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Executive Summary

Birth

Births: 9,361

Birth Rate¹: 12.7

Fertility Rate²: 63.8

- White: 57.0
- Black: 52.7
- AI/AN: 72.6
- Asian/PI: 65.4
- Multiple: 77.4
- Hispanic: 63.3

Teen Births: 357

Teen Birth Rate³: 15.7

Top Baby Names (Count)

- Boys: Oliver (45)
- Girls: Aurora/Charlotte (38)

Parent Ages

- Avg. Mother: 29
- Oldest Mother: 50
- Youngest Mother: 14
- Avg. Other Parent: 31.5
- Oldest Other Parent: 75
- Youngest Other Parent: 14

Maternal/Infant Health Indicators

- Received WIC: 2,374 (25%)
- No Prenatal Care: 130 (1%)
- 1st Trimester Prenatal Care: 6,720 (72%)
- Adequate Prenatal Care: 5,983 (64%)
- Tobacco Use: 756 (8%)
- Cesareans: 2,123 (23%)
- Preterm (<37 Weeks): 937 (10%)
- Low Birth Weight (<2,500 g): 648 (7%)

Death

Deaths: 5,701

Death Rate⁴: 774.0

Age-Adjusted Death Rate⁵: 804.0

- Men: 924.1
- Women: 684.2
- White: 697.6
- Black: 878.8
- AI/AN: 1,452.8
- Asian/PI: 462.4
- Multiple: 786.8
- Hispanic: 442.9

Decedent Ages

- Mean: 66.2
- Oldest: 107
- Life Expectancy: 76.8

Leading Causes of Death

1. Malig. Neoplasms: 1,060
2. Diseases Of Heart: 990
3. Accidents: 547
4. COVID-19: 265
5. Cerebrovascular Dis.: 217
6. Chr. Low. Resp. Dis.: 209
7. Intent. Self-Harm: 197
8. Chr. Liver & Cirrhosis: 184
Diabetes Mellitus: 184
9. Alzheimer Disease: 175
10. Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome & Nephrosis: 93

Infant Deaths (2020-2022): 187

3 Year Avg. Infant Death Rate⁶: 6.6

Fetal Deaths (2020-2022): 164

3 Year Avg. Fetal Death Rate⁷: 5.8

Other Vital Events

Marriages: 4,805

Marriage Rate⁸: 6.5

Separations: 2,208

Separation Rate⁹: 3.0

Adoptions: 662

Adoption Rate¹⁰: 0.9

Resident Population: 736,556

- Men: 377,762 (51%)
- Women: 358,794 (49%)
- White: 472,404 (64%)
- Black: 26,576 (4%)
- AI/AN: 115,367 (16%)
- Asian/PI: 62,230 (8%)
- Multiple: 59,979 (8%)
- Hispanic: 56,208 (8%)

¹ Births per 1,000 population.

² Births per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years.

³ Births per 1,000 teen girls aged 14-19 years.

⁴ Deaths per 100,000 population.

⁵ Standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

⁶ Three-year infant deaths per 1,000 live births.

⁷ Three-year fetal deaths per 1,000 live births and fetal deaths.

⁸ Marriages per 1,000 population.

⁹ Separations per 1,000 population.

¹⁰ Adoptions per 1,000 population.

Chapter 1: Introduction

About this Report

The Alaska Vital Statistics Annual Report is prepared by the Alaska Department of Health (DOH), Division of Public Health (DPH), Health Analytics and Vital Records Section (HAVRS). This report contains information about Alaska resident births, deaths, and fetal deaths, as well as Alaska occurrence marriages, divorces, and adoptions during calendar year 2022. Vital statistics data can be used to:

- Monitor trends in the number and rate of births, and the characteristics of parents and infants.
- Assess changes in maternal and infant health.
- Monitor trends in the number and rate of deaths, and the characteristics of decedents.
- Assess changes in the types of disease and injury that result in death.

How Vital Statistics Are Collected

Alaska Statute (AS) 18.50 requires the Alaska DOH to install, maintain, and operate a system of vital records.¹¹ This system contains information collected from certificates of birth, death, fetal death and other vital events. Alaska uses the current (2003 revision) U.S. standard certificate forms for the collection of data on birth, death, and fetal death.¹²

When a live birth occurs in Alaska, there is a legal process for registering the certificate of birth with the state.¹³ Typically, a physician, midwife, or hospital medical records staff member enters the birth record information into the Alaska Electronic Vital Records System (EVRS) using information provided by the birth parents and birth attendant. Certificates of live birth should be filed with the state within five days of the birth.

For deaths, certificates are typically entered into EVRS by hospital or funeral home staff members and medical information is certified by the attending physician or medical examiner.¹⁴ Certificates of death should be filed with the state within three days of the death.

For marriages, HAVRS and the Alaska Court System issue marriage licenses and HAVRS files a certificate for each marriage performed in the state.¹⁵ The certificate should be filed with HAVRS within seven days of the marriage. Alaska began issuing marriage licenses to same-sex couples on October 13th, 2014.

For separations, a divorce, dissolution, or annulment certificate is prepared by a clerk of the court from information provided by the petitioner, plaintiff, and/or court documents.¹⁶ At least once a month completed certificates are then forwarded to HAVRS for registration.

For adoptions, a report of adoption is prepared and registered with HAVRS.¹⁷ These include Alaska State Court approved adoptions, and Tribal Court approved adoptions, as well as Cultural Adoptions (Village Council approved adoptions of Alaska Native children).

Alaska participates in the State and Territorial Exchange of Vital Events (STEVE) system.¹⁸ STEVE is a cooperative arrangement between U.S. states, territories, and other participating jurisdictions to facilitate the exchange of vital records between health authorities. This ensures that births, deaths, or fetal deaths of Alaska residents that occur out-of-state are reported to Alaska's vital records system. Conversely, non-Alaska resident events occurring in-state are also forwarded to their respective jurisdiction's vital records system. Data are also transmitted to the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), a division of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), for medical and statistical

¹¹ [Alaska Statute Title 18, Chapter 50. Vital Statistics Act.](#)

¹² [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. 2003 Revisions of the U.S. Standard Certificates and Reports.](#)

¹³ [Alaska Statute Title 18, Chapter 50, Section 160. Birth Registration.](#)

¹⁴ [Alaska Statute Title 18, Chapter 50, Section 230. Death Registration.](#)

¹⁵ [Alaska Statute Title 18, Chapter 50, Section 270. Marriage Registration.](#)

¹⁶ [Alaska Statute Title 18, Chapter 50, Section 280. Court Reports of Divorce, Dissolution, and Annulment.](#)

¹⁷ [Alaska Statute Title 18, Chapter 50, Section 210. Court Reports of Adoption.](#)

¹⁸ [National Association for Public Health Statistics and Information Systems. State and Territorial Exchange of Vital Events.](#)

coding and inclusion in national public health surveillance systems.¹⁹

Information on births, deaths, and fetal deaths presented in the Vital Statistics Annual Report are based on Alaska resident events only. This includes Alaska resident events that occurred out-of-state and excludes non-Alaska resident events that occurred in-state. Information on marriages and separations are based on Alaska occurrence events only. This includes non-Alaska resident events that occurred in-state and excludes Alaska resident events that occurred out-of-state. Information on adoptions is based on Alaska occurrence events of Alaska born children. Alaska born children adopted by parents in another state, or non-Alaska born children without an Alaska birth certificate adopted in Alaska are not reported.

How Vital Statistics Are Processed

In 2013, HAVRS began implementing the EVRS as its new electronic vital records system for processing information from vital events. This replaced the previous database system (Lightspeed), and allows hospital and clinical staff, birth attendants, physicians, medical examiners, funeral home directors, and other qualified vital records personnel to enter information directly into the system. As information is entered, the system conducts automatic data integrity checks. Records with missing or invalid information are returned to the certifier for verification or correction. When the information has been finalized, records are filed with HAVRS, certified, and permanently archived.

Once all vital events from a calendar year have been entered into EVRS, and records have again been checked for accuracy and completeness, the Section's Research/Health Analytics Unit conducts the statistical analyses from which the tables, charts, and other information in this report are based. There are several ways to report data about vital events, including the numbers of events, percentages, rates, and various other public health statistics. Technical notes on the statistics presented are provided in Appendix B.

Population and Rate Estimates

Population estimates used in the Vital Statistics Annual Report were obtained from the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Division of

Administrative Services, Research and Analysis Section, Demographics Unit.²⁰ Population estimates are updated annually. Total population estimates are revised each year to correspond to the United States Census Bureau's estimated state total. Using the decennial census as a base, birth, death, Internal Revenue Service, Alaska Permanent Fund and education statistics are used to produce annual population estimates for geographic areas. See Appendix C for more information on the population estimates used in this report.

Rates estimates, which represent the number of vital events (e.g., births, deaths, etc.) relative to the Alaska resident population are calculated for demographic characteristics such as sex, race, age, and region. Rates based on fewer than 20 events are considered statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. Rates based on fewer than 6 events are not reported. Tables with unreliable statistics are indicated by an asterisk suffix next to the value (*). Unreported statistics are indicated by a double asterisk (**).

Determination of Race and Ethnicity

The NCHS issues guidelines for determining the race of a child at birth. The child's race on the birth certificate is assumed to be the same as the mother's stated race. These guidelines became effective in 2003.

Sometimes race may be recorded differently on an individual's death certificate. This can influence death rates, particularly in the case of infant mortality. For example, a child's race may be reported as White on the birth certificate because the mother is white, but Alaska Native on the death certificate because the father is Alaska Native. The race of the deceased is based on the race reported on the death certificate, by the death informant (typically family or a friend of the decedent).

Race data are collected using a multiple-choice field that allows up to 15 selections. This includes:

1. White
2. Black or African American
3. American Indian or Alaska Native
4. Asian Indian
5. Chinese
6. Filipino
7. Japanese

¹⁹ [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. National Vital Statistics System.](#)

²⁰ [Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section. Population Estimates.](#)

8. Korean
9. Vietnamese
10. Other Asian (Specify)
11. Native Hawaiian
12. Guamanian or Chamorro
13. Samoan
14. Other Pacific Islander (Specify)
15. Other (Specify)

Single-choice selections are collapsed into four race (alone) categories: White alone (White), Black or African American alone (Black), American Indian or Alaska Native alone (AI/AN), and any Asian, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander alone (Asian/PI). Records with more than one race selection are generally classified as multiple races (Multiple). Records where the Other (Specify) selection was made in combination with one of the four race alone categories above are classified as the race alone specified. Records where multiple Asian/PI selections were made are classified as Asian/PI alone. Other (Specify) alone and Unknown races are included in the statewide total. Rates for Other and Unknown races cannot be calculated.

Prior to 2021, Vital Statistics Annual Reports classified race using NCHS-provided “bridged” race categories, which redistributed multiple race records into a single race (alone or bridged) category to calculate population rate estimates and to allow for comparison between periods when race collection methods were revised. NCHS has discontinued reporting bridged race population estimates as of 2020 and bridged race coding of vital events as of 2021 and HAVRS can no longer reliably report data by bridged race categories. Data by race are therefore not comparable to Vital Statistics Annual Reports published prior to event year 2021. See Appendix D for additional information about important differences between the race (alone) and race (bridged) classification methods.

Ethnicity data are collected using a multiple-choice field that allows up to 4 selections. This includes:

1. Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano
2. Puerto Rican
3. Cuban
4. Other Spanish/Hispanic/Latino (Specify)

Any Hispanic origin selection is collapsed into a single category for Hispanic (of any race). Ethnicity and race information are frequently reported together, but because these items are collected separately, persons identifying as Hispanic can also identify as any of the specified race categories (e.g., Hispanic White, Non-Hispanic White, etc.). Hispanic counts are therefore not mutually exclusive with race counts.

Determination of Cause of Death

For death certificates, a physician or medical examiner is responsible for completing the cause of death and providing a narrative description of the immediate cause, consequences, other significant conditions, and/or injuries involved.²¹ These descriptions are provided to NCHS, who code the record based on the World Health Organization’s International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision (ICD-10) manual.²²

An ICD-10 code for the “underlying” cause of death (defined as the disease or injury which initiated the train of morbid events leading directly to death, or the circumstances of the injury or violence which produced the fatality) is then returned to HAVRS to query. In addition, up to 19 “contributing” cause codes (defined as all other causes in the train of morbid events resulting in death) are also provided.

Unless otherwise noted, causes of death reported in the Vital Statistics Annual Report are based on the underlying cause of death ICD-10 code. This allows the mutually exclusive tabulation of each death into a single cause category. Some causes of death, such as drug poisoning, COVID-19, or traumatic brain injuries are also explored in more detail using “multiple cause” of death analysis based on both the underlying and contributing cause codes. This allows a single death to be tabulated in multiple non-exclusive cause categories in order to explore common comorbidities or show all cause and cause related deaths, regardless of where in the sequence of events the cause occurred.

²¹ [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Instructions for Completing the Cause of Death Section of the Death Certificate.](#)

²² [World Health Organization. International Classification of Diseases 10th Revision Browser.](#)

Chapter 2: Birth

Alaska Resident Births

In 2022, there were 9,361 Alaska resident births (99% of which occurred in Alaska). Births have decreased every year over the last five years, down from 10,100 in 2018.

Figure 1. Births by Year

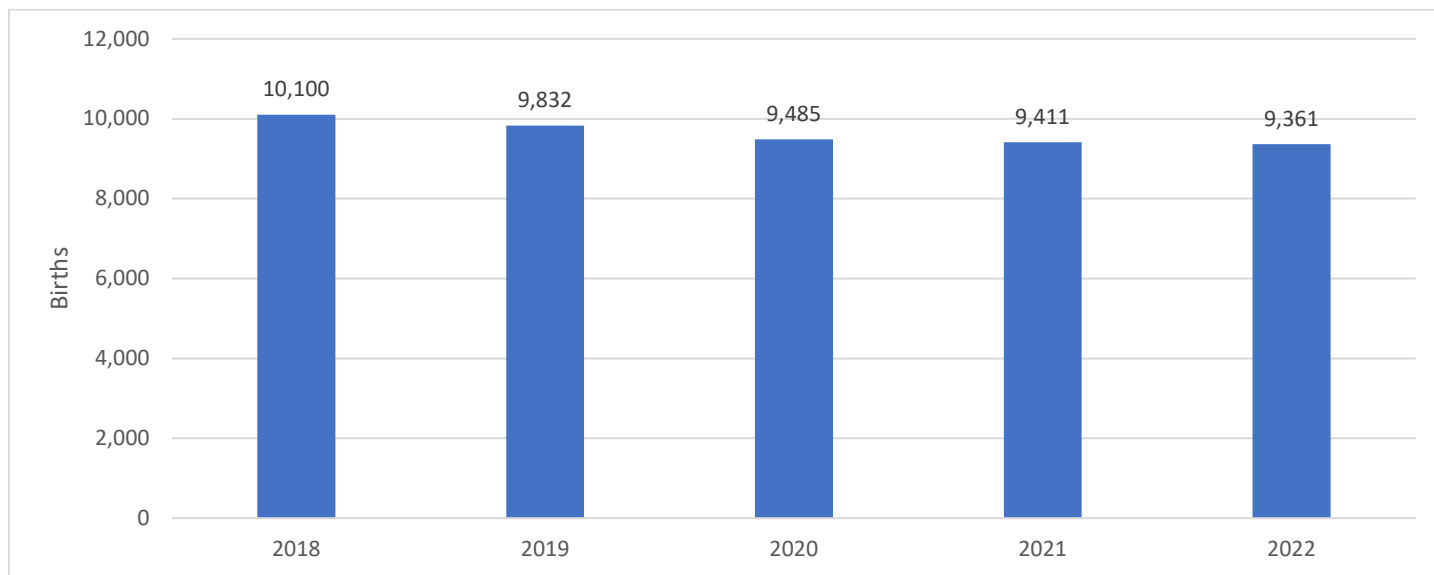


Table 1. Births (%) by State of Birth

Birth State	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Alaska	9,949 (99%)	9,710 (99%)	9,377 (99%)	9,288 (99%)	9,252 (99%)
Out-of-State	151 (1%)	122 (1%)	108 (1%)	123 (1%)	109 (1%)
Unknown	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Maternal Residence

In 2022, there were 3,632 Anchorage resident births (39% of births), the most of any county equivalent (Borough, Census Area, or Consolidated City-County) in the state. This was followed by 1,415 Matanuska-Susitna Borough resident births (15%), and 1,396 Fairbanks North Star Borough resident births (15%).

Table 2. Births (%) by Maternal Residence

Residence	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Anchorage	3,972 (39%)	3,937 (40%)	3,763 (40%)	3,578 (38%)	3,632 (39%)
Gulf Coast	954 (9%)	926 (9%)	873 (9%)	919 (10%)	875 (9%)
Chugach	76 (<1%)	80 (<1%)	66 (<1%)	88 (<1%)	69 (<1%)
Copper River	28 (<1%)	32 (<1%)	23 (<1%)	28 (<1%)	24 (<1%)
Kenai Peninsula	678 (7%)	697 (7%)	620 (7%)	643 (7%)	629 (7%)
Kodiak Island	172 (2%)	117 (1%)	164 (2%)	160 (2%)	153 (2%)
Interior	1,723 (17%)	1,575 (16%)	1,529 (16%)	1,662 (18%)	1,579 (17%)
Denali	12 (<1%)	21 (<1%)	15 (<1%)	23 (<1%)	19 (<1%)
Fairbanks North Star	1,527 (15%)	1,382 (14%)	1,333 (14%)	1,485 (16%)	1,396 (15%)
Southeast Fairbanks	100 (<1%)	95 (<1%)	108 (1%)	100 (1%)	105 (1%)
Yukon-Koyukuk	84 (<1%)	77 (<1%)	73 (<1%)	54 (<1%)	59 (<1%)
Mat-Su	1,396 (14%)	1,369 (14%)	1,341 (14%)	1,345 (14%)	1,415 (15%)
Northern	499 (5%)	470 (5%)	496 (5%)	457 (5%)	439 (5%)
Nome	184 (2%)	161 (2%)	200 (2%)	177 (2%)	172 (2%)
North Slope	149 (1%)	153 (2%)	141 (1%)	131 (1%)	128 (1%)
Northwest Arctic	166 (2%)	156 (2%)	155 (2%)	149 (2%)	139 (1%)
Southeast	735 (7%)	686 (7%)	665 (7%)	683 (7%)	630 (7%)
Haines	20 (<1%)	22 (<1%)	18 (<1%)	18 (<1%)	27 (<1%)
Hoonah-Angoon	21 (<1%)	16 (<1%)	23 (<1%)	19 (<1%)	16 (<1%)
Juneau	313 (3%)	321 (3%)	277 (3%)	296 (3%)	273 (3%)
Ketchikan	165 (2%)	116 (1%)	133 (1%)	128 (1%)	112 (1%)
Petersburg	31 (<1%)	20 (<1%)	33 (<1%)	29 (<1%)	27 (<1%)
Prince Of Wales-Hyder	65 (<1%)	74 (<1%)	61 (<1%)	78 (<1%)	72 (<1%)
Sitka	79 (<1%)	83 (<1%)	87 (<1%)	80 (<1%)	71 (<1%)
Skagway	8 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	4 (<1%)	11 (<1%)	8 (<1%)
Wrangell	26 (<1%)	24 (<1%)	18 (<1%)	20 (<1%)	23 (<1%)
Yakutat	7 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	11 (<1%)	4 (<1%)	1 (<1%)
Southwest	819 (8%)	867 (9%)	818 (9%)	767 (8%)	790 (8%)
Aleutians East	7 (<1%)	9 (<1%)	17 (<1%)	8 (<1%)	19 (<1%)
Aleutians West	38 (<1%)	32 (<1%)	35 (<1%)	27 (<1%)	25 (<1%)
Bethel	406 (4%)	450 (5%)	399 (4%)	402 (4%)	407 (4%)
Bristol Bay	9 (<1%)	11 (<1%)	6 (<1%)	12 (<1%)	13 (<1%)
Dillingham	87 (<1%)	87 (<1%)	82 (<1%)	83 (<1%)	76 (<1%)
Kusilvak	240 (2%)	256 (3%)	251 (3%)	222 (2%)	228 (2%)
Lake And Peninsula	32 (<1%)	22 (<1%)	28 (<1%)	13 (<1%)	22 (<1%)
Unknown	2 (<1%)	2 (<1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (<1%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Maternal Characteristics

In 2022, White and AI/AN women delivered 54% and 19% of births, respectively. Hispanic women delivered 8%. The mean mother age was 29 years old. The oldest mother was 50 and the youngest was 14. Women aged 30-34 years delivered the most births, at 29%, followed very closely by women aged 25-29, also at 29%. Women with a high school diploma or GED delivered 32% of births while those with at least some college or a degree delivered 58%. Unmarried women delivered 37% of births.

Table 3. Births (%) by Mother Race

Mother Race	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
White	5,551 (55%)	5,407 (55%)	5,258 (55%)	5,243 (56%)	5,075 (54%)
Black	303 (3%)	326 (3%)	298 (3%)	281 (3%)	285 (3%)
AI/AN	1,950 (19%)	1,944 (20%)	1,850 (20%)	1,842 (20%)	1,810 (19%)
Asian/PI	983 (10%)	952 (10%)	894 (9%)	853 (9%)	928 (10%)
Other	72 (<1%)	46 (<1%)	38 (<1%)	38 (<1%)	60 (<1%)
Multiple	1,104 (11%)	1,025 (10%)	1,027 (11%)	998 (11%)	1,008 (11%)
Unknown	137 (1%)	132 (1%)	120 (1%)	156 (2%)	195 (2%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 4. Births (%) by Mother Ethnicity

Mother Ethnicity	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Hispanic	806 (8%)	786 (8%)	734 (8%)	800 (9%)	793 (8%)
Non-Hispanic	9,178 (91%)	8,877 (90%)	8,666 (91%)	8,400 (89%)	8,449 (90%)
Unknown	116 (1%)	169 (2%)	85 (<1%)	211 (2%)	119 (1%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 5. Mother Age Summary

Mother Age Summary	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Mean Age	28.6	28.7	28.8	28.9	29
Median Age	28	29	29	29	29
Mode Age	28	27	28	30	30
Oldest Age	51	52	52	48	50
Youngest Age	14	14	13	14	14

Table 6. Births (%) by Mother Age²³

Mother Age	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
15-19 Years	423 (4%)	394 (4%)	379 (4%)	383 (4%)	357 (4%)
20-24 Years	2,184 (22%)	2,054 (21%)	1,957 (21%)	1,946 (21%)	1,916 (20%)
25-29 Years	3,143 (31%)	3,087 (31%)	2,903 (31%)	2,758 (29%)	2,681 (29%)
30-34 Years	2,771 (27%)	2,629 (27%)	2,632 (28%)	2,627 (28%)	2,684 (29%)
35-39 Years	1,309 (13%)	1,356 (14%)	1,327 (14%)	1,386 (15%)	1,406 (15%)
40-44 Years	256 (3%)	288 (3%)	266 (3%)	294 (3%)	299 (3%)
Other Ages	14 (<1%)	22 (<1%)	19 (<1%)	17 (<1%)	18 (<1%)
Unknown	0 (0%)	2 (<1%)	2 (<1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 7. Births (%) by Mother Education

Mother Education	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
<H.S. Or GED	945 (9%)	899 (9%)	791 (8%)	783 (8%)	768 (8%)
<=8th Grade	64 (<1%)	69 (<1%)	53 (<1%)	62 (<1%)	48 (<1%)
Some H.S.	881 (9%)	830 (8%)	738 (8%)	721 (8%)	720 (8%)
H.S. Or GED	3,024 (30%)	3,004 (31%)	2,999 (32%)	2,867 (30%)	3,029 (32%)
>H.S. Or GED	5,987 (59%)	5,760 (59%)	5,540 (58%)	5,594 (59%)	5,417 (58%)
Some College	2,558 (25%)	2,452 (25%)	2,303 (24%)	2,264 (24%)	2,161 (23%)
Associate Degree	838 (8%)	776 (8%)	814 (9%)	755 (8%)	695 (7%)
Bachelor's Degree	1,738 (17%)	1,674 (17%)	1,581 (17%)	1,700 (18%)	1,690 (18%)
Master's Degree	644 (6%)	637 (6%)	612 (6%)	656 (7%)	643 (7%)
Doctorate Degree	209 (2%)	221 (2%)	230 (2%)	219 (2%)	228 (2%)
Unknown	144 (1%)	169 (2%)	155 (2%)	167 (2%)	147 (2%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 8. Births (%) by Mother Marital Status

Mother Marital Status	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Married	6,504 (64%)	6,252 (64%)	6,005 (63%)	5,968 (63%)	5,902 (63%)
Unmarried	3,487 (35%)	3,519 (36%)	3,438 (36%)	3,409 (36%)	3,424 (37%)
Unknown	109 (1%)	61 (<1%)	42 (<1%)	34 (<1%)	35 (<1%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

²³ Other category includes people aged <14 and 45+ years, outside of common reproductive range.

Other Parent Characteristics

Other parent characteristics includes data on the person married to the mother at the time of birth or the parent with an approved affidavit establishing legal parentage. This includes fathers or another parent in the case of same-sex or nonbinary couples.²⁴

In 2022, White and AI/AN parents made up 54% and 12% of births, respectively. Hispanic parents made up 8%. The mean parent age was 31.5 years old. The oldest parent was 75 and the youngest was 14. Parents aged 30-34 years made up the most births, at 26%. Parents with a high school diploma or GED made up 32% of births while those with at least some college or a degree made up 49%.

Table 9. Births (%) by Other Parent Race

Other Parent Race	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
White	5,565 (55%)	5,338 (54%)	5,083 (54%)	5,234 (56%)	5,046 (54%)
Black	468 (5%)	443 (5%)	443 (5%)	386 (4%)	416 (4%)
AI/AN	1,235 (12%)	1,199 (12%)	1,142 (12%)	1,113 (12%)	1,104 (12%)
Asian/PI	799 (8%)	792 (8%)	751 (8%)	704 (7%)	769 (8%)
Other	71 (<1%)	54 (<1%)	49 (<1%)	58 (<1%)	49 (<1%)
Multiple	759 (8%)	754 (8%)	794 (8%)	729 (8%)	753 (8%)
Unknown	1,203 (12%)	1,252 (13%)	1,223 (13%)	1,187 (13%)	1,224 (13%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 10. Births (%) by Other Parent Ethnicity

Other Parent Ethnicity	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Hispanic	699 (7%)	713 (7%)	653 (7%)	695 (7%)	742 (8%)
Non-Hispanic	8,077 (80%)	7,733 (79%)	7,509 (79%)	7,288 (77%)	7,245 (77%)
Unknown	1,324 (13%)	1,386 (14%)	1,323 (14%)	1,428 (15%)	1,374 (15%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 11. Other Parent Age Summary

Other Parent Age Summary	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Mean Age	31.3	31.4	31.5	31.5	31.5
Median Age	31	31	31	31	31
Mode Age	29	30	29	31	31
Oldest Age	71	70	64	71	75
Youngest Age	15	13	15	15	14

²⁴ [Alaska Statute Title 18, Chapter 50, Section 160. Birth Registration.](#)

Table 12. Births (%) by Other Parent Age²⁵

Other Parent Age	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
15-19 Years	143 (1%)	151 (2%)	142 (1%)	133 (1%)	131 (1%)
20-24 Years	1,389 (14%)	1,288 (13%)	1,218 (13%)	1,210 (13%)	1,232 (13%)
25-29 Years	2,565 (25%)	2,425 (25%)	2,288 (24%)	2,182 (23%)	2,132 (23%)
30-34 Years	2,628 (26%)	2,531 (26%)	2,399 (25%)	2,388 (25%)	2,440 (26%)
35-39 Years	1,699 (17%)	1,641 (17%)	1,635 (17%)	1,670 (18%)	1,533 (16%)
40-44 Years	642 (6%)	651 (7%)	644 (7%)	637 (7%)	669 (7%)
Other Ages	383 (4%)	380 (4%)	362 (4%)	353 (4%)	345 (4%)
Unknown	651 (6%)	765 (8%)	797 (8%)	838 (9%)	879 (9%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 13. Births (%) by Other Parent Education

Other Parent Education	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
<H.S. Or GED	612 (6%)	584 (6%)	504 (5%)	500 (5%)	535 (6%)
<=8th Grade	56 (<1%)	74 (<1%)	57 (<1%)	49 (<1%)	41 (<1%)
Some H.S.	556 (6%)	510 (5%)	447 (5%)	451 (5%)	494 (5%)
H.S. Or GED	3,171 (31%)	3,090 (31%)	2,992 (32%)	2,977 (32%)	2,989 (32%)
>H.S. Or GED	5,071 (50%)	4,847 (49%)	4,693 (49%)	4,709 (50%)	4,616 (49%)
Some College	2,398 (24%)	2,266 (23%)	2,200 (23%)	2,109 (22%)	2,113 (23%)
Associate Degree	748 (7%)	702 (7%)	695 (7%)	662 (7%)	647 (7%)
Bachelor's Degree	1,317 (13%)	1,254 (13%)	1,259 (13%)	1,345 (14%)	1,308 (14%)
Master's Degree	408 (4%)	410 (4%)	356 (4%)	412 (4%)	376 (4%)
Doctorate Degree	200 (2%)	215 (2%)	183 (2%)	181 (2%)	172 (2%)
Unknown	1,246 (12%)	1,311 (13%)	1,296 (14%)	1,225 (13%)	1,221 (13%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

²⁵ Other category includes people aged <14 and 45+ years, outside of common reproductive range.

Pregnancy History and Prenatal Care Characteristics

In 2022, 3,373 births were the woman's first live delivery (36%). Most first-time mothers were 20-24 years old (32%). Mothers with at least one prior other non-live birth pregnancy outcome, including spontaneous or induced losses or ectopic pregnancies, made up 36% of births. The U.S. Special Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) provided food assistance for 25% of births.²⁶

It is very important for women to receive health care before and during pregnancy to decrease the risk of pregnancy complications.²⁷ There were 130 births where the mother reported receiving no prenatal care (PNC). Of births with at least one PNC visit, 72% started PNC in the first trimester.²⁸ First trimester PNC was lowest among AI/AN women (63%), women aged 15-19 years (54%), and residents of the Southwest region (54%).

