,303.5	60.8	26.3	60.7	80.1	175.6	439.3	985.0	2,152.8	5,846.7	13,542.3
1976		1,419.0	61.3	26.5	58.6	82.3	180.5	448.3	1,005.5	2,198.3	6,002.5	14,312.1
1975		1,443.7	63.5	27.2	60.5	85.1	190.8	456.3	1,012.6	2,247.0	6,030.4	14,031.4
1974	795.6	1,530.7	65.2	29.1	61.7	89.9	202.7	473.7	1,045.8	2,361.0	6,329.5	15,387.6
1973	814.2	1,568.8	69.9	31.6	66.4	94.4	215.6	493.1	1,079.8	2,445.5	6,562.5	16,234.0
1972 ²	812.8	1,585.1	71.4	32.4	67.2	97.6	221.7	496.6	1,081,1	2,529.9	6,584.4	16,202.5
1971	803.8	1,656.1	74.0	32.4	67.4	100.8	226.8	504.1	1,082.4	2,498.3	6,531.5	16,215,7
1970 1960	807.8	1,863.7	75.4	31.8	68.1	101.6	231.1	517.2	1,098.9	2,579.7	6,677.6	15,518.0
1950	809.2 823.5	2,321.3 2,854.6	98.4 126.7	37.3 48.9	61.3 89.1	106.6 142.7	229.4 290.3	526.7 641.5	1,196.4 1,404.8	2,871.8 3,333.2	7,633 <i>.</i> 1 8,399.6	19,008,4 19,194,7
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WHITE 1979 (est.)	970 7	1,160.1	57.2	33.9	115,4	120.0	198.4	538.8	1 000 0	0.005.1	0.050.4	44 474 0
1978		1,218.3	62.7	32.2	113.9	118.0	206.0	559.6	1,303.3 1,343.6	2,865.1 2,962.2	6,953.1 7,155.2	14,474.9 15,316.0
1977		1,266.2	62.5	33.1	112.8	117.6	213.2	567.9	1,343.6	2,985,3	7,165.2	15,316.0
976	899.4	1,356.2	64.1	33.2	107.6	116.0	218.5	580.9	1,403.3	3,053,3	7,340.0	16,068.5
1975	896.8	1,413.0	64.4	33.9	111.5	121.1	229.2	597.1	1,422.8	3,107.2	7,340.0	15,707.5
1974	921.9	1,524.5	67.1	36.5	113.0	122.9	237.6	617.4	1.471.6	3,231.0	7,703.9	17,055.6
973	944.2	1,565.1	71.4	38.8	118.5	128.2	252.0	633.6	1,529.5	3,335.2	7,976.7	17,055.6
972 ²	946.4	1,577.5	73.4	39.1	116.2	126.5	255.1	646.2	1,550.1	3,429.1	8,017.4	17,864.5
1971	936.6	1,655.3	74.3	38.7	113.7	128.4	261.1	649.0	1,543.7	3,391.6	7,913.5	17,864.5
1970	946.3	1,869.7	75.1	39.1	115.8	129.9	267.0	666.2	1,577,1	3,490.1	8,043.3	16,889,7
1960	947.8	2,357.7	95.2	43.9	99.1	123.6	260.4	692.3	1,632.8	3,739.8	8,827,2	20,354.5
950	945.7	2,992.6	124.1	56.4	111.7	148.3	307.6	765.0	1,799.6	4,023.1	9,416.5	20,678.6
WHITE, MALE			Ì									
1979 (est.)	980.0	1,330.0	60.8	43.5	176.1	174.2	259.8	705.8	1,768.5	3,975,4	0 127 =	16 065 5
978		1,359.6	71.7	39.2	168.5	166.7	268.1	733.8			9,127.5	16,965.5
977	998.2	1,429.7	69.7	40.6	167.3	165.9	276.6	747.8	1,819.2	4,135.6	9,420.5	18,100.3
976	1,010.4	1,511.8	71.9	40.7	159.4	161.7	283.7	765.9	1,848.9	4,181.3	9,440.7	18,041.7
975	1,015.3	1,594.4	71.3	41.5	165.9	169.1	295.8	790.2	1,915.5		9,595.0	18,767.6
974	1,041.6	1,727.0	75.3	44.8	168.8	170.6	305.1	820.3	2,026.1	4,355.8	9,608,1	18,257.9
973	1,071.2	1,776.5	79.8	47.0	176.2	177.6	324.4	839.7	2,026.1	4,509.6	9,903.1	19,543,7
972 ²	1,077.3	1,800.4	82.5	47.0	170.7	172.5	325.4	861.4	2,160.8	4,653.9	10 227 2	20,436.1
971	1,069.6	1,876.5	81.9	46.4	167.1	174.4	334.9	860.6	2,145.1	4 606 5	10,227.3	20,266.2
970	1,086.7	2,113.2	83.6	48.0	170.8	176.6	343.5	882.9	2,145.1	4,696.5		20,420.4
960	1,098.5	2,694.1	104.9	52.7	143.7	163.2	332.6	932.2	2,202.6	4,810.1		18,551.7
950	1,089.5		135.5	67.2	152.4	185.3	380.9		2,225.2		0,299.6	21,750.0
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Table 6. DEATH RATES BY AGE, COLOR, AND SEX: UNITED STATES, 1950, 1960, AND 1970-79-Con.

[For 1979, based on a 10-percent sample of deaths; for all other years, based on final data. Rates per 100,000 population in specified group]

