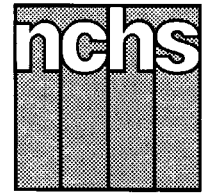


# Monthly Vital Statistics Report



Provisional Data From the CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION/National Center for Health Statistics

## Births, Marriages, Divorces, and Deaths for April 1995

### Births

According to provisional reports, an estimated 314,000 births occurred in the United States during April 1995. This was a 4-percent increase from the provisional number of births reported for April 1994 (302,000). The birth rate, 14.5 live births per 1,000 population, was 3 percent higher than the rate of 14.1 for April 1994. The fertility rate, 64.2 live births per 1,000 women aged 15–44 years, was 4 percent higher than the comparable rate for April 1994 (62.0). The seasonally adjusted fertility rate (65.9) was also 4 percent higher than the comparable rate for April 1994 (63.5).

During the first 4 months of 1995, an estimated 1,284,000 births occurred, a 1-percent decrease from the 1,298,000 reported for the first 4 months of 1994. The birth rate for this period decreased by 2 percent, from 15.2 in 1994 to 14.9 in 1995. The fertility rate for the first 4 months of 1995 was 65.8, 1 percent lower than the rate for the first third of 1994 (66.7).

An estimated 3,966,000 live births occurred in the 12-month period ending with April 1995, a decline of 1 percent from the 4,017,000 births reported for the same period a year earlier. The birth rate of 15.2 was 2 percent lower than the rate

of 15.5 for the preceding 12 months. The fertility rate for the most recent 12-month period was 66.8, 2 percent lower than the rate for the 12 months ending with April 1994 (67.9). These lower rates continue the generally downward trend observed since early 1991.

### Natural increase

As a result of natural increase, the excess of births over deaths, an estimated 115,000 people, or 5.2 persons per 1,000 population, were added to the population during April 1995.

For the 12-month period ending with April 1995, 1,669,000 persons were

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[Rates for infant deaths are deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births; fertility rates are live births per 1,000 women aged 15–44 years; all other rates are per 1,000 total population. Data are subject to monthly reporting variation; see Technical notes]

Item	April				January–April				12 months ending with April				
	Number		Rate		Number		Rate		Number		Rate		
	1995	1994	1995	1994	1995	1994	1995	1994	1995	1994	1995	1994	1993
Live births . . . . .	314,000	302,000	14.5	14.1	1,284,000	1,298,000	14.9	15.2	3,966,000	4,017,000	15.2	15.5	15.9
Fertility rate . . . . .	...	...	64.2	62.0	...	...	65.8	66.7	...	...	66.8	67.9	69.0
Deaths . . . . .	199,000	182,000	9.3	8.5	821,000	810,000	9.5	9.5	2,297,000	2,280,000	8.8	8.8	8.6
Infant deaths . . . . .	2,500	2,500	8.0	7.9	10,300	10,600	8.0	8.2	31,100	32,400	7.9	8.2	8.3
Natural increase . . . . .	115,000	120,000	5.2	5.6	463,000	488,000	5.4	5.7	1,669,000	1,737,000	6.4	6.7	7.3
Marriages . . . . .	166,000	175,000	7.9	8.3	568,000	584,000	6.8	7.0	2,345,000	2,330,000	9.0	9.0	9.2
Divorces . . . . .	98,000	100,000	4.6	4.7	376,000	388,000	4.4	4.5	1,179,000	1,185,000	4.5	4.6	4.7
Population base (in millions) . . . . .	...	...	262.2	260.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	261.6	258.9	256.1

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added to the population. This represented a rate of natural increase of 6.4, 4 percent lower than the rate of 6.7 for the preceding 12-month period. The decline in the rate of natural increase was due to a decrease in the birth rate and a constant death rate.

**Marriages**

The number and rate per 1,000 population of marriages for April 1995 were 5 percent lower than comparable figures for April 1994. The number of marriages for April dropped from 175,000 in 1994 to 166,000 in 1995, while the marriage rate declined from 8.3 to 7.9.

An estimated 568,000 marriages were performed during January–April 1995, 3 percent fewer than the number performed during the same period in 1994 (584,000). The marriage rate for the 4-month period was also 3 percent lower in 1995 (6.8) than it was in 1994 (7.0).

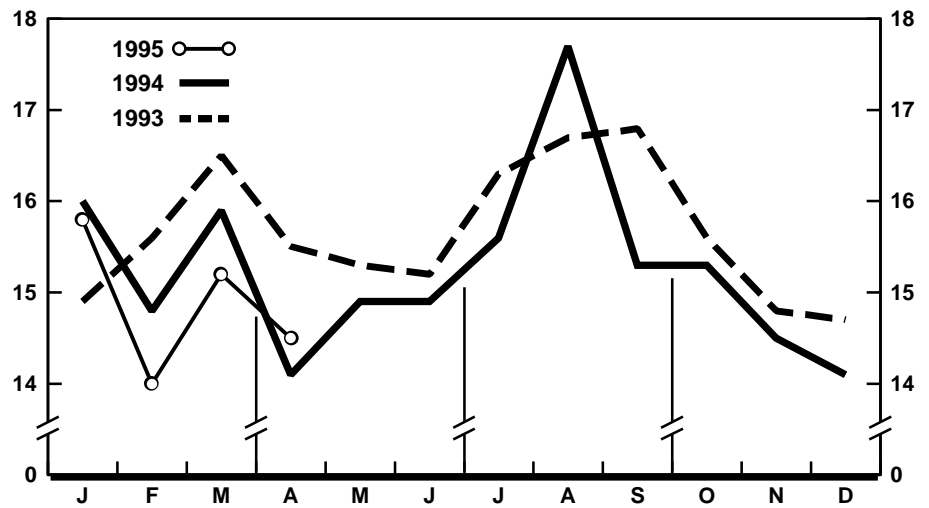
Despite the decline in the number of marriages between 1994 and 1995 for January–April, the number for the 12-month period ending with April 1995 (2,345,000) was 1 percent higher than the number for the same period a year earlier (2,330,000). The marriage rate for the 12-month period remained unchanged at 9.0.

**Divorces**

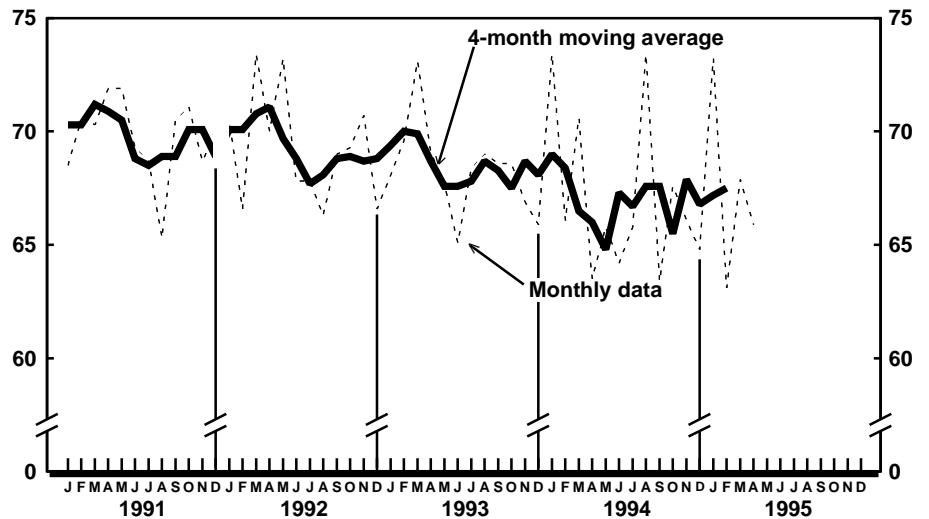
An estimated 98,000 couples divorced in April 1995, 2 percent fewer than the number that divorced in April a year earlier (100,000). The divorce rate for April per 1,000 population was also 2 percent lower in 1995 (4.6) than the rate in 1994 (4.7).

Divorces granted in the first 4 months of 1995 totaled approximately 376,000, 3 percent fewer than the total (388,000) granted for the comparable period in 1994. The divorce rate for January–April was 2 percent lower in 1995 (4.4) than the rate in 1994 (4.5).

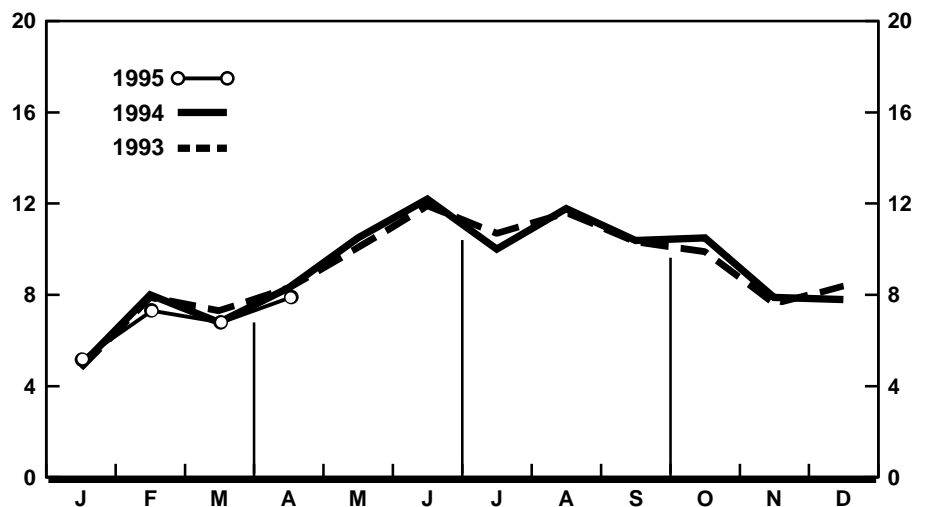
The estimated number of divorces granted during the 12-month period ending with April 1995 was 1,179,000, a 1-percent decline compared with the number for the same period a year earlier (1,185,000). The divorce rate for the 12-month period declined 2 percent between 1994 (4.6) and 1995 (4.5).



Provisional birth rates per 1,000 population by month: United States, 1993–95



Provisional seasonally adjusted fertility rates per 1,000 women aged 15–44 years: United States, 1991–95



Provisional marriage rates per 1,000 population by month: United States, 1993–95

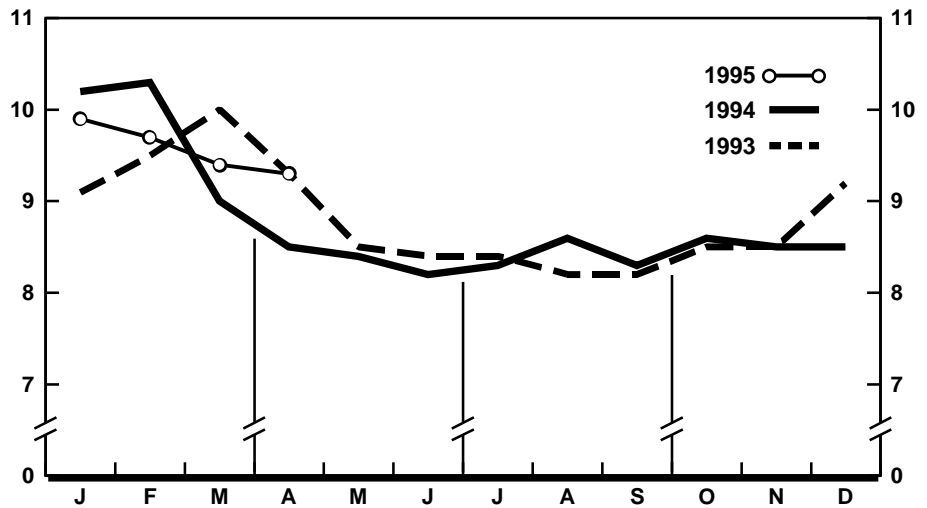
**Deaths**

For April 1995 an estimated 199,000 deaths occurred in the United States. The death rate was 9.3 deaths per 1,000 population, 9 percent higher than the rate of 8.5 for April a year earlier. Among the 199,000 deaths for April 1995 were 2,500 deaths at ages under 1 year.

