

## Leading Causes of Death\* by Age Group, Massachusetts: 2005

Rank	Age Groups (number of deaths)								
	<1 years	1-14 years	15-24 years	25-44 years	45-64 years	65-74 years	75-84 years	85+ years	TOTAL
1	Short gestation (80)	Unintentional injuries (32)	Unintentional injuries (212)	Unintentional injuries (537)	Cancer (3,148)	Cancer (3,063)	Cancer (4,210)	Heart disease (5,823)	<b>Heart disease (13,248)</b>
2	Congenital malformations (69)	Cancer (25)	Homicide (81)	Cancer (346)	Heart disease (1,611)	Heart disease (1,765)	Heart disease (3,759)	Cancer (2,337)	<b>Cancer (13,159)</b>
3	SIDS (21)	Congenital malformations (9)	Suicide (54)	Heart disease (258)	Unintentional injuries (454)	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease (494)	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease (1,020)	Stroke (1,437)	<b>Stroke (2,979)</b>
4	Pregnancy Complications (20)	Heart disease (6)	Cancer (30)	Suicide (181)	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease (271)	Stroke (303)	Stroke (970)	Influenza & pneumonia (1,062)	<b>TOTAL Injuries (2,657)</b>
5	Complications of placenta (17)	Ill defined conditions (5)	Heart disease (20)	Ill defined conditions (93)	Diabetes (256)	Diabetes (236)	Influenza & pneumonia (577)	Alzheimer's Disease (1,060)	<b>Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease (2,643)</b>
6	Intrauterine hypoxia (16)	In situ neoplasms (3)	Ill defined conditions (16)	HIV /AIDS (70)	Chronic Liver Disease (239)	Nephritis (194)	Alzheimer's Disease (492)	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease (831)	<b>Influenza &amp; pneumonia (1,932)</b>
7	Respiratory distress (14)	Stroke (3)	Congenital malformations (9)	Homicide (66)	Stroke (220)	Influenza & pneumonia (154)	Nephritis (466)	Nephritis (599)	<b>Alzheimer's Disease (1,635)</b>
8	Bacterial sepsis of newborn (10)	Homicide (3)	Injuries of undetermined intent (8)	Chronic Liver Disease (46)	Suicide (158)	Septicemia (149)	Diabetes (398)	Diabetes (338)	<b>Nephritis (1,403)</b>
9	Necrotizing enterocolitis (9)	Septicemia (2)	Influenza & pneumonia (6)	Injuries of undetermined intent (45)	Septicemia (152)	Unintentional injuries (110)	Septicemia (317)	Septicemia (328)	<b>Diabetes (1,271)</b>
10	Circulatory System (8)	Suicide (2)	Diabetes (3)	Stroke (43)	Influenza & pneumonia (118)	Chronic Liver Disease (88)	Unintentional injuries (241)	Ill defined conditions (325)	<b>Septicemia (982)</b>
<b>All Causes</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>2,173</b>	<b>8,355</b>	<b>7,905</b>	<b>15,632</b>	<b>18,718</b>	<b>53,776</b>

\* This table is based on data from the *Massachusetts Deaths, 2005* report. The overall injury ranking presented in this table is based on all injury intents combined. Data Source: Registry of Vital Records and Statistics, MDPH