Color, sex, and year	All ages ¹	Under 1 year	1-4 years	, 5•14 years	15-24 years	25-34 years	35-44 years	45-54 years	55-64 years	65-74 years	75-84 years	85 years and over
WHITE, FEMALE												
979 (est.)	783.4	981.1	53.4	23.9	53.2	65.6	138.8	379.5	883.0	2,012.6	5,662.2	13,374.
978	796.5	1,069.7	53.3	25.0	58.1	69.3	145.8	393.9	914.0	2,063.8	5,810.2	14,079
977	783.3	1,094.8	55.0	25.3	57.2	69.3	151.9	397.4	920.4	2,070.4	5,805.1	14,039
976	793.6	1,192.1	55.9	25.4	54.7	70.3	155.4	405.9	942.0		5,984.6	14,823 14,494
975	783.8	1,222.3	57.1	25.8	56.0	73.3 75.5	164.6 172.1	414.8 426.4	944.6 973.6	2,152.8	6,034.7 6,354.6	15,845
974	807.6 823.0	1,312.6 1,342.8	58.5 62.5	27.9 30.2	56.2 60.0	79.3	172.1	420.4	1,000.7	2,252.5	6,582.2	16,685
973 972 ²	821.3	1,342.8	63.8	30.2	61.2	81.0	187.1	444.3	1,001.6	2,416.8	6,619.6	16,657
972	809.7	1,422.9	66.2	30.7	60.2	83.0	189.8	450.6	1,003.3	2,386.6	6,558.8	16,629
970	812.6	1,614.6	66.1	29.9	61.6	84.1	·193.3	462.9	1,014.9	2,470.7	6,698.7	15,980
960	800.9	2,007.7	85.2	34.7	54.9	85.0	191.1	458.8	1,078.9	2,779.3	7,696.6	19,477
950	803.3	2,566.8	112.2	45.1	71.5	112.8	235.8	546.4	1,293.8	3,242.8	8,481.5	19,679
ALL OTHER												
979 (est.)	783.2	2,388.4	87.3	39.2	134.2	263.8	433.1	958.3	1,988.9	3,435.5	7,716.0	8,291
978	805.1	2,456.7	99.0	41.9	137.6	250.3	466.3	990.7	2,085.5	3,620.8	7,558.2	9,228
977	813.0 824.8	2,546.4	97.6	42.0 42.2	141.4 147.5	261.6 273.9	482.2 499.6	1,032.3 1,065.5	2,126.0	3,708.8	7,384.2	9,595 10,018
976 975	833.6	2,765.3	96.9 101.0	42.2	162.8	295.8	. 529.8	1,085.5	2,133.2	3,970.7	7,076.1	10,018
974	869.1	2,922.9	107.8	47.3	174.1	314.4	568.4	1,153.3	2,285.1	4,266.9	7.080.8	11.245
973	912.6	3,020.1	121.1	53.0	187.4	334.2	609.9	1,235.4	2,399.7	4,470.8	7,419.6	12,137
972 ²	920.9	3,125.6	120.0	49.9	199.1	349.2	642.5	1,260.4	2,406.0	4,490.1	7,338.6	11,854
971	921.5	3,250.7	126.4	54.3	209.0	355.0	649.4	1,242.6	2,380.8	4,414.7	7,271.7	11,990
970	938.4	3,597.1	134.1	53.7	203.6	- 348.7	664.3	1,290.9	2,431.1	4,488.4	7,511.1	10,750
960 950	1,008.5 1,119.4	4,626.4 5,368.4	190.8 250.8	64.3 86.0	158.2 251.3	318.6 440.2	633.4 805.3	1,342.9 1,706.1	2,774.6 ³ 3,126.6		7,631.1 8,039.7	13,907 14,473
ALL OTHER, MALE												
979 (est.)	940.5	2,622.8	100.1	47.7	201.5	418.5	633.7	1,244.7	2,671.5	4,400.6	9,125.0	9,265
978	959.7	2,708.5	108.1	52.3	201.9	377.2	659.3	1,305.2	2,730.1	4,632.6	8,992.4	10,678
977	967.1	2,780.4	108.1	52.8	205.1	396.8	671.7	1,354.5	2,772.7	4,682.2	8,783.8	11,286
976	983.5 999.1	3,012.4	107.5	52.2	217.3	410.5	692.4	1,402.5	2,812.3	4,852.8 4,970.8	8,652.1	11,519
975 974	1,036.3	3,001.1	108.8	56.7 58.7	242.6 259.0	· 454.6 467.8	736.1 768.7	1,418.9 1,499.7	2,806.6 2,942.3	5,285.0	8,555.6	11,693
973	1,084.6	3,335.4	135.6	66.8	275.2	498.6	815.7	1,591.5	3,069.5	5,456.7	8,965.7	13,605
972 ²	1,101.3	3,440.0	129.6	59.4	299.3	514.2	868.4	1,639.2	3,073.2	5,490.1	8,939.7	13,325
971	1,094.1	3,610.0	138.9	66.7	312.0	516.1	852.8	1,572.0	3,013.1	5,377.6	8,746.0	13,351
970	1,115.9	4,020.0	144.7	65.0	304.6	504.1	873.5	1,646.1	3,046.6	5,474.4	8,981.0	11,405
960	1,152.0	5,189.4	207.3	75.2	213.8	386.4	729.2	1,551.0	3,151.5	5,664.0	8,662.6	15,238
950	1,251.1	5,991.6	271.2	97.1	289.9	496.2	860.7	1,857.3	³ 3,480.8	³ 5,794.9	9,029.6	16,022
ALL OTHER, FEMALE												
979 (est.)	640.3	2,146.4	74.3	30.6	69.2	132.5	269.2	710.6	1,407.8	2,676.9	6,682.0	7,777
978	664.5 672.5	2,206.5 2,304.5	89.7 87.1	31.5 31.0	75.9 80.1	142.7 146.9	308.4 326.4	718.7 752.5	1,534.6	2,821.7 2,933.0	6,513.6 6,370.3	8,449 8,673
977	680.0	2,304.5	87.1	31.0	80.1	146.9	326.4	772.3	1,572.9	3,009.4	6,217.6	9,175
975	682.5	2,523.0	93.0	34.0	86.6	160.8	359.9	780.8	1,636.2	3,172.0	5,978.5	9,177
974	716.3	2,614.2	98.2	35.8	93.4	184.0	402.8	852.2	1,716.3	3,442.8	6,015.4	10,342
973	755.4	2,697.2	106.5	39.2	103.9	194.1	439.6	926.0	1,821.7	3,662.0	6,291.8	11,115
972 ²	755.5	2,815.9	110.2	40.3	103.9	208.3	455.1	929.4	1,830.2	3,678.9	6,178.0	10,939
971	763.3	2,896.7	113.9	41.8	111.9	217.8	480.1	953.8	1,829.4	3,630.0	6,195.6	11,271
970	775.3	3,169.4	123.3	42.3	108.8	215.7	490.5	979.4	1,886.9	3,675.6	6,392.6	10,288
960 950	872.6 993.5	4,067.1	174.4	53.4	106.1	260.0	547.3	1,144.9	2,409.7	3,981.4	6,708.4	12,871
	1 223.0	4,749.0	230.3	75.0	216.4	390.4	754.0	1,554.9	32,763.0	34,610.7	7,064.7	13,366

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¹ Figures for age not stated included in "All ages" but not distributed among age groups.
 ²Based on a 50-percent sample of deaths.
 ³Based on enumerated population adjusted for age bias in the "All other" population at ages 55-69 years.

