

**TABLE 6-55. Highest and Lowest Age-adjusted Death Rates<sup>1</sup> by State, 2009<sup>2</sup>**

Cause	Lowest		Highest	
	State	Rate	State	Rate
All Causes .....	Hawaii	619.7	West Virginia	949.7
Heart Disease .....	Minnesota	121.9	Mississippi	244.9
Malignant Neoplasms .....	Utah	120.6	West Virginia	208.2
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease .....	Hawaii	19.0	Oklahoma	64.7
Cerebrovascular Disease .....	New York	26.8	Alabama	51.9
Unintended Injuries .....	New Jersey	20.2	New Mexico	63.6
Alzheimer's Disease .....	New York	10.4	Washington	44.8
Diabetes Mellitus .....	Massachusetts	13.2	West Virginia	32.4
Influenza & Pneumonia .....	Vermont	6.9	Wyoming	26.6
Nephritis & Nephrosis .....	Vermont	6.7	Louisiana	25.8
Suicide .....	District of Columbia	4.4	Montana	21.3
Septicemia .....	California	3.3	Maryland	18.4
Hypertension .....	Wyoming	3.6	Mississippi	15.2
Alcohol-induced Deaths .....	New Jersey	4.0	Alaska	22.2
Parkinson's Disease .....	New York	4.4	Utah	8.9
Homicide .....	Idaho	1.4	District of Columbia	20.5
Perinatal Conditions .....	Iowa	2.4	District of Columbia	7.2
Aortic Aneurysm & Dissection .....	Rhode Island	2.5	South Dakota	4.8
Congenital Anomalies .....	Maine	1.9	Mississippi	4.6
HIV/AIDS .....	Wisconsin	0.8	District of Columbia	23.2
Arteriosclerosis .....	Arkansas	0.8	Kansas	9.6
Viral Hepatitis .....	Wisconsin	0.8	Oklahoma	5.0
Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis .....	Mississippi	1.3	Vermont	3.5

<sup>1</sup> Rates are adjusted to the U.S. standard million population and are per 100,000. Age-adjusted death rates allow the comparison of Oregon and the U.S. as if the population structure of each were identical (Oregon's population is older than the U.S. as a whole). U.S. rates in this table were calculated using the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention WONDER (Wide-ranging Online Data for Epidemiological Research) system (<http://wonder.cdc.gov>). These rates may vary slightly from rates published by the National Center for Health Statistics and the Oregon Center for Health Statistics due to different file closure dates and different population estimate methodologies.

<sup>2</sup> Most recent year for which final data are available.