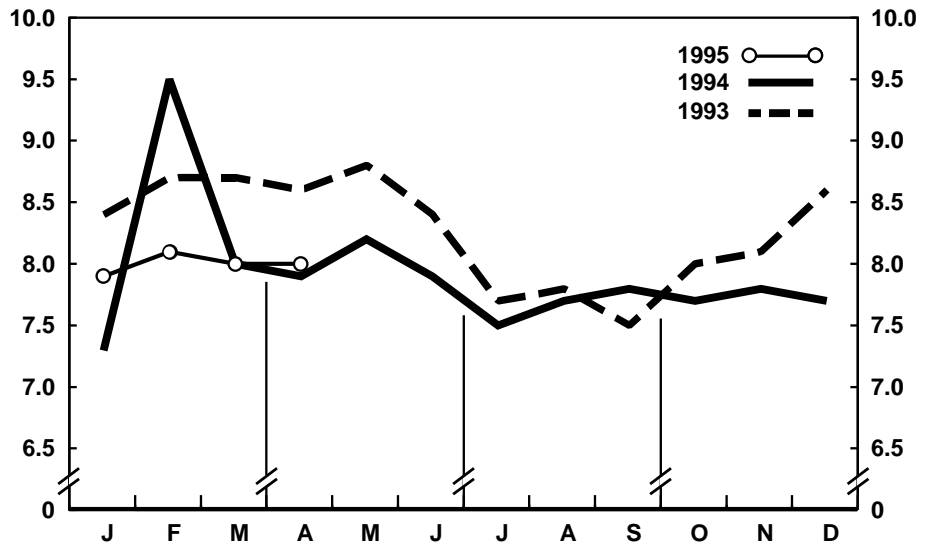
According to provisional statistics, 821,000 deaths occurred during the first 4 months of 1995, 1 percent higher than estimated for the first 4 months of 1994 (810,000). The death rate, 9.5 per 1,000 population, was the same as the rate for January–April 1994. Among the 821,000 deaths for the first 4 months of 1995 were 10,300 deaths at ages under 1 year, yielding an infant mortality rate of 8.0 per 1,000 live births compared with a rate of 8.2 for the comparable 4-month period in 1994. The change in the infant mortality rate was not statistically significant.

The death rate for the 12 months ending with April 1995 was 8.8 deaths per 1,000 population, the same as the rate for the comparable 12-month period a year earlier. The infant mortality rate for this 12-month period was 7.9 per 1,000 live births, 4 percent lower than the rate of 8.2 for the 12 months ending with April 1994.

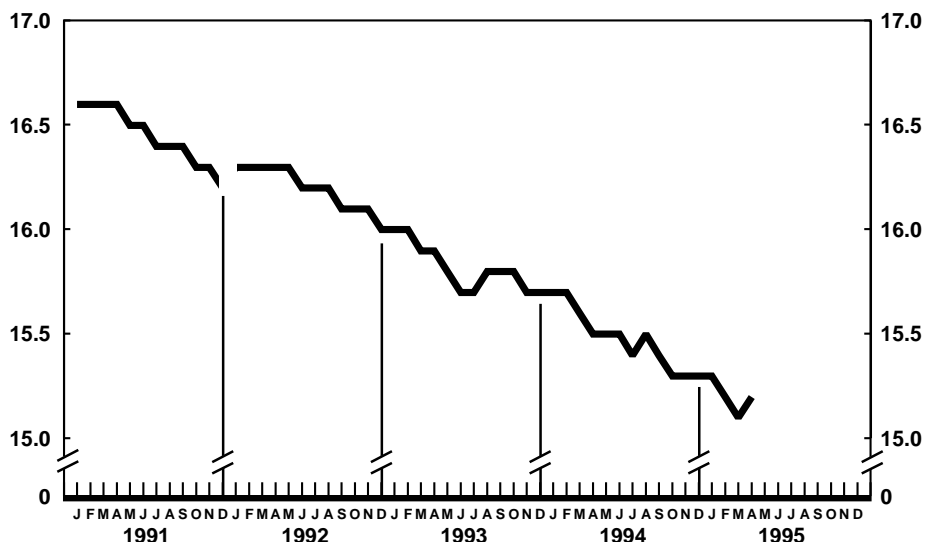
*Current Mortality Sample, 12 months ending with March 1995*—The provisional death rate for the 12 months ending with March 1995 was 872.2 per 100,000 population, 2 percent lower than the rate of 886.5 for the 12-month period ending March 1994. The provisional age-adjusted death rate for the 12-month period ending with March 1995 was 505.5 per 100,000 U.S. standard million population, 2 percent lower than the rate of 515.3 for the 12-month period ending with March 1994. Age-adjusted death rates control for changes and variations in the age composition of the population; therefore, they are better indicators than crude rates for showing changes in mortality risk over time and for showing differences between race-sex groups within the population. Among the race-sex groups, the estimated age-adjusted death rates decreased for white males and black males. By age the death rate for the total population decreased for the following age groups: 45–54 years, 55–64 years, 65–74 years, 75–84 years, and 85 years and over.



Provisional death rates per 1,000 population by month: United States, 1993–95



Provisional infant mortality rates per 1,000 live births by month: United States, 1993–95

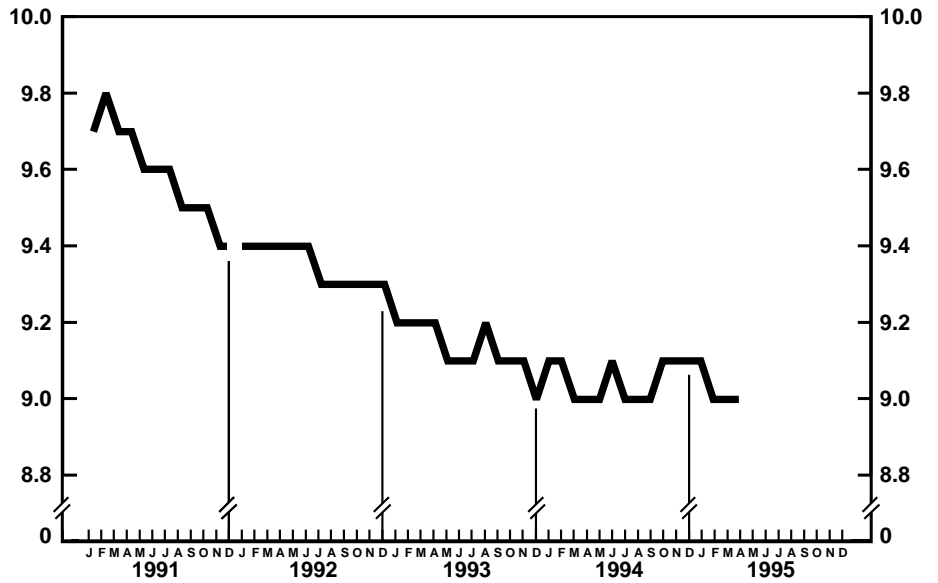


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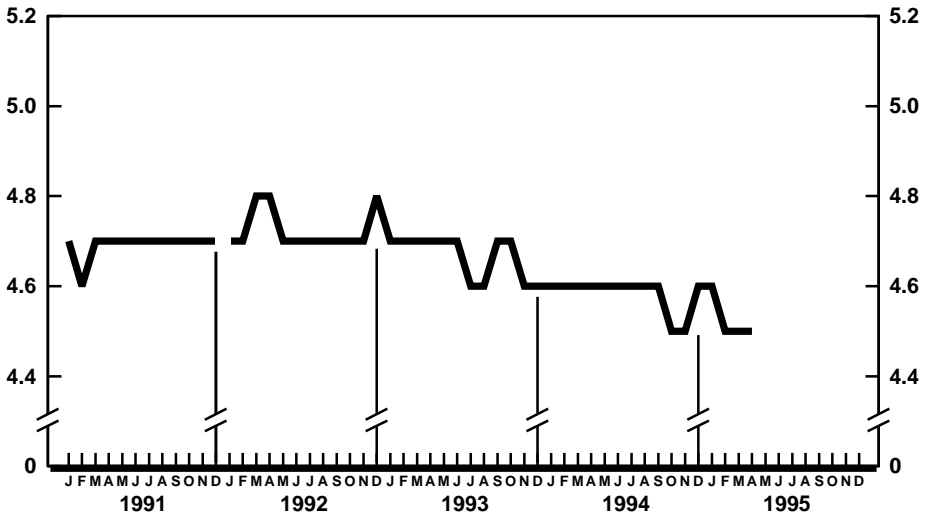
Among the major causes of death, the estimated death rate decreased between the two successive 12-month periods for Diseases of heart, Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases and allied conditions, All other accidents and adverse effects, Pneumonia and influenza, and Homicide and legal intervention. The death rate increased between the two successive 12-month periods for Human immunodeficiency virus infection.

The death rate for injury by firearms for the 12 months ending with March 1995 was 14.6 per 100,000 population, compared with a rate of 15.2 for the comparable 12-month period a year earlier. The change in the death rate for injury by firearms was not statistically significant.

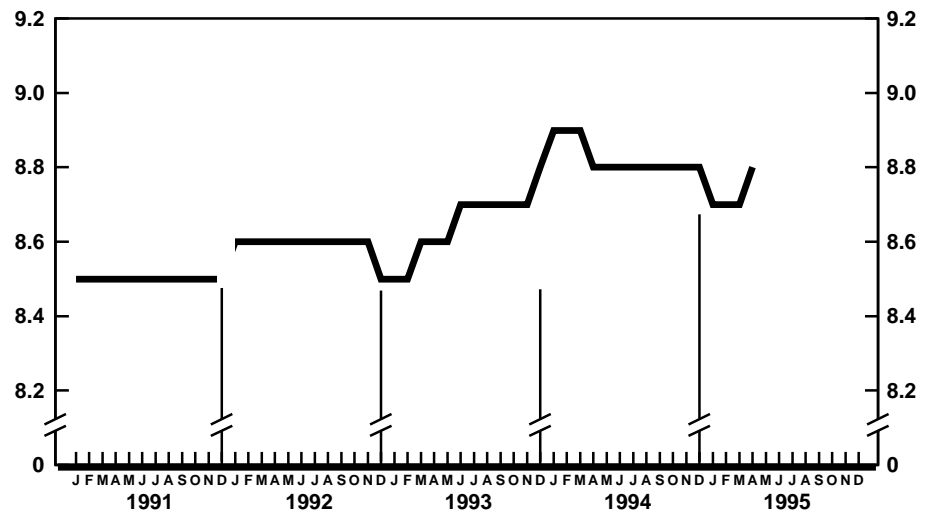
The infant mortality rate for the 12 months ending with March 1995 was 787.0 per 100,000 live births, 4 percent lower than the rate of 820.0 for the same 12-month period a year earlier. For infants under 28 days, the rate for the 12-month period ending with March 1995 was 497.6, 7 percent lower than the rate of 532.9 for the 12-month period a year earlier. The infant mortality rate for infants 28 days–11 months was 289.0, compared with a rate of 287.1 for the 12-month period a year earlier. The change in the mortality rates for infants 28 days–11 months was not statistically significant. Among causes of infant death, the infant mortality rate decreased between the two successive 12-month periods for Respiratory distress syndrome and Sudden infant death syndrome.