Table 7. DEATHS AND DEATH RATES, BY AGE, COLOR, AND SEX: UNITED STATES, 1979

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[Based on a 10-percent sample of deaths. Rates per 100,000 population in specified group. Due to rounding estimates of deaths, figures may not add to totals]

		Total			White			All other	
Age	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female
NUMBER									
All ages	1,906,000	1,042,960	863,350	1,670,310	908,040	762,270	236,000	134,920	101,080
Under 1 year	45.000	26.080	18,960	31,450	18,500	12,950	13,590	7,580	6.010
1-4 years	7,750	4,290	3,460	5,800	3,160	2,640	1,950	1,130	820
5-14 years	12,040	7,800	4,240	9,690	6,360	3,330	2,350	1.440	910
15-24 years	48,920	37,490	11,450	40,410	31,200	9,210	8,530	6,290	2,240
25-34 years	48,510	35,300	13,250	36,210	26,310	9,900	12,340	8,990	3,350
35-44 years	57,140	37,050	20,130	43,460	28,020	15,440	13,720	9,030	4,690
45-54 years	135,070	85,430	49,680	108,930	69,660	39,270	26,180	15,770	10,410
55-59 years	123,930	79,300	44,630	104,470	66,910	37,560	19,460	12,390	7.070
60-64 years	163,400	104,680	58,720	141,510	91,530	49,980	21,890	13,150	8,740
65-69 years	207.640	128.020	79.620	181,720	113,240	68,480	25,920	14,780	11,140
70-74 years	238,590	138,870	99,720	212,290	124,210	88,080	26,300	14,660	11,640
75-79 years	252,650	133,050	119,600	226.830	119,410	107,420	25,820	13.640	12,180
80-84 years :	242.150	109,280	132,870	224,220	101.020	123,200	17,930	8,260	9,670
85 years and over	322,540	115,760	206,810	302,670	108.070	194,600	19,900	7,690	12,210
Not stated	820	560	270	630	420	210	200	140	60
RATE									
All ages ¹	866.2	974.7	763.4	879.3	980.0	783.4	783.2	940.5	640.3
Under 1 year	1,372.5	1,552,4	1,184.3	1,160.1	1,330.0	981.1	2,388.4	2,622.8	2,146.4
1-4 years	62.7	67.8	57.2	57.2	60.8	53.4	87.3	100.1	74.3
5-14 years	34.8	44.2	25.0	33.9	43.5	23.9	39.2	47.7	30.6
15-24 years	118.2	179.9	55.7	115.4	176.1	53.2	134.2	201.5	69.2
25-34 years	139.1	204.6	75.2	120.0	174.2	65.6	263.8	418.5	132.5
35-44 years	227.9	303.4	156.5	198.4	259.8	138.8	433.1	633.7	269.2
45-54 years	588.5	767.1	420.5	538.8	705.8	379.5	958.3	1,244.7	710.6
55-59 years	1.090.3	1,460.9	751.5	1,023,9	1.368.9	706.7	1,671.8	2,294,4	1,133.0
60-64 years	1,704.7	2,333.0	1,151.8	1,632.2	2,248.3	1,086.8	2,392.3	3,161,1	1.751.5
65-69 years	2,390.0	3,312.3	1,650.8	2,346.0	3,279,5	1,595.2	2,751.6	3.587.4	2,101.9
70-74 years	3,623.8	5.000.7	2,619,4	3,534.6	4,929.0	2,526.7	4,550.2	5,704.3	3.626.2
75-79 years	5,911.3	7,929.1	4,607.1	5,758.6	7,809.7	4,457.3	7,707.5	9,154,4	6.513.4
80-84 years	8,710.4	11,185.3	7,369.4	8,799.8	11,401.8	7,408.3	7,728.4	9,076.9	6,907.1
85 years and over	13,831.0	16,077.8	12,829,4	14,474.9	16,965.5	13,374.6	8,291.7	9,265.1	7.777.1

¹Figures for age not stated included in "All ages" but not distributed among age groups.

Table 8. AGE-SPECIFIC AND AGE-ADJUSTED DEATH RATES FOR 15 LEADING CAUSES AND SELECTED COMPONENTS: UNITED STATES, 1979

[Based on a 10-percent sample of deaths. Rates per 100,000 population in specified group]