The adequacy of PNC mothers receive is estimated using the Kotelchuck Adequacy of Prenatal Care Utilization index (see Appendix B for a complete definition). Mothers who received adequate (or higher) PNC made up 64% of births. Adequate PNC was lowest among AI/AN women (53%), women aged 15-19 years (53%), and residents of the Southwest region (40%).

Table 14. Births (%) by Prior Live Births

Prior Live Births	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
0	3,516 (35%)	3,386 (34%)	3,313 (35%)	3,329 (35%)	3,373 (36%)
1	2,889 (29%)	2,895 (29%)	2,699 (28%)	2,610 (28%)	2,628 (28%)
2	1,770 (18%)	1,652 (17%)	1,608 (17%)	1,593 (17%)	1,577 (17%)
3	891 (9%)	865 (9%)	853 (9%)	829 (9%)	813 (9%)
4	451 (4%)	432 (4%)	410 (4%)	401 (4%)	414 (4%)
5+	488 (5%)	486 (5%)	527 (6%)	466 (5%)	466 (5%)
Unknown	95 (<1%)	116 (1%)	75 (<1%)	183 (2%)	90 (<1%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 15. First Time Live Births (%) by Mother Age²⁹

Mother Age	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
15-19 Years	361 (10%)	334 (10%)	330 (10%)	326 (10%)	313 (9%)
20-24 Years	1,132 (32%)	1,114 (33%)	1,036 (31%)	1,054 (32%)	1,090 (32%)
25-29 Years	1,025 (29%)	950 (28%)	982 (30%)	923 (28%)	931 (28%)
30-34 Years	716 (20%)	656 (19%)	662 (20%)	695 (21%)	691 (20%)
35-39 Years	243 (7%)	276 (8%)	253 (8%)	280 (8%)	292 (9%)
40-44 Years	32 (<1%)	50 (1%)	44 (1%)	46 (1%)	49 (1%)
Other Ages	7 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	6 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	7 (<1%)
Unknown	0 (0%)	1 (<1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Total	3,516 (100%)	3,386 (100%)	3,313 (100%)	3,329 (100%)	3,373 (100%)

²⁶ To apply for WIC assistance please visit the [Alaska Division of Public Assistance, Supplement Nutrition Assistance Program](#).

²⁷ [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Pregnancy Complications](#).

²⁸ The trimester of pregnancy in which PNC began is calculated from the date of the mother's first PNC visit and the date of last menses. Last menses date is calculated from the child's date of birth and the obstetric estimate of gestation.

²⁹ Other category includes people aged <14 and 45+ years, outside of common reproductive range.

Table 16. Births (%) by Prior Other Outcomes³⁰

Prior Other Outcomes	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
0	6,593 (65%)	6,204 (63%)	6,053 (64%)	5,883 (63%)	5,916 (63%)
1	2,105 (21%)	2,130 (22%)	1,974 (21%)	2,031 (22%)	2,041 (22%)
2	795 (8%)	792 (8%)	757 (8%)	825 (9%)	809 (9%)
3	270 (3%)	339 (3%)	353 (4%)	299 (3%)	284 (3%)
4	133 (1%)	140 (1%)	145 (2%)	121 (1%)	114 (1%)
5+	113 (1%)	145 (1%)	135 (1%)	123 (1%)	131 (1%)
Unknown	91 (<1%)	82 (<1%)	68 (<1%)	129 (1%)	66 (<1%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 17. Births (%) by WIC

WIC	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Yes	3,303 (33%)	3,099 (32%)	2,644 (28%)	2,443 (26%)	2,374 (25%)
No	6,669 (66%)	6,524 (66%)	6,673 (70%)	6,781 (72%)	6,814 (73%)
Unknown	128 (1%)	209 (2%)	168 (2%)	187 (2%)	173 (2%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 18. Births (%) by Prenatal Care Visits

Prenatal Care Visits	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
No Prenatal Care	133 (1%)	95 (<1%)	106 (1%)	96 (1%)	130 (1%)
1-2	160 (2%)	147 (1%)	144 (2%)	171 (2%)	204 (2%)
3-4	429 (4%)	400 (4%)	399 (4%)	402 (4%)	430 (5%)
5-6	732 (7%)	664 (7%)	746 (8%)	763 (8%)	821 (9%)
7-8	1,149 (11%)	1,211 (12%)	1,310 (14%)	1,270 (13%)	1,336 (14%)
9-10	1,972 (20%)	1,965 (20%)	1,961 (21%)	1,882 (20%)	2,001 (21%)
11-12	2,134 (21%)	1,989 (20%)	1,932 (20%)	1,962 (21%)	1,956 (21%)
13-14	1,500 (15%)	1,392 (14%)	1,253 (13%)	1,301 (14%)	1,260 (13%)
15-16	762 (8%)	740 (8%)	617 (7%)	631 (7%)	589 (6%)
17-18	338 (3%)	350 (4%)	322 (3%)	322 (3%)	242 (3%)
19+	415 (4%)	473 (5%)	403 (4%)	362 (4%)	224 (2%)
Unknown	376 (4%)	406 (4%)	292 (3%)	249 (3%)	168 (2%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

³⁰ Prior other non-live birth pregnancy outcome, including spontaneous or induced losses or ectopic pregnancies.

Table 19. Births (%) by Trimester Prenatal Care Began

Trimester PNC Began	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
No Prenatal Care	133 (1%)	95 (<1%)	106 (1%)	96 (1%)	130 (1%)
1st Trimester	7,301 (72%)	7,040 (72%)	6,838 (72%)	6,776 (72%)	6,720 (72%)
2nd Trimester	1,897 (19%)	1,867 (19%)	1,828 (19%)	1,803 (19%)	1,796 (19%)
3rd Trimester	475 (5%)	500 (5%)	490 (5%)	542 (6%)	591 (6%)
Unknown	294 (3%)	330 (3%)	223 (2%)	194 (2%)	124 (1%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 20. 1st Trimester Prenatal Care Births (Rate) by Demographic Characteristic³¹

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Infant Sex	Male	3,745 (72%)	3,606 (70%)	3,410 (71%)	3,494 (72%)	3,394 (71%)
	Female	3,556 (73%)	3,434 (73%)	3,428 (73%)	3,282 (73%)	3,326 (72%)
Race	White	4,266 (77%)	4,092 (76%)	4,011 (76%)	3,948 (75%)	3,858 (76%)
	Black	221 (73%)	221 (68%)	209 (70%)	191 (68%)	198 (69%)
	AI/AN	1,261 (65%)	1,297 (67%)	1,181 (64%)	1,206 (65%)	1,137 (63%)
	Asian/PI	603 (61%)	540 (57%)	560 (63%)	538 (63%)	623 (67%)
	Multiple	815 (74%)	779 (76%)	764 (74%)	775 (78%)	733 (73%)
	Hispanic	568 (70%)	558 (71%)	547 (75%)	576 (72%)	576 (73%)
	Age	15-19 Years	239 (57%)	219 (56%)	219 (58%)	207 (54%)
	20-24 Years	1,489 (68%)	1,377 (67%)	1,318 (67%)	1,358 (70%)	1,311 (68%)
	25-29 Years	2,291 (73%)	2,246 (73%)	2,137 (74%)	1,990 (72%)	1,970 (73%)
	30-34 Years	2,097 (76%)	1,980 (75%)	1,977 (75%)	1,990 (76%)	1,993 (74%)
	35-39 Years	992 (76%)	1,005 (74%)	979 (74%)	1,022 (74%)	1,026 (73%)
	40-44 Years	186 (73%)	197 (68%)	196 (74%)	200 (68%)	218 (73%)
Residence	Anchorage	2,897 (73%)	2,846 (72%)	2,802 (74%)	2,661 (74%)	2,742 (75%)
	Gulf Coast	658 (69%)	666 (72%)	618 (71%)	626 (68%)	623 (71%)
	Interior	1,345 (78%)	1,170 (74%)	1,122 (73%)	1,135 (68%)	1,058 (67%)
	Mat-Su	1,024 (73%)	969 (71%)	985 (73%)	1,024 (76%)	1,073 (76%)
	Northern	330 (66%)	324 (69%)	347 (70%)	316 (69%)	283 (64%)
	Southeast	562 (76%)	536 (78%)	544 (82%)	579 (85%)	514 (82%)
	Southwest	485 (59%)	529 (61%)	420 (51%)	435 (57%)	427 (54%)
Statewide	Total	7,301 (72%)	7,040 (72%)	6,838 (72%)	6,776 (72%)	6,720 (72%)

³¹ 1st trimester prenatal care rates are events per 100 births.

Table 21. Births (%) by Adequacy of Prenatal Care

Adequacy of PNC	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
No Prenatal Care	133 (1%)	95 (<1%)	106 (1%)	96 (1%)	130 (1%)
Inadequate	1,612 (16%)	1,524 (16%)	1,571 (17%)	1,634 (17%)	1,659 (18%)
Intermediate	1,333 (13%)	1,321 (13%)	1,419 (15%)	1,335 (14%)	1,382 (15%)
Adequate or Higher	6,606 (65%)	6,433 (65%)	6,043 (64%)	6,056 (64%)	5,983 (64%)
Adequate	3,639 (36%)	3,471 (35%)	3,343 (35%)	3,388 (36%)	3,485 (37%)
Adequate Plus	2,967 (29%)	2,962 (30%)	2,700 (28%)	2,668 (28%)	2,498 (27%)
Unknown	416 (4%)	459 (5%)	346 (4%)	290 (3%)	207 (2%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 22. Adequate or Higher Prenatal Care Births (Rate) by Demographic Characteristic³²

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Infant Sex	Male	3,410 (65%)	3,341 (65%)	3,024 (63%)	3,094 (63%)	3,004 (63%)
	Female	3,196 (65%)	3,092 (66%)	3,019 (65%)	2,962 (65%)	2,979 (65%)
Race	White	3,892 (70%)	3,767 (70%)	3,535 (67%)	3,611 (69%)	3,481 (69%)
	Black	200 (66%)	189 (58%)	176 (59%)	163 (58%)	184 (65%)
	AI/AN	1,091 (56%)	1,153 (59%)	1,032 (56%)	1,015 (55%)	966 (53%)
	Asian/PI	538 (55%)	474 (50%)	495 (55%)	476 (56%)	538 (58%)
	Multiple	765 (69%)	758 (74%)	708 (69%)	690 (69%)	680 (67%)
	Hispanic	542 (67%)	489 (62%)	483 (66%)	500 (63%)	492 (62%)
Age	15-19 Years	220 (52%)	205 (52%)	196 (52%)	182 (48%)	188 (53%)
	20-24 Years	1,354 (62%)	1,293 (63%)	1,139 (58%)	1,191 (61%)	1,169 (61%)
	25-29 Years	2,058 (65%)	1,993 (65%)	1,853 (64%)	1,790 (65%)	1,718 (64%)
	30-34 Years	1,895 (68%)	1,778 (68%)	1,739 (66%)	1,757 (67%)	1,757 (65%)
	35-39 Years	898 (69%)	956 (71%)	917 (69%)	942 (68%)	928 (66%)
	40-44 Years	172 (67%)	191 (66%)	186 (70%)	185 (63%)	214 (72%)
Residence	Anchorage	2,650 (67%)	2,600 (66%)	2,461 (65%)	2,266 (63%)	2,313 (64%)
	Gulf Coast	587 (62%)	620 (67%)	539 (62%)	579 (63%)	601 (69%)
	Interior	1,170 (68%)	1,074 (68%)	951 (62%)	1,096 (66%)	978 (62%)
	Mat-Su	1,001 (72%)	954 (70%)	958 (71%)	1,013 (75%)	1,056 (75%)
	Northern	285 (57%)	299 (64%)	292 (59%)	287 (63%)	239 (54%)
	Southeast	563 (77%)	482 (70%)	512 (77%)	517 (76%)	481 (76%)
	Southwest	350 (43%)	404 (47%)	330 (40%)	298 (39%)	315 (40%)
Statewide	Total	6,606 (65%)	6,433 (65%)	6,043 (64%)	6,056 (64%)	5,983 (64%)

³² Adequate or higher prenatal care rates are events per 100 births.

Maternal Risk Factors

In 2022, 756 mothers reported using tobacco at some point during pregnancy (8%). Tobacco use is a known risk factor associated with preterm and low birth weight births, birth defects, and increased risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome.³³ Tobacco use was most common in AI/AN mothers (22%), mothers aged 15-19 years and 40-44 years (9%) and mothers residing in the Northern region (31%).³⁴

Table 23. Births (%) by Maternal Tobacco Use

Maternal Tobacco Use	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Yes	1,155 (11%)	1,080 (11%)	1,011 (11%)	845 (9%)	756 (8%)
No	8,873 (88%)	8,648 (88%)	8,383 (88%)	8,462 (90%)	8,536 (91%)
Unknown	72 (<1%)	104 (1%)	91 (<1%)	104 (1%)	69 (<1%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 24. Maternal Tobacco Use Births (Rate) by Demographic Characteristic³⁵

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Infant Sex	Male	568 (11%)	578 (11%)	520 (11%)	459 (9%)	385 (8%)
	Female	587 (12%)	502 (11%)	491 (11%)	386 (9%)	371 (8%)
Race	White	372 (7%)	355 (7%)	296 (6%)	244 (5%)	202 (4%)
	Black	10 (3%)	13 (4%)	11 (4%)	6 (2%)	6 (2%)
	AI/AN	531 (27%)	516 (27%)	501 (27%)	423 (23%)	396 (22%)
	Asian/PI	49 (5%)	39 (4%)	38 (4%)	33 (4%)	19 (2%)
	Multiple	190 (17%)	146 (14%)	156 (15%)	135 (14%)	129 (13%)
	Hispanic	43 (5%)	39 (5%)	26 (4%)	36 (5%)	29 (4%)
Age	15-19 Years	68 (16%)	54 (14%)	47 (12%)	43 (11%)	33 (9%)
	20-24 Years	289 (13%)	234 (11%)	224 (11%)	145 (7%)	154 (8%)
	25-29 Years	405 (13%)	367 (12%)	292 (10%)	258 (9%)	219 (8%)
	30-34 Years	255 (9%)	274 (10%)	293 (11%)	244 (9%)	210 (8%)
	35-39 Years	115 (9%)	128 (9%)	126 (9%)	121 (9%)	114 (8%)
	40-44 Years	22 (9%)	21 (7%)	28 (11%)	34 (12%)	26 (9%)
Residence	Anchorage	333 (8%)	269 (7%)	273 (7%)	234 (7%)	197 (5%)
	Gulf Coast	103 (11%)	108 (12%)	62 (7%)	65 (7%)	55 (6%)
	Interior	142 (8%)	139 (9%)	113 (7%)	83 (5%)	82 (5%)
	Mat-Su	142 (10%)	141 (10%)	138 (10%)	108 (8%)	102 (7%)
	Northern	200 (40%)	173 (37%)	177 (36%)	159 (35%)	136 (31%)
	Southeast	74 (10%)	67 (10%)	70 (11%)	53 (8%)	51 (8%)
	Southwest	161 (20%)	182 (21%)	178 (22%)	143 (19%)	132 (17%)
Statewide	Total	1,155 (11%)	1,080 (11%)	1,011 (11%)	845 (9%)	756 (8%)

³³ [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Substance Use During Pregnancy.](#)

³⁴ Alaska's Tobacco Quit Line offers proven quit strategies like counseling and nicotine replacement therapy to people interested in quitting tobacco use. Visit the [Alaska Quitline](#) or call 1-800-QUIT NOW for more information.

³⁵ Maternal tobacco use rates are events per 100 births.

Delivery Characteristics

In 2022, March and August were the most common birth months, with 834 and 826 births, respectively. February and November were the least common, with 721 and 726 births, respectively. Most births occurred in a hospital (92%). Medical doctors were the most common birth attendant, present at 61% of deliveries. This was followed by certified nurse midwives, present at 27%. Medicaid was the most common payment source for births (38%), followed by private insurance (34%).

Most deliveries occurred via a head-first cephalic (vertex, occiput anterior, or occiput posterior) fetal presentation, which is ideal for delivery (94%). Cesarean (C-Section) births made up 23% of deliveries. Cesarean births were most common in Black women (34%), women aged 40-44 years (35%), and residents of the Southeast region (30%).

Table 25. Births (%) by Month

Month	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
January	819 (8%)	774 (8%)	821 (9%)	746 (8%)	735 (8%)
February	771 (8%)	759 (8%)	717 (8%)	663 (7%)	721 (8%)
March	895 (9%)	881 (9%)	777 (8%)	801 (9%)	834 (9%)
April	841 (8%)	836 (9%)	759 (8%)	818 (9%)	779 (8%)
May	876 (9%)	827 (8%)	833 (9%)	861 (9%)	792 (8%)
June	877 (9%)	809 (8%)	811 (9%)	810 (9%)	816 (9%)
July	817 (8%)	919 (9%)	778 (8%)	862 (9%)	811 (9%)
August	936 (9%)	852 (9%)	784 (8%)	820 (9%)	826 (9%)
September	798 (8%)	874 (9%)	821 (9%)	833 (9%)	799 (9%)
October	876 (9%)	804 (8%)	806 (8%)	742 (8%)	767 (8%)
November	778 (8%)	711 (7%)	770 (8%)	704 (7%)	726 (8%)
December	816 (8%)	786 (8%)	808 (9%)	751 (8%)	755 (8%)
Unknown	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 26. Births (%) by Place of Birth

Place of Birth	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Hospital	9,395 (93%)	9,150 (93%)	8,793 (93%)	8,725 (93%)	8,610 (92%)
Birthing Center	481 (5%)	460 (5%)	450 (5%)	426 (5%)	468 (5%)
Home	203 (2%)	201 (2%)	219 (2%)	244 (3%)	252 (3%)
Planned	166 (2%)	177 (2%)	195 (2%)	212 (2%)	233 (2%)
Unplanned	20 (<1%)	16 (<1%)	11 (<1%)	11 (<1%)	12 (<1%)
Unknown if Planned	17 (<1%)	8 (<1%)	13 (<1%)	21 (<1%)	7 (<1%)
Clinic/Dr. Office	17 (<1%)	17 (<1%)	15 (<1%)	11 (<1%)	23 (<1%)
Other	2 (<1%)	4 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	3 (<1%)	7 (<1%)
Unknown	2 (<1%)	0 (0%)	3 (<1%)	2 (<1%)	1 (<1%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 27. Births (%) by Attendant

Attendant	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Doctor	6,620 (66%)	6,493 (66%)	6,289 (66%)	6,337 (67%)	6,161 (66%)
Medical Doctor	6,011 (60%)	5,815 (59%)	5,740 (61%)	5,913 (63%)	5,704 (61%)
Dr. of Osteopathy	609 (6%)	678 (7%)	549 (6%)	424 (5%)	457 (5%)
Midwife	3,398 (34%)	3,266 (33%)	3,131 (33%)	3,007 (32%)	3,130 (33%)
Cert. Nurse Midwife	2,927 (29%)	2,744 (28%)	2,634 (28%)	2,531 (27%)	2,563 (27%)
Other Midwife	471 (5%)	522 (5%)	497 (5%)	476 (5%)	567 (6%)
Other	79 (<1%)	69 (<1%)	63 (<1%)	64 (<1%)	70 (<1%)
Unknown	3 (<1%)	4 (<1%)	2 (<1%)	3 (<1%)	0 (0%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 28. Births (%) by Payment Source

Payment Source	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Medicaid	3,904 (39%)	3,761 (38%)	3,677 (39%)	3,586 (38%)	3,573 (38%)
Private Insurance	3,586 (36%)	3,479 (35%)	3,274 (35%)	3,366 (36%)	3,197 (34%)
Self-Pay	349 (3%)	352 (4%)	242 (3%)	240 (3%)	291 (3%)
Indian Health Service	460 (5%)	489 (5%)	509 (5%)	410 (4%)	452 (5%)
CHAMPUS/Tricare	1,518 (15%)	1,481 (15%)	1,448 (15%)	1,472 (16%)	1,469 (16%)
Other Government	68 (<1%)	131 (1%)	178 (2%)	158 (2%)	230 (2%)
Other	19 (<1%)	18 (<1%)	15 (<1%)	34 (<1%)	25 (<1%)
Unknown	196 (2%)	121 (1%)	142 (1%)	145 (2%)	124 (1%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 29. Births (%) by Fetal Presentation

Fetal Presentation	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Cephalic	9,608 (95%)	9,317 (95%)	8,984 (95%)	8,804 (94%)	8,787 (94%)
Breech	399 (4%)	406 (4%)	409 (4%)	427 (5%)	430 (5%)
Other	84 (<1%)	102 (1%)	80 (<1%)	140 (1%)	139 (1%)
Unknown	9 (<1%)	7 (<1%)	12 (<1%)	40 (<1%)	5 (<1%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 30. Births (%) by Route and Method

Route and Method	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Vaginal	7,828 (78%)	7,700 (78%)	7,305 (77%)	7,126 (76%)	7,235 (77%)
Spontaneous	7,600 (75%)	7,490 (76%)	7,089 (75%)	6,930 (74%)	7,034 (75%)
Forceps	58 (<1%)	51 (<1%)	41 (<1%)	34 (<1%)	49 (<1%)
Vacuum	170 (2%)	159 (2%)	175 (2%)	162 (2%)	152 (2%)
Cesarean	2,262 (22%)	2,127 (22%)	2,170 (23%)	2,272 (24%)	2,123 (23%)
Unknown	10 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	10 (<1%)	13 (<1%)	3 (<1%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 31. Cesarean Births (Rate) by Demographic Characteristic³⁶

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Infant Sex	Male	1,193 (23%)	1,131 (22%)	1,152 (24%)	1,252 (26%)	1,108 (23%)
	Female	1,069 (22%)	996 (21%)	1,018 (22%)	1,020 (23%)	1,015 (22%)
Race	White	1,368 (25%)	1,279 (24%)	1,318 (25%)	1,392 (27%)	1,244 (25%)
	Black	84 (28%)	89 (27%)	89 (30%)	91 (32%)	97 (34%)
	AI/AN	258 (13%)	229 (12%)	238 (13%)	262 (14%)	229 (13%)
	Asian/PI	251 (26%)	249 (26%)	232 (26%)	239 (28%)	257 (28%)
	Multiple	246 (22%)	229 (22%)	243 (24%)	235 (24%)	226 (22%)
	Hispanic	207 (26%)	212 (27%)	199 (27%)	213 (27%)	204 (26%)
Age	15-19 Years	45 (11%)	36 (9%)	38 (10%)	49 (13%)	31 (9%)
	20-24 Years	325 (15%)	296 (14%)	314 (16%)	339 (17%)	306 (16%)
	25-29 Years	661 (21%)	582 (19%)	613 (21%)	617 (22%)	578 (22%)
	30-34 Years	715 (26%)	675 (26%)	711 (27%)	682 (26%)	684 (25%)
	35-39 Years	420 (32%)	416 (31%)	403 (30%)	471 (34%)	413 (29%)
	40-44 Years	90 (35%)	111 (39%)	83 (31%)	107 (36%)	106 (35%)
Residence	Anchorage	1,009 (25%)	939 (24%)	965 (26%)	894 (25%)	871 (24%)
	Gulf Coast	210 (22%)	221 (24%)	185 (21%)	240 (26%)	212 (24%)
	Interior	317 (18%)	302 (19%)	347 (23%)	416 (25%)	355 (22%)
	Mat-Su	372 (27%)	359 (26%)	328 (24%)	355 (26%)	364 (26%)
	Northern	55 (11%)	52 (11%)	55 (11%)	64 (14%)	49 (11%)
	Southeast	212 (29%)	171 (25%)	197 (30%)	220 (32%)	192 (30%)
	Southwest	87 (11%)	81 (9%)	93 (11%)	83 (11%)	79 (10%)
Statewide	Total	2,262 (22%)	2,127 (22%)	2,170 (23%)	2,272 (24%)	2,123 (23%)

³⁶ Cesarean rates are events per 100 births.

Infant Characteristics

In 2022, boys made up 51% of births, and the most popular name was Oliver (45 births). Girls made up 49% of births, and the most popular name was Aurora/Charlotte (tied at 38 births). There were 277 multiple gestation births involving a plurality of infants, including 267 twin births (approximately 133 sets of live born twins³⁷) and 10 triplet or higher births. Most infants were breastfeeding at the time of discharge (89%).

There were 937 preterm births, defined as births prior to the 37th week of gestation based on the reported obstetrical estimate (10%). Most preterm births were in the late preterm range between 34-36 weeks, although there were 36 extremely preterm births at less than 28 weeks. Preterm births were most common in AI/AN women (16%), women aged 35-39 years (12%), and residents of the Southwest region (18%).

There were 648 low birth weight (LBW) births, defined as infants born weighing less than 2,500 grams (approximately 5.5 pounds) (7%). Most LBW births were in the moderate LBW range between 1,500-2,499 grams, although there were 43 extremely LBW births at less than 1,000 grams. LBW births were most common in Black women (11%), women aged 35-39 years (8%), and residents of the Northern region (8%).

Table 32. Births (%) by Sex

Sex	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Male	5,217 (52%)	5,124 (52%)	4,810 (51%)	4,886 (52%)	4,754 (51%)
Female	4,883 (48%)	4,708 (48%)	4,675 (49%)	4,525 (48%)	4,607 (49%)
Unknown	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 33. Top 5 Baby Boy Names (Count)

Rank	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
1	Oliver (55)	Liam (54)	Liam/Oliver (46)	Noah/Oliver (42)	Oliver (45)
2	Logan (44)	Oliver (46)	Elijah (42)	Wyatt (38)	Liam (42)
3	Liam (43)	James (42)	Theodore (41)	Liam (36)	James (37)
4	Elijah/Michael (41)	Henry (41)	William (38)	James (35)	Theodore (34)
5	Benjamin (39)	Noah (38)	Noah (36)	Lucas/William (33)	Lucas/William (32)

Table 34. Top 5 Baby Girl Names (Count)

Rank	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
1	Olivia (48)	Emma (42)	Charlotte (44)	Amelia (46)	Aurora/Charlotte (38)
2	Amelia (46)	Evelyn (41)	Amelia (43)	Ava/Hazel/Olivia (32)	Amelia/Emma/Evelyn (35)
3	Aurora/Charlotte (45)	Amelia/Ava/Olivia (40)	Olivia (39)	Charlotte (31)	Olivia (33)
4	Emma (44)	Aurora (35)	Sophia (36)	Emma/Evelyn (28)	Penelope (28)
5	Sophia (42)	Charlotte (31)	Aurora (35)	Aurora/Eleanor (27)	Scarlett (27)

³⁷ The number of twin births may not be divisible by 2 for a number of reasons, such as a fetal death in one of the twins, a twin birth event occurring over the turn of the year, etc.

Table 35. Births (%) by Plurality

Plurality	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Singletons	9,755 (97%)	9,548 (97%)	9,189 (97%)	9,096 (97%)	9,083 (97%)
Twins	330 (3%)	272 (3%)	291 (3%)	306 (3%)	267 (3%)
Triplets+	15 (<1%)	12 (<1%)	3 (<1%)	9 (<1%)	10 (<1%)
Unknown	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (<1%)	0 (0%)	1 (<1%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 36. Births (%) by Breastfeeding at Time of Discharge

Breastfeeding	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Yes	9,286 (92%)	9,014 (92%)	8,636 (91%)	8,410 (89%)	8,355 (89%)
No	738 (7%)	771 (8%)	778 (8%)	949 (10%)	985 (11%)
Unknown	76 (<1%)	47 (<1%)	71 (<1%)	52 (<1%)	21 (<1%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 37. Births (%) by Gestation

Gestation	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
<37 Weeks (Preterm)	936 (9%)	955 (10%)	925 (10%)	953 (10%)	937 (10%)
<28 Weeks (Extreme)	51 (<1%)	37 (<1%)	53 (<1%)	52 (<1%)	36 (<1%)
28-31 Weeks (Very)	79 (<1%)	65 (<1%)	72 (<1%)	89 (<1%)	91 (<1%)
32-33 Weeks (Mod.)	106 (1%)	129 (1%)	110 (1%)	107 (1%)	106 (1%)
34-36 Weeks (Late)	700 (7%)	724 (7%)	690 (7%)	705 (7%)	704 (8%)
37 Weeks	1,002 (10%)	1,043 (11%)	976 (10%)	1,087 (12%)	1,034 (11%)
38 Weeks	1,781 (18%)	1,670 (17%)	1,643 (17%)	1,557 (17%)	1,653 (18%)
39 Weeks	3,152 (31%)	3,136 (32%)	3,214 (34%)	3,093 (33%)	3,110 (33%)
40 Weeks	2,214 (22%)	2,154 (22%)	1,947 (21%)	1,902 (20%)	1,856 (20%)
41 Weeks	917 (9%)	797 (8%)	706 (7%)	752 (8%)	710 (8%)
42+ Weeks	83 (<1%)	62 (<1%)	51 (<1%)	44 (<1%)	51 (<1%)
Unknown	15 (<1%)	15 (<1%)	23 (<1%)	23 (<1%)	10 (<1%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

Table 38. Preterm Births (Rate) by Demographic Characteristic³⁸

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Infant Sex	Male	517 (10%)	528 (10%)	470 (10%)	551 (11%)	509 (11%)
	Female	419 (9%)	427 (9%)	455 (10%)	402 (9%)	428 (9%)
Race	White	416 (7%)	412 (8%)	389 (7%)	447 (9%)	389 (8%)
	Black	34 (11%)	35 (11%)	32 (11%)	27 (10%)	38 (13%)
	AI/AN	233 (12%)	278 (14%)	284 (15%)	252 (14%)	284 (16%)
	Asian/PI	104 (11%)	106 (11%)	101 (11%)	93 (11%)	90 (10%)
	Multiple	123 (11%)	105 (10%)	100 (10%)	106 (11%)	107 (11%)
	Hispanic	77 (10%)	72 (9%)	67 (9%)	83 (10%)	75 (9%)
Age	15-19 Years	35 (8%)	43 (11%)	40 (11%)	29 (8%)	33 (9%)
	20-24 Years	193 (9%)	179 (9%)	196 (10%)	183 (9%)	170 (9%)
	25-29 Years	272 (9%)	278 (9%)	256 (9%)	270 (10%)	265 (10%)
	30-34 Years	245 (9%)	246 (9%)	268 (10%)	247 (9%)	267 (10%)
	35-39 Years	153 (12%)	173 (13%)	138 (10%)	172 (12%)	169 (12%)
	40-44 Years	36 (14%)	33 (11%)	26 (10%)	48 (16%)	28 (9%)
Residence	Anchorage	391 (10%)	386 (10%)	358 (10%)	357 (10%)	373 (10%)
	Gulf Coast	74 (8%)	77 (8%)	59 (7%)	78 (8%)	54 (6%)
	Interior	132 (8%)	118 (7%)	139 (9%)	144 (9%)	136 (9%)
	Mat-Su	128 (9%)	120 (9%)	102 (8%)	132 (10%)	129 (9%)
	Northern	59 (12%)	60 (13%)	59 (12%)	61 (13%)	51 (12%)
	Southeast	64 (9%)	62 (9%)	73 (11%)	73 (11%)	51 (8%)
	Southwest	88 (11%)	132 (15%)	135 (17%)	108 (14%)	143 (18%)
Statewide	Total	936 (9%)	955 (10%)	925 (10%)	953 (10%)	937 (10%)

Table 39. Births (%) by Birth Weight

Birth Weight	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
<2,500 g (Low)	595 (6%)	621 (6%)	628 (7%)	652 (7%)	648 (7%)
<1,000 g (Extreme)	35 (<1%)	36 (<1%)	55 (<1%)	61 (<1%)	43 (<1%)
1,000-1,499 g (Very)	64 (<1%)	71 (<1%)	50 (<1%)	60 (<1%)	54 (<1%)
1,500-2,499 g (Mod.)	496 (5%)	514 (5%)	523 (6%)	531 (6%)	551 (6%)
2,500-3,999 g	8,173 (81%)	7,939 (81%)	7,699 (81%)	7,594 (81%)	7,616 (81%)
4,000+ g	1,323 (13%)	1,261 (13%)	1,154 (12%)	1,152 (12%)	1,094 (12%)
Unknown	9 (<1%)	11 (<1%)	4 (<1%)	13 (<1%)	3 (<1%)
Total	10,100 (100%)	9,832 (100%)	9,485 (100%)	9,411 (100%)	9,361 (100%)

³⁸ Preterm rates are events per 100 births.