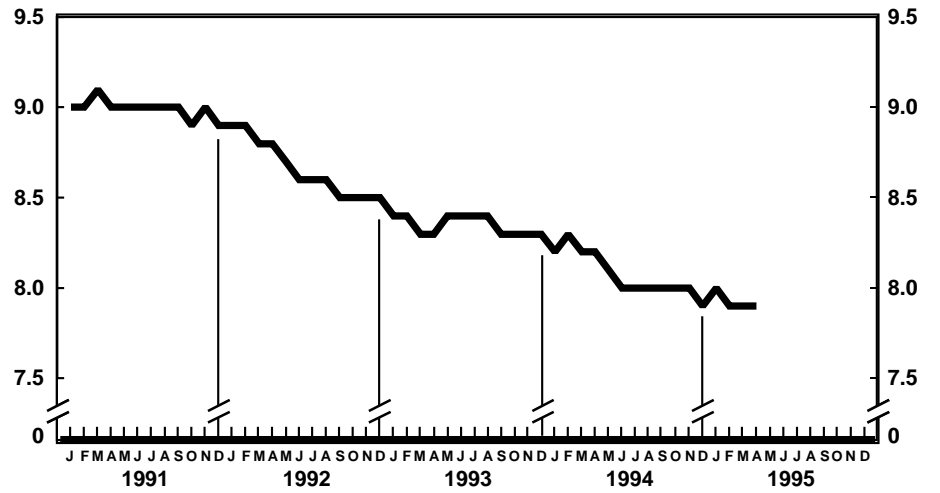
Provisional marriage rates per 1,000 population for successive 12-month periods ending with month indicated: United States, 1991-95



Provisional divorce rates per 1,000 population for successive 12-month periods ending with month indicated: United States, 1991-95



Provisional death rates per 1,000 population for successive 12-month periods ending with month indicated: United States, 1991-95



Provisional infant mortality rates per 1,000 live births for successive 12-month periods ending with month indicated: United States, 1991-95

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**Table 1. Provisional number of live births, marriages, divorces, deaths, and infant deaths and rates, by month: United States, January 1994–April 1995**

[Data are provisional and are subject to monthly reporting variation; see Technical notes]

Period	Live births				Marriages		Divorces		Deaths		Infant deaths	
	Number	Rate per 1,000 women aged 15–44 years			Number	Rate per 1,000 population	Number	Rate per 1,000 population	Number	Rate per 1,000 population	Number	Rate per 1,000 live births
		Rate per 1,000 population	Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted <sup>1</sup>								
<b>1994:</b>												
January . . . . .	352,000	16.0	69.9	73.4	107,000	4.9	97,000	4.4	224,000	10.2	2,500	7.3
February . . . . .	294,000	14.8	64.8	66.1	156,000	8.0	88,000	4.4	204,000	10.3	2,900	9.5
March . . . . .	350,000	15.9	69.6	70.6	147,000	6.8	103,000	4.7	199,000	9.0	2,700	8.0
April . . . . .	302,000	14.1	62.0	63.5	175,000	8.3	100,000	4.7	182,000	8.5	2,500	7.9
May . . . . .	329,000	14.9	65.3	65.8	232,000	10.5	104,000	4.7	186,000	8.4	2,700	8.2
June . . . . .	319,000	14.9	65.5	64.2	262,000	12.2	103,000	4.8	176,000	8.2	2,500	7.9
July . . . . .	346,000	15.6	68.6	65.8	222,000	10.0	98,000	4.4	184,000	8.3	2,600	7.5
August . . . . .	392,000	17.7	77.7	73.4	262,000	11.8	99,000	4.5	190,000	8.6	2,800	7.7
September . . . . .	329,000	15.3	67.4	63.4	224,000	10.4	99,000	4.6	178,000	8.3	2,500	7.8
October . . . . .	340,000	15.3	67.3	67.6	232,000	10.5	99,000	4.5	190,000	8.6	2,600	7.7
November . . . . .	313,000	14.5	64.1	66.1	171,000	7.9	98,000	4.5	182,000	8.5	2,500	7.8
December . . . . .	314,000	14.1	62.3	64.8	173,000	7.8	103,000	4.7	190,000	8.5	2,500	7.7
<b>1995:</b>												
January . . . . .	352,000	15.8	69.7	73.2	113,000	5.2	94,000	4.2	220,000	9.9	2,700	7.9
February . . . . .	282,000	14.0	61.8	63.1	143,000	7.3	87,000	4.4	194,000	9.7	2,400	8.1
March . . . . .	337,000	15.2	66.9	67.9	147,000	6.8	96,000	4.3	208,000	9.4	2,700	8.0
April . . . . .	314,000	14.5	64.2	65.9	166,000	7.9	98,000	4.6	199,000	9.3	2,500	8.0

<sup>1</sup>The method of seasonal adjustment, developed by the U.S. Bureau of the Census, is described in *The X-11 Variant of the Census Method II Seasonal Adjustment Program*, Technical Paper No. 15 (1967 revision).

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**Table 2. Provisional number of live births and deaths: Each division and State, April 1994 and 1995, and cumulative figures, 1993–95**

[Data are estimates by State of residence; see Technical notes]

Area	Live births					Deaths				
	April		January–April			April		January–April		
	1995	1994	1995	1994	1993	1995	1994	1995	1994	1993
New England	14,301	13,050	54,328	55,860	58,657	9,900	9,981	42,213	40,149	42,526
Maine	1,236	1,475	4,343	4,298	4,642	956	1,175	3,815	4,038	3,490
New Hampshire	743	906	4,497	4,347	4,536	738	614	3,297	3,016	3,005
Vermont	573	482	2,221	1,958	2,328	419	420	1,846	1,618	1,672
Massachusetts	7,547	5,909	26,699	26,776	30,339	4,730	4,922	20,616	18,228	21,285
Rhode Island	937	1,098	3,679	4,079	4,162	850	729	3,403	3,228	3,504
Connecticut	3,265	3,180	12,889	14,402	12,650	2,207	2,121	9,236	10,021	9,570
Middle Atlantic	<sup>1</sup> 36,958	46,984	<sup>1</sup> 134,973	178,829	186,245	32,163	31,304	133,582	132,288	133,853
New York	24,270	25,388	84,199	92,599	93,373	15,004	14,873	60,784	61,077	63,214
New Jersey	---	9,047	---	34,492	39,750	5,946	5,765	26,880	25,144	25,963
Pennsylvania	12,688	12,549	50,774	51,738	53,122	11,213	10,666	45,918	46,067	44,676
East North Central	50,327	54,964	194,156	210,626	216,674	32,766	31,848	135,944	140,896	133,931
Ohio	12,617	14,286	48,205	54,767	53,596	9,975	8,552	36,958	39,059	35,138
Indiana	6,226	6,448	19,224	26,577	27,713	4,502	4,221	17,636	18,538	18,209
Illinois	14,833	15,749	59,460	60,667	61,558	8,652	8,948	37,766	37,881	36,962
Michigan	11,485	12,815	45,717	45,315	50,577	6,148	6,687	28,306	29,282	28,627
Wisconsin	5,166	5,666	21,550	23,300	23,230	3,489	3,440	15,278	16,136	14,995
West North Central	21,576	21,039	84,686	82,922	86,268	15,489	13,102	61,577	60,517	61,041
Minnesota	5,126	5,541	20,021	21,165	21,043	3,022	2,838	12,766	12,737	12,544
Iowa	2,240	2,621	12,594	10,879	12,607	2,299	2,082	8,771	9,288	10,589
Missouri	6,159	5,944	25,343	24,931	25,931	5,969	4,091	22,138	20,105	19,900
North Dakota	722	704	2,863	2,767	2,855	503	460	2,103	2,013	1,975
South Dakota	793	844	3,489	3,480	3,476	509	501	2,304	2,418	2,400
Nebraska	2,119	2,183	7,726	7,444	7,537	1,299	1,288	5,282	5,166	5,223
Kansas	4,417	3,202	12,650	12,256	12,819	1,888	1,842	8,213	8,790	8,410
South Atlantic	51,150	48,349	218,092	214,652	221,173	<sup>1</sup> 36,084	33,711	<sup>1</sup> 155,559	152,182	150,521
Delaware	747	824	3,140	3,362	3,614	505	495	2,111	2,134	2,097
Maryland	5,327	4,868	23,769	20,481	24,604	3,212	3,079	14,003	12,982	15,635
District of Columbia	421	794	2,582	3,251	3,305	---	619	---	2,385	2,276
Virginia	7,836	6,374	33,051	29,925	30,464	4,988	4,407	19,033	18,857	18,237
West Virginia	1,964	1,700	7,343	7,600	8,060	1,626	1,628	7,046	7,447	7,142
North Carolina	7,970	7,891	32,849	33,040	32,955	5,379	4,985	23,220	23,257	22,634
South Carolina	3,709	3,880	15,987	17,458	17,355	3,104	2,436	11,749	10,609	10,804
Georgia	7,766	7,011	38,657	35,720	37,154	4,366	4,156	20,790	20,568	19,026
Florida	15,410	15,007	60,714	63,815	63,662	12,904	11,906	57,607	53,943	52,670
East South Central	17,229	17,946	72,403	77,437	75,944	13,015	12,971	56,394	56,877	55,755
Kentucky	3,727	3,949	15,984	17,083	17,000	3,076	3,135	14,340	13,825	13,244
Tennessee	4,626	5,747	22,619	25,743	23,774	4,027	4,088	17,418	17,123	17,932
Alabama	5,891	4,892	20,725	20,292	21,593	3,727	3,551	15,337	16,139	15,196
Mississippi	2,985	3,358	13,075	14,319	13,577	2,185	2,197	9,299	9,790	9,383
West South Central	37,164	38,473	166,800	157,353	160,619	19,090	19,772	84,612	88,176	84,252
Arkansas	2,945	2,771	10,874	11,413	10,968	2,329	2,218	8,643	9,939	9,524
Louisiana	3,984	5,277	22,717	23,610	25,369	2,941	3,916	13,843	15,359	15,614
Oklahoma	3,574	3,323	14,758	15,321	15,327	2,783	2,441	11,517	11,533	11,533
Texas <sup>2</sup>	26,661	27,102	118,451	107,009	108,955	11,037	11,197	50,609	51,345	47,581
Mountain	19,885	18,389	82,298	77,315	81,837	10,905	8,354	39,717	37,272	38,339
Montana	876	943	3,548	3,443	3,673	631	591	2,641	2,472	2,645
Idaho	1,343	1,606	5,485	5,848	5,800	632	653	2,796	2,907	2,824
Wyoming	479	537	2,134	2,025	2,098	302	257	1,270	1,150	1,149
Colorado	4,057	4,330	17,226	17,594	17,988	2,066	1,641	8,672	8,298	8,026
New Mexico	2,001	1,962	8,665	9,140	9,355	1,263	1,030	4,410	4,384	4,253
Arizona	5,378	4,297	25,924	18,419	23,998	3,801	2,358	11,878	10,257	12,323
Utah	3,486	2,899	12,502	12,641	11,952	830	808	3,587	3,695	3,411
Nevada	2,265	1,815	6,814	8,205	6,973	1,380	1,016	4,463	4,109	3,708
Pacific	55,184	42,267	233,492	235,131	243,000	29,425	21,325	109,386	101,774	97,627
Washington	6,115	4,782	24,391	23,715	20,405	4,313	3,863	13,263	13,595	12,243
Oregon	3,557	3,476	14,703	14,757	13,879	2,230	2,230	9,925	9,961	9,162
California <sup>2</sup>	43,066	31,316	184,955	185,527	199,143	22,043	14,435	82,823	74,961	73,041
Alaska	798	1,123	3,509	4,919	3,107	199	179	714	784	627
Hawaii	1,648	1,570	5,934	6,213	6,466	640	618	2,661	2,473	2,554
Puerto Rico <sup>3</sup>	4,793	---	19,993	---	---	1,992	---	9,664	---	---

<sup>1</sup>Excludes figures for State(s) shown below as not available.

<sup>2</sup>Figures include adjustments for varying length of reporting periods; see Technical notes.

<sup>3</sup>Data for Puerto Rico are not included in U.S. total figures.