Cause of death (Ninth Revision International Classification of Diseases, 1975)	All ages	Under 1 year	1-14 years	15-24 years	25-34 years	35-44 years	45-54 years	55-64 years	65-74 years	, 75-84 , years	85 years and over	Age- adjusted rate ¹
All causes	866.2	1,372.5	42.1	118.2	139.1	227.9	588.5	1,371.1	2,921.9	7,014.0	13,831.0	587.4
Disesses of heart	331.3 3.4 9.3 1.4	18.6	0.9 0.0	2.3 0.1 0.0 0.0	7.6 0.4 0.4 0.0	46.4 1.4 1.7 0.1	183.0 3.7 6.8 0.3	514.4 7.8 16.6 0.9	1,206.6 15.6 34.8 4.1	3,151.3 21.5 85.5 15.6	6,704.5 24.0 152.2 47.6	203.0 2.5 6.0 0.7
Ischemic heart disease	249.8 137.2	1.2 0.9	0.0	0.3 0.2	3.1 2.2	30.7 21.7	138.2 97.3	393.1 268.5	934.9 585.8	2,398.2 1,234.8	4,918.1 1,734.1	153,1 91,0
heart disease	2.0 0.2	0.3	-	:	0.0 0.0	0.4 0.0	2.3	5.0 0.2	6.8 1,0	13.8 1.0	29.6 3.9	1.4 0.1
chronic ischemic heart disease	110.4 2.8 64.6	- - 17.4	0.0 0.1 0.8	0.0 0.0 1.8	0.8 0.2 3.5	8.5 0.6 12.0	38.6 1.0 33.1	119.5 4.9 91.1	341.3 10.1 207.0	1,148.7 29.6 600.8	3,150.5 43.7 1,518.9	60.6 1.8 38.9
Malignant neoplasms, including neoplasms of lymphatic and hematopoletic tissues	183.5	3.0	4.7	5.9	13.3	49.3	182.9	442.1	797.5	1,300.1	1,452.8	133.4
pharynx140-149 Malignant neoplasms of digestive organs and	3.6	·	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.8	4.9	11.6	14.9 225.1	17.9 422.2	21.9 503.0	2.7 33.7
peritoneum150-159 Malignant neoplasms of respiratory and intrathoracic organs	49.5 46.7	0.6	0.1 0.0	0.2 0.2	1.7 0.7	8.9 10.6	35.4 56.2	104.4 146.5	226.1	251.1	165.5	35.8
Malignant neoplasm of breast174-175 Malignant neoplasms of genital organs179-187 Malignant neoplasms of urinary organs188-189	16.0 20.5 8.0	- 0.3	- 0.0 0.3	0.0 0.5 0.1	1.6 1.4 0.2	8.9 5.3 1.1	26.6 14.0 5.2	43.4 35.6 16.8	59.1 88.2 33.2	77.7 188.8 73.4	119.6 243.1 93.5	12.7 13.8 5.4
Malignant neoplasms of all other and unspecified sites	22.3 7.4	1.8	1.9 1.9	2.1 1.7	3.8 1.8	8.0 2.7	25.6 6.2	52.3 11.4	86.6 26.1	141.8 55.7	171.1 71.2	16.9 5.5
hematopoletic tissues	9.3	0.3	0.4	1.1	1.7	3.0	8.8	20.0	38.1	71.6		6.9
Cerebrovascular diseases	76.9 47.9 24.5	2.4 28.3 7.3	0.3 20.9 9.8	0.9 63.8 46.4	2.6 47.0 29.6	9.3 37.1 22.1	27.4 38.1 17.8	68.7 44.9 18.3	228.7 57.1 20.4	858.5 133.4 33.5	2,113.2 265.9 27.4	43.6
effects	23.4	21.0	11.0	17.4	17.4	15.0	20.3	26.5	36.7	99.9	238.4	
conditions 490-496	22.7	2.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	1.7	8.3	40.2	115.5	230.2	211.4 635.9	
Pneumonia and influenza	20.0 15.0 13.6 13.0 12.6	35.1 0.9	0.7 0.1 0.1 -	0.8 0.3 0.0 12.1	1.5 1.7 3.6 - 17.6	2.9 4.0 14.8 0.2 14.2	6.9 8.2 31.3 0.9 17.6	16.8 25.9 40.7 4.6 18.8	46.8 60.2 42.4 23.6 18.5	198.0 142.3 29.9 128.9 22.5	204.1 17.6 629.9	9.9 12.3 5.6
Homicide and legal intervention	10.5	5.8	1.4	15.5	19.4	13.7	. 10.9	7.0	6.5	5.7	5.6	10.6
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	10.4 7.3 6.1 3.8	691.9 7.0 272.8 9.4	0.2 0.1 3.2 0.2	0.1 0.2 1.4 0.2	0.0 0.9 1.2 0.5	1.6 1.3 0.6	0.0 3.4 1.8 2.0		25.3 2.5 12.8	4.3	6.0	(2)

For method of computation, see Explanatory Notes.
 ²Since deaths from these causes occur primarily among infants, rates adjusted to the total population in 1940 are not shown. See table H.

. Table 9. DEATHS FROM 72 SELECTED CAUSES: UNITED STATES, 1970 AND 1975-79

[For 1979, based on a 10-percent sample of deaths; for all other years, based on final data. Data for 1979 are based on the Ninth Revision International Classification of Diseases; for all other years, based on the Eighth Revision; see Explanatory Notes. Comparability of causes of death between the Eighth and Ninth Revisions is described in the Explanatory Notes. Comparability ratios are shown in table 11]

			Num	ber		
Cause of death (Ninth Revision International Classification of Diseases, 1975)	1979 (est.)	1978	1977	1976	1975	1970
All causes	1,906,000	1,927,788	1,899,597	1,909,440	1,892,879	1,921,031
Shigellosis and amebiasis004,006	30	34	53		62	8
Certain other intestinal infections007-009	350	1,874	1,855	1,939	2,010	2,56
Tuberculosis	1,980	2,914	2,968	3,130	3,333	5,21
Tuberculosis of respiratory system010-012	1,620	2,256	2,324	2,419	2,576	4,16
Other tuberculosis013-018	360	658	644	711	757	1,05
Whooping cough	20	6	10	7	8	1:
Streptococcal sore throat, scarlatina, and erysipelas	30	5	14	14	15	2
Meningococcal infection	390	403	338	·330	308	55
Septicemia	8,350 20	7,800 13	7,112	6,401	5,584	3,53
Acute ponomyentis	20	13	16	16	9	
Measles	-	11	15	12	20	8
Viral hepatitis	650	508	508	567	612	1,01
Syphilis	180	169	196	225	272	46
diseases001-003,005,020-032,037,039-041,046-054,056-066,071-088,098-139	3,320	4,305	3,845	3,857	3,697	3,07
Malignant neoplasms, including neoplasms of lymphatic and hematopoletic						
tissues	403,780	396,992	386,686	377,312	365,693	330,73
Malignant neoplasms of lip, oral cavity, and pharynx	7,890	8,341	8,454	8,114	8,135	7,61
Malignant neoplasms of digestive organs and peritoneum	108,910	105,427	102,951	101,729	99,629	94,70
Malignant neoplasms of respiratory and intrathoracic organs	102,740	99,898	95,182	91,131	86,675	69,51
Malignant neoplasm of breast	35,290	34,609	34,762	33,403	32,435	29,91
Malignant neoplasms of genital organs	45,190	45,131	44,273	44,461	42,994	41,19
Malignant neoplasms of urinary organs	17,680 49,180	17,574 48,943	17,382	16,980 45,975	16,533	15,51
Leukemia	16,330	48,943	47,276 15,329	45,975	44,585 14,754	39,06 14,49
Other malignant neoplasms of lymphatic and hematopoietic tissues	20,570	21,678	21,077	20,463	19,953	18,71
Benign neoplasms, carcinoma in situ, and neoplasms of uncertain behavior and of unspecified nature	5.800	4,963	4,925	4,719	4,947	4,82
Diabetes mellitus	33.060	33.841	32,989	34,508	35,230	38.32
Nutritional deficiencies	2,250	2,855	2,606	2,619	2,615	2,47
Anemias	2,940	3,300	3,121	3,182	3,195	3,42
Meningitis	1,490	1,560	1,526	1,589	1,630	1,70
Major cardiovascular diseases	953,100	966,120	961,539	974,429	971,047	1,007,984
Diseases of heart	729,210	729,510	718,850	723,878	716,215	735,54
Rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease	7,470	13,402	12,770	13,110	12,930	14,88
Hypertensive heart disease402 Hypertensive heart and renal disease404	20,520 3,150	7,087 3,249	6,905 3,530	6,670 4,020	6,693 4,334	8,41 6,57
lschemic heart disease	549,820	642,270	638,427	646,073	642,719	666,66
Acute myocardial infarction410	302,010	302,664	306,398	319,477	324,652	357,24
Other acute and subacute forms of ischemic heart disease 411	4,400	4,090	3,993	4,028	4,069	4,24
Angina pectoris	370	253	206	186	151	21
heart disease	243.040	335,263	327.830	322,382	313,847	304,96
Other diseases of endocardium	6,160	4,072	4,024	4,195	4,411	6,70
All other forms of heart disease	142,090	59,430	53,194	49,810	45,128	32,292
Hypertension with or without renal disease	6,910	5,490	5,695	6,130	6,300	8,273
Cerebrovascular diseases430-438 Intracerebral and other intracranial hemorrhage	169,350 22,760	175,629 22,633	181,934 23,832	188,623 24,845	194,038	207,166
Cerebral thrombosis and unspecified occlusion of cerebral arteries	35,110	38,710	42,016	24,845 44,803	26,862 48,457	41,379 57,849
Cerebral embolism	810	760	42,018	44,803	48,457	67,849 884
All other and late effects of cerebrovascular diseases430.433.435-438	110.670	113,526	115,355	118,149	117,908	107.05
Atherosclerosis	28,650	28,940	28,754	29,366	28,887	31,68
Other diseases of arteries, arterioles, and capillaries	18,980	26,551	26,306	26,432	25,607	25,32
Acute bronchitis and bronchiolitis	470	756	697	854	737	1,31
				E1 066		
Pneumonia and influenza	44,110 43.520	58,319 54,267	51,193 49,889	61,866 53,989	55,664 51,387	62,739 59,033