Table 40. Low Birth Weight Births (Rate) by Demographic Characteristic³⁹

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Infant Sex	Male	308 (6%)	295 (6%)	275 (6%)	332 (7%)	309 (6%)
	Female	287 (6%)	326 (7%)	353 (8%)	320 (7%)	339 (7%)
Race	White	264 (5%)	275 (5%)	293 (6%)	312 (6%)	294 (6%)
	Black	38 (13%)	31 (10%)	40 (13%)	32 (11%)	32 (11%)
	AI/AN	128 (7%)	154 (8%)	140 (8%)	141 (8%)	171 (9%)
	Asian/PI	75 (8%)	74 (8%)	74 (8%)	80 (9%)	60 (6%)
	Multiple	71 (6%)	73 (7%)	69 (7%)	64 (6%)	68 (7%)
	Hispanic	47 (6%)	52 (7%)	48 (7%)	73 (9%)	59 (7%)
Age	15-19 Years	25 (6%)	30 (8%)	26 (7%)	25 (7%)	21 (6%)
	20-24 Years	126 (6%)	128 (6%)	137 (7%)	137 (7%)	126 (7%)
	25-29 Years	182 (6%)	187 (6%)	164 (6%)	187 (7%)	181 (7%)
	30-34 Years	164 (6%)	157 (6%)	186 (7%)	161 (6%)	185 (7%)
	35-39 Years	73 (6%)	98 (7%)	92 (7%)	117 (8%)	110 (8%)
	40-44 Years	24 (9%)	18 (6%)	21 (8%)	25 (9%)	21 (7%)
Residence	Anchorage	269 (7%)	259 (7%)	267 (7%)	255 (7%)	255 (7%)
	Gulf Coast	38 (4%)	52 (6%)	39 (4%)	52 (6%)	52 (6%)
	Interior	86 (5%)	93 (6%)	98 (6%)	110 (7%)	107 (7%)
	Mat-Su	88 (6%)	78 (6%)	80 (6%)	82 (6%)	76 (5%)
	Northern	42 (8%)	35 (7%)	37 (7%)	42 (9%)	37 (8%)
	Southeast	31 (4%)	38 (6%)	43 (6%)	51 (7%)	32 (5%)
	Southwest	41 (5%)	66 (8%)	64 (8%)	60 (8%)	88 (11%)
Statewide	Total	595 (6%)	621 (6%)	628 (7%)	652 (7%)	648 (7%)

³⁹ Low birth weight rates are events per 100 births.

Maternal and Infant Medical Characteristics

In 2022, pregnancy-associated hypertension was the most common pregnancy risk factor, reported in 1,302 births (14%). This was followed by gestational diabetes (1,248 births) and a prior cesarean birth (1,085 births). COVID-19 was the most common maternal infection diagnosed or treated at any point during pregnancy, at 1,438 births (15%).⁴⁰ Epidural or spinal anesthesia was administered to the mother in 4,568 births (49%). Assistive ventilation, either immediately or within 6 hours of birth, was required for 1,309 infants (14%). There were 908 infants that required admission to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) (10%). Congenital anomalies were relatively rare, with Cyanotic Congenital Heart Disease being the most common condition, at 15 infants.

Table 41. Births (%) by Pregnancy Risk Factors

Pregnancy Risk Factors	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Diabetes - Prepregnancy	110 (1%)	98 (<1%)	110 (1%)	127 (1%)	110 (1%)
Diabetes - Gestational	1,109 (11%)	1,144 (12%)	1,183 (12%)	1,249 (13%)	1,248 (13%)
Hypertension - Prepregnancy	305 (3%)	352 (4%)	339 (4%)	428 (5%)	439 (5%)
Hypertension - Pregnancy Assoc.	1,050 (10%)	1,117 (11%)	1,077 (11%)	1,218 (13%)	1,302 (14%)
Hypertension - Eclampsia	68 (<1%)	39 (<1%)	24 (<1%)	34 (<1%)	23 (<1%)
Prior Preterm Births	517 (5%)	533 (5%)	495 (5%)	568 (6%)	487 (5%)
Infertility Treatment	131 (1%)	124 (1%)	113 (1%)	140 (1%)	154 (2%)
Fertility Drugs or Art. Insem.	70 (<1%)	65 (<1%)	47 (<1%)	73 (<1%)	94 (1%)
Assisted Reproductive Tech.	67 (<1%)	69 (<1%)	76 (<1%)	71 (<1%)	66 (<1%)
Prior Cesarean	1,248 (12%)	1,119 (11%)	1,117 (12%)	1,097 (12%)	1,085 (12%)
Vaginal Birth After Cesarean	314 (3%)	293 (3%)	253 (3%)	258 (3%)	274 (3%)

Table 42. Births (%) by Maternal Infections

Maternal Infections	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Gonorrhea	29 (<1%)	33 (<1%)	30 (<1%)	39 (<1%)	50 (<1%)
Syphilis	5 (<1%)	7 (<1%)	29 (<1%)	15 (<1%)	34 (<1%)
Chlamydia	248 (2%)	262 (3%)	210 (2%)	243 (3%)	264 (3%)
Hepatitis B	26 (<1%)	26 (<1%)	30 (<1%)	15 (<1%)	16 (<1%)
Hepatitis C	96 (<1%)	80 (<1%)	104 (1%)	98 (1%)	86 (<1%)
COVID-19	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	63 (<1%)	432 (5%)	1,438 (15%)

⁴⁰ Maternal COVID-19 infection data collection began April of 2020. Data for this year are incomplete. Data may not include home testing positives, asymptomatic cases, and diagnoses not reported to the birth certifier.

Table 43. Births (%) by Obstetrical Procedures

Obstetrical Procedures	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Cervical Cerclage	38 (<1%)	32 (<1%)	28 (<1%)	37 (<1%)	29 (<1%)
Tocolysis	57 (<1%)	44 (<1%)	48 (<1%)	34 (<1%)	38 (<1%)
External Cephalic - Success	49 (<1%)	43 (<1%)	44 (<1%)	45 (<1%)	39 (<1%)
External Cephalic - Failed	38 (<1%)	54 (<1%)	59 (<1%)	56 (<1%)	58 (<1%)

Table 44. Births (%) by Onset of Labor

Onset of Labor	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Premature Rupture of Membrane (12+ Hours)	662 (7%)	687 (7%)	664 (7%)	667 (7%)	548 (6%)
Precipitous Labor (<3 Hours)	809 (8%)	729 (7%)	724 (8%)	836 (9%)	857 (9%)
Prolonged Labor (20+ Hours)	302 (3%)	214 (2%)	225 (2%)	227 (2%)	223 (2%)

Table 45. Births (%) by Characteristics of Labor and Delivery

Labor	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Induction of Labor	2,846 (28%)	3,049 (31%)	3,101 (33%)	3,125 (33%)	3,047 (33%)
Augmentation of Labor	1,815 (18%)	1,825 (19%)	1,805 (19%)	1,813 (19%)	1,928 (21%)
Non-Vertex Presentation	237 (2%)	265 (3%)	285 (3%)	291 (3%)	297 (3%)
Steroids for Lung Maturity	500 (5%)	538 (5%)	504 (5%)	656 (7%)	591 (6%)
Antibiotics Received	2,348 (23%)	2,253 (23%)	2,240 (24%)	2,437 (26%)	2,339 (25%)
Chorioamnionitis Diagnosed	159 (2%)	141 (1%)	133 (1%)	147 (2%)	141 (2%)
Mod./Heavy Meconium Staining	1,257 (12%)	1,218 (12%)	1,033 (11%)	1,150 (12%)	1,178 (13%)
Fetal Intolerance	280 (3%)	341 (3%)	327 (3%)	415 (4%)	335 (4%)
Epidural or Spinal Anesthesia	4,637 (46%)	4,690 (48%)	4,938 (52%)	4,992 (53%)	4,568 (49%)

Table 46. Births (%) by Maternal Morbidity

Maternal Morbidity	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Maternal Transfusion	81 (<1%)	84 (<1%)	88 (<1%)	127 (1%)	132 (1%)
3rd or 4th Deg. Perineal Lacer.	130 (1%)	138 (1%)	112 (1%)	110 (1%)	129 (1%)
Ruptured Uterus	9 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	8 (<1%)	8 (<1%)	9 (<1%)
Unplanned Hysterectomy	5 (<1%)	6 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	4 (<1%)	3 (<1%)
Admitted to Intensive Care	18 (<1%)	17 (<1%)	16 (<1%)	17 (<1%)	19 (<1%)
Unplanned Operation Procedure	88 (<1%)	76 (<1%)	75 (<1%)	98 (1%)	90 (<1%)

Table 47. Births (%) by Conditions of the Newborn

Conditions	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Assist Ventilation Immediately	810 (8%)	852 (9%)	885 (9%)	1,041 (11%)	1,007 (11%)
Assist Ventilation >6 Hours	261 (3%)	259 (3%)	258 (3%)	279 (3%)	302 (3%)
NICU Admission	991 (10%)	958 (10%)	876 (9%)	917 (10%)	908 (10%)
Surfactant Replace. Therapy	49 (<1%)	40 (<1%)	31 (<1%)	52 (<1%)	40 (<1%)
Antibiotics for Neonatal Sepsis	203 (2%)	159 (2%)	124 (1%)	151 (2%)	154 (2%)
Seizures	8 (<1%)	6 (<1%)	6 (<1%)	2 (<1%)	8 (<1%)
Birth Injury	10 (<1%)	15 (<1%)	15 (<1%)	18 (<1%)	11 (<1%)

Table 48. Births (%) by Congenital Anomalies

Congenital Anomalies	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Anencephaly	4 (<1%)	1 (<1%)	1 (<1%)	1 (<1%)	2 (<1%)
Meningomyelocele/Spina Bifida	5 (<1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (<1%)	2 (<1%)
Cyanotic Congen. Heart Disease	9 (<1%)	11 (<1%)	10 (<1%)	16 (<1%)	15 (<1%)
Congen. Diaphragmatic Hernia	4 (<1%)	1 (<1%)	0 (0%)	4 (<1%)	4 (<1%)
Omphalocele	0 (0%)	2 (<1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (<1%)
Gastroschisis	5 (<1%)	4 (<1%)	7 (<1%)	6 (<1%)	6 (<1%)
Limb Reduction Defect	6 (<1%)	2 (<1%)	4 (<1%)	3 (<1%)	4 (<1%)
Cleft Lip with or w/o Cleft Palate	12 (<1%)	7 (<1%)	8 (<1%)	8 (<1%)	5 (<1%)
Cleft Palate Alone	2 (<1%)	2 (<1%)	6 (<1%)	2 (<1%)	2 (<1%)
Down's Syndrome (Confirmed)	6 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	4 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	4 (<1%)
Chromos. Disorder (Confirmed)	4 (<1%)	2 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	7 (<1%)	4 (<1%)
Hypospadias	17 (<1%)	12 (<1%)	10 (<1%)	8 (<1%)	9 (<1%)

Birth and Fertility Rates

In 2022, the crude birth rate (CBR), which measures the number of births per 1,000 Alaskan residents, was 12.7, down slightly from 12.8 in 2021. Because the overall population includes both men and women outside of common reproductive age, the fertility rate (FR), which measures the number of births per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years, is generally a more meaningful method for analyzing natality trends than CBRs. In 2022, Alaska's total FR was 63.8, down from 64.2 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable (i.e., based on 20 or more events) FRs were found in multiple race women (77.4), women aged 25-29 years (114.0), and residents of the Southwest region (96.0).

Figure 2. Fertility Rates by Year

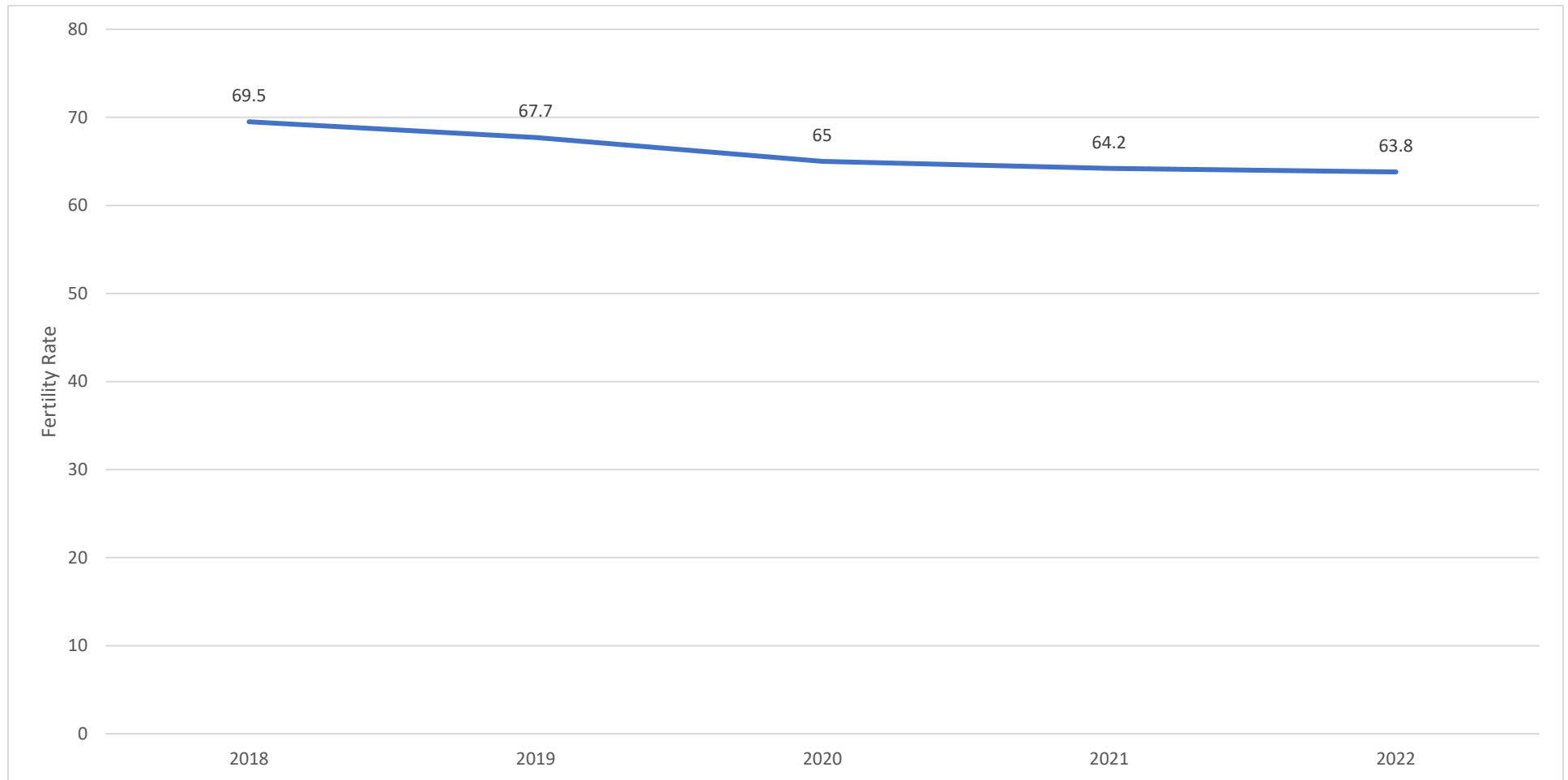


Table 49. Births (Crude Birth Rate) [Fertility Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁴¹

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Infant Sex	Male	5,217 (7.1) [35.9]	5,124 (7.0) [35.2]	4,810 (6.6) [33.0]	4,886 (6.6) [33.3]	4,754 (6.5) [32.4]
	Female	4,883 (6.6) [33.6]	4,708 (6.4) [32.5]	4,675 (6.4) [32.0]	4,525 (6.1) [30.8]	4,607 (6.3) [31.4]
Race	White	5,551 (11.6) [61.5]	5,407 (11.4) [60.2]	5,258 (11.1) [58.8]	5,243 (11.1) [58.5]	5,075 (10.7) [57.0]
	Black	303 (11.1) [53.3]	326 (12.1) [57.6]	298 (11.2) [53.9]	281 (10.5) [50.9]	285 (10.7) [52.7]
	AI/AN	1,950 (17.2) [82.2]	1,944 (17.2) [81.8]	1,850 (16.1) [75.6]	1,842 (16.0) [74.6]	1,810 (15.7) [72.6]
	Asian/PI	983 (16.6) [72.2]	952 (15.9) [69.1]	894 (14.8) [64.2]	853 (13.9) [60.9]	928 (14.9) [65.4]
	Multiple	1,104 (19.7) [91.5]	1,025 (18.1) [83.8]	1,027 (17.7) [81.8]	998 (16.8) [77.7]	1,008 (16.8) [77.4]
	Hispanic	806 (15.2) [67.6]	786 (14.8) [65.9]	734 (13.6) [60.5]	800 (14.4) [64.3]	793 (14.1) [63.3]
Age	15-19 Years	423 (8.9) [18.8]	394 (8.4) [17.6]	379 (8.1) [17.0]	383 (8.1) [17.1]	357 (7.4) [15.7]
	20-24 Years	2,184 (46.1) [100.3]	2,054 (44.3) [97.3]	1,957 (42.4) [93.6]	1,946 (41.9) [93.0]	1,916 (42.4) [94.1]
	25-29 Years	3,143 (55.8) [116.5]	3,087 (56.0) [116.7]	2,903 (53.7) [111.9]	2,758 (53.4) [111.5]	2,681 (54.3) [114.0]
	30-34 Years	2,771 (48.8) [99.8]	2,629 (46.1) [93.9]	2,632 (45.7) [93.4]	2,627 (45.3) [92.3]	2,684 (46.5) [93.6]
	35-39 Years	1,309 (24.9) [51.6]	1,356 (25.4) [52.5]	1,327 (24.1) [49.8]	1,386 (24.6) [51.0]	1,406 (24.9) [51.2]
	40-44 Years	256 (6.0) [12.3]	288 (6.6) [13.7]	266 (5.9) [12.3]	294 (6.2) [12.9]	299 (6.1) [12.7]
Residence	Anchorage	3,972 (13.5) [63.4]	3,937 (13.5) [63.1]	3,763 (12.9) [60.2]	3,578 (12.3) [57.6]	3,632 (12.5) [58.5]
	Gulf Coast	954 (11.8) [69.3]	926 (11.4) [67.2]	873 (10.7) [63.1]	919 (11.2) [65.9]	875 (10.6) [62.0]
	Interior	1,723 (15.5) [77.3]	1,575 (14.3) [71.1]	1,529 (14.0) [69.3]	1,662 (14.9) [73.8]	1,579 (14.3) [71.3]
	Mat-Su	1,396 (13.2) [70.2]	1,369 (12.8) [68.0]	1,341 (12.5) [66.4]	1,345 (12.3) [64.8]	1,415 (12.7) [66.4]
	Northern	499 (18.0) [95.3]	470 (17.1) [89.8]	496 (17.2) [90.1]	457 (16.1) [83.9]	439 (15.8) [81.4]
	Southeast	735 (10.1) [54.4]	686 (9.5) [50.7]	665 (9.2) [48.9]	683 (9.4) [50.0]	630 (8.7) [47.0]
	Southwest	819 (19.4) [101.4]	867 (20.5) [108.0]	818 (19.1) [99.2]	767 (18.1) [93.2]	790 (18.8) [96.0]
Statewide	Total	10,100 (13.7) [69.5]	9,832 (13.4) [67.7]	9,485 (12.9) [65.0]	9,411 (12.8) [64.2]	9,361 (12.7) [63.8]

⁴¹ Crude birth rates are live births per 1,000 population. Fertility rates are live births per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years.

* Rates based on <20 events are statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. ** Rates based on <6 events are not reported.

Teen Birth Rates

In 2022, there were 357 births among teen girls aged 15-19 years. The teen birth rate (TBR), which measures the number of births per 1,000 girls aged 15-19 years, was 15.7. Down from 17.1 in 2021 and lowest since 2018. The highest statistically reliable TBRs were found in AI/AN girls (32.3), and residents of the Northern region (56.7).

Figure 3. Teen Birth Rates by Year

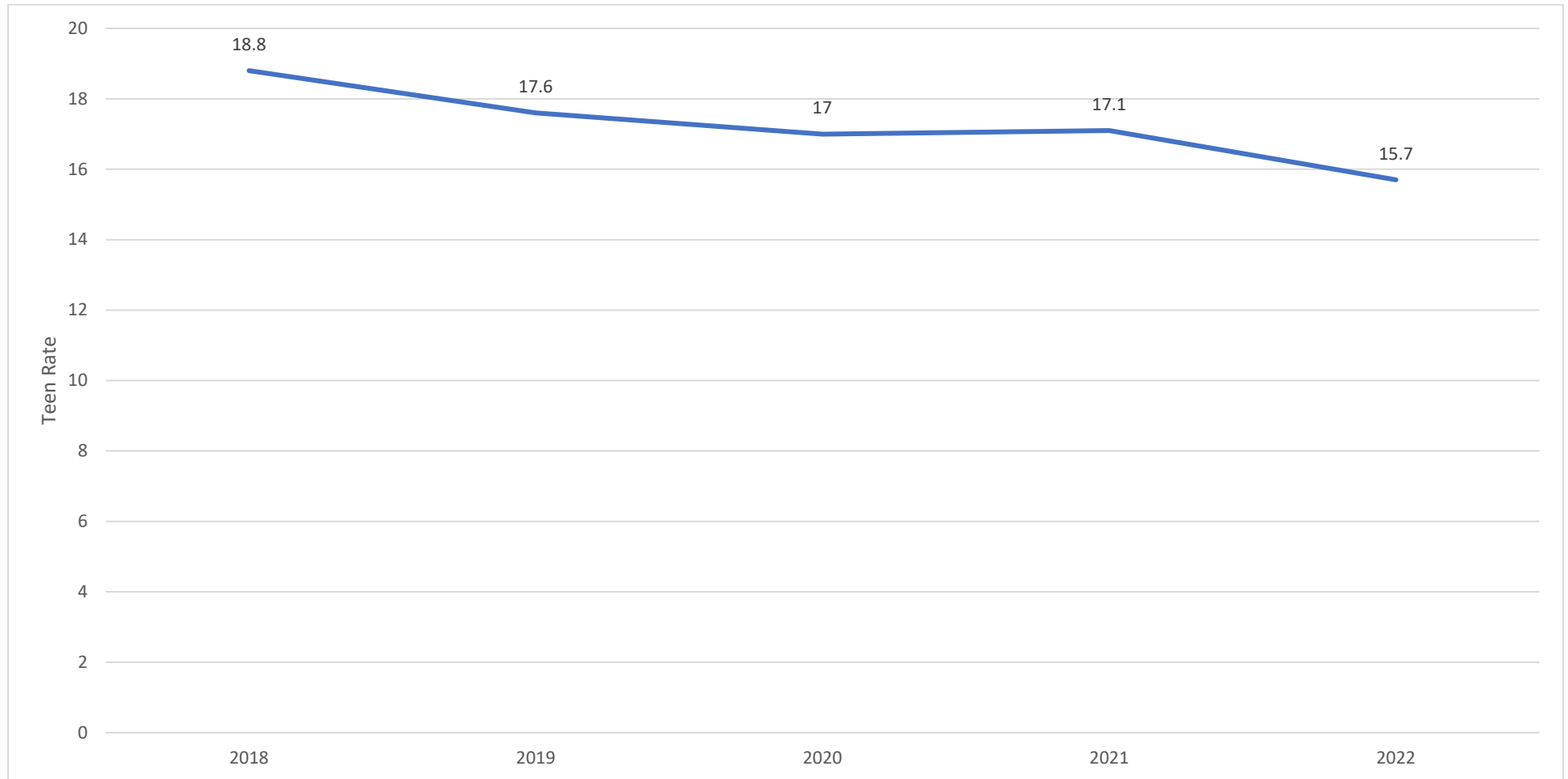


Table 50. Teen Births (Teen Birth Rate) by Demographic Characteristic⁴²

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Infant Sex	Male	196 (8.7)	201 (9.0)	180 (8.1)	201 (9.0)	183 (8.0)
	Female	227 (10.1)	193 (8.6)	199 (8.9)	182 (8.1)	174 (7.6)
Race	White	136 (11.2)	114 (9.5)	124 (10.5)	109 (9.2)	111 (9.2)
	Black	17 (19.9*)	10 (12.3*)	13 (16.5*)	7 (9.0*)	8 (10.6*)
	AI/AN	160 (36.1)	153 (34.4)	144 (31.6)	172 (37.5)	151 (32.3)
	Asian/PI	33 (15.3)	51 (23.1)	35 (15.9)	31 (14.2)	28 (13.2)
	Multiple	66 (23.1)	58 (19.6)	58 (19.6)	57 (18.7)	50 (15.9)
	Hispanic	45 (23.2)	40 (20.9)	29 (15.0)	25 (12.4)	30 (14.3)
	Residence	Anchorage	140 (15.5)	137 (15.2)	117 (13.2)	119 (13.6)
	Gulf Coast	30 (13.0)	37 (16.2)	25 (11.3)	29 (13.2)	27 (12.0)
	Interior	66 (19.9)	46 (14.2)	58 (18.1)	53 (16.0)	60 (18.2)
	Mat-Su	48 (14.4)	35 (10.1)	45 (13.1)	40 (11.2)	45 (11.8)
	Northern	54 (57.6)	37 (39.4)	48 (49.9)	50 (49.2)	57 (56.7)
	Southeast	20 (9.8)	19 (9.6*)	12 (6.0*)	15 (7.5*)	20 (10.1)
	Southwest	65 (43.6)	83 (55.8)	74 (47.1)	77 (49.8)	66 (42.4)
Statewide	Total	423 (18.8)	394 (17.6)	379 (17.0)	383 (17.1)	357 (15.7)

⁴² Teen birth rates are live births per 1,000 girls aged 15-19 years.

* Rates based on <20 events are statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. ** Rates based on <6 events are not reported.

Chapter 3: Death

Alaska Resident Deaths

In 2022, there were 5,701 Alaska resident deaths (95% of which occurred in Alaska), down from 6,220 deaths in 2021.