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**Table 3. Provisional number of marriages and divorces: Each division and State, April 1994 and 1995, and cumulative figures, 1993–95**

[By State of occurrence. Number of events reported; see Technical notes. Divorces include reported annulments]

Area	Marriages					Divorces				
	April		January–April			April		January–April		
	1995	1994	1995	1994	1993	1995	1994	1995	1994	1993
New England	13,798	8,272	15,080	24,978	16,633	13,860	3,237	19,675	12,180	14,271
Maine	429	557	1,452	1,636	1,492	517	418	1,541	1,322	1,738
New Hampshire	587	540	1,841	1,756	1,392	441	457	1,656	1,619	1,506
Vermont	260	242	1,165	974	1,147	131	264	1,024	917	941
Massachusetts	2,070	4,901	9,413	15,320	7,608	2,555	1,063	4,314	3,795	5,285
Rhode Island	452	501	1,209	1,290	1,274	216	194	1,140	1,041	1,201
Connecticut	---	1,531	---	4,002	3,720	---	841	---	3,486	3,600
Middle Atlantic	14,336	17,741	148,243	56,900	63,325	10,953	9,605	39,685	37,863	38,846
New York <sup>2</sup>	9,832	9,474	34,840	31,779	36,096	5,807	4,849	18,779	18,312	17,772
New Jersey	---	3,664	---	10,642	11,454	2,019	1,856	8,062	7,546	8,335
Pennsylvania	4,504	4,603	13,403	14,479	15,775	3,127	2,900	12,844	12,005	12,739
East North Central	21,498	21,700	72,774	71,799	74,980	11,817	12,454	149,096	147,700	149,288
Ohio	6,033	5,272	20,878	19,961	20,113	4,075	3,954	16,447	15,865	15,769
Indiana	4,072	3,909	11,678	11,206	11,645	---	---	---	---	---
Illinois	5,571	6,185	19,874	20,385	20,608	3,556	4,280	13,183	13,145	14,134
Michigan	4,159	4,428	13,933	13,717	14,232	2,852	2,660	13,672	12,858	13,387
Wisconsin	1,663	1,906	6,411	6,530	8,382	1,334	1,560	5,794	5,832	5,998
West North Central	8,373	9,192	32,515	31,696	34,776	6,382	7,440	24,872	26,530	25,571
Minnesota	1,765	2,105	5,839	5,931	5,754	1,353	1,362	4,965	5,467	5,809
Iowa	1,142	1,296	4,555	4,389	6,767	894	920	3,813	3,867	3,569
Missouri	2,711	2,835	11,342	10,110	11,094	1,909	2,351	9,124	8,892	8,276
North Dakota	195	282	761	870	932	171	186	714	706	700
South Dakota	384	401	1,568	1,511	1,615	229	255	954	923	979
Nebraska	852	858	2,781	2,827	2,968	551	633	2,081	2,296	2,083
Kansas	1,324	1,415	5,669	6,058	5,646	1,275	1,733	3,221	4,379	4,155
South Atlantic	33,519	36,767	124,143	126,494	127,404	17,930	19,348	71,640	75,434	77,387
Delaware	426	421	1,170	1,166	1,202	299	255	1,322	1,005	1,044
Maryland	2,441	2,999	9,418	10,198	10,172	1,061	1,104	4,792	5,076	5,570
District of Columbia	160	223	430	439	385	199	241	447	701	532
Virginia	4,799	5,455	17,410	18,083	18,274	2,523	2,654	8,430	9,238	9,123
West Virginia	893	632	2,323	2,470	3,958	964	461	2,732	2,938	3,058
North Carolina	5,398	4,214	16,496	12,289	11,863	3,167	3,232	11,923	11,472	11,436
South Carolina	3,710	4,712	12,472	15,490	15,305	1,511	1,327	4,800	4,807	4,901
Georgia	4,858	5,404	17,947	18,579	18,667	2,681	2,974	11,470	11,919	12,466
Florida	10,834	12,707	46,477	47,780	47,578	5,525	7,100	25,724	28,278	29,257
East South Central	13,053	13,451	54,740	51,190	51,645	8,164	8,377	31,462	31,493	30,633
Kentucky	2,845	3,386	12,879	12,962	11,765	1,832	2,434	7,557	7,809	7,032
Tennessee	6,768	5,176	25,567	20,015	21,409	2,769	3,164	11,026	10,885	10,722
Alabama	1,828	3,151	10,411	12,033	11,838	2,583	2,007	8,110	8,612	8,913
Mississippi	1,612	1,738	5,883	6,180	6,633	980	772	4,769	4,187	3,966
West South Central	20,707	22,479	92,109	95,818	89,719	11,371	12,491	145,016	148,467	147,122
Arkansas	2,643	2,560	9,273	11,462	10,464	1,281	1,726	4,369	6,433	5,603
Louisiana	3,395	3,403	11,252	12,420	9,098	---	---	---	---	---
Oklahoma	1,983	2,070	7,635	8,093	8,301	1,693	1,777	7,075	7,019	6,922
Texas <sup>3</sup>	12,686	14,446	63,949	63,843	61,856	8,397	8,988	33,572	35,015	34,597
Mountain	17,528	20,199	128,901	79,149	73,892	15,149	7,514	119,380	29,216	125,489
Montana	331	385	1,245	1,313	1,401	311	320	1,231	1,363	1,371
Idaho	817	894	4,213	4,448	3,626	555	672	2,259	2,499	2,322
Wyoming	273	219	1,037	971	973	320	275	1,136	981	1,007
Colorado	---	2,379	---	8,376	7,984	---	1,691	---	6,344	6,379
New Mexico <sup>4,5</sup>	1,106	878	4,022	3,311	3,473	875	799	3,397	3,134	3,343
Arizona <sup>2</sup>	3,382	2,853	12,317	12,013	13,393	2,161	1,838	8,179	7,611	8,091
Utah	1,619	1,416	6,067	5,655	5,655	927	793	3,178	3,089	2,976
Nevada	---	11,175	---	43,062	37,387	---	1,126	---	4,195	---
Pacific	16,201	17,459	69,328	75,856	82,346	13,561	13,619	116,806	117,579	115,451
Washington	2,545	3,263	10,087	10,057	8,470	1,741	1,764	9,173	9,506	7,810
Oregon	1,831	1,250	6,636	5,511	5,561	1,162	1,500	4,912	5,844	5,220
California	10,019	11,171	45,599	53,505	61,701	---	---	---	---	---
Alaska	324	363	1,368	1,439	1,250	221	280	947	1,097	871
Hawaii	1,482	1,412	5,638	5,344	5,364	437	75	1,774	1,132	1,550
Puerto Rico <sup>6</sup>	2,018	---	9,413	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

<sup>1</sup>Excludes figures for State(s) shown below as not available.

<sup>2</sup>Figures for marriages are marriage licenses issued for some counties.

<sup>3</sup>Figures include adjustments for varying length of reporting periods; see Technical notes.

<sup>4</sup>Figures for marriages are marriage licenses issued.

<sup>5</sup>Figures for divorces include estimates for some counties.

<sup>6</sup>Data for Puerto Rico are not included in U.S. total figures.

NOTES: Figures include all revisions received from the States. Cumulative figures for the current year reflect revisions received for previous months, and figures for earlier years may differ from those previously published.

**Table 4. Provisional number of deaths under 1 year and infant mortality rates: Each division and State, 12 months ending with April 1994 and 1995**

[Data are estimates by State of residence; see Technical notes. Infant mortality rates are deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births in specified area]

Area	12 months ending with April			
	1995		1994	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
New England . . . . .	1,795	16.0	1,093	6.0
Maine . . . . .	83	5.8	103	7.0
New Hampshire . . . . .	93	6.3	85	5.8
Vermont . . . . .	49	6.6	35	5.1
Massachusetts . . . . .	487	5.8	430	5.2
Rhode Island . . . . .	83	6.4	103	7.3
Connecticut . . . . .	---	---	337	7.1
Middle Atlantic . . . . .	11,209	17.7	4,549	8.2
New York . . . . .	---	---	2,245	8.1
New Jersey . . . . .	---	---	1,006	8.5
Pennsylvania . . . . .	1,209	7.7	1,298	8.2
East North Central . . . . .	5,515	8.8	5,872	9.2
Ohio . . . . .	1,351	8.7	1,469	9.3
Indiana . . . . .	809	10.6	736	8.8
Illinois . . . . .	1,696	9.0	1,843	9.7
Michigan . . . . .	1,142	8.1	1,270	9.2
Wisconsin . . . . .	517	7.7	554	8.0
West North Central . . . . .	1,962	7.7	2,051	8.0
Minnesota . . . . .	430	6.8	479	7.5
Iowa . . . . .	262	7.0	252	7.1
Missouri . . . . .	615	8.1	632	8.3
North Dakota . . . . .	61	7.0	62	7.2
South Dakota . . . . .	128	12.0	119	11.0
Nebraska . . . . .	202	8.7	180	7.9
Kansas . . . . .	264	7.8	327	8.7
South Atlantic . . . . .	15,651	18.6	6,209	9.3
Delaware . . . . .	72	7.1	89	8.6
Maryland . . . . .	644	8.6	671	9.4
District of Columbia . . . . .	---	---	185	19.0
Virginia . . . . .	725	7.3	779	8.2
West Virginia . . . . .	147	6.9	174	8.1
North Carolina . . . . .	1,036	10.2	1,024	10.2
South Carolina . . . . .	438	8.9	487	9.0
Georgia . . . . .	1,061	9.5	1,217	11.0
Florida . . . . .	1,528	8.1	1,583	8.2
East South Central . . . . .	2,170	9.6	2,179	9.4
Kentucky . . . . .	407	8.0	436	8.3
Tennessee . . . . .	723	10.0	661	8.7
Alabama . . . . .	620	10.1	624	10.1
Mississippi . . . . .	420	10.0	458	10.7
West South Central . . . . .	3,701	7.7	3,841	8.0
Arkansas . . . . .	312	9.2	303	8.7
Louisiana . . . . .	643	9.5	640	9.4
Oklahoma . . . . .	424	9.4	405	8.7
Texas <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	2,322	7.0	2,493	7.6
Mountain . . . . .	1,770	7.1	1,714	7.1
Montana . . . . .	99	8.9	84	7.5
Idaho . . . . .	119	7.0	131	7.6
Wyoming . . . . .	58	8.9	34	5.2
Colorado . . . . .	360	6.7	376	6.9
New Mexico . . . . .	235	8.5	257	9.4
Arizona . . . . .	560	7.6	476	7.3
Utah . . . . .	221	5.7	214	5.8
Nevada . . . . .	118	5.9	142	6.4
Pacific . . . . .	4,740	6.5	4,874	6.7
Washington . . . . .	426	5.3	497	6.6
Oregon . . . . .	272	6.4	297	6.9
California <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	3,842	6.6	3,880	6.7
Alaska . . . . .	76	7.1	72	5.8
Hawaii . . . . .	124	6.5	128	6.6
Puerto Rico <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	---	---	---	---

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<sup>3</sup>Data for Puerto Rico are not included in U.S. total figures.

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**Table 5. Provisional number of deaths and death rates, by age, race, and sex, and age-adjusted death rates by race and sex: United States, March 1994 and 1995, cumulative figures 1994 and 1995, and 12 months ending with March 1994 and 1995**

[Data are provisional, estimated from a 10-percent sample of deaths. Age-specific rates on an annual basis per 100,000 population in specified group; age-adjusted rates per 100,000 U.S. standard million population; see Technical notes. Because of rounding of estimates, figures may not add to totals. For method of computation and information on standard errors of the estimates, see Technical notes]