Table 9. DEATHS FROM 72 SELECTED CAUSES: UNITED STATES, 1970 AND 1975-79-Con.

[For 1979, based on a 10-percent sample of deaths; for all other years, based on final data. Data for 1979 are based on the Ninth Revision International Classification of Diseases; for all other years, based on the Eighth Revision; see Explanatory Notes. Comparability of causes of death between the Eighth and Ninth Revisions is described in the Explanatory Notes. Comparability ratios are shown in table 11]

			Nun	ıber		
Cause of death (Ninth Revision International Classification of Diseases, 1975)	1979 (est.)	1978	1977	1976	1975	1970
Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases and allied conditions	49,980	21,875	22,363	24,410	25,468	30,889
Bronchitis, chronic and unspecified	3,220	4,376	4,313	4,639	4,712	5,846
Emphysema	14,070	15,627	16,376	17,796	18,795	22,721
Asthma	2,540	1,872	1,674	1,975	1,961	2,322
Other chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases and allied conditions	30,150					
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	5,520	5,545	5,900	6,428	6,743	8,607
Appendicitis	750	735	747	752	822	1,397
hernia	5,010	5,568	5,699	5,919	6,178	7,235
Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis	29,860	30,066	30,848	31,453	31,623	31,399
Cholelithiasis and other disorders of gallbladder	2,840	2,941	2,957	2,956	3,004	3,973
Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome, and nephrosis	16,080	8,868	8,519	8,541	8,072	8,877
Acute glomerulonephritis and nephrotic syndrome	220	2,073	1,833	1,759	1,585	1,354
or chronic, and renal sclerosis, unspecified	2,460	6,795	6,686	6,782	6,487	7,523
kidney of unknown cause	13,400	6,795	6,686	6,782	6,487	7,523
nfections of kidney	3,070	3,096	3,712	4,017	4,502	8,190
Hyperplasia of prostate	580	854	998	1,077	1,221	2,168
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium	270	321	373	390	403	803
Pregnancy with abortive outcome	60 210	16 305	20 353	16 374	27 376	128 675
	13,390	12,968	12,983	13.002	13,245	16.824
Congenital anomalies		22,033	23,401	24,809	26,616	43,205
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	22,880		,			22.801
syndrome	8,270	11,710	12,633	13,432	14,593 12,023	22,80
Other conditions originating in the perinatal period	14,610	10,323	10,768 32,149	11,377	31,768	25,781
Symptoms, signs, and ill-defined conditions	28,210	31,324		30,802	120.263	101,128
All other diseasesResidual	105,350	137,396	130,428	125,340	120,203	101,120
Accidents and adverse effects E800-E949	105,420	105,561	103,202	100,761	103,030	114,63
Motor vehicle accidents	53,990	52,411	49,510	47,038	45,853	54,63:
All other accidents and adverse effects E800-E807, E826-E949	51,430	53,150	53,692	53,723	57,177	60,00
Suicide	27,640	27,294	28,681	26,832	27,063	23,480
Homicide and legal intervention	23,040	20,432	19,968	19,554	21,310	16,848
All other external causes E980-E999	3,880	4,163	4,457	4,766	4,860	5,427

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Table 10. DEATH RATES FOR 72 SELECTED CAUSES: UNITED STATES, 1970 AND 1975-79

[For 1979, based on a 10-percent sample of deaths; for all other years, based on final data, Data for 1979 are based on the Ninth Revision International Classification of Diseases; for all other years, based on the Eighth Revision; see Explanatory Notes, Comparability of causes of death between the Eighth and Ninth Revisions is described in the Explanatory Notes. Comparability ratios are shown in table 11. Rates per 100,000 population]