Figure 4. Deaths by Year

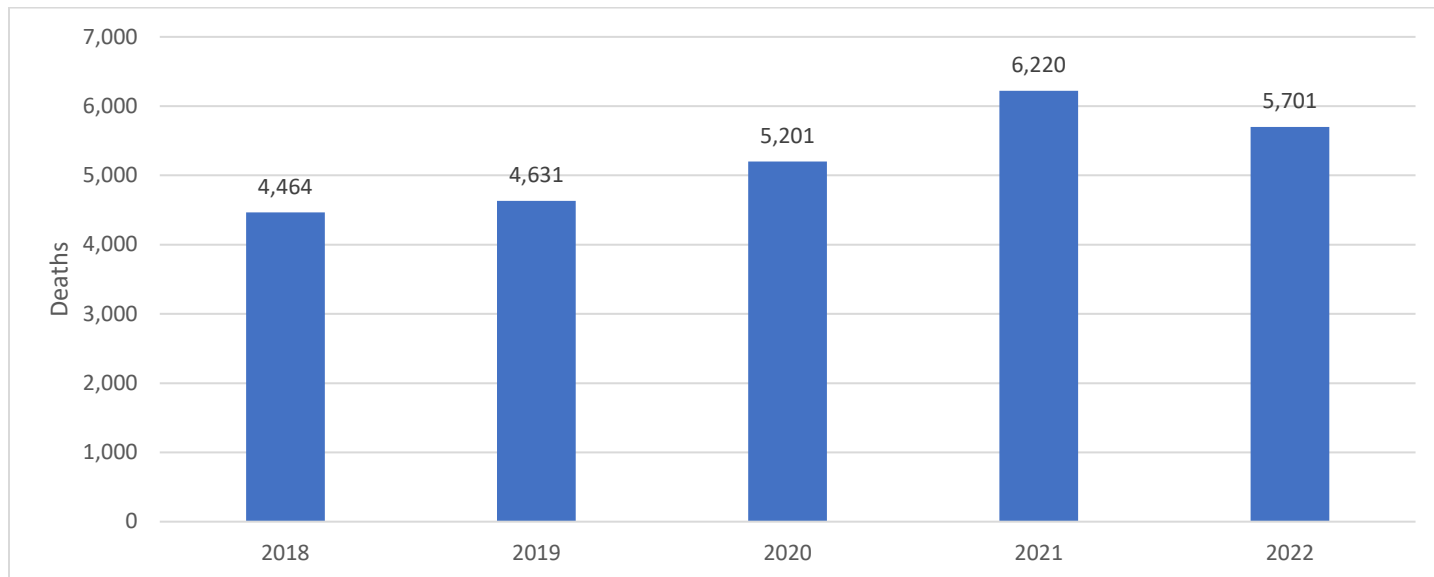


Table 51. Deaths (%) by State of Death

Death State	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Alaska	4,223 (95%)	4,389 (95%)	4,950 (95%)	5,929 (95%)	5,415 (95%)
Out-of-State	241 (5%)	242 (5%)	251 (5%)	291 (5%)	286 (5%)
Unknown	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Total	4,464 (100%)	4,631 (100%)	5,201 (100%)	6,220 (100%)	5,701 (100%)

Decedent Residence

In 2022, there were 2,186 Anchorage resident deaths (38% of deaths), the most of any county equivalent (Borough, Census Area, or Consolidated City-County) in the state. This was followed by 869 Matanuska-Susitna Borough resident deaths (15%), and 630 Fairbanks North Star Borough resident deaths (11%).

Table 52. Deaths (%) by Decedent Residence

Residence	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Anchorage	1,682 (38%)	1,825 (39%)	2,059 (40%)	2,363 (38%)	2,186 (38%)
Gulf Coast	645 (14%)	579 (13%)	607 (12%)	782 (13%)	722 (13%)
Chugach	39 (<1%)	43 (<1%)	33 (<1%)	41 (<1%)	43 (<1%)
Copper River	30 (<1%)	24 (<1%)	25 (<1%)	43 (<1%)	28 (<1%)
Kenai Peninsula	511 (11%)	438 (9%)	473 (9%)	594 (10%)	575 (10%)
Kodiak Island	65 (1%)	74 (2%)	76 (1%)	104 (2%)	76 (1%)
Interior	585 (13%)	587 (13%)	679 (13%)	845 (14%)	767 (13%)
Denali	15 (<1%)	7 (<1%)	4 (<1%)	9 (<1%)	9 (<1%)
Fairbanks North Star	475 (11%)	476 (10%)	551 (11%)	688 (11%)	630 (11%)
Southeast Fairbanks	42 (<1%)	55 (1%)	68 (1%)	71 (1%)	55 (<1%)
Yukon-Koyukuk	53 (1%)	49 (1%)	56 (1%)	77 (1%)	73 (1%)
Mat-Su	619 (14%)	655 (14%)	768 (15%)	997 (16%)	869 (15%)
Northern	175 (4%)	203 (4%)	202 (4%)	228 (4%)	238 (4%)
Nome	65 (1%)	86 (2%)	83 (2%)	96 (2%)	79 (1%)
North Slope	46 (1%)	57 (1%)	58 (1%)	62 (<1%)	67 (1%)
Northwest Arctic	64 (1%)	60 (1%)	61 (1%)	70 (1%)	92 (2%)
Southeast	496 (11%)	490 (11%)	555 (11%)	652 (10%)	597 (10%)
Haines	17 (<1%)	10 (<1%)	24 (<1%)	22 (<1%)	14 (<1%)
Hoonah-Angoon	16 (<1%)	15 (<1%)	23 (<1%)	30 (<1%)	15 (<1%)
Juneau	181 (4%)	190 (4%)	208 (4%)	219 (4%)	243 (4%)
Ketchikan	99 (2%)	108 (2%)	108 (2%)	133 (2%)	115 (2%)
Petersburg	23 (<1%)	24 (<1%)	31 (<1%)	27 (<1%)	31 (<1%)
Prince Of Wales-Hyder	53 (1%)	57 (1%)	62 (1%)	97 (2%)	72 (1%)
Sitka	72 (2%)	55 (1%)	65 (1%)	77 (1%)	74 (1%)
Skagway	6 (<1%)	3 (<1%)	7 (<1%)	10 (<1%)	6 (<1%)
Wrangell	26 (<1%)	19 (<1%)	25 (<1%)	30 (<1%)	25 (<1%)
Yakutat	3 (<1%)	9 (<1%)	2 (<1%)	7 (<1%)	2 (<1%)
Southwest	250 (6%)	282 (6%)	323 (6%)	350 (6%)	316 (6%)
Aleutians East	10 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	10 (<1%)	11 (<1%)	13 (<1%)
Aleutians West	9 (<1%)	13 (<1%)	19 (<1%)	18 (<1%)	17 (<1%)
Bethel	124 (3%)	130 (3%)	153 (3%)	151 (2%)	162 (3%)
Bristol Bay	8 (<1%)	7 (<1%)	7 (<1%)	15 (<1%)	3 (<1%)
Dillingham	36 (<1%)	48 (1%)	48 (<1%)	56 (<1%)	44 (<1%)
Kusilvak	56 (1%)	67 (1%)	67 (1%)	87 (1%)	66 (1%)
Lake And Peninsula	7 (<1%)	12 (<1%)	19 (<1%)	12 (<1%)	11 (<1%)
Unknown	12 (<1%)	10 (<1%)	8 (<1%)	3 (<1%)	6 (<1%)
Total	4,464 (100%)	4,631 (100%)	5,201 (100%)	6,220 (100%)	5,701 (100%)

Decedent Characteristics

In 2022, men made up 57% of deaths while women made up 43%. White and AI/AN people made up 63% and 24% of deaths, respectively. Hispanic people made up 3%. The mean age at the time of death was 69.2 years for women, 64 years for men, and 66.2 years overall. The oldest decedent was 107 years old.

There were 147 deaths among children and adolescents aged <20 years. This includes 50 teens aged 15-19 years, 74 children aged <5 years, and 62 infants aged <1 year. Infant deaths can be further divided into neonatal infant deaths, aged 0-27 days (48% of infant deaths), and postneonatal infant deaths, aged 28+ days (52% of infant deaths). Neonatal infant death is frequently associated with circumstances related to pregnancy or delivery, while postneonatal infant death is often related to living conditions or the home environment.

Decedents with a high school diploma or GED made up 43% of deaths while those with at least some college or a degree made up 39%. Decedents who were married at the time of death made up 32% of deaths. Decedents who were currently serving, or had previously served, in the U.S. armed forces made up 20% of deaths.

Table 53. Deaths (%) by Sex

Sex	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Male	2,551 (57%)	2,617 (57%)	3,018 (58%)	3,654 (59%)	3,248 (57%)
Female	1,913 (43%)	2,014 (43%)	2,183 (42%)	2,566 (41%)	2,453 (43%)
Unknown	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Total	4,464 (100%)	4,631 (100%)	5,201 (100%)	6,220 (100%)	5,701 (100%)

Table 54. Deaths (%) by Race

Race	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
White	2,931 (66%)	2,990 (65%)	3,246 (62%)	3,877 (62%)	3,597 (63%)
Black	134 (3%)	128 (3%)	157 (3%)	142 (2%)	173 (3%)
AI/AN	961 (22%)	1,034 (22%)	1,221 (23%)	1,478 (24%)	1,349 (24%)
Asian/PI	174 (4%)	216 (5%)	271 (5%)	356 (6%)	252 (4%)
Other	48 (1%)	48 (1%)	48 (<1%)	74 (1%)	76 (1%)
Multiple	184 (4%)	193 (4%)	223 (4%)	261 (4%)	225 (4%)
Unknown	32 (<1%)	22 (<1%)	35 (<1%)	32 (<1%)	29 (<1%)
Total	4,464 (100%)	4,631 (100%)	5,201 (100%)	6,220 (100%)	5,701 (100%)

Table 55. Deaths (%) by Ethnicity

Ethnicity	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Hispanic	116 (3%)	115 (2%)	126 (2%)	146 (2%)	146 (3%)
Non-Hispanic	4,316 (97%)	4,489 (97%)	5,043 (97%)	6,025 (97%)	5,514 (97%)
Unknown	32 (<1%)	27 (<1%)	32 (<1%)	49 (<1%)	41 (<1%)
Total	4,464 (100%)	4,631 (100%)	5,201 (100%)	6,220 (100%)	5,701 (100%)

Table 56. Decedent Age Summary

Sex	Age Summary	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Female	Mean Age	69.3	69.4	68.7	68.3	69.2
	Median Age	73	73	72	72	73
	Mode Age	80	79	86	79	75
	Oldest Age	105	106	106	103	107
Male	Mean Age	64.2	63.7	64.4	64.2	64
	Median Age	67	67	68	67	68
	Mode Age	63	67	73	67	75
	Oldest Age	102	103	104	104	103
Total	Mean Age	66.4	66.2	66.2	65.9	66.2
	Median Age	69	70	70	69	70
	Mode Age	80	67	73	67	75
	Oldest Age	105	106	106	104	107

Table 57. Deaths (%) by Age

Age	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
<5 Years	73 (2%)	66 (1%)	62 (1%)	84 (1%)	74 (1%)
5-14 Years	25 (<1%)	22 (<1%)	35 (<1%)	10 (<1%)	23 (<1%)
15-24 Years	96 (2%)	126 (3%)	133 (3%)	144 (2%)	129 (2%)
25-34 Years	194 (4%)	228 (5%)	239 (5%)	303 (5%)	276 (5%)
35-44 Years	206 (5%)	246 (5%)	289 (6%)	377 (6%)	328 (6%)
45-54 Years	401 (9%)	338 (7%)	412 (8%)	530 (9%)	432 (8%)
55-64 Years	769 (17%)	771 (17%)	861 (17%)	1,004 (16%)	920 (16%)
65-74 Years	954 (21%)	1,027 (22%)	1,138 (22%)	1,441 (23%)	1,316 (23%)
75-84 Years	923 (21%)	981 (21%)	1,101 (21%)	1,277 (21%)	1,228 (22%)
85+ Years	823 (18%)	826 (18%)	931 (18%)	1,050 (17%)	975 (17%)
Unknown	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Total	4,464 (100%)	4,631 (100%)	5,201 (100%)	6,220 (100%)	5,701 (100%)

Table 58. Child and Adolescent (<20 Years) Deaths (%) by Age

Age	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
<5 Years	73 (55%)	66 (45%)	62 (44%)	84 (60%)	74 (50%)
<1 Year	62 (47%)	48 (32%)	54 (39%)	71 (50%)	62 (42%)
1-4 Years	11 (8%)	18 (12%)	8 (6%)	13 (9%)	12 (8%)
5-9 Years	16 (12%)	5 (3%)	17 (12%)	4 (3%)	12 (8%)
10-14 Years	9 (7%)	17 (11%)	18 (13%)	6 (4%)	11 (7%)
15-19 Years	35 (26%)	60 (41%)	43 (31%)	47 (33%)	50 (34%)
Total	133 (100%)	148 (100%)	140 (100%)	141 (100%)	147 (100%)

Table 59. Infant (< 1 Year) Deaths (%) by Age

Age	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
<28 Days (Neonatal)	34 (55%)	26 (54%)	37 (69%)	44 (62%)	30 (48%)
28+ Days (Postneonatal)	28 (45%)	22 (46%)	17 (31%)	27 (38%)	32 (52%)
Unknown	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Total	62 (100%)	48 (100%)	54 (100%)	71 (100%)	62 (100%)

Table 60. Deaths (%) by Education

Education	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
<H.S. Or GED	807 (18%)	819 (18%)	920 (18%)	1,008 (16%)	854 (15%)
<=8th Grade	437 (10%)	421 (9%)	470 (9%)	468 (8%)	404 (7%)
Some H.S.	370 (8%)	398 (9%)	450 (9%)	540 (9%)	450 (8%)
H.S. Or GED	1,825 (41%)	1,850 (40%)	2,086 (40%)	2,580 (41%)	2,453 (43%)
>H.S. Or GED	1,708 (38%)	1,826 (39%)	2,017 (39%)	2,404 (39%)	2,226 (39%)
Some College	775 (17%)	809 (17%)	855 (16%)	1,049 (17%)	981 (17%)
Associate Degree	286 (6%)	322 (7%)	327 (6%)	436 (7%)	394 (7%)
Bachelor's Degree	412 (9%)	451 (10%)	533 (10%)	582 (9%)	530 (9%)
Master's Degree	167 (4%)	176 (4%)	227 (4%)	229 (4%)	242 (4%)
Doctorate Degree	68 (2%)	68 (1%)	75 (1%)	108 (2%)	79 (1%)
Unknown	124 (3%)	136 (3%)	178 (3%)	228 (4%)	168 (3%)
Total	4,464 (100%)	4,631 (100%)	5,201 (100%)	6,220 (100%)	5,701 (100%)

Table 61. Deaths (%) by Marital Status

Marital Status	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Married	1,539 (34%)	1,593 (34%)	1,700 (33%)	2,103 (34%)	1,813 (32%)
Married But Separated	33 (<1%)	40 (<1%)	62 (1%)	66 (1%)	63 (1%)
Widowed	1,023 (23%)	1,016 (22%)	1,113 (21%)	1,301 (21%)	1,266 (22%)
Divorced	918 (21%)	940 (20%)	1,087 (21%)	1,292 (21%)	1,184 (21%)
Never Married	870 (19%)	953 (21%)	1,129 (22%)	1,345 (22%)	1,266 (22%)
Unknown	81 (2%)	89 (2%)	110 (2%)	113 (2%)	109 (2%)
Total	4,464 (100%)	4,631 (100%)	5,201 (100%)	6,220 (100%)	5,701 (100%)

Table 62. Deaths (%) by Ever in U.S. Armed Forces

Ever in U.S. Armed Forces	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Yes	1,024 (23%)	1,007 (22%)	1,213 (23%)	1,343 (22%)	1,134 (20%)
No	3,134 (70%)	3,304 (71%)	3,631 (70%)	4,476 (72%)	4,163 (73%)
Unknown	306 (7%)	320 (7%)	357 (7%)	401 (6%)	404 (7%)
Total	4,464 (100%)	4,631 (100%)	5,201 (100%)	6,220 (100%)	5,701 (100%)

Death Characteristics

In 2022, December was the most common month of death, with 558 deaths. May was the least common, with 434. Most deaths occurred in a hospital (40%), closely followed by the decedent's residence (40%). Cremation was the most common method of disposition (73%), followed by burial (24%). The Alaska State Medical Examiner Office, which is responsible for conducting medical/legal investigative work related to unanticipated, sudden, or violent deaths, certified 1,308 deaths (23%).⁴³ There were 857 deaths with a non-natural manner, including accident, homicide, and suicide (15%).⁴⁴ Tobacco was a confirmed or probable contributing factor in 891 deaths (15%).

Table 63. Deaths (%) by Month

Month	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
January	398 (9%)	422 (9%)	443 (9%)	486 (8%)	552 (10%)
February	338 (8%)	378 (8%)	384 (7%)	386 (6%)	459 (8%)
March	362 (8%)	428 (9%)	371 (7%)	427 (7%)	470 (8%)
April	392 (9%)	356 (8%)	369 (7%)	437 (7%)	440 (8%)
May	357 (8%)	398 (9%)	407 (8%)	438 (7%)	434 (8%)
June	321 (7%)	375 (8%)	381 (7%)	421 (7%)	466 (8%)
July	371 (8%)	315 (7%)	436 (8%)	470 (8%)	488 (9%)
August	391 (9%)	354 (8%)	442 (8%)	593 (10%)	454 (8%)
September	349 (8%)	365 (8%)	434 (8%)	637 (10%)	452 (8%)
October	376 (8%)	385 (8%)	486 (9%)	742 (12%)	475 (8%)
November	404 (9%)	423 (9%)	517 (10%)	609 (10%)	453 (8%)
December	405 (9%)	432 (9%)	531 (10%)	574 (9%)	558 (10%)
Unknown	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Total	4,464 (100%)	4,631 (100%)	5,201 (100%)	6,220 (100%)	5,701 (100%)

Table 64. Deaths (%) by Place of Death

Place of Death	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Hospital	1,869 (42%)	1,896 (41%)	2,066 (40%)	2,669 (43%)	2,298 (40%)
Inpatient	1,594 (36%)	1,637 (35%)	1,725 (33%)	2,293 (37%)	1,954 (34%)
Emergency Room/Outpatient	269 (6%)	253 (5%)	335 (6%)	372 (6%)	338 (6%)
Dead On Arrival	6 (<1%)	6 (<1%)	6 (<1%)	4 (<1%)	6 (<1%)
Other Locations	2,594 (58%)	2,733 (59%)	3,132 (60%)	3,550 (57%)	3,403 (60%)
Residence	1,651 (37%)	1,744 (38%)	2,100 (40%)	2,435 (39%)	2,254 (40%)
Hospice Facility	19 (<1%)	12 (<1%)	7 (<1%)	16 (<1%)	15 (<1%)
Nursing Home	446 (10%)	462 (10%)	490 (9%)	522 (8%)	549 (10%)
Other	478 (11%)	515 (11%)	535 (10%)	577 (9%)	585 (10%)
Unknown	1 (<1%)	2 (<1%)	3 (<1%)	1 (<1%)	0 (0%)
Total	4,464 (100%)	4,631 (100%)	5,201 (100%)	6,220 (100%)	5,701 (100%)

⁴³ Alaska Department of Health. State Medical Examiner Office.

⁴⁴ The "manner" of death describes the way in which a death occurred. This may differ from the "cause" of death, which describes the specific conditions, diseases, and injuries in the train of morbid events resulting in death (see Appendix A).

Table 65. Deaths (%) by Disposition

Disposition	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Burial	1,156 (26%)	1,194 (26%)	1,285 (25%)	1,552 (25%)	1,388 (24%)
Cremation	3,132 (70%)	3,209 (69%)	3,727 (72%)	4,475 (72%)	4,138 (73%)
Donation	5 (<1%)	27 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	1 (<1%)	1 (<1%)
Entombment	2 (<1%)	3 (<1%)	1 (<1%)	3 (<1%)	3 (<1%)
Removal From State	150 (3%)	171 (4%)	160 (3%)	173 (3%)	164 (3%)
Other	1 (<1%)	2 (<1%)	1 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	3 (<1%)
Unknown	18 (<1%)	25 (<1%)	22 (<1%)	11 (<1%)	4 (<1%)
Total	4,464 (100%)	4,631 (100%)	5,201 (100%)	6,220 (100%)	5,701 (100%)

Table 66. Deaths (%) by Certifier

Certifier	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Certifying Physician	3,236 (72%)	3,325 (72%)	3,734 (72%)	4,613 (74%)	4,214 (74%)
Medical Examiner	1,021 (23%)	1,096 (24%)	1,222 (23%)	1,341 (22%)	1,308 (23%)
Pronouncing & Certifying Phys.	154 (3%)	156 (3%)	201 (4%)	216 (3%)	144 (3%)
Other	48 (1%)	43 (<1%)	38 (<1%)	46 (<1%)	32 (<1%)
Unknown	5 (<1%)	11 (<1%)	6 (<1%)	4 (<1%)	3 (<1%)
Total	4,464 (100%)	4,631 (100%)	5,201 (100%)	6,220 (100%)	5,701 (100%)

Table 67. Deaths (%) by Manner

Manner	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Natural	3,705 (83%)	3,806 (82%)	4,361 (84%)	5,235 (84%)	4,756 (83%)
Non-Natural	675 (15%)	746 (16%)	754 (14%)	887 (14%)	857 (15%)
Accident	426 (10%)	451 (10%)	489 (9%)	617 (10%)	577 (10%)
Suicide	187 (4%)	208 (4%)	204 (4%)	219 (4%)	200 (4%)
Homicide	62 (1%)	87 (2%)	61 (1%)	51 (<1%)	80 (1%)
Could Not Be Determined	73 (2%)	60 (1%)	80 (2%)	79 (1%)	76 (1%)
Unknown/Pending	11 (<1%)	19 (<1%)	6 (<1%)	19 (<1%)	12 (<1%)
Total	4,464 (100%)	4,631 (100%)	5,201 (100%)	6,220 (100%)	5,701 (100%)

Table 68. Deaths (%) by Tobacco Contributed

Tobacco Contributed	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Yes	450 (10%)	486 (10%)	446 (9%)	494 (8%)	471 (8%)
No	2,205 (49%)	2,196 (47%)	2,371 (46%)	2,806 (45%)	2,521 (44%)
Probably	303 (7%)	333 (7%)	372 (7%)	467 (8%)	420 (7%)
Unknown	1,506 (34%)	1,616 (35%)	2,012 (39%)	2,453 (39%)	2,289 (40%)
Total	4,464 (100%)	4,631 (100%)	5,201 (100%)	6,220 (100%)	5,701 (100%)

Leading Causes of Death

Alaska's leading causes of death (LCOD) are determined by collapsing over 8,000 International Classification of Disease, 10th Revision (ICD-10) cause of death codes into 52 cause categories recommended by the CDC for the general analysis of mortality, or into 71 cause categories recommend for the analysis of infant mortality.⁴⁵ Cause categories are tabulated and ranked based on the "underlying cause of death" (UCOD), defined as the disease or injury which initiated the train of morbid events leading directly to death, or the circumstances of the injury or violence which produced the fatality. This analysis excludes "contributing causes of death" (CCOD), defined as all other causes in the train of morbid events resulting in death. This ensures that cause categories are mutually exclusive and prevents a single death from being counted in multiple categories. Cause of death differs from the "manner of death", which describes the way in which the injury occurred, as opposed to the medical conditions, diseases, or injuries in the train of morbid events that resulted in death (even though common terms like "accident", "suicide", or "homicide" may be common to both concepts, despite technically referring to slightly different aspects of the death).

In 2022, the top ten LCOD (or eleven categories of death, including causes like chronic liver diseases/cirrhosis and diabetes mellitus, which were tied for the same rank) were responsible for 4,121 deaths, or 72% percent of all deaths. Malignant neoplasms (1,060 deaths) and diseases of heart (990 deaths) are consistently the top two LCOD in Alaska. Accidents were the third LCOD, replacing COVID-19, which was the third LCOD in 2021. Malignant neoplasms were the LCOD for women, White, Black, and Hispanic people, people aged 55-84 years, and residents of the Anchorage, Gulf Coast, Interior, Matanuska-Susitna, and Southeast regions. Diseases of heart were the LCOD for men, AI/AN and Asian/PI people, people aged 85+ years, and residents of the Northern and Southwest regions. Accidents were the LCOD for multiple race people, people aged 5-14 and 25-54 years. Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide) was the LCOD for teens and young adults aged 15-24 years. Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period were the LCOD among children aged <5 years.

⁴⁵ [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. ICD-10 Cause-of-Death Lists for Tabulating Mortality Statistics \(Updated September 2020 to include WHO updates to ICD-10 for data year 2020\).](#)

Figure 5. 2022 Top Ten Leading Causes of Death

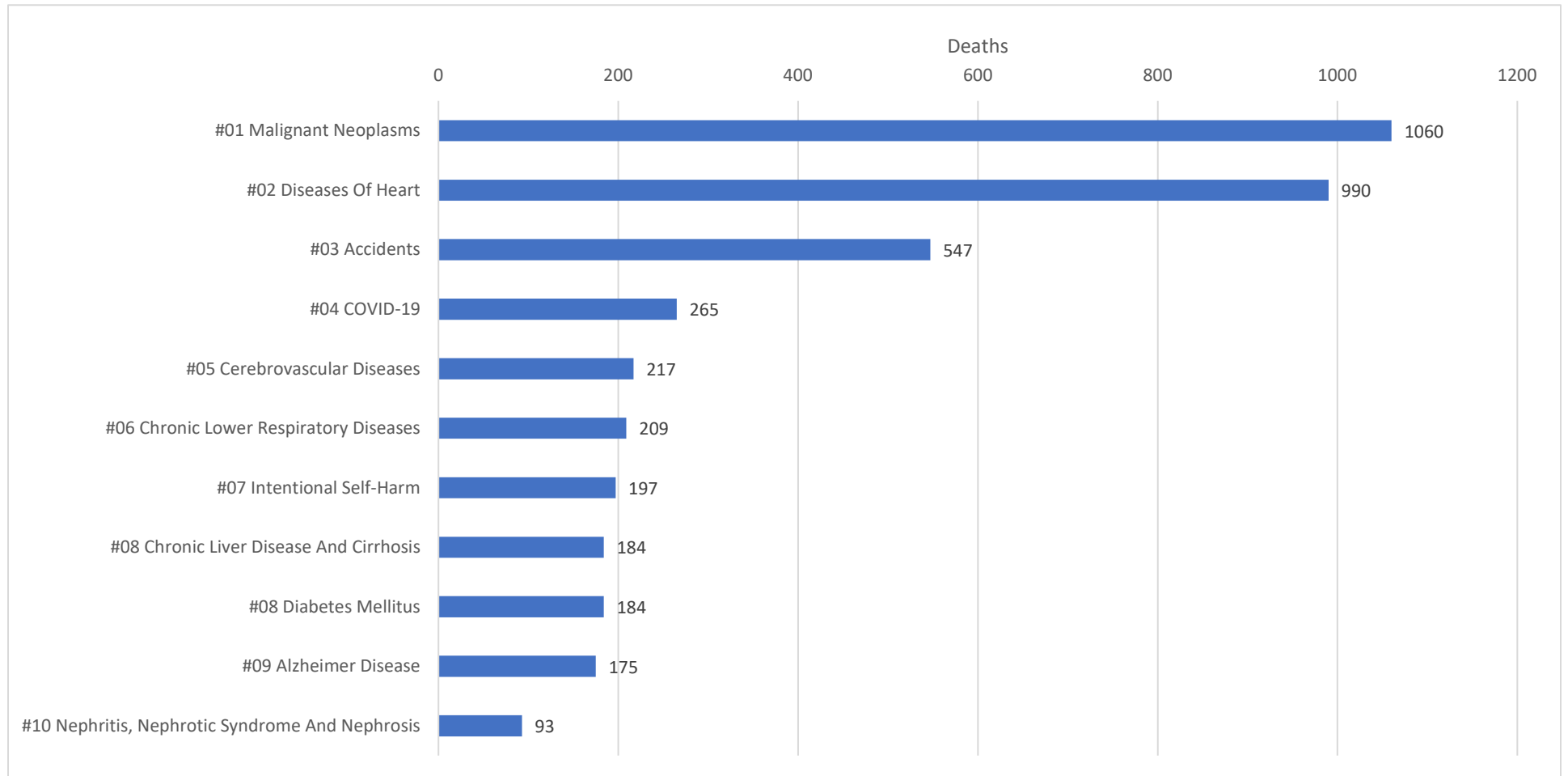


Table 69. Top Ten Leading Causes of Death (Count)

Rank	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
#1	Malignant Neoplasms (957)	Malignant Neoplasms (1,023)	Malignant Neoplasms (1,043)	Malignant Neoplasms (1,091)	Malignant Neoplasms (1,060)
#2	Diseases Of Heart (816)	Diseases Of Heart (842)	Diseases Of Heart (915)	Diseases Of Heart (1,011)	Diseases Of Heart (990)
#3	Accidents (399)	Accidents (433)	Accidents (465)	COVID-19 (762)	Accidents (547)
#4	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases (222)	Cerebrovascular Diseases / Intentional Self-Harm (210)	COVID-19 (231)	Accidents (591)	COVID-19 (265)
#5	Cerebrovascular Diseases (214)	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases (202)	Cerebrovascular Diseases (212)	Cerebrovascular Diseases (253)	Cerebrovascular Diseases (217)
#6	Intentional Self-Harm (187)	Alzheimer Disease (128)	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases (205)	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases (237)	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases (209)
#7	Alzheimer Disease (131)	Diabetes Mellitus (111)	Intentional Self-Harm (204)	Intentional Self-Harm (220)	Intentional Self-Harm (197)
#8	Diabetes Mellitus (122)	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis (110)	Diabetes Mellitus (174)	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis (189)	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis / Diabetes Mellitus (184)
#9	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis (121)	Assault (79)	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis (167)	Diabetes Mellitus (183)	Alzheimer Disease (175)
#10	Influenza And Pneumonia (70)	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis (62)	Alzheimer Disease (139)	Alzheimer Disease (135)	Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis (93)
Overall	All Causes (4,464)	All Causes (4,631)	All Causes (5,201)	All Causes (6,220)	All Causes (5,701)