Age, race, and sex	March				January–March				12 months ending with March							
	1995		1994		1995		1994		1995		1994					
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate				
<b>All races, both sexes<sup>1</sup></b>																
All ages . . . . .	208,000	935.5	199,000	902.7	622,000	963.3	627,000	980.4	2,280,000	872.2	2,293,000	886.5				
Under 1 year . . . . .	} 4,020	82.2	4,130	85.0	7,700	<sup>2</sup> 819.9	8,100	<sup>2</sup> 834.0	31,000	<sup>2</sup> 793.6	32,800	<sup>2</sup> 827.8				
1–4 years . . . . .					1,900	48.4	2,010	51.4	7,060	44.5	7,100	44.9				
5–14 years . . . . .					1,980	21.2	1,780	19.3	8,750	23.2	8,530	22.9				
15–24 years . . . . .					2,760	90.4	2,750	90.0	8,130	91.8	8,550	96.3	35,470	98.5	35,460	98.6
25–34 years . . . . .					4,980	143.0	4,570	129.5	14,970	147.9	14,240	138.9	59,210	143.4	59,690	142.9
35–44 years . . . . .	8,400	234.2	7,950	226.0	25,710	247.1	24,850	243.7	101,290	241.3	97,340	237.2				
45–54 years . . . . .	11,950	458.1	11,690	466.1	36,700	486.4	34,910	480.9	137,560	454.8	135,170	465.7				
55–64 years . . . . .	20,510	1,145.3	20,700	1,160.8	61,430	1,182.0	63,590	1,228.7	237,620	1,128.8	242,290	1,156.5				
65–74 years . . . . .	43,640	2,741.1	42,740	2,689.9	130,880	2,831.4	132,640	2,875.8	482,800	2,574.2	491,770	2,631.1				
75–84 years . . . . .	59,670	6,351.7	56,560	6,100.7	177,250	6,507.1	180,560	6,716.6	641,510	5,803.9	646,920	5,961.3				
85 years and over . . . . .	52,120	17,089.1	48,000	16,438.7	154,850	17,512.3	156,000	18,431.8	537,520	15,327.1	535,390	15,668.4				
Not stated . . . . .	90	...	50	...	280	...	140	...	800	...	830	...				
Age-adjusted rate <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	...	527.5	...	517.8	...	544.8	...	555.2	...	505.5	...	515.3				
<b>All races, male<sup>1</sup></b>																
All ages . . . . .	105,370	970.0	101,140	938.9	313,400	994.5	317,760	1,016.9	1,162,230	910.4	1,178,780	933.3				
Under 1 year . . . . .	} 2,300	91.8	2,360	94.9	4,280	<sup>2</sup> 883.4	4,770	<sup>2</sup> 956.6	17,230	<sup>2</sup> 862.8	19,080	<sup>2</sup> 941.3				
1–4 years . . . . .					1,100	55.1	1,210	60.0	4,130	50.8	4,100	50.7				
5–14 years . . . . .					1,170	24.6	1,010	21.4	5,210	26.9	5,040	26.5				
15–24 years . . . . .					2,140	137.4	2,120	135.8	6,270	138.9	6,630	146.3	27,280	148.4	26,940	146.5
25–34 years . . . . .					3,730	214.3	3,190	180.7	10,970	216.7	10,150	198.1	43,480	210.6	44,020	210.5
35–44 years . . . . .	5,990	336.7	5,660	324.4	17,880	346.9	17,480	345.7	70,400	338.0	67,360	331.0				
45–54 years . . . . .	7,840	615.3	7,410	604.4	23,300	632.0	22,250	626.9	86,550	585.5	85,680	603.8				
55–64 years . . . . .	12,580	1,478.7	12,780	1,508.5	36,780	1,489.9	38,920	1,583.1	144,400	1,443.6	147,860	1,487.4				
65–74 years . . . . .	25,180	3,562.1	24,610	3,502.1	74,810	3,645.7	76,640	3,757.7	275,330	3,312.8	282,660	3,423.7				
75–84 years . . . . .	29,320	8,067.7	27,670	7,782.9	86,690	8,231.3	88,420	8,582.2	312,560	7,345.7	320,970	7,737.9				
85 years and over . . . . .	16,240	19,064.1	15,310	18,583.8	50,000	20,258.5	50,240	21,059.5	175,130	17,654.2	174,600	18,244.5				
Not stated . . . . .	50	...	20	...	150	...	50	...	520	...	480	...				
Age-adjusted rate <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	...	684.4	...	668.9	...	699.2	...	718.8	...	650.6	...	669.8				
<b>All races, female<sup>1</sup></b>																
All ages . . . . .	102,780	902.6	98,000	868.1	308,420	933.5	309,660	945.5	1,118,370	836.2	1,114,500	842.0				
Under 1 year . . . . .	} 1,730	72.4	1,770	74.6	3,470	<sup>2</sup> 748.9	3,370	<sup>2</sup> 706.0	13,760	<sup>2</sup> 719.7	13,710	<sup>2</sup> 708.9				
1–4 years . . . . .					800	42.0	810	42.4	2,930	37.8	2,990	38.8				
5–14 years . . . . .					800	17.8	770	17.1	3,540	19.2	3,490	19.2				
15–24 years . . . . .					630	42.2	640	42.8	1,860	42.9	1,920	44.5	8,190	46.5	8,520	48.4
25–34 years . . . . .					1,250	71.8	1,380	78.2	4,000	79.0	4,090	79.8	15,730	76.2	15,670	75.1
35–44 years . . . . .	2,410	133.3	2,290	129.1	7,830	149.2	7,370	143.2	30,890	146.1	29,980	144.9				
45–54 years . . . . .	4,110	308.0	4,280	333.8	13,410	347.1	12,660	341.4	51,010	329.9	49,490	333.5				
55–64 years . . . . .	7,930	843.6	7,920	846.0	24,640	903.7	24,670	908.0	93,220	843.8	94,440	857.8				
65–74 years . . . . .	18,460	2,085.7	18,130	2,045.9	56,060	2,181.4	56,000	2,176.7	207,470	1,986.7	209,110	2,003.9				
75–84 years . . . . .	30,350	5,269.0	28,890	5,054.3	90,560	5,420.3	92,140	5,558.2	328,960	4,839.1	325,950	4,862.0				
85 years and over . . . . .	35,880	16,323.7	32,680	15,578.2	104,850	16,445.6	105,760	17,389.6	362,390	14,414.9	360,790	14,666.3				
Not stated . . . . .	40	...	30	...	130	...	90	...	280	...	350	...				
Age-adjusted rate <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	...	396.3	...	392.4	...	417.0	...	420.3	...	384.4	...	387.8				
<b>White</b>																
All ages . . . . .	179,050	969.1	171,230	933.6	534,820	997.5	540,440	1,015.5	1,959,740	903.1	1,971,590	916.1				
Under 1 year . . . . .	} 2,620	67.5	2,690	69.7	4,940	<sup>2</sup> 666.2	5,210	<sup>2</sup> 679.6	20,070	<sup>2</sup> 657.0	21,090	<sup>2</sup> 680.1				
1–4 years . . . . .					1,250	40.5	1,330	42.7	4,680	37.3	4,890	39.1				
5–14 years . . . . .					1,420	19.1	1,270	17.2	6,180	20.6	6,310	21.3				
15–24 years . . . . .					1,910	78.4	1,860	76.1	5,620	79.4	5,880	82.8	24,950	86.8	24,720	85.8
25–34 years . . . . .					3,670	128.9	3,180	110.0	10,910	131.8	9,700	115.4	42,560	126.1	42,540	124.1
35–44 years . . . . .	5,920	198.1	5,500	187.5	18,030	208.1	17,190	202.1	72,270	206.8	68,750	200.6				
45–54 years . . . . .	9,080	406.7	9,090	422.7	28,160	435.8	26,940	432.8	105,590	407.7	104,110	417.8				
55–64 years . . . . .	16,470	1,063.4	16,860	1,090.9	49,410	1,099.2	52,030	1,159.7	193,260	1,061.1	198,070	1,089.7				
65–74 years . . . . .	37,570	2,658.4	37,020	2,621.2	112,500	2,741.3	114,720	2,797.8	417,070	2,505.1	425,350	2,558.5				
75–84 years . . . . .	53,830	6,319.1	50,710	6,036.5	159,610	6,461.2	162,100	6,654.3	577,910	5,772.7	582,410	5,923.0				
85 years and over . . . . .	47,950	17,270.5	44,290	16,618.2	142,770	17,736.0	144,000	18,636.4	494,640	15,452.7	492,810	15,805.3				
Not stated . . . . .	40	...	40	...	210	...	80	...	560	...	550	...				
Age-adjusted rate <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	...	497.9	...	488.7	...	514.1	...	524.4	...	478.2	...	487.1				

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 5. Provisional number of deaths and death rates, by age, race, and sex, and age-adjusted death rates by race and sex: United States, March 1994 and 1995, cumulative figures 1994 and 1995, and 12 months ending with March 1994 and 1995—Con.**

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Age, race, and sex	March				January–March				12 months ending with March			
	1995		1994		1995		1994		1995		1994	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate
<b>White male</b>												
All ages	89,360	986.1	85,340	948.8	266,380	1,013.0	270,000	1,034.6	987,140	927.4	1,001,980	949.4
Under 1 year	} 1,460	73.4	1,480	74.8	2,760	<sup>2</sup> 725.7	2,950	<sup>2</sup> 751.8	11,160	<sup>2</sup> 713.6	12,020	<sup>2</sup> 755.5
1–4 years					790	49.9	800	50.5	2,820	43.9	2,840	44.3
5–14 years					840	22.3	700	18.6	3,660	23.8	3,780	24.9
15–24 years	1,480	118.4	1,380	110.1	4,280	117.9	4,500	123.5	18,910	128.3	18,500	125.1
25–34 years	2,790	194.0	2,260	154.7	8,130	194.2	7,100	167.2	31,660	185.6	31,750	183.3
35–44 years	4,250	283.7	3,920	266.5	12,740	293.1	12,180	285.5	51,030	291.1	48,420	281.9
45–54 years	6,040	548.1	5,760	542.5	18,090	567.2	17,370	565.2	66,970	523.7	66,680	542.0
55–64 years	10,310	1,385.6	10,460	1,409.3	29,990	1,388.7	32,260	1,497.0	118,700	1,356.4	122,010	1,399.4
65–74 years	21,870	3,460.1	21,290	3,386.5	64,860	3,534.9	66,490	3,642.9	239,920	3,229.9	246,880	3,340.7
75–84 years	26,470	8,005.7	24,770	7,670.9	78,220	8,163.0	79,590	8,502.8	282,370	7,307.7	289,730	7,693.3
85 years and over	14,670	19,085.9	13,980	18,790.3	45,560	20,455.7	46,030	21,357.8	159,570	17,769.5	159,040	18,386.1
Not stated	20	...	20	...	120	...	40	...	370	...	320	...
Age-adjusted rate <sup>3</sup>	...	644.8	...	625.3	...	659.3	...	676.7	...	614.4	...	632.4
<b>White female</b>												
All ages	89,690	952.7	85,890	918.9	268,440	982.6	270,440	997.1	972,600	879.7	969,610	884.0
Under 1 year	} 1,150	60.9	1,210	64.4	2,180	<sup>2</sup> 603.5	2,260	<sup>2</sup> 606.6	8,910	<sup>2</sup> 597.6	9,070	<sup>2</sup> 600.7
1–4 years					470	31.3	530	34.5	1,860	30.4	2,040	33.5
5–14 years					570	15.8	570	16.0	2,520	17.3	2,530	17.6
15–24 years	430	36.2	470	39.5	1,330	38.6	1,370	39.6	6,050	43.2	6,220	44.3
25–34 years	870	61.7	920	64.3	2,780	67.8	2,600	62.8	10,900	65.3	10,790	63.7
35–44 years	1,660	111.4	1,570	107.3	5,290	122.2	5,010	118.1	21,240	121.9	20,340	119.0
45–54 years	3,040	268.9	3,330	305.8	10,080	308.1	9,570	303.6	38,620	294.6	37,420	296.6
55–64 years	6,160	765.5	6,400	796.7	19,420	831.0	19,770	847.8	74,550	787.8	76,050	804.1
65–74 years	15,700	2,009.7	15,730	2,007.2	47,640	2,099.5	48,240	2,120.1	177,160	1,921.3	178,470	1,932.5
75–84 years	27,360	5,249.2	25,930	5,014.0	81,390	5,382.7	82,510	5,500.3	295,540	4,807.9	292,680	4,824.1
85 years and over	33,280	16,575.5	30,310	15,777.0	97,210	16,693.9	97,960	17,585.2	335,070	14,549.3	333,770	14,814.5
Not stated	20	...	20	...	90	...	40	...	190	...	230	...
Age-adjusted rate <sup>3</sup>	...	373.7	...	375.1	...	393.0	...	398.5	...	364.0	...	366.9
<b>Black</b>												
All ages	25,300	902.8	24,840	899.6	76,900	946.2	77,190	964.0	283,220	863.1	285,270	883.0
Under 1 year	} 1,290	169.2	1,220	161.4	2,560	<sup>2</sup> 1,674.4	2,620	<sup>2</sup> 1,677.7	9,790	<sup>2</sup> 1,541.7	10,670	<sup>2</sup> 1,646.6
1–4 years					610	99.4	550	87.3	2,120	84.5	1,810	72.2
5–14 years					470	31.8	440	30.3	2,070	35.5	1,890	33.1
15–24 years	730	158.2	780	170.7	2,130	159.1	2,340	176.5	9,120	168.5	9,380	175.2
25–34 years	1,230	266.5	1,250	269.5	3,750	279.5	3,970	294.6	14,930	274.2	15,190	277.6
35–44 years	2,260	517.3	2,310	544.8	7,060	557.8	7,160	583.1	26,570	522.9	26,290	534.7
45–54 years	2,480	915.9	2,330	903.6	7,450	954.0	7,100	953.0	28,240	904.8	27,820	936.4
55–64 years	3,520	1,959.6	3,370	1,904.9	10,530	2,022.1	10,210	1,990.5	38,870	1,853.6	39,020	1,884.1
65–74 years	5,200	3,805.2	5,170	3,806.9	16,150	4,072.6	15,950	4,046.3	58,050	3,610.1	58,980	3,700.1
75–84 years	5,050	7,216.0	5,240	7,524.0	15,550	7,662.9	16,280	8,058.8	55,860	6,722.0	56,540	6,895.1
85 years and over	3,490	15,107.3	3,170	15,296.8	10,550	15,730.2	10,520	17,485.4	37,370	14,948.0	37,400	15,203.3
Not stated	50	...	10	...	70	...	60	...	220	...	280	...
Age-adjusted rate <sup>3</sup>	...	798.8	...	802.9	...	837.5	...	853.5	...	771.0	...	789.0
<b>Black male</b>												
All ages	13,800	1,038.4	13,990	1,068.1	41,270	1,070.8	42,230	1,111.8	153,330	984.6	155,960	1,018.1
Under 1 year	} 750	194.0	770	201.0	1,330	<sup>2</sup> 1,727.0	1,650	<sup>2</sup> 2,072.0	5,440	<sup>2</sup> 1,689.4	6,440	<sup>2</sup> 1,963.4
1–4 years					290	93.1	300	95.7	1,120	88.1	1,020	80.3
5–14 years					290	39.5	270	37.6	1,270	43.0	1,060	36.6
15–24 years	590	255.9	660	289.1	1,740	261.7	1,880	283.8	7,310	270.2	7,480	279.6
25–34 years	890	407.7	810	369.1	2,660	417.7	2,660	417.2	10,610	411.7	10,800	417.3
35–44 years	1,540	755.5	1,620	819.3	4,710	796.0	4,980	869.8	17,690	745.5	17,510	764.3
45–54 years	1,550	1,263.0	1,470	1,256.9	4,610	1,298.0	4,350	1,287.7	17,450	1,233.2	17,050	1,265.8
55–64 years	2,000	2,562.4	2,080	2,697.2	5,990	2,642.8	5,880	2,629.1	22,560	2,468.3	22,840	2,535.0
65–74 years	2,790	4,910.3	2,990	5,309.9	8,630	5,234.6	9,030	5,526.6	31,020	4,650.7	31,890	4,831.8
75–84 years	2,440	9,608.4	2,580	10,297.4	7,360	9,980.3	7,760	10,680.9	25,910	8,636.7	26,710	9,054.2
85 years and over	1,200	17,884.8	1,020	16,915.0	3,630	18,635.0	3,470	19,820.8	12,800	17,534.2	12,990	18,041.7
Not stated	30	...	—	...	30	...	10	...	140	...	160	...
Age-adjusted rate <sup>3</sup>	...	1,070.2	...	1,118.0	...	1,108.2	...	1,154.8	...	1,025.3	...	1,059.7