			Rat	e		
Cause of death (Ninth Revision International Classification of Diseases, 1975)	1979 (est.)	1978	1977	1976	1975	1970
All causes	866.2	883.4	878.1	889.6	888.5	945.3
Shigellosis and amebiasis004,006 Certain other intestinal infections007-009	0.0 0.2	0.0 0.9	0.0 0.9	0.0 0.9	0,0 0,9	0.0 1,3
Tuberculosis	0.9	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	2,6
Tuberculosis of respiratory system010-012	0.7	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2	2.0
Other tuberculosis013-018 Whooping cough	0.2 0.0	0.3 0.0	0.3 0.0	0,3 0.0	0.4 0.0	0.0 0.0
Streptococcal sore throat, scarlatina, and erysipelas	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Meningococcal infection	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0,1	0.3
Septicemia	3.8	3.6	3.3	3.0	2.6	1.7
Acute poliomyelitis	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0,0	0.0
Measles	- 0.3	0.0 0.2	0.0 0.2	0.0 0.3	0.0	0,0 0,5
Viral nepatitis	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Al other infectious and parasitic diseases001-003,005,020-032,037,039-041,046-054,056-066,071-088,098-139	1.5	2.0	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.5
				175.8	171.7	162.8
Malignant neoplasms, including neoplasms of lymphatic and hematopoietic tissues140-208 Malignant neoplasms of lip, oral cavity, and pharynx	183.5 3.6	181.9 3.8	178.7 3.9	3.8	3.8	3.
Malignant neoplasms of digestive organs and peritoneum	49.5	48.3	47.6	47.4	46.8	46.
Malignant neoplasms of respiratory and intrathoracic organs	46.7	45.8	44.0	42.5	40.7	34.:
Malignant neoplasm of breast174-175	16.0	15.9	16.1	15.6	15.2	14.
Malignant neoplasms of genital organs	20.5	20.7	20.5	20.7	20.2	20.
Malignant neoplasms of urinary organs	8.0 22.3	8.1 22.4	8.0 21,9	7.9 21.4	7.8 20.9	7. 19.:
Leukemia	7.4	7,1	7.1	7.0	6.9	7.1
Other malignant neoplasms of lymphatic and hematopoietic tissues 200-203	9.3	9.9	9.7	9.5	9.4	9.2
Benign neoplasms, carcinoma in situ, and neoplasms of uncertain behavior and of						-
unspecified nature	2.6 15.0	2.3 15.5	2.3 15.2	2.2 16.1	2.3 16.5	2.4 18.9
Diabetes menitus	1.0	15.5	15.2	1.2	1.2	1.
Anemias	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.
Meningitis	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0,8
Major cardiovascular diseases	433.0	442.7	444.5	454.0	455.8	496.
Diseases of heart	331.3 3.4	334.3 6.1	332.3 5.9	337.2 6.1	336.2 6.1	362. 7.
Rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease	3.4 9.3	6.1 3.2	5.9 3.2	3.1	3.1	4.
Hypertensive heart and renal disease	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.9	2.0	3.
Ischemic heart disease	249.8	294.3	295.1	301.0	301.7	328.
Acute myocardial infarction410	137.2	138.7	141.6	148.8	152.4	175.
Other acute and subacute forms of ischemic heart disease	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.
Angina pectoris413 Old myocardial infarction and other forms of chronic ischemic	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.
heart disease	110.4 2.8	153.6 1.9	151.5 1.9	150.2 2.0	147.3	150. 3.
All other forms of heart disease	64.6	27.2	24.6	23.2	21.2	15.
Hypertension with or without renal disease	3.1	2.5	2.6	2.9	3.0	4.
Cerebrovascular diseases	76.9	80.5	84.1	87.9	91.1	101.
Intracerebral and other intracranial hemorrhage	10.3	10.4	11.0	11.6	12.6	20.
Cerebral thrombosis and unspecified occlusion of cerebral arteries	16.0 0.4	17.7 0.3	19.4 0.3	20.9 0.4	22.7 0.4	28. 0.
All other and late effects of cerebrovascular diseases	50.3	52.0	53.3	55.0	55.3	52.
Atherosclerosis	13.0	13.3	13.3	13.7	13.6	15,
Other diseases of arteries, arterioles, and capillaries	8.6	12.2	12.2	12.3	12.0	12,
Acute bronchitis and bronchiolitis	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.
Pneumonia and influenza	20.0	26.7	23.7	28.8	26.1	30.
Pneu monia	19.8	24.9	23.1	25.2	24.1	29.

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Table 10. DEATH RATES FOR 72 SELECTED CAUSES: UNITED STATES, 1970 AND 1975-79-Con.

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For 1979, based on a 10-percent sample of deaths; for all other years, based on final data. Data for 1979 are based on the Ninth Revision International Classification of Diseases; for all other years, based on the Eighth Revision; see Explanatory Notes. Comparability of causes of death between the Eighth and Ninth Revisions is described in the Explanatory Notes. Comparability ations are shown in table 11. Rates per 100,000 population]

		,	Rat	9					
Cause of death (Ninth Revision International Classification of Diseases, 1975)	1979 (est.)	1978	1977	1976	1975	1970			
Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases and allied conditions	22.7	1,0.0	10.3	11.4	12.0	15.2			
Bronchitis, chronic and unspecified	1.5	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.2	2.9			
Emphysema	6.4	7.2	7.6	8.3	8.8	11.2			
Asthma	1.2	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.1			
Other chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases and allied conditions	13.7								
Ulcer of stomach and dyodenum	2.5	2.5	2.7	3.0	3.2	4.2			
Appendicitis	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	. 0.7			
Hernia of abdominal cavity and intestinal obstruction without mention of	0.0	0.0	0.0	••••					
hernia	2.3	2.6	2.6	2.8	2.9	3.6			
Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis	13.6	13.8	14.3	14.7	14.8	15.5			
Cholelithiasis and other disorders of gallbladder	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	2.0			
Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome, and nephrosis	7.3	4.1	3.9	4.0	3.8	4.4			
Acute glomerulonephritis and nephrotic syndrome	0.1	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7			
Chronic glomerulonephritis, nephritis and nephropathy, not specified as acute									
or chronic, and renal sclerosis, unspecified	1.1	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.0	3.7			
Renal failure, disorders resulting from impaired renal function, and				l l					
small kidney of unknown cause584-586,588-589	6.1	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.0	3.7			
Infections of kidney	1.4	1.4	1.7	1.9	2.1	4.0			
Hyperplasia of prostate	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	1.1			
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium	0.1	0,1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4			
Pregnancy with abortive outcome630-638	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1			
Other complications of pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3			
Congenital anomalies740-759	6.1	5.9	6.0	6.1	6.2	8.3			
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	10.4	10,1	10.8	11.6	12.5	21.3			
syndrome	3.8	5.4	5.8	6.3	6.9	11.2			
Other conditions originating in the perinatal period760-766,770-779	6.6	4.7	5.0	5.3	5.6	10.0			
Symptoms, signs, and ill-defined conditions	12.8	14.4	14.9	14.3	14.9	. 12.7			
All other diseasesResidual	47.9	63.0	60.3	58.4	56.5	49.8			
Accidents and adverse effects	47.9	48.4	47.7	46.9	48.4	56.4			
Motor vehicle accidentsE810-E825	24,5	24.0	22.9	21.9	21.5	26.9			
All other accidents and adverse effects E800-E807,E826-E949	23.4	24.4	24.8	25.0	26.8	29.5			
Suicide	12.6	12.5	13.3	12.5	12.7	11.6			
Homicide and legal interventionE960-E978	10.5	9.4	9.2	9.1	10.0	8.3			
All other external causes E980-E999	1.8	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.7			