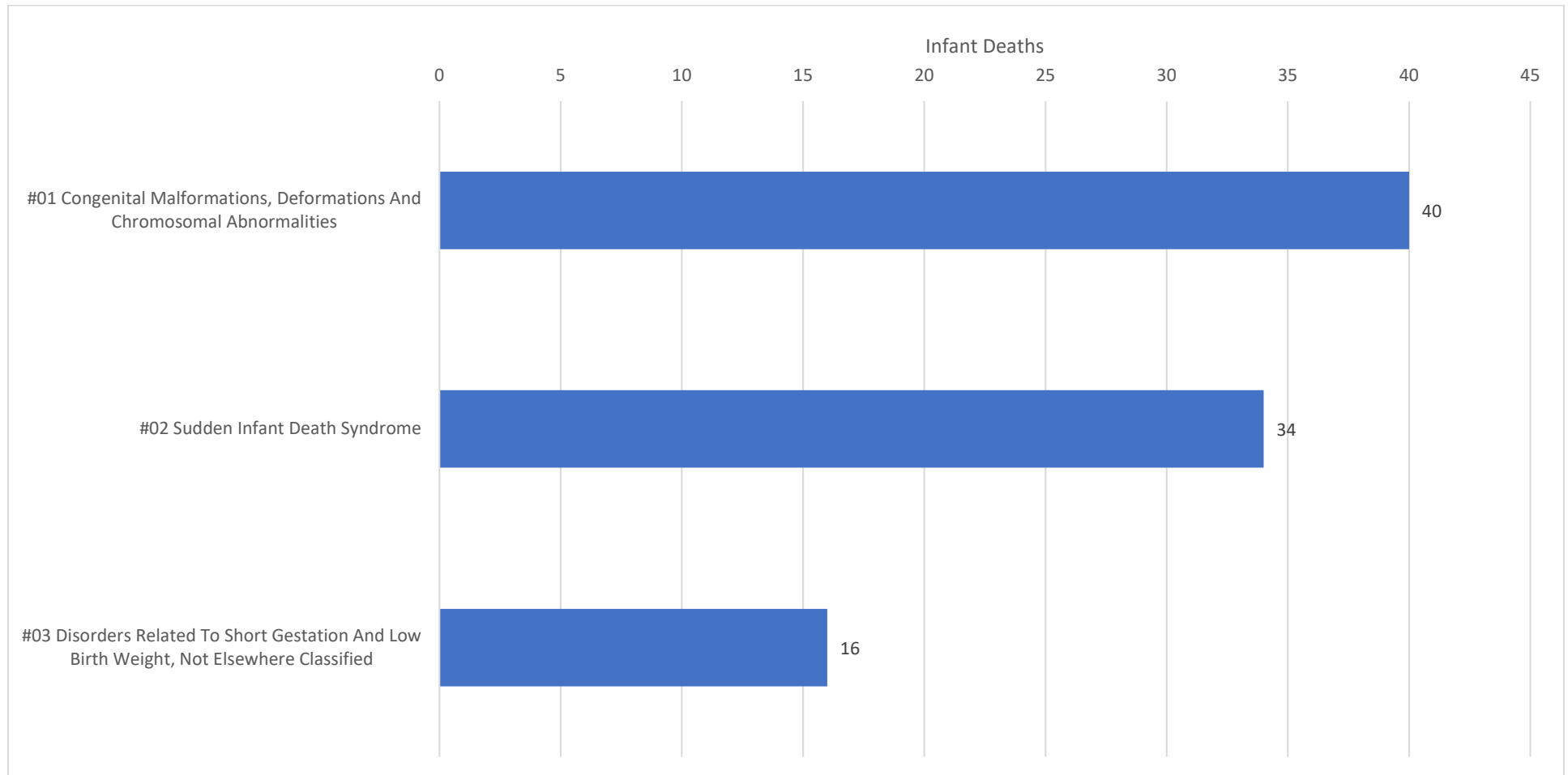
Table 70. 2022 Top Three Leading Causes of Death (Count) by Demographic Characteristic

Demographic	Characteristic	#1 LCOD	#2 LCOD	#3 LCOD	Overall LCOD
Sex	Male	Diseases Of Heart (602)	Malignant Neoplasms (569)	Accidents (359)	All Causes (3,248)
	Female	Malignant Neoplasms (491)	Diseases Of Heart (388)	Accidents (188)	All Causes (2,453)
Race	White	Malignant Neoplasms (761)	Diseases Of Heart (614)	Accidents (292)	All Causes (3,597)
	Black	Malignant Neoplasms (36)	Diseases Of Heart (33)	Accidents (15)	All Causes (173)
	AI/AN	Diseases Of Heart (237)	Accidents (177)	Malignant Neoplasms (168)	All Causes (1,349)
	Asian/PI	Diseases Of Heart (52)	Malignant Neoplasms (51)	Diabetes Mellitus (19)	All Causes (252)
	Multiple	Accidents (45)	Diseases Of Heart (35)	Malignant Neoplasms (29)	All Causes (225)
	Hispanic	Malignant Neoplasms (25)	Accidents (22)	Diseases Of Heart (21)	All Causes (146)
Age	<5 Years	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period (22)	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities (12)	Accidents (7)	All Causes (74)
	5-14 Years	Accidents (8)	Assault (5)	Intentional Self-Harm (4)	All Causes (23)
	15-24 Years	Intentional Self-Harm (43)	Accidents (36)	Assault (14)	All Causes (129)
	25-34 Years	Accidents (109)	Intentional Self-Harm (44)	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis (28)	All Causes (276)
	35-44 Years	Accidents (98)	Intentional Self-Harm (40)	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis / Diseases Of Heart (32)	All Causes (328)
	45-54 Years	Accidents (76)	Diseases Of Heart (73)	Malignant Neoplasms (70)	All Causes (432)
	55-64 Years	Malignant Neoplasms (201)	Diseases Of Heart (185)	Accidents (88)	All Causes (920)
	65-74 Years	Malignant Neoplasms (355)	Diseases Of Heart (247)	COVID-19 (83)	All Causes (1,316)
	75-84 Years	Malignant Neoplasms (266)	Diseases Of Heart (239)	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases (70)	All Causes (1,228)
	85+ Years	Diseases Of Heart (191)	Malignant Neoplasms (128)	Alzheimer Disease (104)	All Causes (975)
Residence	Anchorage	Malignant Neoplasms (418)	Diseases Of Heart (361)	Accidents (200)	All Causes (2,186)
	Gulf Coast	Malignant Neoplasms (146)	Diseases Of Heart (128)	Accidents (68)	All Causes (722)
	Interior	Malignant Neoplasms (132)	Diseases Of Heart (129)	Accidents (70)	All Causes (767)
	Mat-Su	Malignant Neoplasms (170)	Diseases Of Heart (137)	Accidents (78)	All Causes (869)
	Northern	Diseases Of Heart (54)	Accidents (31)	Intentional Self-Harm / Malignant Neoplasms (24)	All Causes (238)
	Southeast	Malignant Neoplasms (134)	Diseases Of Heart (129)	Accidents (50)	All Causes (597)
	Southwest	Diseases Of Heart (51)	Accidents (50)	Malignant Neoplasms (35)	All Causes (316)
Statewide	Total	Malignant Neoplasms (1,060)	Diseases Of Heart (990)	Accidents (547)	All Causes (5,701)

Leading Causes of Infant Death⁴⁶

Between 2020-2022, the top three LCOD for infants were congenital malformations, deformations, and chromosomal abnormalities (40 deaths), Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (34 deaths), and disorders related to short gestation and low birth weight, not elsewhere classified (16 deaths). Congenital malformations, etc. were the LCOD in the neonatal period. Sudden Infant Death Syndrome was the LCOD in the postneonatal period.

Figure 6. 2020-2022 Top Three Leading Causes of Infant Death



⁴⁶ Due to relatively low annual numbers of infant deaths in Alaska, leading causes are based on a three-year rolling sum of deaths.

Table 71. Top Three Leading Causes of Infant Death (Count)

Rank	2016-2018	2017-2019	2018-2020	2019-2021	2020-2022
#1	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities (37)	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities (42)	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities (39)	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities (44)	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities (40)
#2	Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (21)	Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (20)	Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (24)	Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (32)	Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (34)
#3	Disorders Related To Short Gestation And Low Birth Weight, Not Elsewhere Classified (12)	Disorders Related To Short Gestation And Low Birth Weight, Not Elsewhere Classified (11)	Disorders Related To Short Gestation And Low Birth Weight, Not Elsewhere Classified (16)	Disorders Related To Short Gestation And Low Birth Weight, Not Elsewhere Classified (15)	Disorders Related To Short Gestation And Low Birth Weight, Not Elsewhere Classified (16)
Overall	All Causes (181)	All Causes (168)	All Causes (164)	All Causes (173)	All Causes (187)

Table 72. 2020-2022 Top Three Leading Causes of Infant Death (Count) by Demographic Characteristic

Demographic	Characteristic	#1 LCOD	#2 LCOD	#3 LCOD	Overall LCOD
Age	<27 Days (Neonatal)	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities (35)	Disorders Related To Short Gestation And Low Birth Weight, Not Elsewhere Classified (16)	Bacterial Sepsis Of Newborn (8)	All Causes (111)
	28+ Days (Postneonatal)	Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (27)	Accidents (7)	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities (5)	All Causes (76)
Statewide	Total	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities (40)	Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (34)	Disorders Related To Short Gestation And Low Birth Weight, Not Elsewhere Classified (16)	All Causes (187)

Multiple Causes of Death

While classifying a single disease or injury as the UCOD is a useful starting point for analyzing mortality, this also represents an oversimplification of the complicated pathology involved in many deaths. Multiple cause of death (MCOD) analysis, which considers both underlying and contributing causes, can also be used to explore common comorbidities or show all cause and cause related deaths. Because deaths by MCOD are not mutually exclusive, these are not ranked, and a single death can be counted in multiple categories. For example, In 2022, while malignant neoplasms were the UCOD in 1,060 deaths, they were also a CCOD in an additional 111 deaths, for a total of 1,171 total malignant neoplasms related deaths. This includes 30 deaths where diseases of heart were the UCOD, 15 deaths where COVID-19 was the UCOD, etc. Conversely, 155 deaths where malignant neoplasms were the UCOD had heart disease as a CCOD, 15 had COVID-19 as a CCOD, etc.

Table 73. Leading Underlying Causes of Deaths (%) by Multiple Cause⁴⁷

Leading Underlying Causes	Malign. Neo. Related	Heart Related	Accidents Related	COVID Related	Cerebro. Related	C.L.R.D. Related	Self-Harm Related	C.L.D.C. Related	Diabetes Related	Alzheimer Related
All Cause-Related	1,171 (21%)	2,182 (38%)	657 (12%)	336 (6%)	465 (8%)	531 (9%)	198 (3%)	276 (5%)	453 (8%)	201 (4%)
Malignant Neoplasms	1,060 (100%)	155 (15%)	11 (1%)	15 (1%)	30 (3%)	63 (6%)	0 (0%)	22 (2%)	40 (4%)	1 (<1%)
Diseases Of Heart	30 (3%)	990 (100%)	23 (2%)	7 (<1%)	54 (5%)	89 (9%)	1 (<1%)	14 (1%)	75 (8%)	7 (<1%)
Accidents	3 (<1%)	143 (26%)	547 (100%)	8 (1%)	20 (4%)	32 (6%)	0 (0%)	15 (3%)	28 (5%)	3 (<1%)
COVID-19	15 (6%)	72 (27%)	5 (2%)	265 (100%)	15 (6%)	24 (9%)	0 (0%)	3 (1%)	22 (8%)	7 (3%)
Cerebrovascular Diseases	5 (2%)	43 (20%)	9 (4%)	1 (<1%)	217 (100%)	5 (2%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	8 (4%)	1 (<1%)
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases (C.L.R.D.)	14 (7%)	88 (42%)	1 (<1%)	3 (1%)	10 (5%)	209 (100%)	0 (0%)	6 (3%)	13 (6%)	0 (0%)
Intentional Self-Harm	1 (<1%)	5 (3%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (1%)	0 (0%)	197 (100%)	1 (<1%)	1 (<1%)	0 (0%)
Diabetes Mellitus	4 (2%)	110 (60%)	5 (3%)	5 (3%)	14 (8%)	13 (7%)	0 (0%)	1 (<1%)	184 (100%)	0 (0%)
Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis (C.L.D.C.)	0 (0%)	34 (18%)	6 (3%)	4 (2%)	1 (<1%)	5 (3%)	0 (0%)	184 (100%)	1 (<1%)	0 (0%)
Alzheimer Disease	2 (1%)	38 (22%)	3 (2%)	4 (2%)	8 (5%)	7 (4%)	0 (0%)	1 (<1%)	5 (3%)	175 (100%)

⁴⁷ Leading underlying cause and cause-related categories in this table are limited to the first ten LCOD categories by ranked order. The full top ten list may be omitted in the event of ties.

Death Rates

In 2022, the crude death rate (CDR), which measures the number of deaths per 100,000 Alaska residents, was 774.0, down from 845.0 in 2021. Because the age distribution of populations can change over time and differ by groups of people, the age-adjusted death rate (AADR) is generally a more meaningful measure for analyzing mortality trends than CDRs. The AADR standardizes CDRs by the U.S. year 2000 standard population level to report rates as if all groups had comparable age distributions. The age-specific death rate (ASDR), which measures the number of deaths per 100,000 population in the same age group (i.e., CDRs by age) does not require age-adjustment. In 2022, Alaska's total AADR rate was 804.0, down from 906.7 in 2021. The highest statistical reliable (i.e., based on 20 or more events) AADRs were found in men (924.1), AI/AN people (1,452.8), and residents of the Northern region (1,304.0).

Figure 7. Age-Adjusted Death Rate by Year

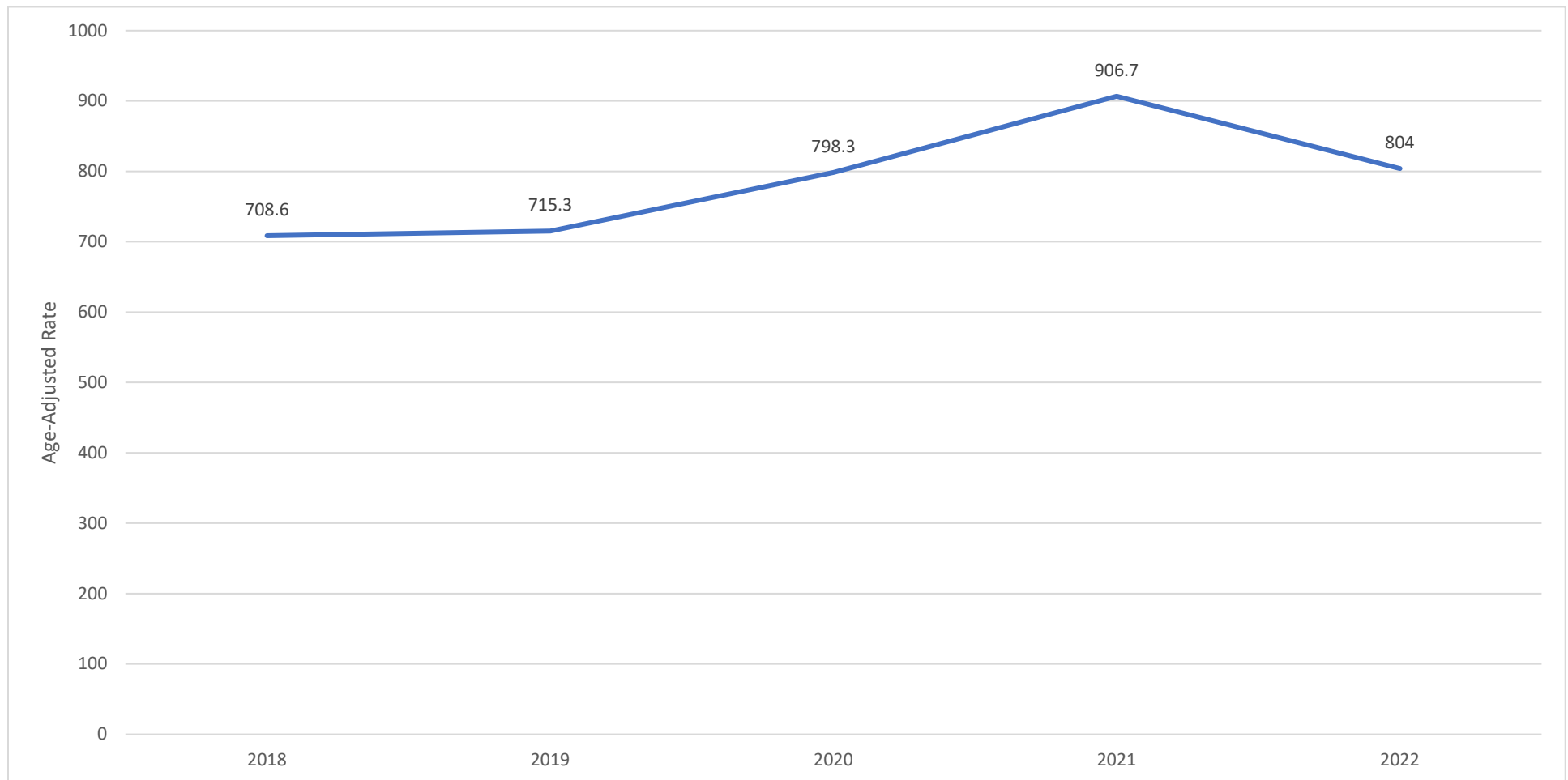


Table 74. Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁴⁸

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	2,551 (674.2) [822.2]	2,617 (693.9) [812.1]	3,018 (800.0) [944.5]	3,654 (965.5) [1,079.2]	3,248 (859.8) [924.1]
	Female	1,913 (535.9) [600.8]	2,014 (566.4) [616.3]	2,183 (613.0) [658.2]	2,566 (717.4) [740.9]	2,453 (683.7) [684.2]
Race	White	2,931 (611.3) [625.8]	2,990 (628.2) [626.6]	3,246 (685.9) [684.6]	3,877 (818.8) [774.1]	3,597 (761.4) [697.6]
	Black	134 (492.4) [768.9]	128 (476.6) [717.2]	157 (589.4) [828.7]	142 (531.9) [756.1]	173 (651.0) [878.8]
	AI/AN	961 (848.4) [1,213.6]	1,034 (913.1) [1,248.5]	1,221 (1,059.6) [1,454.2]	1,478 (1,281.3) [1,668.9]	1,349 (1,169.3) [1,452.8]
	Asian/PI	174 (293.0) [406.1]	216 (359.8) [453.5]	271 (448.4) [549.6]	356 (580.4) [674.5]	252 (404.9) [462.4]
	Multiple	184 (328.3) [847.4]	193 (340.9) [833.0]	223 (385.3) [844.7]	261 (440.6) [978.8]	225 (375.1) [786.8]
	Hispanic	116 (219.4) [531.6]	115 (216.0) [503.4]	126 (233.7) [475.5]	146 (263.6) [523.4]	146 (259.7) [442.9]
Age	<5 Years	73 (142.8)	66 (132.5)	62 (126.6)	84 (179.4)	74 (163.0)
	5-14 Years	25 (23.6)	22 (20.8)	35 (33.1)	10 (9.5*)	23 (21.8)
	15-24 Years	96 (101.2)	126 (134.8)	133 (143.1)	144 (154.1)	129 (138.5)
	25-34 Years	194 (171.6)	228 (203.2)	239 (214.2)	303 (276.3)	276 (257.8)
	35-44 Years	206 (215.7)	246 (253.4)	289 (289.9)	377 (364.6)	328 (312.1)
	45-54 Years	401 (452.7)	338 (394.8)	412 (487.0)	530 (639.4)	432 (523.3)
	55-64 Years	769 (777.3)	771 (790.7)	861 (899.3)	1,004 (1,070.3)	920 (1,000.6)
	65-74 Years	954 (1,610.7)	1,027 (1,654.8)	1,138 (1,779.0)	1,441 (2,116.5)	1,316 (1,865.5)
	75-84 Years	923 (4,313.7)	981 (4,321.2)	1,101 (4,708.8)	1,277 (5,075.7)	1,228 (4,436.6)
	85+ Years	823 (12,526.6)	826 (12,275.2)	931 (13,926.7)	1,050 (14,689.4)	975 (13,198.9)
Residence	Anchorage	1,682 (570.2) [677.1]	1,825 (624.0) [720.2]	2,059 (707.0) [803.9]	2,363 (813.7) [880.3]	2,186 (754.3) [792.7]
	Gulf Coast	645 (796.8) [751.7]	579 (714.4) [654.5]	607 (743.7) [681.8]	782 (957.2) [844.8]	722 (875.4) [740.6]
	Interior	585 (526.7) [662.5]	587 (533.3) [625.7]	679 (620.5) [731.1]	845 (757.5) [829.7]	767 (693.6) [732.7]
	Mat-Su	619 (585.7) [694.4]	655 (613.4) [709.2]	768 (717.2) [834.2]	997 (914.0) [1,017.5]	869 (777.6) [840.4]
	Northern	175 (632.5) [1,091.6]	203 (738.6) [1,250.1]	202 (699.7) [1,257.2]	228 (804.5) [1,337.0]	238 (856.9) [1,304.0]
	Southeast	496 (681.3) [660.2]	490 (675.2) [643.2]	555 (767.8) [731.6]	652 (897.0) [827.4]	597 (826.7) [723.1]
	Southwest	250 (592.1) [961.6]	282 (666.7) [1,007.6]	323 (753.6) [1,158.9]	350 (826.8) [1,283.8]	316 (753.6) [1,105.3]
Statewide	Total	4,464 (607.0) [708.6]	4,631 (632.0) [715.3]	5,201 (709.2) [798.3]	6,220 (845.0) [906.7]	5,701 (774.0) [804.0]

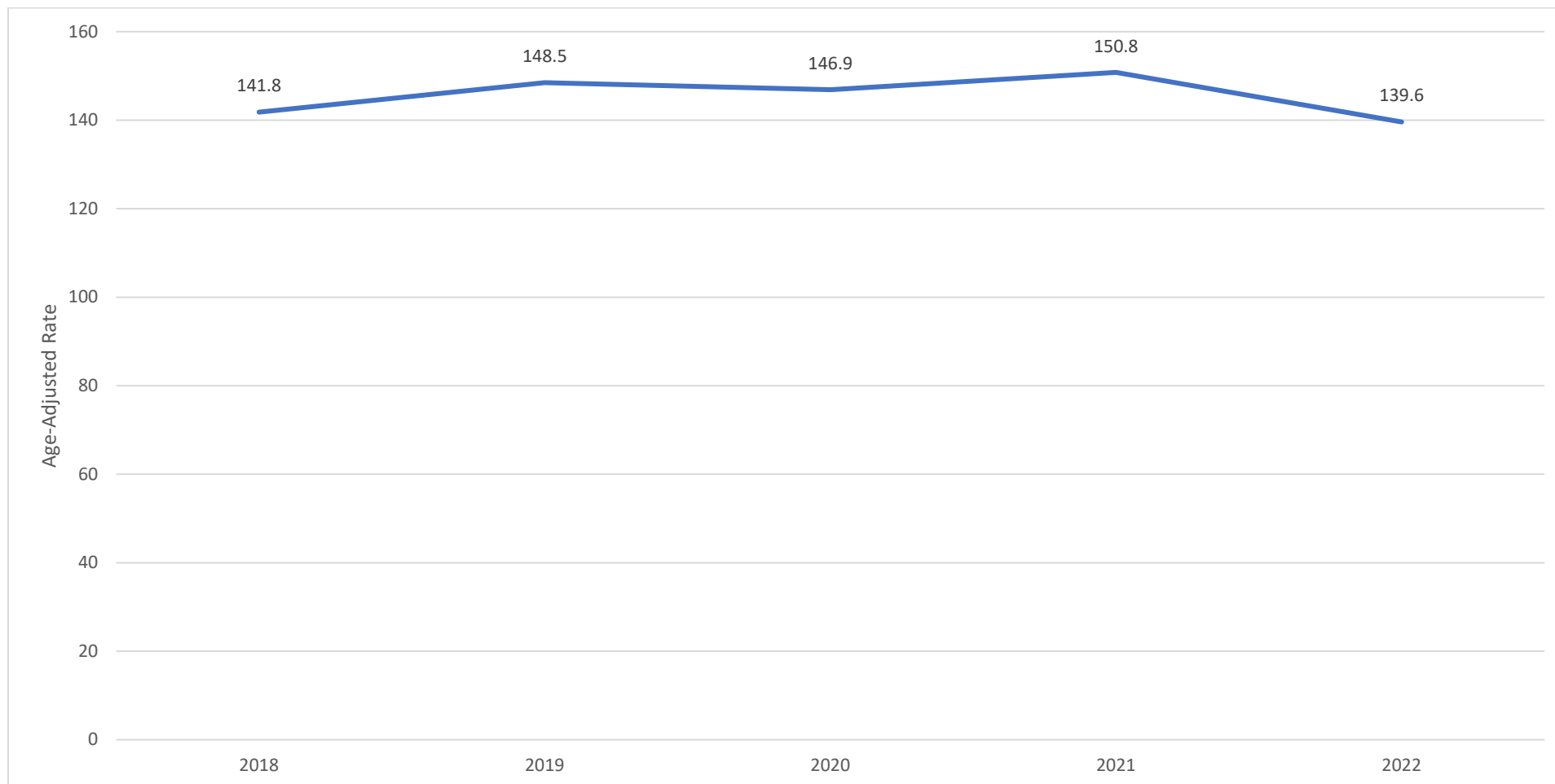
⁴⁸Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

* Rates based on <20 events are statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. ** Rates based on <6 events are not reported.

Malignant Neoplasms⁴⁹

Malignant neoplasms (cancers) were the number one leading cause of death in 2022 (1,060 deaths). Malignant neoplasms had an overall AADR of 139.6, down from 150.8 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in men (154.1), Black people (191.1), and residents of the Matanuska-Susitna region (151.8) followed closely by Southeast region residents (151.3). The most common type of malignant neoplasms were trachea, bronchus and lung at 231 deaths.

Figure 8. Malignant Neoplasms Age-Adjusted Death Rate by Year



⁴⁹ ICD-10 Codes: C00-C97.