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 5. Provisional number of deaths and death rates, by age, race, and sex, and age-adjusted death rates by race and sex: United States, March 1994 and 1995, cumulative figures 1994 and 1995, and 12 months ending with March 1994 and 1995—Con.**

[Data are provisional, estimated from a 10-percent sample of deaths. Age-specific rates on an annual basis per 100,000 population in specified group; age-adjusted rates per 100,000 U.S. standard million population; see Technical notes. Because of rounding of estimates, figures may not add to totals. For method of computation and information on standard errors of the estimates, see Technical notes]

Age, race, and sex	March				January–March				12 months ending with March							
	1995		1994		1995		1994		1995		1994					
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate				
Black female																
All ages . . . . .	11,500	780.5	10,850	747.6	35,630	833.9	34,960	830.4	129,890	753.3	129,310	761.2				
Under 1 year . . . . .	} 530	141.1	450	120.8	1,230	<sup>2</sup> 1,633.8	970	<sup>2</sup> 1,259.4	4,340	<sup>2</sup> 1,386.6	4,220	<sup>2</sup> 1,318.8				
1–4 years . . . . .					320	105.8	250	81.9	1,010	81.6	790	63.8				
5–14 years . . . . .					180	25.3	170	24.3	800	27.9	830	29.5				
15–24 years . . . . .					140	60.6	120	52.5	390	58.2	460	67.8	1,810	66.9	1,900	70.9
25–34 years . . . . .					340	139.7	440	180.1	1,090	154.1	1,310	184.5	4,320	150.7	4,390	152.3
35–44 years . . . . .	720	308.9	690	305.0	2,360	349.6	2,180	334.2	8,880	327.9	8,780	334.3				
45–54 years . . . . .	920	621.5	860	610.4	2,850	664.2	2,750	675.3	10,790	632.5	10,760	662.6				
55–64 years . . . . .	1,520	1,496.4	1,290	1,292.7	4,540	1,545.1	4,330	1,496.8	16,310	1,378.7	16,180	1,382.9				
65–74 years . . . . .	2,400	3,006.2	2,190	2,754.9	7,510	3,241.4	6,920	2,998.3	27,030	2,872.5	27,090	2,900.4				
75–84 years . . . . .	2,610	5,853.4	2,650	5,943.2	8,190	6,334.9	8,520	6,586.2	29,950	5,640.3	29,830	5,681.9				
85 years and over . . . . .	2,290	13,970.4	2,150	14,632.7	6,920	14,541.2	7,050	16,527.0	24,570	13,881.4	24,410	14,028.7				
Not stated . . . . .	20	...	10	...	40	...	50	...	80	...	120	...				
Age-adjusted rate <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	...	587.6	...	560.6	...	629.6	...	622.2	...	573.9	...	580.2				

<sup>1</sup>Includes races other than white and black.

<sup>2</sup>Death rates for age group under 1 year (based on population estimates) differ from infant mortality rates (based on live births); see table 9 for infant mortality rates.

<sup>3</sup>For method of computation, see Technical notes.

NOTES: Figures include all revisions received from the States. Cumulative and 12-month figures for the current year reflect revisions received for previous months, and figures for earlier years may differ from those previously published. Data include adjustments for New Jersey, which is not included in the sample for March 1995.

**Table 6. Provisional number of deaths and death rates for 72 selected causes and Human immunodeficiency virus infection: United States, March 1994 and 1995, cumulative figures 1994 and 1995, and 12 months ending with March 1994 and 1995**

[Data are provisional, estimated from a 10-percent sample of deaths. Rates on an annual basis per 100,000 estimated population. Because of rounding of estimates, figures may not add to totals. For method of computation and information on standard errors of the estimates, see Technical notes. For explanation of asterisk preceding cause-of-death codes, see Technical notes]

Cause of death (Ninth Revision, International Classification of Diseases, 1975)	March			January-March			12 months ending with March					
	1995		1994	1995		1994	1995		1994			
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number			
All causes . . . . .	208,000	935.5	199,000	902.7	622,000	963.3	627,000	980.4	2,280,000	872.2	2,293,000	886.5
Shigellosis and amebiasis . . . . .	—	*	—	*	—	*	10	*	—	*	10	*
Certain other intestinal infections . . . . .	60	*	60	*	160	0.2	240	0.4	670	0.3	640	0.2
Tuberculosis . . . . .	180	0.8	110	0.5	490	0.8	380	0.6	1,570	0.6	1,510	0.6
Tuberculosis of respiratory system . . . . .	140	0.6	70	*	380	0.6	300	0.4	1,170	0.4	1,210	0.5
Other tuberculosis . . . . .	40	*	40	*	110	0.2	80	*	390	0.1	300	0.1
Whooping cough . . . . .	—	*	—	*	—	*	20	*	—	*	20	*
Streptococcal sore throat, scarlatina, and erysipelas . . . . .	10	*	—	*	10	*	—	*	10	*	—	*
Meningococcal infection . . . . .	30	*	30	*	90	*	90	*	300	0.1	280	0.1
Septicemia . . . . .	1,790	8.0	1,970	8.9	5,930	9.2	5,950	9.3	19,880	7.6	20,840	8.1
Acute poliomyelitis . . . . .	—	*	—	*	—	*	—	*	—	*	—	*
Measles . . . . .	—	*	—	*	—	*	—	*	—	*	—	*
Viral hepatitis . . . . .	310	1.4	240	1.1	900	1.4	720	1.1	2,990	1.1	2,640	1.0
Syphilis . . . . .	20	*	20	*	70	*	60	*	110	0.0	150	0.1
All other infectious and parasitic diseases <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	4,440	19.9	3,880	17.6	12,720	19.7	11,640	18.2	47,860	18.3	45,100	17.4
Malignant neoplasms, including neoplasms of lymphatic and hematopoietic tissues . . . . .	45,390	204.0	45,510	206.3	136,290	211.1	136,530	213.3	538,320	205.9	533,160	206.1
Malignant neoplasms of lip, oral cavity, and pharynx . . . . .	740	3.3	760	3.4	2,230	3.5	1,990	3.1	7,990	3.1	8,140	3.1
Malignant neoplasms of digestive organs and peritoneum . . . . .	10,560	47.5	10,640	48.2	31,360	48.6	31,800	49.7	126,480	48.4	125,270	48.4
Malignant neoplasms of respiratory and intrathoracic organs . . . . .	13,130	59.0	12,620	57.2	39,600	61.4	38,770	60.6	154,800	59.2	153,040	59.2
Malignant neoplasm of breast . . . . .	3,670	16.5	3,720	16.9	11,420	17.1	11,070	17.3	44,470	17.0	44,360	17.1
Malignant neoplasms of genital organs . . . . .	5,150	23.1	5,140	23.3	15,530	24.0	15,620	24.4	61,860	23.7	60,470	23.4
Malignant neoplasms of urinary organs . . . . .	2,120	9.5	2,080	9.4	6,040	9.4	5,900	9.2	22,060	8.4	22,220	8.6
Malignant neoplasms of all other and unspecified sites . . . . .	5,370	24.1	5,800	26.3	16,260	25.2	17,090	26.7	66,660	25.5	66,870	25.9
Leukemia . . . . .	1,700	7.6	1,760	8.0	4,830	7.5	5,370	8.4	19,440	7.4	19,210	7.4
Other malignant neoplasms of lymphatic and hematopoietic tissues . . . . .	2,960	13.3	2,990	13.6	9,020	14.0	8,920	13.9	34,560	13.2	33,590	13.0
Benign neoplasms, carcinoma in situ, and neoplasms of uncertain behavior and of unspecified nature . . . . .	870	3.9	640	2.9	2,490	3.9	2,020	3.2	8,150	3.1	8,110	3.1
Diabetes mellitus . . . . .	5,060	22.7	4,840	21.9	15,750	24.4	15,170	23.7	55,840	21.4	55,300	21.4
Nutritional deficiencies . . . . .	320	1.4	150	0.7	950	1.5	900	1.4	3,240	1.2	3,420	1.3
Anemias . . . . .	360	1.6	380	1.7	1,200	1.9	1,010	1.6	4,350	1.7	4,340	1.7
Meningitis . . . . .	60	*	90	*	280	0.4	330	0.5	890	0.3	860	0.3
Major cardiovascular diseases . . . . .	87,000	391.0	81,630	370.0	259,330	401.7	263,530	411.8	934,980	357.7	947,290	366.2
Diseases of heart . . . . .	67,590	303.8	63,210	286.5	200,500	310.6	204,750	319.9	726,490	277.9	741,130	286.5
Rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease . . . . .	580	2.6	400	1.8	1,530	2.4	1,430	2.2	5,620	2.1	5,560	2.1
Hypertensive heart disease . . . . .	2,160	9.7	2,000	9.1	6,490	10.0	6,510	10.2	23,760	9.1	23,200	9.0
Hypertensive heart and renal disease . . . . .	330	1.5	140	0.6	780	1.2	460	0.7	2,520	1.0	2,180	0.8
Ischemic heart disease . . . . .	43,470	195.4	42,240	191.5	131,200	203.2	135,010	211.0	478,320	183.0	487,900	188.6
Acute myocardial infarction . . . . .	19,980	89.8	20,100	91.1	60,480	93.7	63,310	98.9	222,290	85.0	228,780	88.4
Other acute and subacute forms of ischemic heart disease . . . . .	180	0.8	220	1.0	740	1.1	790	1.2	2,640	1.0	2,950	1.1
Angina pectoris . . . . .	50	*	70	*	210	0.3	260	0.4	850	0.3	800	0.3
Old myocardial infarction and other forms of chronic ischemic heart disease . . . . .	23,250	104.5	21,840	99.0	69,770	108.1	70,650	110.4	252,550	96.6	255,370	98.7
Other diseases of endocardium . . . . .	1,540	6.9	1,220	5.5	4,370	6.7	4,050	6.3	14,810	5.7	14,710	5.7
All other forms of heart disease . . . . .	19,520	87.7	17,210	78.0	56,140	87.0	57,290	89.5	201,460	77.1	207,580	80.2
Hypertension with or without renal disease . . . . .	1,140	5.1	1,020	4.6	3,370	5.2	3,300	5.2	10,840	4.1	11,030	4.3
Cerebrovascular diseases . . . . .	14,400	64.7	13,700	62.1	43,550	67.5	42,770	66.8	154,720	59.2	151,270	58.5
Intracerebral and other intracranial hemorrhage . . . . .	2,070	9.3	2,050	9.3	6,090	9.4	5,640	8.8	21,550	8.2	20,780	8.0
Cerebral thrombosis and unspecified occlusion of cerebral arteries . . . . .	1,250	5.6	1,370	6.2	3,880	6.0	4,090	6.4	14,770	5.7	15,590	6.0
Cerebral embolism . . . . .	20	*	120	0.5	130	0.2	270	0.4	780	0.3	600	0.2