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Table 11. COMPARABLE CATEGORY NUMBERS, ESTIMATED COMPARABILITY RATIOS, AND ESTIMATES OF SAMPLING VARIABILITY OF COMPARABILITY RATIOS FOR 72 SELECTED CAUSES; BASED ON A STRATIFIED RANDOM SAMPLE OF 1976 DEATHS: UNITED STATES

	·····		Error of the estimate		95 percent	
		Estimated	of the ratio in (2)		confidence limits ²	
	Category numbers					
Cause of death (Ninth Revision	according to the	compara-				
International Classification of Diseases, 1975)	Eighth Revision	bility	Standard	Relative		
international Glassification of Diseases, 1970)		ratio ¹	error	standard	Upper	Lower
				error		
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
All causes		1.0000				
		1.0000				
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Shigellosis and amebiasis004,006	004,006	0.9818	0.0378	3.9	1.0559	0.9077
Certain other intestinal infections	008,009	0.1821	0.0207	11.4	0.2227	0.1415
Tuberculosis	010-019 010-012	0.7668	0.0119 0.0146	1.6 1.7	0.7901 0.8715	0.7435
Other tuberculosis	013-019	0.5077	0,0148	3.3	0.5404	0.4750
Whooping cough	033	0.8571	0.0000	0.0	0.8571	0.8571
Streptococcal sore throat, scarlatina, and erysipelas	034	1.4286	0.0000	0.0	1.4286	1.4286
Meningococcal infection036	036	0.9788	0.0124	1.3	1.0030	0.9546
Septicemia	038	0.8500	0.0180	2.1	0.8853	0.8147
Acute poliomyelitis045 Measles	040-043	0.5000	0.0000	0.0 0.0	0.5000 0.9167	0.5000
Viral hepatitis	055	1.3986	0.0000 0.0820	5.9	1.5593	1.2379
Syphilis	090-097	1.0089	0.0259	2.6	1.0596	0.9582
All other infectious and parasitic				2.0		010002
diseases001-003,005,020-032,037,039-041,046-054,056-066,071-088,098-139	Remainder of 000-136	1.0321	0.0634	6.1	1.1563	0.9079
Malignant neoplasms, including neoplasms of lymphatic and						
hematopoietic tissues	140-209	1.0026	0.0017	0.2	1.0059	0.9993
Malignant neoplasms of figestive organs and peritoneum	140-149 150-159	1.0117	0.0087	0.9 0.3	1.0286 1.0398	0.9948
Malignant neoplasms of respiratory and intrathoracic organs	160-163	1.0007	0.0033	0.3	1.0071	0.9943
Malignant neoplasm of breast174-175	174	1.0089	0.0022	0.2	1.0131	1.0047
Malignant neoplasms of genital organs	180-187	1,0111	0.0031	0.3	1.0171	1.0051
Malignant neoplasms of urinary organs	188,189	0.9924	0.0045	0.5	1.0011	0.9837
Malignant neoplasms of all other and unspecified sites	170-173,190-199	0.9557	0.0082	0.9	0.9718	0.9396
Leukemia	204-207 200-203,208,209	1.0070	0.0056	0.6	1.0180	0,9960
Benign neoplasms, carcinoma in situ, and neoplams of uncertain	200-203,208,209	0.9385	0.0069	0.7	0.9519	0.9251
behavior and of unspecified nature	210-239	1,2085	0.0261	2.2	1.2595	1.1575
Diabetes mellitus	250	0.9991	0.0087	0.9	1.0162	0.9820
Nutritional deficiencies	260-269	0.7167	0.0262	3.7	0.7680	0,6654
Anemias	280-285	0.9296	0.0124	1.3	0.9538	0.9054
Meningitis	320 390-448	0.9459	0.0163	1.7	0.9777	0.9141
Diseases of heart	390-398,402,404,	1.0069	0.0004 0.0039	0.0 0.4	1.0076	1.0062
5.05000 01 1001 010100 010 010 010 010 010	410-429	1.0120	0.0039	0.4	1.0202	1.0050
Rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease	390-398	0.6648	0.0080	1.2	0.6804	0.6492
Hypertensive heart disease402	402	3,3022	0.0557	1.7	3.4114	3.1930
Hypertensive heart and renal disease	404	1.2119	0.0438	3.6	1.2978	1.1260
Ischemic heart disease410-414 Acute myocardial infarction410	410-413	0.8784	0.0038	0.4	0.8859	0.8709
Other acute and subacute forms of ischemic heart disease	410 411	1.0003 1.2224	0.0054 0.0661	0.5	1.0108	0.9898
Angina pectoris	413	1.0484	0.0666	5.4 6.4	1.3519 1.1789	1.0929 0.9179
Old myocardial infarction and other forms of chronic ischemic			2.0000	0.4		5.5.75
heart disease	412	0.7533	0.0055	0.7	0.7640	0.7426
Other diseases of endocardium	424,428	1.2286	0.0227	1.8	1.2731	1.1841
All other forms of heart disease	420-423,425-427,429	2.5035	0.0257	1.0	2.5539	2.4531
Hypertension with or without renal disease	400,401,403 430-438	1.2703 1.0049	0.0294 0.0066	2.3	1.3280	1.2126
Intracerebral and other intracranial hemorrhage	430-438	0.9969	0.0066	0.7 0.7	1.0178 1.0102	0.9920 0.9836
Cerebral thrombosis and unspecified occlusion of cerebral	461	0.5505	0.0008	0.7	1.0102	0.9630
arteries	433	1.0340	0.0222	2.1	1.0774	0.9906
Cerebral embolism	434	1.1211	0.0924	8.2	1.3022	0.9400
All other and late effects of cerebrovascular diseases430,433,435-438	430,432,435-438	0.9948	0.0061	0.6	1.0067	0.9829
Atherosclerosis440 Other diseases of arteries, arterioles, and capillaries	440	1.0649	0.0246	2.3	1.1130	1.0168
Acute bronchitis and bronchiolitis	441-448 466	0.7409	0.0098	1.3	0.7600	0.7218
Pneumonia and influenza	400 470-474,480-486	0.8888	0.0274 0.0067	3,1 0,7	0.9425 0.9394	0.8351 0.9134
Pneumonia	480-486	0.9199	0.0076	0.7	0.9394	0.9134
Influenza	470-474	0.9714	0.0078	0.8	0.9866	0.9562
Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases and allied conditions	490-493	1.8846	0.0150	0.8	1.9141	1,8551
Bronchitis, chronic and unspecified	490-491	0.9383	0.0134	1.4	0.9646	0.9120
Emphyseme		0,9770	0.0127	1.3	1.0018	0.9522
Emphysema	492					
Emphysema	493	1 3544	0.0636	3 ^{4.7}	1.4790 3	1.2298
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Emphysema	493 ²	1 3544	0.0636	4.7 3, 2.2 2.6	3 1.1675	3, , , 1.0709
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Table 11. COMPARABLE CATEGORY NUMBERS, ESTIMATED COMPARABILITY RATIOS, AND ESTIMATES OF SAMPLING VARIABILITY OF COMPARABILITY RATIOS FOR 72 SELECTED CAUSES; BASED ON A STRATIFIED RANDOM SAMPLE OF 1976 DEATHS: UNITED STATES-Con.