Table 75. Malignant Neoplasms Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁵⁰

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	524 (138.5) [161.3]	574 (152.2) [174.1]	587 (155.6) [171.1]	620 (163.8) [182.1]	569 (150.6) [154.1]
	Female	433 (121.3) [126.4]	449 (126.3) [126.5]	456 (128.0) [125.4]	471 (131.7) [124.3]	491 (136.8) [127.5]
Race	White	683 (142.5) [133.9]	724 (152.1) [139.0]	722 (152.6) [137.5]	773 (163.3) [141.1]	761 (161.1) [134.6]
	Black	25 (91.9) [125.4]	27 (100.5) [166.3]	29 (108.9) [136.9]	19 (71.2*) [107.1*]	36 (135.5) [191.1]
	AI/AN	160 (141.3) [195.2]	161 (142.2) [196.7]	187 (162.3) [214.1]	186 (161.2) [225.5]	168 (145.6) [177.8]
	Asian/PI	47 (79.2) [103.5]	54 (90.0) [105.0]	56 (92.7) [104.3]	56 (91.3) [103.0]	51 (82.0) [90.0]
	Multiple	33 (58.9) [166.1]	48 (84.8) [253.5]	37 (63.9) [154.0]	36 (60.8) [169.5]	29 (48.4) [134.1]
	Hispanic	15 (28.4*) [83.0*]	26 (48.8) [142.6]	17 (31.5*) [76.3*]	19 (34.3*) [73.7*]	25 (44.5) [92.4]
	Age	<5 Years	1 (**)	2 (**)	2 (**)	1 (**)
	5-14 Years	1 (**)	2 (**)	2 (**)	0	2 (**)
	15-24 Years	1 (**)	3 (**)	3 (**)	4 (**)	6 (6.4*)
	25-34 Years	10 (8.8*)	5 (**)	7 (6.3*)	7 (6.4*)	8 (7.5*)
	35-44 Years	15 (15.7*)	16 (16.5*)	24 (24.1)	20 (19.3)	23 (21.9)
	45-54 Years	89 (100.5)	56 (65.4)	75 (88.6)	56 (67.6)	70 (84.8)
	55-64 Years	208 (210.2)	219 (224.6)	223 (232.9)	197 (210.0)	201 (218.6)
	65-74 Years	301 (508.2)	335 (539.8)	347 (542.5)	374 (549.3)	355 (503.2)
	75-84 Years	226 (1,056.2)	259 (1,140.9)	260 (1,112.0)	295 (1,172.5)	266 (961.0)
	85+ Years	105 (1,598.2)	126 (1,872.5)	100 (1,495.9)	137 (1,916.6)	128 (1,732.8)
Residence	Anchorage	343 (116.3) [133.3]	399 (136.4) [150.2]	421 (144.6) [155.8]	383 (131.9) [135.9]	418 (144.2) [143.9]
	Gulf Coast	155 (191.5) [167.1]	140 (172.7) [146.0]	115 (140.9) [116.8]	149 (182.4) [148.9]	146 (177.0) [131.7]
	Interior	105 (94.5) [105.1]	126 (114.5) [124.3]	133 (121.5) [128.1]	151 (135.4) [144.3]	132 (119.4) [121.8]
	Mat-Su	162 (153.3) [171.8]	156 (146.1) [153.2]	155 (144.8) [146.3]	182 (166.8) [173.9]	170 (152.1) [151.8]
	Northern	36 (130.1) [228.9]	33 (120.1) [236.1]	40 (138.6) [249.7]	34 (120.0) [183.9]	24 (86.4) [114.5]
	Southeast	116 (159.3) [140.2]	119 (164.0) [144.1]	132 (182.6) [149.9]	145 (199.5) [165.7]	134 (185.5) [151.3]
	Southwest	39 (92.4) [129.1]	48 (113.5) [186.3]	45 (105.0) [150.9]	47 (111.0) [198.3]	35 (83.5) [108.1]
Statewide	Total	957 (130.1) [141.8]	1,023 (139.6) [148.5]	1,043 (142.2) [146.9]	1,091 (148.2) [150.8]	1,060 (143.9) [139.6]

⁵⁰ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Table 76. Malignant Neoplasms Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Type⁵¹

Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Malignant Neoplasms	957 (130.1) [141.8]	1,023 (139.6) [148.5]	1,043 (142.2) [146.9]	1,091 (148.2) [150.8]	1,060 (143.9) [139.6]
Lip, Oral Cavity And Pharynx	26 (3.5) [3.4]	20 (2.7) [2.7]	18 (2.5*) [2.5*]	25 (3.4) [3.4]	21 (2.9) [2.4]
Esophagus	34 (4.6) [4.8]	36 (4.9) [5.6]	22 (3.0) [2.8]	34 (4.6) [4.4]	35 (4.8) [4.1]
Stomach	22 (3.0) [3.4]	23 (3.1) [3.0]	29 (4.0) [3.8]	37 (5.0) [4.7]	27 (3.7) [3.5]
Colon, Rectum And Anus	93 (12.6) [14.3]	100 (13.6) [14.1]	109 (14.9) [16.3]	88 (12.0) [12.5]	95 (12.9) [12.5]
Liver And Intrahepatic Bile Ducts	44 (6.0) [5.9]	66 (9.0) [9.4]	54 (7.4) [7.3]	58 (7.9) [7.3]	53 (7.2) [6.2]
Pancreas	71 (9.7) [9.7]	70 (9.6) [9.5]	88 (12.0) [11.8]	63 (8.6) [8.3]	78 (10.6) [9.6]
Larynx	1 (**) [**]	7 (1.0*) [1.0*]	5 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	7 (1.0*) [0.9*]
Trachea, Bronchus And Lung	213 (29.0) [31.4]	222 (30.3) [30.6]	239 (32.6) [32.8]	232 (31.5) [32.1]	231 (31.4) [29.2]
Skin	10 (1.4*) [1.2*]	11 (1.5*) [1.6*]	14 (1.9*) [2.2*]	8 (1.1*) [1.0*]	15 (2.0*) [2.1*]
Breast (Women Only)	59 (8.0) [8.2]	69 (9.4) [9.7]	60 (8.2) [7.7]	70 (9.5) [9.5]	62 (8.4) [7.9]
Cervix Uteri	7 (1.0*) [1.1*]	6 (0.8*) [0.9*]	4 (**) [**]	11 (1.5*) [1.4*]	5 (**) [**]
Corpus Uteri And Uterus, Part Unspecified	12 (1.6*) [1.6*]	13 (1.8*) [2.2*]	20 (2.7) [2.7]	14 (1.9*) [1.8*]	7 (1.0*) [0.9*]
Ovary	18 (2.4*) [2.9*]	19 (2.6*) [2.8*]	14 (1.9*) [1.9*]	28 (3.8) [3.4]	24 (3.3) [3.2]
Prostate	48 (6.5) [8.7]	65 (8.9) [11.0]	49 (6.7) [8.0]	65 (8.8) [10.2]	63 (8.6) [9.1]
Kidney And Renal Pelvis	21 (2.9) [3.1]	22 (3.0) [3.2]	25 (3.4) [3.4]	30 (4.1) [4.2]	31 (4.2) [4.2]
Bladder	20 (2.7) [3.7]	19 (2.6*) [2.7*]	20 (2.7) [3.5]	28 (3.8) [4.2]	35 (4.8) [5.1]
Meninges, Brain And Other Parts Of Central Nervous System	35 (4.8) [4.6]	27 (3.7) [3.7]	31 (4.2) [4.0]	39 (5.3) [5.3]	28 (3.8) [3.7]
Hodgkin's Disease	3 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	0	2 (**) [**]
Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma	41 (5.6) [6.0]	35 (4.8) [5.8]	35 (4.8) [5.2]	38 (5.2) [5.3]	29 (3.9) [4.3]
Leukemia	36 (4.9) [5.7]	35 (4.8) [5.3]	40 (5.5) [6.1]	38 (5.2) [6.0]	32 (4.3) [4.7]
Multiple Myeloma And Immunoproliferative Neoplasms	14 (1.9*) [1.9*]	20 (2.7) [3.0]	12 (1.6*) [1.9*]	20 (2.7) [2.9]	17 (2.3*) [2.4*]
All Other Malignant Neoplasms	129 (17.5) [19.5]	137 (18.7) [20.5]	154 (21.0) [22.0]	160 (21.7) [22.1]	163 (22.1) [22.6]

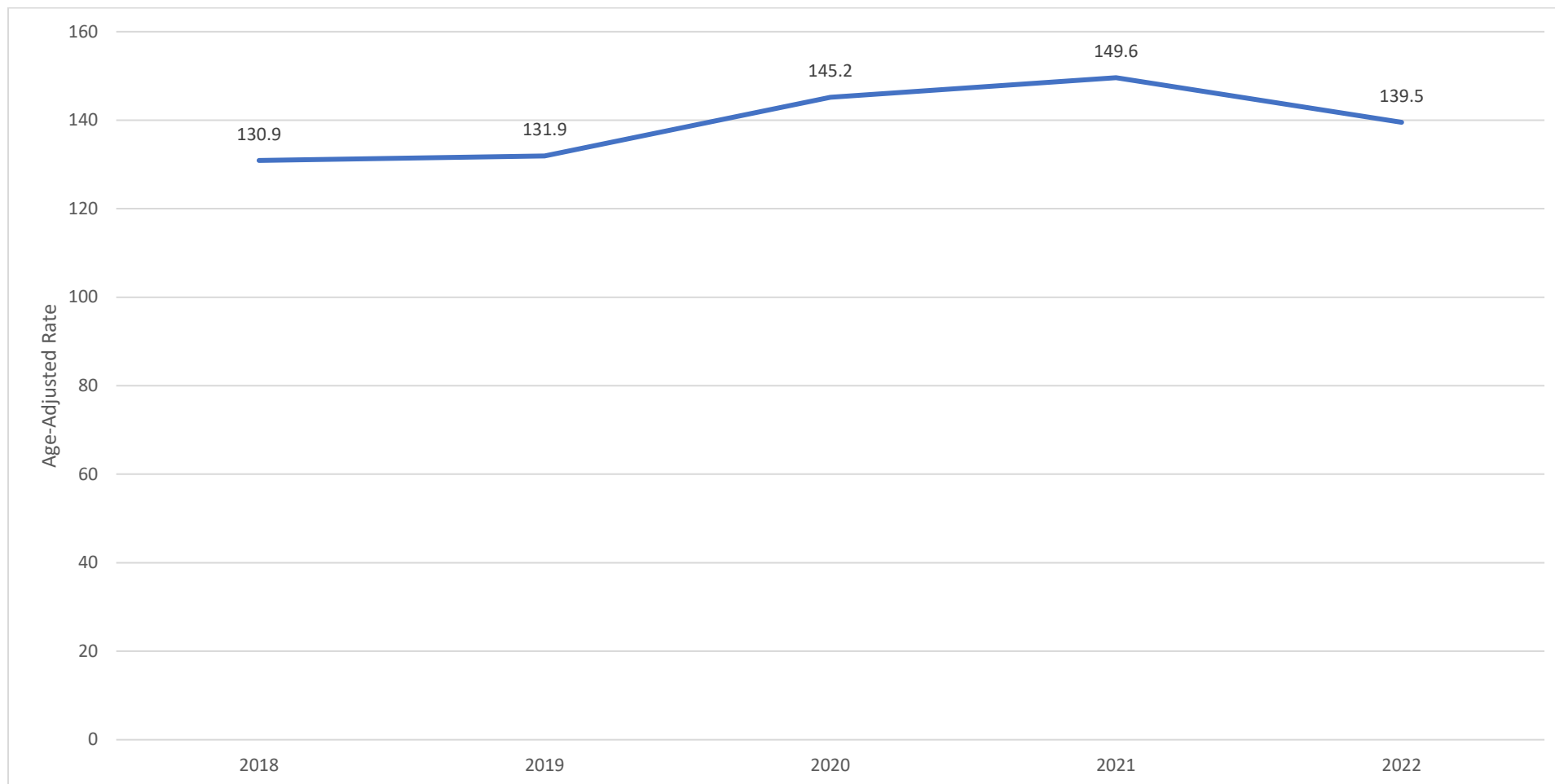
⁵¹ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Diseases of Heart⁵²

Diseases of heart were the second leading cause of death in 2022 (990 deaths). Disease of heart had an overall AADR of 139.5, down from 149.6 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in men (170.3), AI/AN people (267.3), and residents of the Northern region (356.3). The most common type of disease of heart (excluding all other residual types) were all other forms of chronic ischemic heart disease at 204 deaths.

Figure 9. Diseases of Heart Age-Adjusted Death Rate by Year



⁵² ICD-10 Codes: I00-I09, I11, I13, I20-I51.

Table 77. Heart Disease Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁵³

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	525 (138.8) [170.4]	514 (136.3) [162.2]	569 (150.8) [186.1]	647 (171.0) [194.5]	602 (159.4) [170.3]
	Female	291 (81.5) [93.4]	328 (92.2) [103.2]	346 (97.2) [108.0]	364 (101.8) [107.9]	388 (108.1) [109.4]
Race	White	560 (116.8) [118.7]	548 (115.1) [114.5]	622 (131.4) [130.9]	651 (137.5) [130.5]	614 (130.0) [118.0]
	Black	30 (110.2) [183.4]	32 (119.1) [179.4]	16 (60.1*) [100.5*]	33 (123.6) [191.7]	33 (124.2) [162.9]
	AI/AN	161 (142.1) [221.1]	174 (153.7) [226.6]	181 (157.1) [243.2]	202 (175.1) [236.9]	237 (205.4) [267.3]
	Asian/PI	20 (33.7) [49.0]	49 (81.6) [114.2]	50 (82.7) [100.9]	68 (110.9) [130.0]	52 (83.6) [95.2]
	Multiple	24 (42.8) [119.4]	27 (47.7) [138.4]	36 (62.2) [185.3]	45 (76.0) [184.5]	35 (58.4) [144.3]
	Hispanic	21 (39.7) [111.2]	19 (35.7*) [80.9*]	17 (31.5*) [64.1*]	19 (34.3*) [64.1*]	21 (37.4) [62.0]
Age	<5 Years	1 (**)	0	1 (**)	2 (**)	1 (**)
	5-14 Years	0	1 (**)	0	0	2 (**)
	15-24 Years	3 (**)	1 (**)	1 (**)	7 (7.5*)	6 (6.4*)
	25-34 Years	5 (**)	11 (9.8*)	10 (9.0*)	20 (18.2)	14 (13.1*)
	35-44 Years	25 (26.2)	25 (25.8)	37 (37.1)	31 (30.0)	32 (30.5)
	45-54 Years	60 (67.7)	58 (67.7)	70 (82.7)	92 (111.0)	73 (88.4)
	55-64 Years	176 (177.9)	175 (179.5)	178 (185.9)	180 (191.9)	185 (201.2)
	65-74 Years	185 (312.4)	191 (307.8)	197 (308.0)	252 (370.1)	247 (350.1)
	75-84 Years	188 (878.6)	199 (876.6)	193 (825.4)	204 (810.8)	239 (863.5)
	85+ Years	173 (2,633.2)	181 (2,689.8)	228 (3,410.6)	223 (3,119.8)	191 (2,585.6)
Residence	Anchorage	295 (100.0) [118.3]	342 (116.9) [136.0]	363 (124.6) [144.8]	398 (137.0) [148.0]	361 (124.6) [129.9]
	Gulf Coast	127 (156.9) [148.3]	110 (135.7) [122.3]	126 (154.4) [138.2]	140 (171.4) [145.4]	128 (155.2) [128.3]
	Interior	121 (108.9) [148.7]	107 (97.2) [119.0]	132 (120.6) [155.2]	117 (104.9) [120.9]	129 (116.6) [120.5]
	Mat-Su	96 (90.8) [100.3]	114 (106.8) [126.5]	111 (103.7) [121.2]	149 (136.6) [158.7]	137 (122.6) [135.9]
	Northern	31 (112.1) [212.0]	33 (120.1) [230.6]	33 (114.3) [275.7]	41 (144.7) [278.3]	54 (194.4) [356.3]
	Southeast	98 (134.6) [134.4]	91 (125.4) [116.0]	102 (141.1) [139.3]	112 (154.1) [144.5]	129 (178.6) [156.7]
	Southwest	45 (106.6) [185.7]	44 (104.0) [196.0]	47 (109.7) [207.7]	54 (127.6) [215.8]	51 (121.6) [198.5]
	Statewide	Total	816 (111.0) [130.9]	842 (114.9) [131.9]	915 (124.8) [145.2]	1,011 (137.3) [149.6]

⁵³ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Table 78. Heart Disease Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Type⁵⁴

Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Diseases Of Heart	816 (111.0) [130.9]	842 (114.9) [131.9]	915 (124.8) [145.2]	1,011 (137.3) [149.6]	990 (134.4) [139.5]
Acute Rheumatic Fever And Chronic Rheumatic Heart Diseases	9 (1.2*) [1.4*]	12 (1.6*) [2.0*]	10 (1.4*) [1.7*]	13 (1.8*) [2.0*]	13 (1.8*) [1.7*]
Hypertensive Heart Disease	48 (6.5) [7.1]	69 (9.4) [10.2]	54 (7.4) [8.2]	104 (14.1) [13.7]	67 (9.1) [9.7]
Hypertensive Heart And Renal Disease	5 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	6 (0.8*) [1.1*]	5 (**) [**]	19 (2.6*) [3.2*]
Acute Myocardial Infarction	84 (11.4) [12.8]	103 (14.1) [16.7]	112 (15.3) [17.5]	102 (13.9) [14.2]	102 (13.8) [13.0]
Other Acute Ischemic Heart Diseases	4 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	12 (1.6*) [1.6*]	17 (2.3*) [2.2*]
Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease, So Described	184 (25.0) [24.0]	150 (20.5) [18.3]	206 (28.1) [27.0]	153 (20.8) [18.8]	187 (25.4) [22.3]
All Other Forms Of Chronic Ischemic Heart Disease	169 (23.0) [29.8]	165 (22.5) [27.1]	189 (25.8) [33.1]	217 (29.5) [34.7]	204 (27.7) [30.4]
Acute And Subacute Endocarditis	4 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]
Diseases Of Pericardium And Acute Myocarditis	0	3 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]
Heart Failure	92 (12.5) [18.1]	89 (12.1) [16.5]	76 (10.4) [14.1]	105 (14.3) [17.4]	97 (13.2) [15.3]
All Other Diseases Of Heart	217 (29.5) [35.7]	239 (32.6) [38.6]	257 (35.0) [41.6]	296 (40.2) [45.7]	276 (37.5) [40.4]

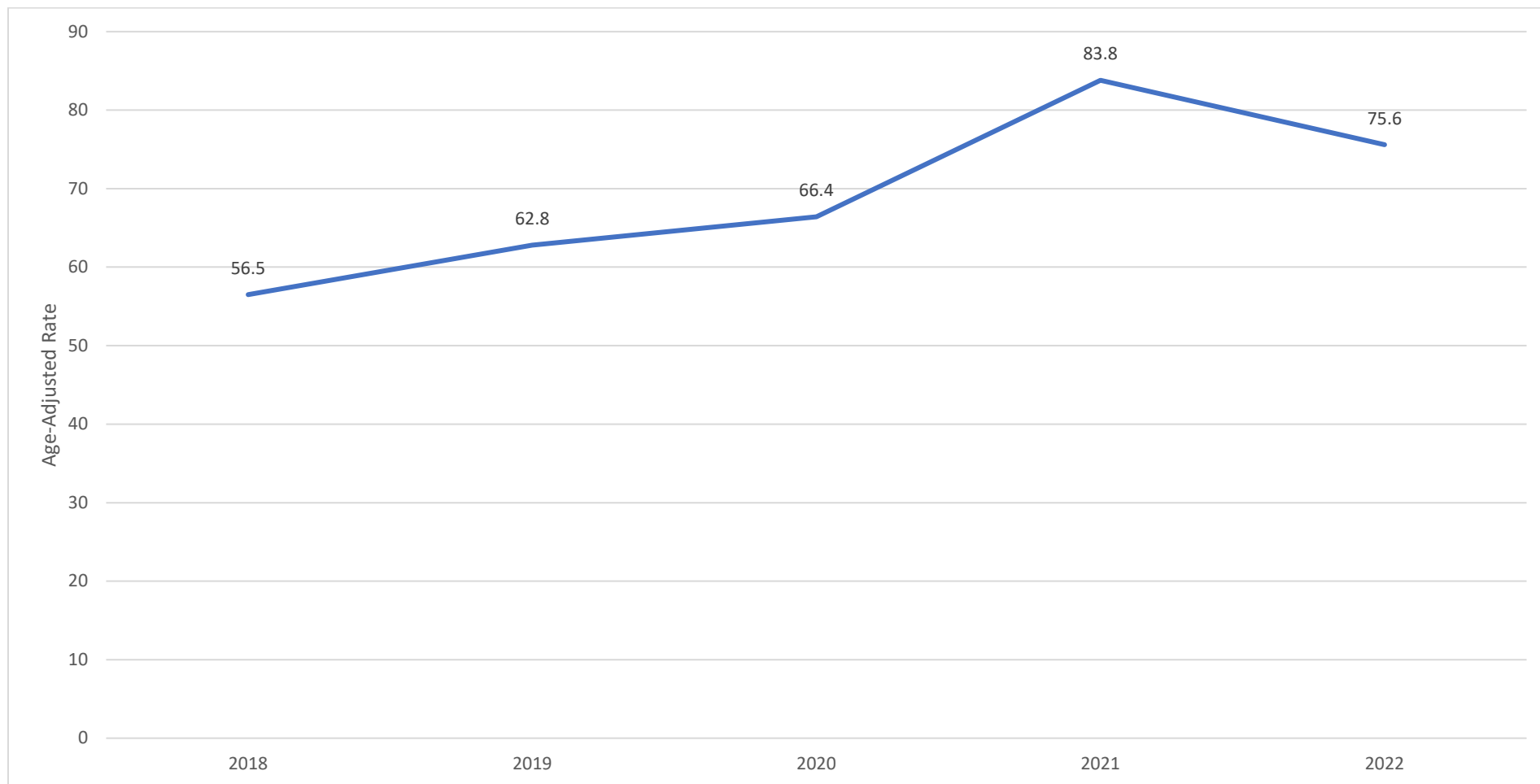
⁵⁴ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Accidents⁵⁵

Accidents (unintentional injuries) were the third leading cause of death in 2022 (547 deaths). Accidents had an overall AADR of 75.6, down from 83.8 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in men (97.8), AI/AN people (171.3), and residents of the Southwest (126.5). The most common type of accidents were accidental poisoning and exposure to noxious substances at 261 deaths. This was followed by motor vehicle accidents at 114 deaths.

Figure 10. Accident Age-Adjusted Death Rates by Year



⁵⁵ ICD-10 Codes: V01-X59, Y85, Y86.

Table 79. Accident Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁵⁶

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	264 (69.8) [72.5]	295 (78.2) [81.8]	304 (80.6) [86.6]	396 (104.6) [108.6]	359 (95.0) [97.8]
	Female	135 (37.8) [39.8]	138 (38.8) [41.8]	161 (45.2) [46.4]	195 (54.5) [57.6]	188 (52.4) [52.5]
Race	White	214 (44.6) [42.9]	244 (51.3) [49.8]	246 (52.0) [52.0]	326 (68.9) [67.0]	292 (61.8) [58.7]
	Black	9 (33.1*) [33.1*]	10 (37.2*) [50.3*]	18 (67.6*) [66.3*]	6 (22.5*) [21.7*]	15 (56.4*) [62.6*]
	AI/AN	138 (121.8) [146.5]	129 (113.9) [135.0]	137 (118.9) [132.6]	191 (165.6) [185.5]	177 (153.4) [171.3]
	Asian/PI	3 (**) [**]	11 (18.3*) [22.3*]	17 (28.1*) [33.8*]	12 (19.6*) [22.9*]	5 (**) [**]
	Multiple	23 (41.0) [55.4]	30 (53.0) [78.1]	30 (51.8) [80.0]	49 (82.7) [139.5]	45 (75.0) [99.5]
	Hispanic	14 (26.5*) [25.6*]	11 (20.7*) [52.8*]	10 (18.5*) [19.2*]	10 (18.1*) [19.9*]	22 (39.1) [39.4]
Age	<5 Years	7 (13.7*)	9 (18.1*)	4 (**)	3 (**)	7 (15.4*)
	5-14 Years	10 (9.4*)	6 (5.7*)	13 (12.3*)	4 (**)	8 (7.6*)
	15-24 Years	28 (29.5)	33 (35.3)	51 (54.9)	53 (56.7)	36 (38.6)
	25-34 Years	62 (54.8)	86 (76.6)	69 (61.8)	108 (98.5)	109 (101.8)
	35-44 Years	68 (71.2)	73 (75.2)	79 (79.2)	116 (112.2)	98 (93.3)
	45-54 Years	71 (80.2)	51 (59.6)	60 (70.9)	94 (113.4)	76 (92.1)
	55-64 Years	80 (80.9)	67 (68.7)	67 (70.0)	93 (99.1)	88 (95.7)
	65-74 Years	27 (45.6)	35 (56.4)	59 (92.2)	40 (58.8)	50 (70.9)
	75-84 Years	25 (116.8)	42 (185.0)	30 (128.3)	47 (186.8)	44 (159.0)
	85+ Years	21 (319.6)	31 (460.7)	33 (493.6)	33 (461.7)	31 (419.7)
Residence	Anchorage	136 (46.1) [46.5]	145 (49.6) [51.4]	168 (57.7) [61.6]	228 (78.5) [80.9]	200 (69.0) [70.9]
	Gulf Coast	40 (49.4) [43.0]	43 (53.1) [52.5]	56 (68.6) [66.0]	77 (94.2) [98.0]	68 (82.4) [78.2]
	Interior	57 (51.3) [53.4]	53 (48.2) [49.6]	70 (64.0) [64.4]	80 (71.7) [74.1]	70 (63.3) [63.7]
	Mat-Su	50 (47.3) [53.1]	69 (64.6) [73.3]	52 (48.6) [52.3]	75 (68.8) [74.1]	78 (69.8) [70.0]
	Northern	27 (97.6) [127.7]	33 (120.1) [136.4]	26 (90.1) [104.0]	24 (84.7) [95.3]	31 (111.6) [119.1]
	Southeast	41 (56.3) [54.4]	45 (62.0) [63.3]	45 (62.3) [66.5]	67 (92.2) [91.9]	50 (69.2) [69.5]
	Southwest	46 (108.9) [146.6]	44 (104.0) [119.2]	48 (112.0) [125.5]	39 (92.1) [95.7]	50 (119.2) [126.5]
Statewide	Total	399 (54.3) [56.5]	433 (59.1) [62.8]	465 (63.4) [66.4]	591 (80.3) [83.8]	547 (74.3) [75.6]

⁵⁶ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Table 80. Accident Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Type⁵⁷

Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Accidents	399 (54.3) [56.5]	433 (59.1) [62.8]	465 (63.4) [66.4]	591 (80.3) [83.8]	547 (74.3) [75.6]
Motor Vehicle Accidents	95 (12.9) [12.7]	93 (12.7) [12.7]	81 (11.0) [11.1]	97 (13.2) [13.4]	114 (15.5) [15.3]
Other Land Transport Accidents	2 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]
Water, Air And Space, And Other And Unspecified Transport Accidents And Their Sequelae	35 (4.8) [4.4]	27 (3.7) [3.4]	26 (3.5) [3.6]	18 (2.4*) [2.7*]	18 (2.4*) [2.4*]
Falls	44 (6.0) [7.7]	64 (8.7) [11.6]	64 (8.7) [11.4]	77 (10.5) [12.4]	63 (8.6) [10.2]
Accidental Discharge Of Firearms	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]
Accidental Drowning And Submersion	20 (2.7) [2.5]	18 (2.5*) [2.5*]	21 (2.9) [2.7]	27 (3.7) [3.8]	16 (2.2*) [2.1*]
Accidental Exposure To Smoke, Fire And Flames	10 (1.4*) [1.3*]	11 (1.5*) [1.3*]	15 (2.0*) [2.1*]	18 (2.4*) [2.4*]	16 (2.2*) [2.0*]
Accidental Poisoning And Exposure To Noxious Substances	142 (19.3) [19.5]	149 (20.3) [20.3]	179 (24.4) [24.4]	278 (37.8) [38.2]	261 (35.4) [35.3]
All Other Accidents	49 (6.7) [7.7]	66 (9.0) [10.3]	75 (10.2) [10.4]	73 (9.9) [10.4]	52 (7.1) [7.3]

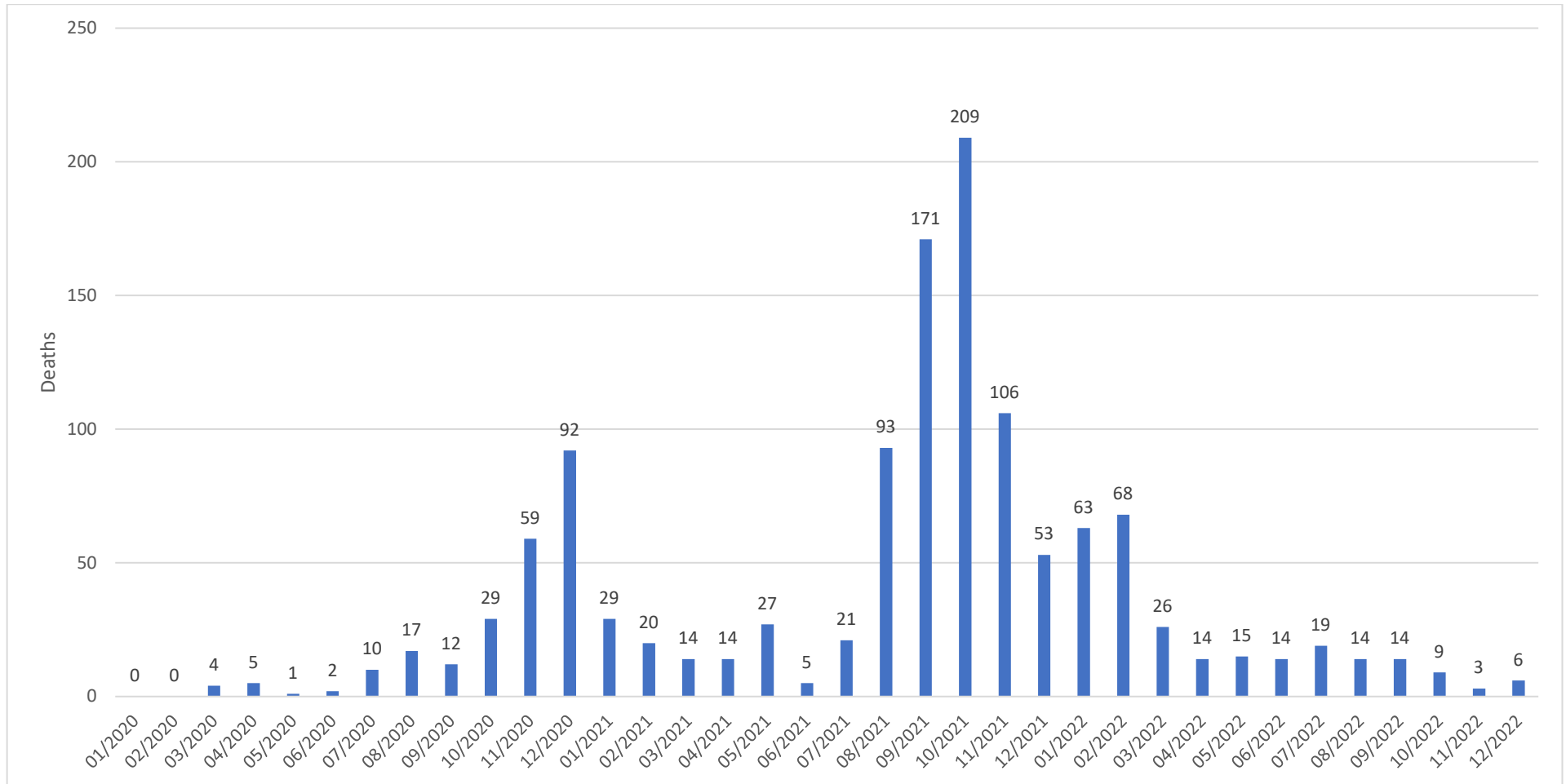
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COVID-19⁵⁸

COVID-19 was the fourth leading cause of death in 2022 (265 deaths). Deaths were highest during the winter months between January and February, peaking at 68 deaths in February 2022. There were also 71 deaths where COVID-19 was a contributing cause, for a total of 336 COVID-19 related deaths. COVID-19 (as an UCOD only) had an overall AADR of 37.6, down from 106.4 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in men (40.3), AI/AN people (81.2), and residents of the Matanuska-Susitna region (49.2).⁵⁹

Figure 11. COVID-19 Deaths by Month



⁵⁸ ICD-10 Code: U071.

⁵⁹ More information on COVID-19 in Alaska, including the latest data on cases, hospitalizations, deaths, testing, and vaccinations can be found at <https://covid19.alaska.gov/>.