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 6. Provisional number of deaths and death rates for 72 selected causes and Human immunodeficiency virus infection: United States, March 1994 and 1995, cumulative figures 1994 and 1995, and 12 months ending with March 1994 and 1995, and 12 months ending with March 1994 and 1995**

[Data are provisional, estimated from a 10-percent sample of deaths. Rates on an annual basis per 100,000 estimated population. Because of rounding of estimates, figures may not add to totals. For method of computation and information on standard errors of the estimates, see Technical notes. For explanation of asterisk preceding cause-of-death codes, see Technical notes]

Cause of death (Ninth Revision, International Classification of Diseases, 1975)	March			January-March			12 months ending with March					
	1995			1994			1995			1994		
	Number	Rate		Number	Rate		Number	Rate		Number	Rate	
All other and late effects of cerebrovascular diseases . . . . .	11,050	49.7	430-433,435-438	10,160	46.0	33,460	51.8	32,770	51.2	117,610	45.0	114,300
Atherosclerosis . . . . .	1,520	6.8	. . . . .440	1,450	6.6	4,730	7.3	5,310	8.3	16,840	6.4	17,280
Other diseases of arteries, arterioles, and capillaries . . . . .	2,350	10.6	. . . . .441-448	2,260	10.2	7,170	11.1	7,400	11.6	26,100	10.0	26,580
Acute bronchitis and bronchiolitis . . . . .	90	*	. . . . .466	70	*	210	0.3	300	0.5	440	0.2	590
Pneumonia . . . . .	8,950	40.2	. . . . .480-487	8,150	36.9	26,180	40.5	29,830	46.6	78,170	29.9	85,070
Pneumonia, . . . . .	8,780	39.5	. . . . .480-486	8,100	36.7	25,840	40.0	28,680	44.8	77,730	29.7	83,490
Influenza . . . . .	170	0.8	. . . . .487	50	0.8	340	0.5	1,150	1.8	440	0.2	1,580
Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases and allied conditions . . . . .	10,660	47.9	. . . . .490-496	9,570	43.4	31,600	48.9	31,630	49.4	101,140	38.7	103,920
Bronchitis, chronic and unspecified . . . . .	390	1.7	. . . . .490-491	330	1.5	980	1.5	1,240	1.9	3,340	1.3	3,600
Emphysema . . . . .	1,920	8.6	. . . . .492	1,520	6.9	5,700	8.8	5,070	7.9	17,850	6.8	17,850
Asthma . . . . .	480	2.2	. . . . .493	530	2.4	1,680	2.6	1,730	2.7	5,180	2.0	5,310
Other chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases and allied conditions . . . . .	7,870	35.4	. . . . .494-496	7,180	32.5	23,240	36.0	23,590	36.9	74,760	28.6	77,170
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum . . . . .	490	2.2	. . . . .531-533	520	2.4	1,500	2.3	1,580	2.4	5,940	2.3	5,540
Appendicitis . . . . .	20	*	. . . . .540-543	40	*	90	*	70	*	340	0.1	400
Hernia of abdominal cavity and intestinal obstruction without mention of hernia . . . . .	540	2.4	. . . . .550-553,560	610	2.8	1,640	2.5	1,620	2.5	5,980	2.3	5,960
Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis . . . . .	2,260	10.1	. . . . .571	2,290	10.4	6,810	10.5	6,500	10.1	25,970	9.9	24,880
Cholelithiasis and other disorders of gallbladder . . . . .	220	1.0	. . . . .574-575	210	0.9	720	1.1	660	1.0	2,660	1.0	2,560
Nephritis and nephrotic syndrome, and nephrosis . . . . .	2,350	10.6	. . . . .580-589	2,220	10.1	7,120	11.0	6,730	10.5	25,080	9.6	24,230
Acute glomerulonephritis and nephrotic syndrome . . . . .	10	*	. . . . .580-581	30	*	50	*	80	*	210	0.1	320
Chronic glomerulonephritis, nephritis and nephropathy, not specified as acute or chronic, and renal sclerosis, unspecified . . . . .	60	*	. . . . .582-583,587	150	0.7	380	0.6	370	0.6	1,610	0.6	1,560
Renal failure, disorders resulting from impaired renal function, and small kidney of unknown cause . . . . .	2,280	10.2	. . . . .584-586,588-589	2,040	9.2	6,680	10.4	6,280	9.8	23,250	8.9	22,340
Infections of kidney . . . . .	30	*	. . . . .590	100	0.3	180	0.3	340	0.5	870	0.3	1,080
Hyperplasia of prostate . . . . .	50	*	. . . . .600	30	*	100	0.2	110	0.2	390	0.1	460
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium . . . . .	10	*	. . . . .630-676	20	*	80	*	70	*	350	0.1	260
Pregnancy with abortive outcome . . . . .	-	*	. . . . .630-638	10	*	-	*	30	*	30	*	60
Other complications of pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium . . . . .	790	3.5	. . . . .640-676	960	4.3	2,730	4.2	2,950	4.6	11,350	4.3	11,610
Congenital anomalies . . . . .	1,190	5.3	. . . . .740-759	1,200	5.4	3,420	5.3	3,520	5.5	14,080	5.4	15,530
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period . . . . .	150	0.7	. . . . .760-779	220	1.0	460	0.7	710	1.1	2,140	0.8	2,970
Birth trauma, intrauterine hypoxia, birth asphyxia, and respiratory distress syndrome . . . . .	1,050	4.7	. . . . .767-769	980	4.4	2,960	4.6	2,820	4.4	11,930	4.6	12,560
Other conditions originating in the perinatal period . . . . .	3,620	16.3	. . . . .760-766,770-779	3,270	14.8	10,980	17.0	10,690	16.7	40,540	15.5	39,980
Symptoms, signs, and ill-defined conditions . . . . .	19,150	86.1	. . . . .780-799	18,580	84.2	57,120	88.5	57,530	89.9	203,060	77.7	201,440
All other diseases . . . . .	7,130	32.0	. . . . .Residual	6,950	31.5	20,940	32.4	20,700	32.4	88,610	33.9	88,570
Accidents and adverse effects . . . . .	3,300	14.8	. . . . .E800-E949	3,090	14.0	9,690	15.0	8,950	14.0	42,780	16.4	41,210
Motor vehicle accidents . . . . .	3,830	17.2	. . . . .E810-E825	3,860	17.4	11,260	17.4	11,750	18.4	45,830	17.5	47,350
All other accidents and adverse effects . . . . .	2,770	12.4	. . . . .E800-E807,E826-E949	2,580	11.7	7,490	11.6	7,390	11.5	30,670	11.7	30,180
Suicide . . . . .	1,800	8.1	. . . . .E950-E959	1,970	8.9	5,670	8.8	6,080	9.5	23,270	8.9	25,030
Homicide and legal intervention . . . . .	120	0.5	. . . . .E960-E978	230	1.0	580	0.9	510	0.8	2,520	1.0	2,330
All other external causes . . . . .	3,730	16.8	. . . . .E980-E999	3,310	15.0	10,890	16.9	9,820	15.4	41,380	15.8	37,910
Human immunodeficiency virus infection <sup>2</sup> . . . . .			. . . . .*042-044									

<sup>1</sup>Includes data for deaths due to Human immunodeficiency virus infection (category numbers \*042-044) shown separately below; see Technical notes.

<sup>2</sup>Included in All other infectious and parasitic diseases shown above.

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**Table 7. Provisional number of deaths and death rates for 16 selected subcategories of Malignant neoplasms, including neoplasms of lymphatic and hematopoietic tissues: United States, March 1994 and 1995, cumulative figures 1994 and 1995, and 12 months ending with March 1994 and 1995**

[Data are provisional, estimated from a 10-percent sample of deaths. Rates on an annual basis per 100,000 estimated population. Because of rounding of estimates, figures may not add to totals. For method of computation and information on standard errors of the estimates, see Technical notes]

Cause of death (Ninth Revision, International Classification of Diseases, 1975)	March			January-March			12 months ending with March				
	1995			1994			1995				
	Number	Rate		Number	Rate		Number	Rate			
Malignant neoplasms, including neoplasms of lymphatic and hematopoietic tissues <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	45,390	204.0	206.3	136,290	211.1	136,530	213.3	538,320	205.9	533,160	206.1
Malignant neoplasm of esophagus . . . . .	1,020	4.6	4.8	2,820	4.4	2,840	4.4	11,150	4.3	10,730	4.1
Malignant neoplasm of stomach . . . . .	1,180	5.3	4.3	3,440	5.3	3,260	5.1	13,800	5.3	13,880	5.4
Malignant neoplasms of colon, rectum, sigmoid junction, and anus . . . . .	4,780	21.5	23.1	14,240	22.1	14,860	23.2	58,020	22.2	58,100	22.5
Malignant neoplasm of pancreas . . . . .	2,150	9.7	10.1	6,610	10.2	6,820	10.6	26,530	10.1	26,410	10.2
Malignant neoplasms of trachea, bronchus, and lung . . . . .	12,640	56.8	55.2	38,070	59.0	37,500	58.6	149,280	57.1	147,860	57.2
Malignant melanoma of skin . . . . .	610	2.7	2.8	1,720	2.7	1,640	2.6	7,200	2.8	6,680	2.6
Malignant neoplasm of cervix uteri . . . . .	360	1.6	1.3	890	1.4	1,110	1.7	4,370	1.7	4,610	1.8
Malignant neoplasms of body of uterus and of uterus, part unspecified . . . . .	440	2.0	2.0	1,450	2.2	1,420	2.2	5,900	2.3	5,750	2.2
Malignant neoplasm of ovary . . . . .	1,250	5.6	4.8	3,580	5.5	3,230	5.0	14,030	5.4	12,610	4.9
Malignant neoplasm of prostate . . . . .	2,950	13.3	14.5	9,170	14.2	9,240	14.4	35,660	13.6	35,430	13.7
Malignant neoplasm of bladder . . . . .	1,040	4.7	4.5	3,140	4.9	2,900	4.5	10,880	4.2	10,880	4.2
Malignant neoplasms of kidney and other and unspecified urinary organs . . . . .	1,080	4.9	4.9	2,900	4.5	3,000	4.7	11,180	4.3	11,340	4.4
Malignant neoplasms of brain and other and unspecified parts of nervous system . . . . .	920	4.1	4.2	2,830	4.4	2,920	4.6	12,050	4.6	11,190	4.3
Hodgkin's disease . . . . .	170	0.8	0.6	360	0.6	400	0.6	1,490	0.6	1,570	0.6
Malignant lymphoma other than Hodgkin's disease . . . . .	1,840	8.3	8.7	5,920	9.2	5,670	8.9	22,810	8.7	21,910	8.5
Multiple myeloma and other immunoproliferative neoplasms . . . . .	940	4.2	4.2	2,730	4.2	2,850	4.4	10,260	3.9	10,100	3.9

<sup>1</sup>Includes figures for subcategories not shown below.