1	f For	discussion	of	com	narability	ratios see	Explanatory	Notes]

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		Estimated compara- bility ratio1	Error of the estimate of the ratio in (2)		95 percent confidence limits ²	
Cause of death (Ninth Revision International Classification of Diseases, 1975)	Category numbers according to the Eighth Revision		Standard error	Relative standard error	Upper	Lower
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	´(5)	(6)
	571	1.0110	0.0069	0.7	1.0245	0.9975
Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis		1.0494	0.0445	4.2	1.1366	0.9622
Cholelithiasis and other disorders of gallbladder	574,575 580-584	1.7397	0.0777	4.5	1.8920	1.5874
Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome, and nephrosis	580.581	0.2422	0.0185	7.6	0.2783	0.2061
Acute glomerulonephritis and nephrotic syndrome	560,561	0.2422	0.0100	7.0	0.2700	012001
Chronic glomerulonephritis, nephritis and nephropathy, not specified as acute or chronic, and renal sclerosis, unspecified582-583,587	582-584	0.4954	0.0195	3.9	0.5335	0.4573
Renal failure, disorders resulting from impaired renal	582-564	0.4354	0,0100	0.0	010000	01.070
function, and small kidney of unknown cause	582-584	1.6327	0.0958	5.9	1.8205	1,4449
Infections of kidney		0.9878	0.0091	0.9	1.0056	0.9700
Hyperplasia of prostate		1.0232	0.0226	2.2	1.0674	0,9790
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium	630-678	1,1000	0.0435	4.0	1.1853	1.0147
Pregnancy with abortive outcome	640-645	3.8125	0.0000	0.0	3.8125	3.8125
Other complications of pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium640-676	630-639,650-678	0.9840	0.0454	4.6	1.0729	0.8951
Congenital anomalies	740-759	0.9984	0.0100	1.0	1.0179	0.9789
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period	760-769.2,769.4-772,	1.0765	0.0238	2.2	1.1230	1.0300
Birth trauma, intrauterine hypoxia, birth asphyxia, and	774-778					
respiratory distress syndrome	764-768.772.776	0.7483	0.0306	4.1	0.8083	0.6883
Other conditions originating in the perinatal period	Remainder of 760-778	1,4639	0.0371	2.5	1.5367	1.3911
Symptoms, signs, and ill-defined conditions	780-796	0.9102	0.0121	1.3	0.9338	0.8866
All other diseases	Residual	0.7786	0.0082	1.1	0.7947	0.7625
Accidents and adverse effects	E800-E949	0.9970	0.0030	0.3	1.0029	0.9911
Motor vehicle accidents	E810-E823	1.0117	0.0027	0.3	1.0169	1.0065
All other accidents and adverse effects	E800-E807.E825-E949	0.9841	0,0051	0.5	0.9941	0.9741
Suicide	E950-E959	1.0032	0.0042	0.4	1.0114	0.9950
Homicide and legal intervention	E960-E978	1.0057	0.0030	0.3	1.0115	0.9999
All other external causes		0.9675	0.0144	1.5	0.9957	0.9393
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¹Ratio of estimated number of deaths assigned according to the Ninth Revision to deaths assigned according to the Eighth Revision. ²The probability is 95 percent that the true comparability ratio will have a value between the upper and lower limits shown. These limits were computed before the estimated standard error was rounded to the fourth decimal. ³Chronic obstructive lung disease without mention of asthma, bronchitis, or emphysema (ICDA No. *519.3), introduced by NCHS to be used with the Eighth Revision, is comparable to Other chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases and alled conditions (ICD Nos. 494-496) of the Ninth Revision. The comparability ratio for this set of fitles is 1,0054, with a standard error of 0.0118, a relative error of 1.2 percent, and 95 percent confidence limits of 1.0285 and 0.9823. These data are not shown in this table because there are no sample data for ICDA No. *519.3.

Table 12. COMPARABLE CATEGORY NUMBERS, ESTIMATED COMPARABILITY RATIOS, AND ESTIMATES OF SAMPLING VARIABILITY OF COMPARABILITY RATIOS FOR 10 SELECTED CAUSES OF INFANT DEATH; BASED ON A STRATIFIED RANDOM SAMPLE OF 1976 IN-FANT DEATHS: UNITED STATES

[For discussion of comparability ratios see Explanatory Notes]

	A	Estimated	Error of the estimate of the ratio in (2)		95 percent confidence limits ²	
Cause of death (Ninth Revision International Classification of Diseases, 1975)	Category numbers according to the Eighth Revision	compara- bility ratio ¹	Standard error	Relative standard error	Upper	Lower
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
All causes		1.0000			•••	
Certain gastrointestinal diseases	004,006-009,535, 561,563 470-474,480-486 740-759 777 764-768(.03),772 776.9 Remainder of 760-778 Residual	0.4678 0.7471 1.0071 0.9630 0.7154 0.3270 0.8492	0.0228 0.0200 0.0062 0.0107 0.0337 0.0212 0.0098	4.9 2.7 0.6 1.1 4.7 6.5 1.1	0.5125 0.7862 1.0191 0.9839 0.7813 0.3684 0.3684 	0.4231 0.7078 0.9949 0.9421 0.6493 0.2856 0.8301



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