Table 81. COVID-19 Related and Non-COVID-19 Deaths by Month

Year	Cause	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2020	COVID-19	0	0	4	5	2	3	13	21	13	34	70	100	265
	Underlying	0	0	4	5	1	2	10	17	12	29	59	92	231
	Contributing	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	4	1	5	11	8	34
	Non-COVID-19	443	384	367	364	405	378	423	421	421	452	447	431	4,936
	All Causes	443	384	371	369	407	381	436	442	434	486	517	531	5,201
2021	COVID-19	36	22	15	19	31	5	23	104	185	226	115	60	841
	Underlying	29	20	14	14	27	5	21	93	171	209	106	53	762
	Contributing	7	2	1	5	4	0	2	11	14	17	9	7	79
	Non-COVID-19	450	364	412	418	407	416	447	489	452	516	494	514	5,379
	All Causes	486	386	427	437	438	421	470	593	637	742	609	574	6,220
2022	COVID-19	74	81	32	20	21	17	25	23	17	11	6	9	336
	Underlying	63	68	26	14	15	14	19	14	14	9	3	6	265
	Contributing	11	13	6	6	6	3	6	9	3	2	3	3	71
	Non-COVID-19	478	378	438	420	413	449	463	431	435	464	447	549	5,365
	All Causes	552	459	470	440	434	466	488	454	452	475	453	558	5,701

Table 82. COVID-19 Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁶⁰

Demographic	Characteristic	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	140 (37.1) [47.9]	483 (127.6) [136.5]	143 (37.9) [40.3]
	Female	91 (25.6) [28.1]	279 (78.0) [77.8]	122 (34.0) [34.6]
Race	White	90 (19.0) [21.2]	446 (94.2) [83.9]	164 (34.7) [32.0]
	Black	6 (22.5*) [42.5*]	15 (56.2*) [61.4*]	7 (26.3*) [34.8*]
	AI/AN	82 (71.2) [107.7]	173 (150.0) [203.9]	70 (60.7) [81.2]
	Asian/PI	39 (64.5) [78.7]	87 (141.8) [161.1]	9 (14.5*) [16.7*]
	Multiple	6 (10.4*) [27.9*]	23 (38.8) [93.7]	6 (10.0*) [15.9*]
	Hispanic	9 (16.7*) [38.4*]	26 (46.9) [105.9]	12 (21.3*) [40.9*]
	Age	<5 Years	0	0
5-14 Years		0	0	0
15-24 Years		0	2 (**)	3 (**)
25-34 Years		2 (**)	26 (23.7)	2 (**)
35-44 Years		10 (10.0*)	43 (41.6)	8 (7.6*)
45-54 Years		9 (10.6*)	84 (101.3)	16 (19.4*)
55-64 Years		29 (30.3)	141 (150.3)	31 (33.7)
65-74 Years		61 (95.4)	212 (311.4)	83 (117.7)
75-84 Years		68 (290.8)	162 (643.9)	62 (224.0)
85+ Years		52 (777.9)	92 (1,287.1)	55 (744.6)
Residence	Anchorage	116 (39.8) [45.7]	282 (97.1) [102.9]	95 (32.8) [33.6]
	Gulf Coast	27 (33.1) [33.0]	87 (106.5) [86.6]	30 (36.4) [30.0]
	Interior	25 (22.8) [31.1]	106 (95.0) [103.8]	38 (34.4) [36.1]
	Mat-Su	33 (30.8) [37.9]	171 (156.8) [164.1]	50 (44.7) [49.2]
	Northern	4 (**) [**]	23 (81.2) [151.6]	11 (39.6*) [81.9*]
	Southeast	7 (9.7*) [8.8*]	45 (61.9) [52.6]	26 (36.0) [33.1]
	Southwest	18 (42.0*) [98.0*]	48 (113.4) [191.4]	15 (35.8*) [66.6*]
Statewide	Total	231 (31.5) [37.4]	762 (103.5) [106.4]	265 (36.0) [37.6]

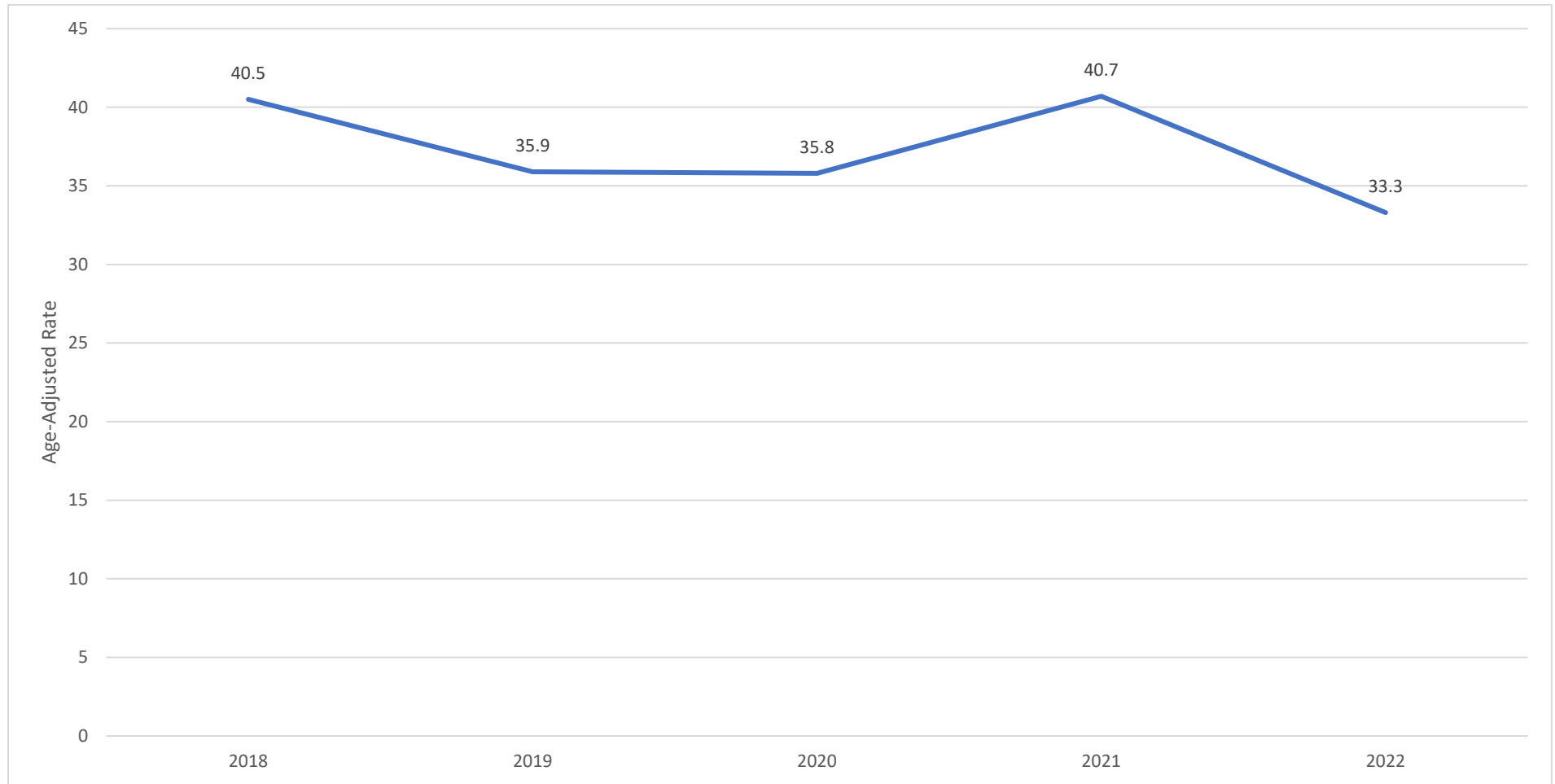
⁶⁰ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Cerebrovascular Diseases⁶¹

Cerebrovascular diseases (strokes) were the fifth leading cause of death in 2022 (217 deaths). Cerebrovascular diseases had an overall AADR of 33.3, down from 40.7 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in women (34.6), AI/AN people (48.2), and residents of the Interior region (36.3).

Figure 12. Cerebrovascular Diseases Age-Adjusted Death Rates by Year



⁶¹ ICD-10 Codes: I60-I69.

Table 83. Cerebrovascular Diseases Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁶²

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	96 (25.4) [39.3]	99 (26.2) [35.2]	110 (29.2) [38.0]	111 (29.3) [37.3]	100 (26.5) [31.0]
	Female	118 (33.1) [41.2]	111 (31.2) [36.1]	102 (28.6) [33.2]	142 (39.7) [43.4]	117 (32.6) [34.6]
Race	White	139 (29.0) [33.7]	135 (28.4) [31.9]	147 (31.1) [34.0]	172 (36.3) [37.6]	144 (30.5) [30.2]
	Black	7 (25.7*) [47.7*]	4 (**) [**]	7 (26.3*) [33.3*]	11 (41.2*) [61.7*]	4 (**) [**]
	AI/AN	40 (35.3) [67.5]	45 (39.7) [59.3]	30 (26.0) [41.0]	47 (40.7) [63.1]	42 (36.4) [48.2]
	Asian/PI	19 (32.0*) [53.3*]	17 (28.3*) [34.5*]	12 (19.9*) [23.1*]	17 (27.7*) [32.7*]	16 (25.7*) [31.5*]
	Multiple	5 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	9 (15.6*) [54.7*]	5 (**) [**]	8 (13.3*) [41.0*]
	Hispanic	2 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	7 (13.0*) [28.1*]	2 (**) [**]	7 (12.5*) [28.6*]
Age	<5 Years	1 (**)	1 (**)	0	1 (**)	0
	5-14 Years	0	0	0	0	1 (**)
	15-24 Years	0	0	3 (**)	0	0
	25-34 Years	0	1 (**)	3 (**)	2 (**)	1 (**)
	35-44 Years	4 (**)	10 (10.3*)	7 (7.0*)	7 (6.8*)	10 (9.5*)
	45-54 Years	9 (10.2*)	11 (12.8*)	10 (11.8*)	11 (13.3*)	15 (18.2*)
	55-64 Years	15 (15.2*)	25 (25.6)	24 (25.1)	26 (27.7)	23 (25.0)
	65-74 Years	39 (65.8)	47 (75.7)	45 (70.3)	59 (86.7)	46 (65.2)
	75-84 Years	70 (327.1)	47 (207.0)	59 (252.3)	68 (270.3)	59 (213.2)
	85+ Years	76 (1,156.8)	68 (1,010.6)	61 (912.5)	79 (1,105.2)	62 (839.3)
Residence	Anchorage	75 (25.4) [35.5]	70 (23.9) [31.1]	66 (22.7) [29.3]	104 (35.8) [42.2]	82 (28.3) [32.1]
	Gulf Coast	33 (40.8) [41.6]	27 (33.3) [29.9]	29 (35.5) [34.0]	27 (33.0) [28.8]	29 (35.2) [30.6]
	Interior	32 (28.8) [48.5]	42 (38.2) [53.2]	41 (37.5) [47.5]	41 (36.8) [44.5]	31 (28.0) [36.3]
	Mat-Su	32 (30.3) [40.2]	23 (21.5) [27.5]	33 (30.8) [39.7]	46 (42.2) [54.7]	31 (27.7) [34.5]
	Northern	6 (21.7*) [42.9*]	7 (25.5*) [51.2*]	6 (20.8*) [35.1*]	5 (**) [**]	7 (25.2*) [32.9*]
	Southeast	24 (33.0) [37.3]	25 (34.4) [32.9]	25 (34.6) [36.8]	21 (28.9) [29.1]	21 (29.1) [26.3]
	Southwest	12 (28.4*) [66.6*]	15 (35.5*) [66.8*]	12 (28.0*) [54.8*]	9 (21.3*) [49.9*]	16 (38.2*) [57.5*]
Statewide	Total	214 (29.1) [40.5]	210 (28.7) [35.9]	212 (28.9) [35.8]	253 (34.4) [40.7]	217 (29.5) [33.3]

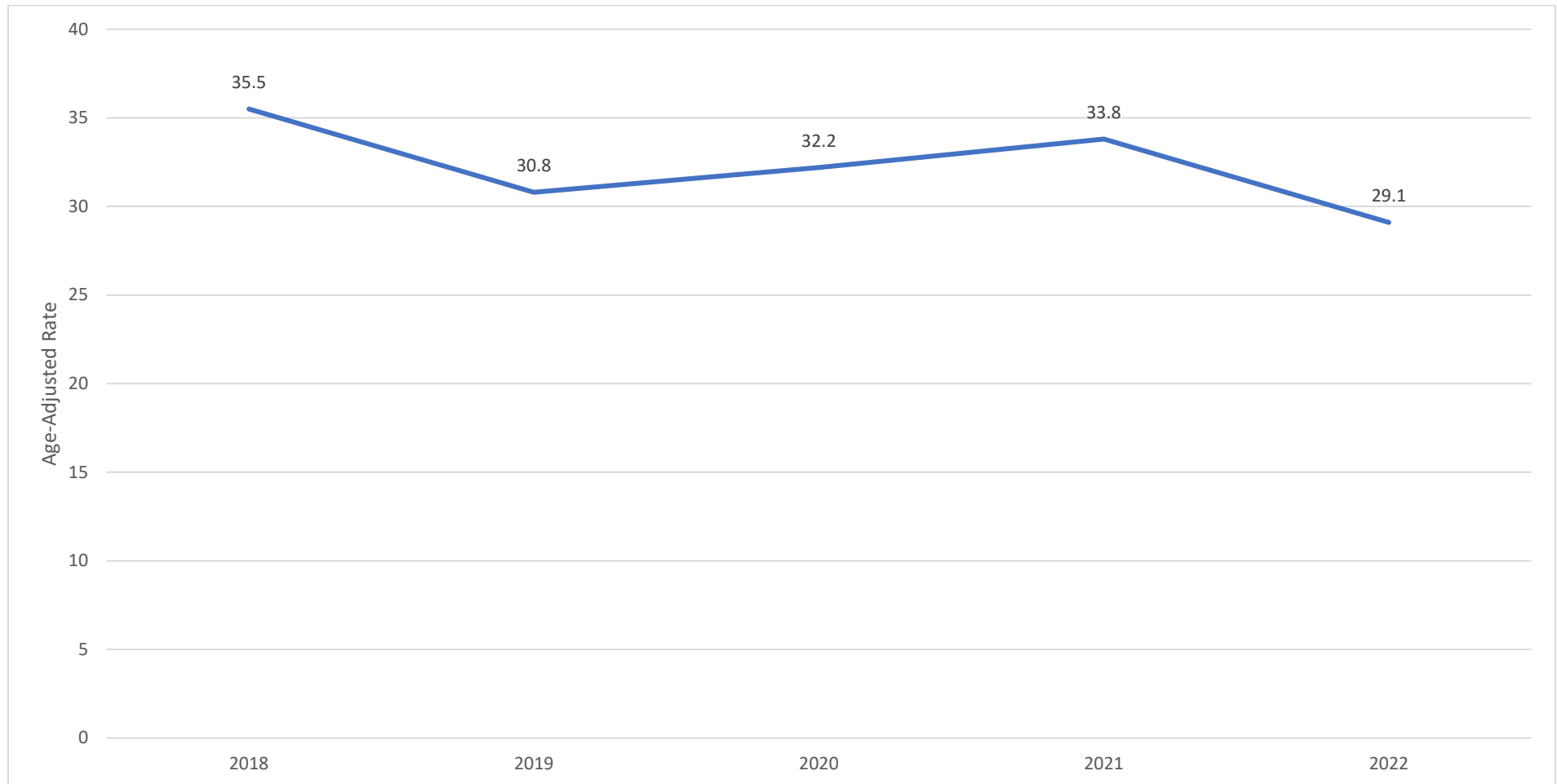
⁶² Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases⁶³

Chronic lower respiratory diseases (CLRDs) were the sixth leading cause of death in 2022 (209 deaths). CLRDs had an overall AADR of 29.1, down from 33.8 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in men (36.1), AI/AN people (62.1), and residents of the Matanuska-Susitna region (38.3). The most common type of CLRD (excluding all other chronic obstructive pulmonary disease) was emphysema at 19 deaths.

Figure 13. Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases Age-Adjusted Death Rates by Year



⁶³ ICD-10 Codes: J40-J47.

Table 84. Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁶⁴

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	114 (30.1) [36.7]	82 (21.7) [24.2]	109 (28.9) [35.5]	116 (30.7) [34.0]	126 (33.4) [36.1]
	Female	108 (30.3) [34.4]	120 (33.7) [36.3]	96 (27.0) [29.5]	121 (33.8) [33.6]	83 (23.1) [22.7]
Race	White	157 (32.7) [32.3]	144 (30.3) [29.4]	141 (29.8) [30.2]	170 (35.9) [32.2]	133 (28.2) [24.6]
	Black	2 (**) [**]	6 (22.3*) [30.5*]	3 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	7 (26.3*) [39.5*]
	AI/AN	47 (41.5) [70.5]	40 (35.3) [51.3]	41 (35.6) [50.1]	56 (48.5) [66.5]	52 (45.1) [62.1]
	Asian/PI	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	9 (14.9*) [18.7*]	2 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]
	Multiple	11 (19.6*) [68.9*]	10 (17.7*) [46.9*]	10 (17.3*) [46.0*]	6 (10.1*) [32.3*]	9 (15.0*) [35.6*]
	Hispanic	3 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]
Age	<5 Years	0	0	0	0	0
	5-14 Years	0	0	0	0	0
	15-24 Years	0	0	4 (**)	0	0
	25-34 Years	0	0	6 (5.4*)	2 (**)	2 (**)
	35-44 Years	4 (**)	3 (**)	1 (**)	4 (**)	2 (**)
	45-54 Years	9 (10.2*)	7 (8.2*)	10 (11.8*)	5 (**)	6 (7.3*)
	55-64 Years	24 (24.3)	36 (36.9)	35 (36.6)	39 (41.6)	23 (25.0)
	65-74 Years	85 (143.5)	65 (104.7)	48 (75.0)	79 (116.0)	71 (100.6)
	75-84 Years	65 (303.8)	58 (255.5)	62 (265.2)	67 (266.3)	70 (252.9)
	85+ Years	35 (532.7)	33 (490.4)	39 (583.4)	41 (573.6)	35 (473.8)
Residence	Anchorage	76 (25.8) [29.2]	72 (24.6) [30.1]	67 (23.0) [26.2]	75 (25.8) [28.1]	63 (21.7) [23.7]
	Gulf Coast	27 (33.4) [30.2]	30 (37.0) [30.1]	25 (30.6) [27.1]	37 (45.3) [33.9]	30 (36.4) [29.1]
	Interior	35 (31.5) [43.2]	26 (23.6) [28.4]	22 (20.1) [24.4]	36 (32.3) [33.4]	33 (29.8) [30.3]
	Mat-Su	33 (31.2) [35.9]	30 (28.1) [32.3]	46 (43.0) [54.8]	37 (33.9) [39.3]	40 (35.8) [38.3]
	Northern	13 (47.0*) [115.6*]	9 (32.7*) [59.2*]	12 (41.6*) [73.6*]	11 (38.8*) [84.0*]	11 (39.6*) [80.2*]
	Southeast	32 (44.0) [42.4]	25 (34.4) [28.2]	25 (34.6) [33.1]	28 (38.5) [33.5]	26 (36.0) [26.5]
	Southwest	6 (14.2*) [32.1*]	10 (23.6*) [41.0*]	7 (16.3*) [26.2*]	13 (30.7*) [54.1*]	6 (14.3*) [35.7*]
Statewide	Total	222 (30.2) [35.5]	202 (27.6) [30.8]	205 (28.0) [32.2]	237 (32.2) [33.8]	209 (28.4) [29.1]

⁶⁴ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.
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Table 85. Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Type⁶⁵

Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	222 (30.2) [35.5]	202 (27.6) [30.8]	205 (28.0) [32.2]	237 (32.2) [33.8]	209 (28.4) [29.1]
Bronchitis, Chronic And Unspecified	1 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	0	1 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]
Emphysema	21 (2.9) [3.2]	8 (1.1*) [1.3*]	13 (1.8*) [2.0*]	18 (2.4*) [2.1*]	19 (2.6*) [2.4*]
Other chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	181 (24.6) [29.1]	181 (24.7) [27.6]	174 (23.7) [27.8]	202 (27.4) [29.2]	176 (23.9) [24.8]
Asthma	14 (1.9*) [2.2*]	9 (1.2*) [1.2*]	15 (2.0*) [1.9*]	11 (1.5*) [1.6*]	10 (1.4*) [1.3*]
Bronchiectasis	5 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]

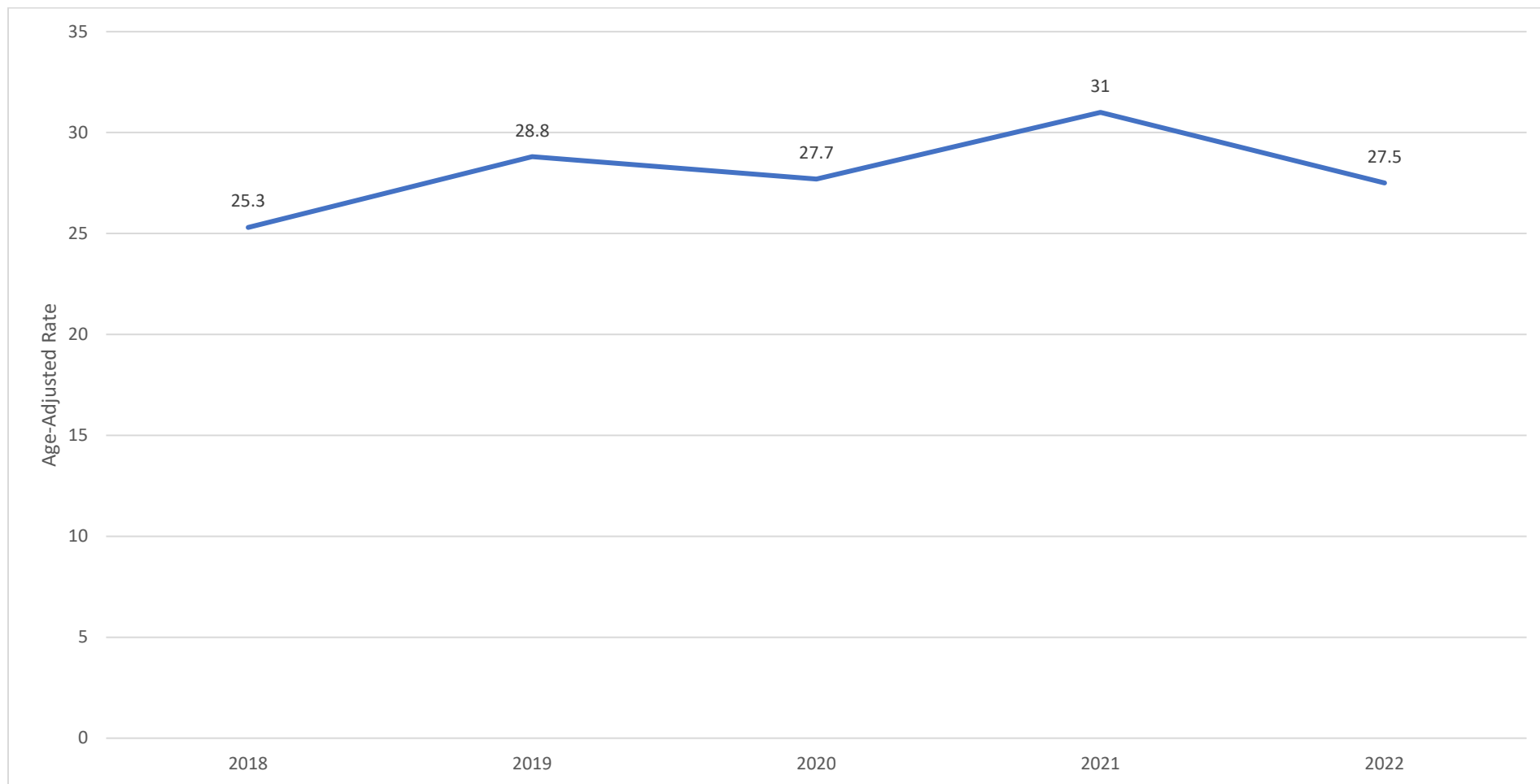
⁶⁵ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Intentional Self-Harm⁶⁶

Intentional self-harm (suicide) was the seventh leading cause of death in 2022 (197 deaths). Intentional self-harm had an overall AADR of 27.5, down from 31 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in men (44), AI/AN people (55.1), and residents of the Northern region (84.4). People aged 15-24 years had the highest reliable ASDR (46.2). The most common type of intentional self-harm mechanism was firearms at 114 deaths.

Figure 14. Accidents Age-Adjusted Death Rates by Year



⁶⁶ ICD-10 Codes: U03, X60-X84, Y870.

Table 86. Intentional Self-Harm Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁶⁷

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	146 (38.6) [38.5]	167 (44.3) [44.8]	165 (43.7) [43.7]	170 (44.9) [46.3]	160 (42.4) [44.0]
	Female	41 (11.5) [11.5]	43 (12.1) [11.8]	39 (11.0) [10.7]	50 (14.0) [14.6]	37 (10.3) [10.6]
Race	White	115 (24.0) [22.9]	106 (22.3) [20.8]	110 (23.2) [22.3]	115 (24.3) [24.7]	108 (22.9) [22.6]
	Black	2 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]
	AI/AN	50 (44.1) [40.3]	77 (68.0) [70.4]	67 (58.1) [55.1]	72 (62.4) [61.7]	65 (56.3) [55.1]
	Asian/PI	3 (**) [**]	6 (10.0*) [9.8*]	2 (**) [**]	6 (9.8*) [8.4*]	8 (12.9*) [14.0*]
	Multiple	14 (25.0*) [30.1*]	13 (23.0*) [25.2*]	20 (34.6) [42.5]	16 (27.0*) [32.4*]	13 (21.7*) [38.0*]
	Hispanic	6 (11.3*) [12.2*]	6 (11.3*) [12.4*]	10 (18.5*) [20.4*]	9 (16.2*) [14.9*]	6 (10.7*) [11.3*]
Age	<5 Years	0	0	0	0	0
	5-14 Years	3 (**)	5 (**)	6 (5.7*)	2 (**)	4 (**)
	15-24 Years	42 (44.3)	54 (57.8)	46 (49.5)	59 (63.1)	43 (46.2)
	25-34 Years	48 (42.4)	51 (45.4)	55 (49.3)	52 (47.4)	44 (41.1)
	35-44 Years	22 (23.0)	30 (30.9)	24 (24.1)	52 (50.3)	40 (38.1)
	45-54 Years	24 (27.1)	26 (30.4)	23 (27.2)	17 (20.5*)	25 (30.3)
	55-64 Years	27 (27.3)	26 (26.7)	22 (23.0)	13 (13.9*)	17 (18.5*)
	65-74 Years	13 (21.9*)	12 (19.3*)	18 (28.1*)	14 (20.6*)	14 (19.8*)
	75-84 Years	6 (28.0*)	4 (**)	10 (42.8*)	10 (39.7*)	6 (21.7*)
	85+ Years	2 (**)	2 (**)	0	1 (**)	4 (**)
Residence	Anchorage	58 (19.7) [18.8]	67 (22.9) [23.2]	69 (23.7) [23.0]	60 (20.7) [20.2]	53 (18.3) [18.1]
	Gulf Coast	26 (32.1) [32.2]	20 (24.7) [24.9]	19 (23.3*) [25.1*]	20 (24.5) [25.9]	23 (27.9) [31.5]
	Interior	33 (29.7) [29.2]	38 (34.5) [35.3]	26 (23.8) [23.4]	43 (38.5) [38.4]	35 (31.6) [31.7]
	Mat-Su	21 (19.9) [20.5]	26 (24.3) [22.8]	32 (29.9) [31.0]	34 (31.2) [33.1]	29 (26.0) [27.8]
	Northern	15 (54.2*) [49.8*]	18 (65.5*) [61.1*]	19 (65.8*) [64.1*]	19 (67.0*) [66.0*]	24 (86.4) [84.4]
	Southeast	20 (27.5) [25.8]	10 (13.8*) [12.2*]	10 (13.8*) [13.2*]	13 (17.9*) [19.7*]	13 (18.0*) [18.6*]
	Southwest	14 (33.2*) [31.3*]	31 (73.3) [73.3]	29 (67.7) [64.0]	31 (73.2) [72.3]	19 (45.3*) [44.5*]
Statewide	Total	187 (25.4) [25.3]	210 (28.7) [28.8]	204 (27.8) [27.7]	220 (29.9) [31.0]	197 (26.7) [27.5]

⁶⁷ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.
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Table 87. Intentional Self-Harm Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Type⁶⁸

Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Intentional Self-Harm	187 (25.4) [25.3]	210 (28.7) [28.8]	204 (27.8) [27.7]	220 (29.9) [31.0]	197 (26.7) [27.5]
Firearm Intentional Self-Harm	108 (14.7) [14.8]	117 (16.0) [15.9]	133 (18.1) [17.9]	142 (19.3) [20.0]	114 (15.5) [16.0]
Suffocation Intentional Self-Harm	55 (7.5) [7.5]	64 (8.7) [9.1]	50 (6.8) [7.0]	64 (8.7) [9.0]	64 (8.7) [9.0]
Poisoning Intentional Self-Harm	13 (1.8*) [1.7*]	18 (2.5*) [2.5*]	13 (1.8*) [1.8*]	10 (1.4*) [1.4*]	14 (1.9*) [1.9*]
All Other Intentional Self-Harm	11 (1.5*) [1.3*]	11 (1.5*) [1.4*]	8 (1.1*) [1.1*]	4 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]

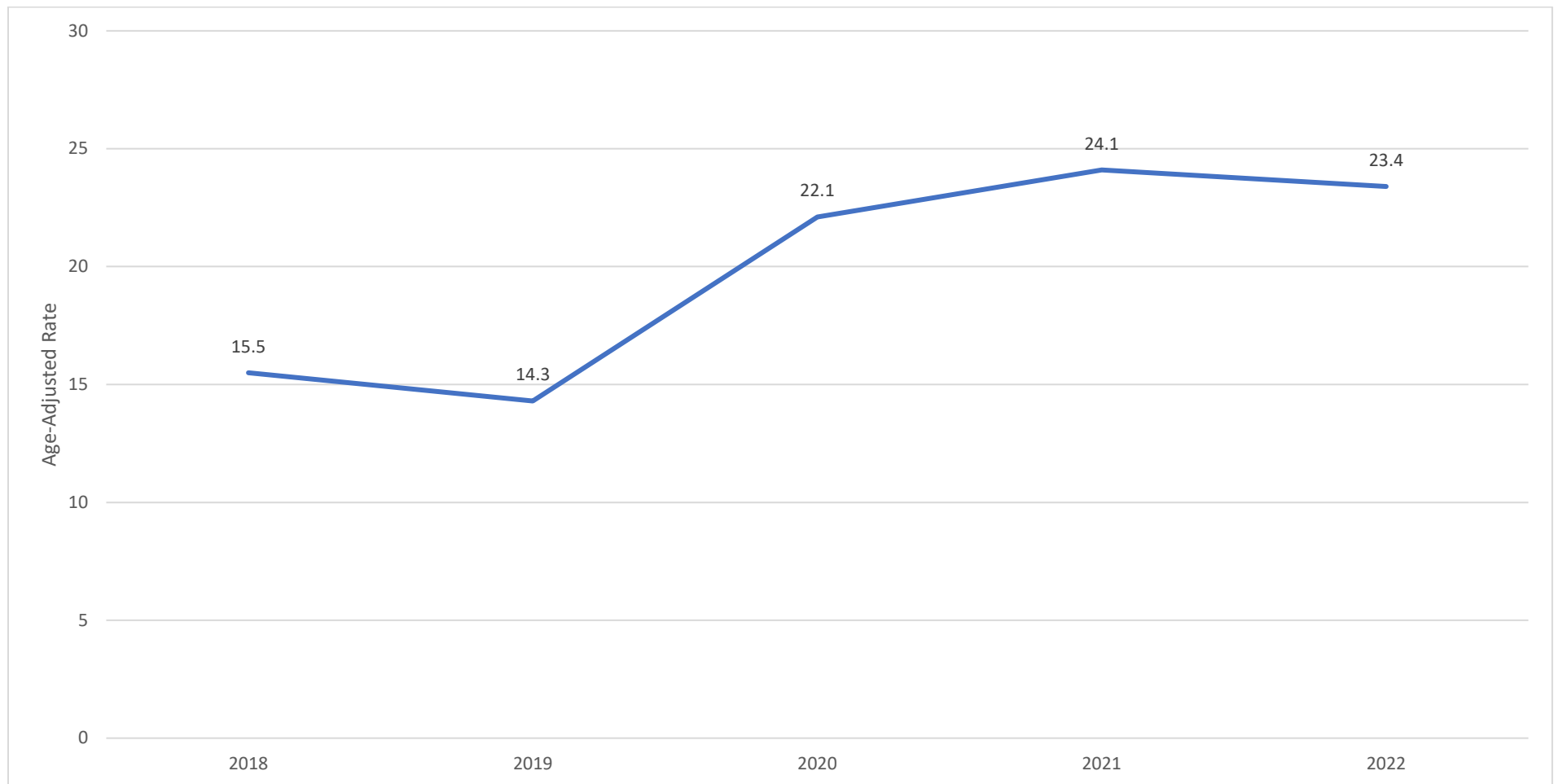
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Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis⁶⁹

Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis (CLDC) was tied with diabetes mellitus for the eighth leading cause of death in 2022 (184 deaths). CLDC had an overall AADR of 23.4, down from 24.1 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in women (24.2), AI/AN people (72.9), and residents of the Anchorage region (27.4). People aged 55-64 years had the highest reliable ASDR (57.6). The most common type of CLDC was alcoholic liver disease at 146 deaths.

