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COVID-19 Mortality Overview

Provisional Death Counts for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

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In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, NCHS is releasing provisional death data from the National Vital Statistics System (NVSS) on a [daily](#) and [weekly](#) basis. These data come directly from death certificates filed at the state and local level, and feature counts of COVID-19-related deaths by age, gender, race and Hispanic origin, place of death, and include information on other health conditions and comorbidities involved in these deaths. Estimates on excess deaths – the number of deaths exceeding the normal average total of deaths in recent years – are also included. The statistical summary below is updated weekly (usually on Wednesday), and includes links to corresponding data tables on the NCHS COVID-19 data page.

Weekly Summary on COVID-19 Deaths

NOTE: Due to delayed reporting of death certificates, this count is incomplete and less than counts from other sources besides NCHS. The result is a lag in the count totals of a few weeks, and as more data are received, these totals will likely equal or exceed counts reported by other sources through the same week.

Deaths Attributed to COVID-19 on Death Certificates

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Weekly Highs and Lows of COVID-19 Deaths

Data as of 4/28/2021

Most Current (Incomplete) Weekly Total	Highest Weekly Number of Deaths, week	Lowest Weekly Number of Deaths, week
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Place of Death

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Death by Age Group

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Percentage of COVID-19 Deaths by Race & Hispanic Origin

Data as of 4/28/2021	Total	2021	2020
Non-Hispanic White		Hispanic	Non-Hispanic Black
61% (338,429 deaths)	19% (104,088 deaths)	15% (82,218 deaths)	
Non-Hispanic Asian	NH American Indian/Alaskan Native	NH Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islanders	
4% (21,689 deaths)	1% (6,342 deaths)	0.2% (1,017 deaths)	

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Most Frequently Listed Comorbidities with COVID-19 Deaths

Data as of 4/25/2021		Total	2021	2020
Influenza & Pneumonia		Hypertension		Diabetes
45.8% (254,384 deaths)		19.8% (109,768 deaths)		16.0% (88,925 deaths)
Alzheimer disease and other Dementias		Sepsis		
13.5% (75,194 deaths)		9.5% (52,986 deaths)		

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Total Excess Deaths

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