NOTES: Figures include all revisions received from the States. Cumulative and 12-month figures for the current year reflect revisions received for previous months, and figures for earlier years may differ from those previously published. Data include adjustments for New Jersey, which is not included in the sample for March 1995.

**Table 8. Provisional number of deaths and death rates for injury by firearms: United States, March 1994 and 1995, cumulative figures 1994 and 1995, and 12 months ending with March 1994 and 1995**

[Data are provisional, estimated from a 10-percent sample of deaths. Rates on an annual basis per 100,000 estimated population. Because of rounding of estimates, figures may not add to totals. For method of computation and information on standard errors of the estimates, see Technical notes]

Cause of death (Ninth Revision, International Classification of Diseases, 1975)	March			January-March			12 months ending with March				
	1995			1994			1995				
	Number	Rate		Number	Rate		Number	Rate			
Injury by firearms . . . . .	3,300	14.8	14.7	9,210	14.3	9,480	14.8	38,080	14.6	39,250	15.2
Accident caused by firearm missile . . . . .	90	*	*	390	0.6	300	0.4	1,640	0.6	1,560	0.6
Suicide by firearms . . . . .	1,880	8.4	7.7	4,720	7.3	4,800	7.5	19,300	7.4	19,230	7.4
Homicide and legal intervention by firearms . . . . .	1,300	5.8	6.5	4,010	6.2	4,350	6.8	16,800	6.4	18,170	7.0
Injury by firearms, undetermined whether accidentally or purposely inflicted . . . . .	20	*	*	90	*	40	*	340	0.1	290	0.1

NOTES: Figures include all revisions received from the States. Cumulative and 12-month figures for the current year reflect revisions received for previous months, and figures for earlier years may differ from those previously published. Data include adjustments for New Jersey, which is not included in the sample for March 1995.



**Table 9. Provisional number of deaths under 1 year and infant mortality rates, by age and for 10 selected causes: United States, March 1994 and 1995, cumulative figures 1994 and 1995, and 12 months ending with March 1994 and 1995**

[Data are provisional, estimated from a 10-percent sample of deaths. Rates on an annual basis per 100,000 live births. Because of rounding of estimates, figures may not add to totals. For method of computation and information on standard errors of the estimates, see Technical notes]

Age and cause of death (Ninth Revision, International Classification of Diseases, 1975)	March			January-March			12 months ending with March										
	1995			1994			1995			1994			1994				
	Number	Rate		Number	Rate		Number	Rate		Number	Rate		Number	Rate			
Total, under 1 year	2,700	803.9		2,700	802.1		7,700	801.2		8,100	824.1		31,000	787.0		32,800	820.0
Under 28 days	1,590	477.3		1,610	470.1		4,800	496.3		4,840	490.2		19,610	497.6		21,310	532.9
28 days to 11 months	1,080	324.2		1,140	332.8		2,950	305.0		3,300	334.3		11,390	289.0		11,480	287.1
Certain gastrointestinal diseases	-	*	.008-009.535.555-558	10	*		40	*		60	*		230	5.8		210	5.3
Pneumonia and influenza	30	*	.480-487	120	35.0		100	*		180	18.2		360	9.1		470	11.8
Congenital anomalies	470	141.1	.740-759	540	157.7		1,580	163.4		1,680	170.2		6,680	169.5		6,710	167.8
Disorders relating to short gestation and unspecified low birthweight	340	102.1	.765	240	70.1		1,020	105.5		890	90.1		3,980	101.0		4,020	100.5
Birth trauma	20	*	.767	20	*		30	*		70	*		180	4.6		190	4.8
Intrauterine hypoxia and birth asphyxia	30	*	.768	40	*		110	11.4		160	16.2		510	12.9		650	16.3
Respiratory distress syndrome	100	*	.769	170	49.6		290	30.0		470	47.6		1,390	35.3		2,070	51.8
Other conditions originating in the perinatal period	690	207.1	.760-764.766.770-779	720	210.2		1,890	195.4		1,820	184.3		7,790	197.7		8,270	206.8
Sudden infant death syndrome	320	96.1	.798.0	270	78.8		850	87.9		1,040	105.3		3,420	86.8		4,100	102.5
All other causes	670	201.1	.Residual	620	181.0		1,840	190.2		1,770	179.3		6,460	163.9		6,100	152.6

NOTES: Figures include all revisions received from the States. Cumulative and 12-month figures for the current year reflect revisions received for previous months, and figures for earlier years may differ from those previously published. Data include adjustments for New Jersey, which is not included in the sample for March 1995.

## Technical notes

### Nature and sources of data

Data in this report are provisional unless otherwise specified and include only events occurring within the United States (50 States and the District of Columbia). Mortality data exclude fetal deaths. Data for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico are not included in the U.S. totals.

Birth, death, and infant death figures in tables 2 and 4 for each State are estimates by State of residence. These estimates are derived by applying adjustment ratios to the actual counts of certificates for all events occurring in the State and received in registration offices during a 1-month period regardless of date of the event. The adjustment ratios for each data year represent the observed relationship between final State occurrence and residence figures for the three most recent years for which final data were available and are expressed as a single ratio for each State. As in previous years, monthly State marriage and divorce figures represent the actual count of all events occurring in the State (State of occurrence) that were received in the registration offices during the 1-month period. Delay in the receipt of certificates in a registration office may result in a low State figure for a given month followed by a high figure for the month(s) in which the delayed records are received. Data for previous months and cumulative data include revised figures received from the States.

Figures for births, deaths, and infant deaths for California in tables 2 and 4 contain adjustments for varying lengths of State reporting periods. Figures for Texas for all events shown in tables 2–4 also are adjusted for varying lengths of State reporting periods. The figures for both States are adjusted by the ratio between the number of days in the data month and the number of days in the State reporting period. The adjusted figures are included in the U.S. totals shown elsewhere in this report.

U.S. totals for births, deaths, and infant deaths are based on the State estimates by State of residence and, therefore, in effect, exclude events to nonresidents of the United States. Events to nonresidents of the United States are

included in all marriage and divorce figures. The effect of excluding events to nonresidents from the U.S. totals is small.

Provisional totals for the United States include estimates for State data shown as not available. Provisional totals for births and marriages for the entire United States include adjustments for observed differences between provisional and final monthly figures.

Divorce figures include reported annulments. The monthly national divorce estimate is obtained by multiplying the total for the reporting areas by the ratio observed between the most recent final annual divorce total for the United States and the provisional total for the reporting areas combined.

*Random variation*—Although the counts in this report are not subject to sampling variability (except the Current Mortality Sample), they may be affected by random variation. When the number of events is small and the probability of such an event is small, considerable caution must be observed in interpreting the data. Such infrequent events may be assumed to follow a Poisson probability distribution. For this distribution a simple approximation may be used to estimate the random variation as follows:

If  $N$  is the number of events in the population and  $R$  is the corresponding rate, the chances are 19 in 20 that

$$1. N - 2\sqrt{N} \text{ and } N + 2\sqrt{N}$$

covers the “true” number of events.

$$2. R - 2\frac{R}{\sqrt{N}} \text{ and } R + 2\frac{R}{\sqrt{N}}$$

covers the “true” rate.

If the rate  $R_1$  corresponding to  $N_1$  events is compared with the rate  $R_2$  corresponding to  $N_2$  events, the difference between the two rates may be regarded as statistically significant at the 0.05 level if it exceeds

$$2\sqrt{\frac{R_1^2}{N_1} + \frac{R_2^2}{N_2}}$$

Additional information on random variation in numbers of events, rates, and ratios may be found in the technical appendixes of *Vital Statistics of the United States, 1990, Volumes I and II*.

### Rates

Rates are on an annual basis and, except for infant mortality rates, are per 1,000 or 100,000 estimated population residing in the United States. The populations used for computing these rates are furnished by the U.S. Bureau of the Census. Rates shown in this report beginning with 1992 were computed using populations based on the 1990 Census enumeration comparable to those used for final data. Monthly rates are based on populations estimated for the specific month. Year-to-date rates are averages of monthly rates that have been weighted by the number of days in the corresponding months. Rates for 12-month periods are the sum of events for the period per population estimated at the midpoint of the period.

Infant mortality rates are deaths under 1 year of age for the specified period (monthly, year-to-date, or 12-month period) per 1,000 or 100,000 live births. Births used for computing monthly and year-to-date infant mortality rates are adjusted for monthly variation in the number of births. Births used to compute 12-month rates do not contain this adjustment. Births used for computing infant mortality rates are not corrected for observed differences between provisional and final monthly figures as described earlier in “Nature and sources of data.” Because monthly infant mortality rates are based on relatively few events, they are highly variable. Therefore, comparisons of monthly infant mortality rates should be interpreted cautiously; see “Random variation.”

Age-adjusted death rates are used to compare relative mortality risks across groups and over time. However, they should be viewed as constructs or indexes rather than as direct or actual measures of mortality risk. Statistically, they are weighted averages of the age-specific death rates, where the weights represent the fixed population proportions by age. See chapter 5 of an earlier report (1). The age-adjusted death rates presented in this report were computed by the direct method, that is, by applying age-specific death rates to the U.S. standard million population (2). See also chapter 10 of an earlier report (1). Age groups in table 5 were used to compute the age-adjusted

rates shown in that table. It is important not to compare age-adjusted rates with crude rates.

**Current Mortality Sample**

The Current Mortality Sample (CMS) is a 10-percent systematic sample of death certificates drawn each month after the certificates are counted in the State registration offices. Deaths and death rates for the United States by age, race, sex, and cause are estimated based on the sample. Because of the additional time required to select and process the certificates, data based on the CMS are published 1 month after publication of the U.S. and State counts. Complete information concerning the underlying cause of death sometimes is not available when the sample is drawn. As a result estimates based on sample counts for certain causes are biased. Correction for bias is not made in this report but is made in the annual summary (issue number 13 in this series) each year.

Estimated numbers of deaths based on the sample were proportionately adjusted to be consistent with estimates based on the count of death certificates received in State registration offices.

*HIV infection*—Beginning with data for 1987, the National Center for Health Statistics introduced category numbers \*042–\*044 for classifying and coding Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection. The asterisks before the category numbers indicate that these codes

are not part of the *Ninth Revision, International Classification of Diseases*. Deaths classified to these categories are included in All other infectious and parasitic diseases in the List of 72 Selected Causes of Death and are also shown separately at the bottom of table 6.

*Sampling variability*—Because the estimates of deaths and death rates presented in this report with the exception of total deaths and deaths under 1 year are based on a sample of death certificates, they are subject to sampling variability. The estimated relative standard error in the following table is a measure of the

**Relative standard errors for estimated numbers of deaths from the Current Mortality Sample expressed as a percent of the estimate**

Estimated number of deaths	Relative standard error of estimate (as percent)	
	170,000 estimated deaths each month	2,000,000 estimated deaths each year
10 . . . . .	94.9	94.9
20 . . . . .	67.1	67.1
50 . . . . .	42.4	42.4
100 . . . . .	30.0	30.0
200 . . . . .	21.2	21.2
500 . . . . .	13.4	13.4
1,000 . . . . .	9.5	9.5
2,000 . . . . .	6.7	6.7
5,000 . . . . .	4.2	4.2
10,000 . . . . .	2.9	3.0
20,000 . . . . .	2.0	2.1
50,000 . . . . .	1.1	1.3
100,000 . . . . .	0.6	0.9
200,000 . . . . .	...	0.6
500,000 . . . . .	...	0.4
1,000,000 . . . . .	...	0.2

sampling error of the estimated number of deaths (or of the estimated death rate) expressed as a percent of the estimate. The first column refers to monthly estimates; the second to annual; cumulative year-to-date totals fall between the two.

The chances are about 2 in 3 that the percent difference between an estimate and the result of a complete count is less than the percent shown. The chances are about 19 in 20 that the percent difference is less than twice the percent shown. A figure based on 100 or fewer estimated deaths has a relative standard error of 30 percent or more and is, therefore, considered unreliable. A rate based on 100 or fewer estimated deaths has been replaced by an asterisk.

Unless otherwise specified comparisons made in the text between death rates based on the CMS were statistically significant at the 0.05 level of significance. Lack of comment in the text about any two rates does not mean that the difference was tested and found not to be significant at this level.

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