Figure 15. Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis Age-Adjusted Death Rates by Year



⁶⁹ ICD-10 Codes: K70, K73-K74.

Table 88. Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁷⁰

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	62 (16.4) [15.9]	52 (13.8) [13.1]	89 (23.6) [22.4]	109 (28.8) [25.6]	91 (24.1) [22.7]
	Female	59 (16.5) [15.2]	58 (16.3) [15.5]	78 (21.9) [21.7]	80 (22.4) [22.7]	93 (25.9) [24.2]
Race	White	72 (15.0) [12.5]	58 (12.2) [10.1]	80 (16.9) [14.3]	96 (20.3) [16.8]	93 (19.7) [15.9]
	Black	0	2 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]
	AI/AN	41 (36.2) [40.4]	43 (38.0) [42.3]	74 (64.2) [74.0]	76 (65.9) [74.0]	75 (65.0) [72.9]
	Asian/PI	1 (**) [**]	0	2 (**) [**]	0	1 (**) [**]
	Multiple	3 (**) [**]	6 (10.6*) [17.4*]	5 (**) [**]	9 (15.2*) [24.7*]	6 (10.0*) [16.8*]
	Hispanic	7 (13.2*) [18.6*]	5 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]
Age	<5 Years	0	0	0	0	0
	5-14 Years	0	0	0	0	0
	15-24 Years	0	2 (**)	1 (**)	0	1 (**)
	25-34 Years	10 (8.8*)	8 (7.1*)	18 (16.1*)	20 (18.2)	28 (26.2)
	35-44 Years	10 (10.5*)	21 (21.6)	35 (35.1)	26 (25.1)	32 (30.5)
	45-54 Years	33 (37.3)	22 (25.7)	46 (54.4)	51 (61.5)	36 (43.6)
	55-64 Years	37 (37.4)	31 (31.8)	44 (46.0)	54 (57.6)	53 (57.6)
	65-74 Years	23 (38.8)	20 (32.2)	19 (29.7*)	31 (45.5)	25 (35.4)
	75-84 Years	7 (32.7*)	6 (26.4*)	4 (**)	7 (27.8*)	9 (32.5*)
	85+ Years	1 (**)	0	0	0	0
Residence	Anchorage	42 (14.2) [12.9]	47 (16.1) [16.0]	74 (25.4) [24.5]	74 (25.5) [24.0]	86 (29.7) [27.4]
	Gulf Coast	24 (29.6) [25.3]	14 (17.3*) [14.6*]	16 (19.6*) [17.1*]	24 (29.4) [25.6]	11 (13.3*) [10.9*]
	Interior	20 (18.0) [18.0]	14 (12.7*) [12.1*]	28 (25.6) [27.0]	22 (19.7) [18.0]	29 (26.2) [24.5]
	Mat-Su	12 (11.4*) [10.8*]	12 (11.2*) [10.3*]	20 (18.7) [16.9]	33 (30.3) [27.7]	24 (21.5) [20.3]
	Northern	3 (**) [**]	6 (21.8*) [25.5*]	5 (**) [**]	7 (24.7*) [27.9*]	9 (32.4*) [40.3*]
	Southeast	16 (22.0*) [19.6*]	10 (13.8*) [10.8*]	14 (19.4*) [17.5*]	18 (24.8*) [21.8*]	12 (16.6*) [12.6*]
	Southwest	4 (**) [**]	6 (14.2*) [14.0*]	10 (23.3*) [27.6*]	10 (23.6*) [24.7*]	13 (31.0*) [37.0*]
Statewide	Total	121 (16.5) [15.5]	110 (15.0) [14.3]	167 (22.8) [22.1]	189 (25.7) [24.1]	184 (25.0) [23.4]

⁷⁰ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Table 89. Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Type⁷¹

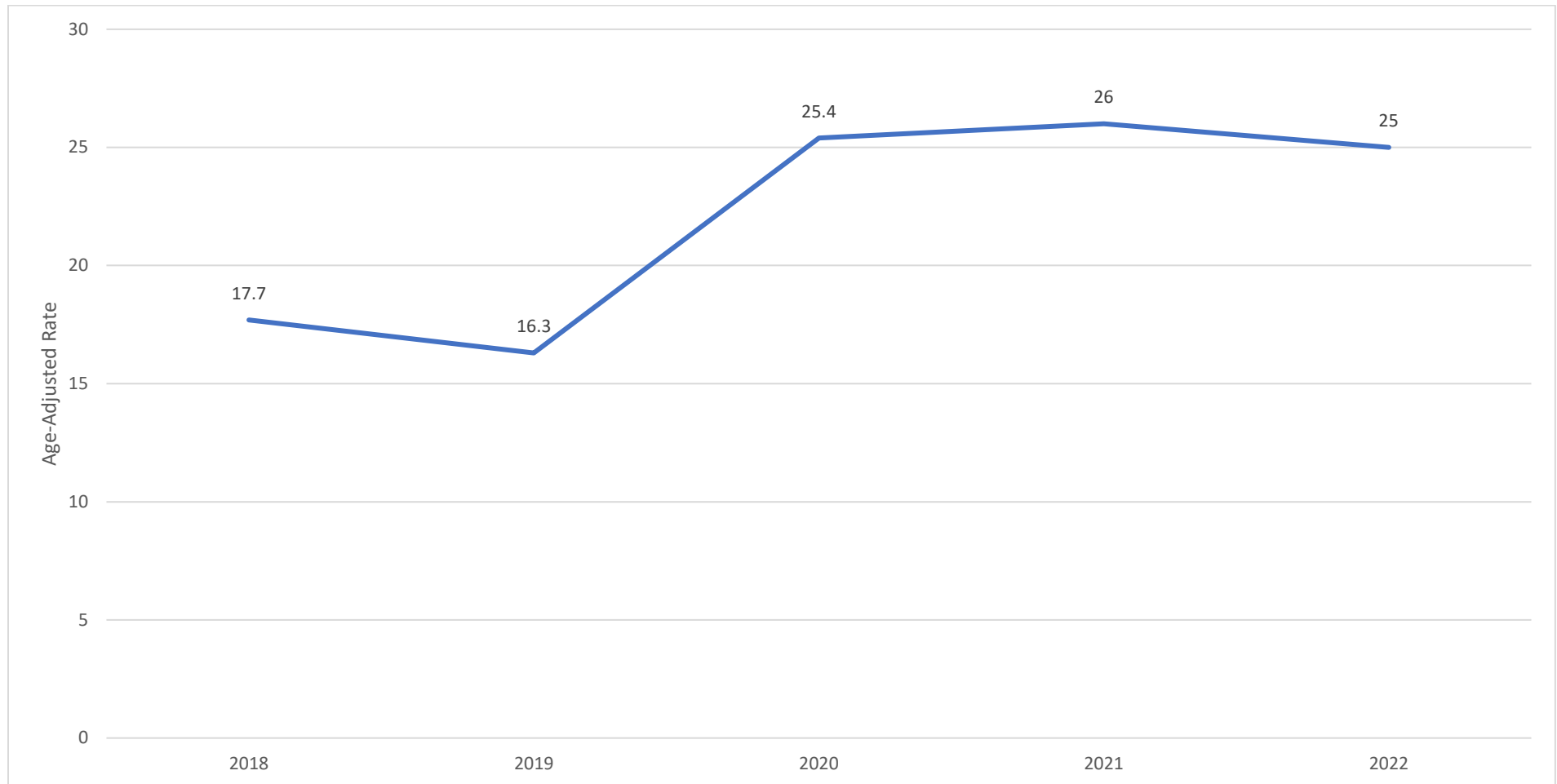
Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	121 (16.5) [15.5]	110 (15.0) [14.3]	167 (22.8) [22.1]	189 (25.7) [24.1]	184 (25.0) [23.4]
Alcoholic Liver Disease	93 (12.6) [11.9]	84 (11.5) [11.1]	139 (19.0) [18.9]	157 (21.3) [20.3]	146 (19.8) [18.8]
All Other Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis	28 (3.8) [3.6]	26 (3.5) [3.2]	28 (3.8) [3.3]	32 (4.3) [3.8]	38 (5.2) [4.6]

⁷¹ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.
 * Rates based on <20 events are statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. ** Rates based on <6 events are not reported.

Diabetes Mellitus⁷²

Diabetes mellitus was tied with chronic liver disease and cirrhosis for the eighth leading cause of death in 2022 (184 deaths). Diabetes mellitus had an overall AADR of 25, down from 26 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in men (32.8), AI/AN people (24), and residents of the Matanuska-Susitna region (30.8).

Figure 16. Diabetes Mellitus Age-Adjusted Death Rates by Year



⁷² ICD-10 Codes: E10-E14.

Table 90. Diabetes Mellitus Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁷³

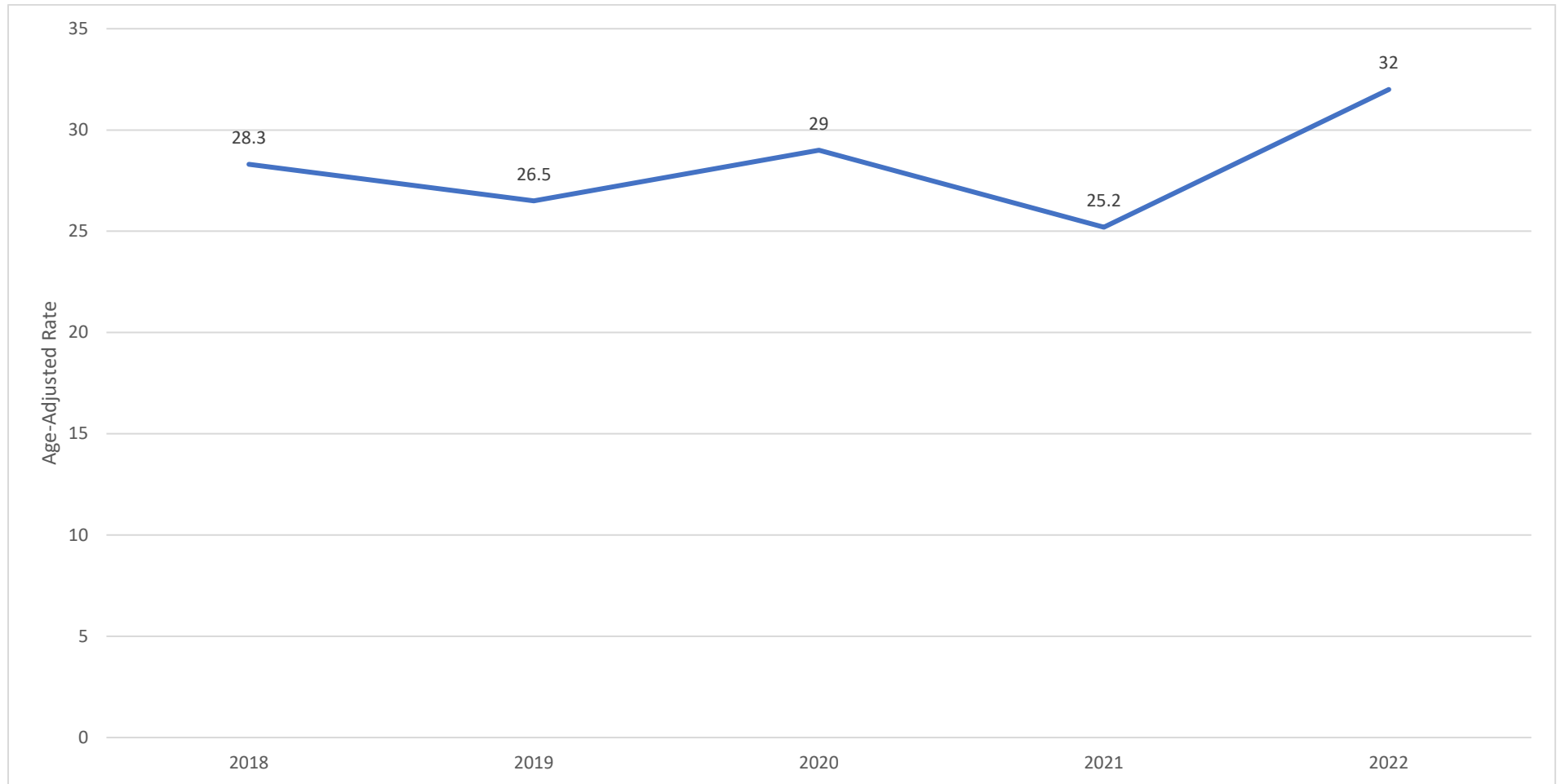
Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	80 (21.1) [23.4]	67 (17.8) [18.3]	123 (32.6) [37.0]	109 (28.8) [32.3]	119 (31.5) [32.8]
	Female	42 (11.8) [12.5]	44 (12.4) [13.9]	51 (14.3) [14.7]	74 (20.7) [20.6]	65 (18.1) [18.0]
Race	White	81 (16.9) [14.8]	75 (15.8) [15.0]	118 (24.9) [23.0]	114 (24.1) [21.4]	124 (26.2) [22.5]
	Black	6 (22.0*) [48.4*]	4 (**) [**]	11 (41.3*) [54.5*]	6 (22.5*) [32.6*]	8 (30.1*) [27.4*]
	AI/AN	14 (12.4*) [20.5*]	12 (10.6*) [15.6*]	20 (17.4) [29.2]	28 (24.3) [34.6]	21 (18.2) [24.0]
	Asian/PI	14 (23.6*) [30.1*]	12 (20.0*) [19.3*]	15 (24.8*) [28.5*]	21 (34.2) [41.7]	19 (30.5*) [36.9*]
	Multiple	7 (12.5*) [33.1*]	3 (**) [**]	7 (12.1*) [28.6*]	9 (15.2*) [33.0*]	4 (**) [**]
	Hispanic	2 (**) [**]	7 (13.1*) [29.6*]	8 (14.8*) [38.2*]	10 (18.1*) [34.3*]	7 (12.5*) [23.6*]
Age	<5 Years	0	0	0	0	0
	5-14 Years	0	0	0	0	0
	15-24 Years	0	0	0	1 (**)	2 (**)
	25-34 Years	0	2 (**)	5 (**)	4 (**)	3 (**)
	35-44 Years	3 (**)	4 (**)	9 (9.0*)	2 (**)	6 (5.7*)
	45-54 Years	11 (12.4*)	9 (10.5*)	16 (18.9*)	14 (16.9*)	18 (21.8*)
	55-64 Years	24 (24.3)	22 (22.6)	32 (33.4)	40 (42.6)	32 (34.8)
	65-74 Years	47 (79.4)	32 (51.6)	50 (78.2)	47 (69.0)	56 (79.4)
	75-84 Years	23 (107.5)	32 (141.0)	41 (175.3)	46 (182.8)	39 (140.9)
	85+ Years	14 (213.1*)	10 (148.6*)	21 (314.1)	29 (405.7)	28 (379.0)
Residence	Anchorage	57 (19.3) [21.2]	45 (15.4) [15.7]	67 (23.0) [24.0]	63 (21.7) [23.1]	80 (27.6) [27.7]
	Gulf Coast	20 (24.7) [19.8]	12 (14.8*) [12.4*]	29 (35.5) [34.0]	30 (36.7) [29.7]	27 (32.7) [26.8]
	Interior	15 (13.5*) [15.3*]	19 (17.3*) [23.1*]	25 (22.8) [26.7]	31 (27.8) [27.9]	24 (21.7) [22.9]
	Mat-Su	17 (16.1*) [17.7*]	21 (19.7) [20.7]	28 (26.1) [27.9]	29 (26.6) [27.2]	34 (30.4) [30.8]
	Northern	1 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]
	Southeast	8 (11.0*) [9.8*]	10 (13.8*) [13.6*]	18 (24.9*) [22.0*]	24 (33.0) [32.1]	14 (19.4*) [14.3*]
	Southwest	4 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]
Statewide	Total	122 (16.6) [17.7]	111 (15.1) [16.3]	174 (23.7) [25.4]	183 (24.9) [26.0]	184 (25.0) [25.0]

⁷³ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.
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Alzheimer Disease⁷⁴

Alzheimer disease was the ninth leading cause of death in 2022 (175 deaths). Alzheimer disease had an overall AADR of 32, up from 25.2 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in women (35.8), and residents of the Matanuska-Susitna region (42.1).

Figure 17. Alzheimer Age-Adjusted Death Rates by Year



⁷⁴ ICD-10 Code: G30.

Table 91. Alzheimer Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁷⁵

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	43 (11.4) [22.4]	53 (14.1) [26.2]	55 (14.6) [27.1]	46 (12.2) [19.2]	65 (17.2) [26.7]
	Female	88 (24.7) [32.4]	75 (21.1) [27.1]	84 (23.6) [30.3]	89 (24.9) [29.8]	110 (30.7) [35.8]
Race	White	110 (22.9) [30.7]	105 (22.1) [27.9]	112 (23.7) [30.3]	103 (21.8) [25.2]	148 (31.3) [35.6]
	Black	1 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	7 (26.3*) [65.9*]	4 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]
	AI/AN	13 (11.5*) [27.8*]	12 (10.6*) [24.1*]	15 (13.0*) [32.7*]	17 (14.7*) [27.7*]	16 (13.9*) [27.7*]
	Asian/PI	5 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]
	Multiple	2 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]
	Hispanic	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]
	Age	<5 Years	0	0	0	0
	5-14 Years	0	0	0	0	0
	15-24 Years	0	0	0	0	0
	25-34 Years	0	0	0	0	0
	35-44 Years	0	0	0	0	0
	45-54 Years	0	0	0	0	0
	55-64 Years	4 (**)	2 (**)	3 (**)	4 (**)	2 (**)
	65-74 Years	8 (13.5*)	10 (16.1*)	12 (18.8*)	13 (19.1*)	17 (24.1*)
	75-84 Years	38 (177.6)	44 (193.8)	33 (141.1)	52 (206.7)	52 (187.9)
	85+ Years	81 (1,232.9)	72 (1,070.0)	91 (1,361.3)	66 (923.3)	104 (1,407.9)
Residence	Anchorage	71 (24.1) [38.4]	68 (23.2) [35.4]	70 (24.0) [35.6]	78 (26.9) [36.0]	92 (31.7) [41.6]
	Gulf Coast	14 (17.3*) [21.7*]	4 (**) [**]	17 (20.8*) [23.8*]	9 (11.0*) [11.2*]	16 (19.4*) [22.7*]
	Interior	13 (11.7*) [18.2*]	20 (18.2) [29.0]	12 (11.0*) [19.9*]	12 (10.8*) [16.7*]	19 (17.2*) [22.9*]
	Mat-Su	21 (19.9) [32.2]	25 (23.4) [37.5]	32 (29.9) [48.1]	26 (23.8) [34.4]	32 (28.6) [42.1]
	Northern	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	0	4 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]
	Southeast	7 (9.6*) [11.4*]	8 (11.0*) [15.1*]	6 (8.3*) [8.6*]	6 (8.3*) [9.4*]	12 (16.6*) [16.9*]
	Southwest	3 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	0	3 (**) [**]
Statewide	Total	131 (17.8) [28.3]	128 (17.5) [26.5]	139 (19.0) [29.0]	135 (18.3) [25.2]	175 (23.8) [32.0]

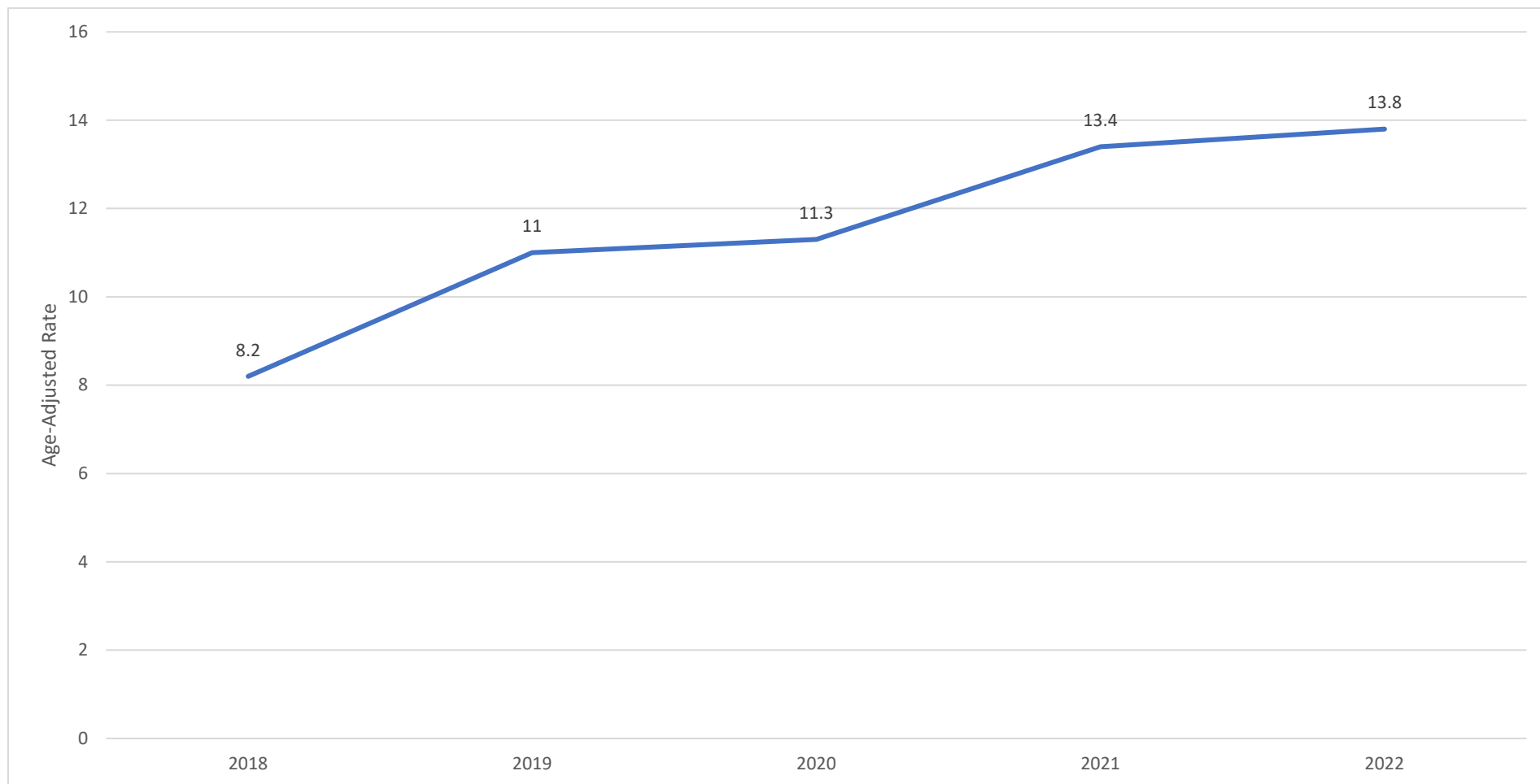
⁷⁵ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis⁷⁶

Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis (kidney diseases) was the tenth leading cause of death in 2022 (93 deaths). Kidney diseases had an overall AADR of 13.8, up slightly from 13.4 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in men (17.3), and residents of the Anchorage region (15.2).

Figure 18. Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis Age-Adjusted Death Rates by Year



⁷⁶ ICD-10 Codes: N00-N07, N17-N19, N25-N27.

Table 92. Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome And Nephrosis Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁷⁷

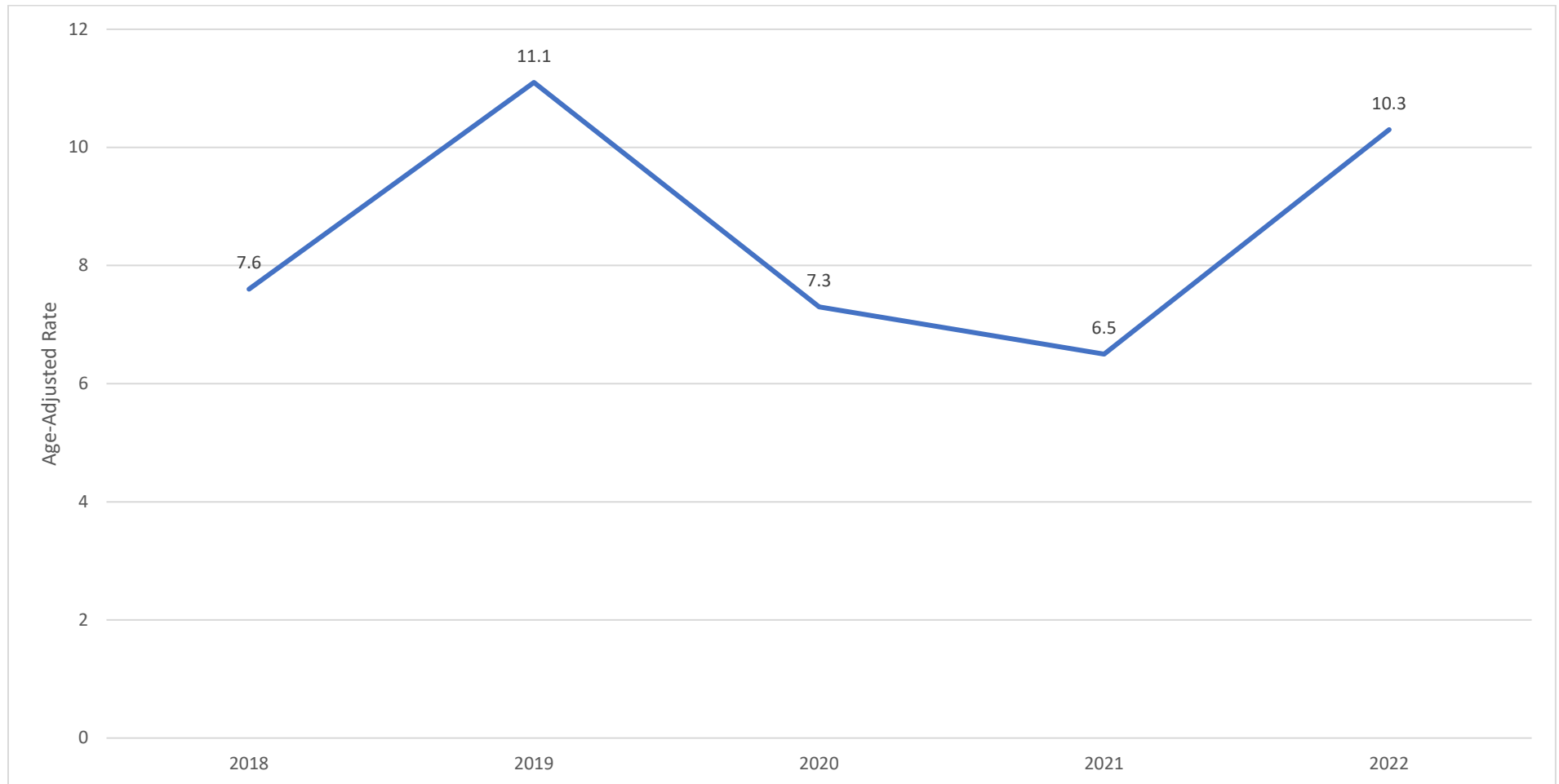
Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	29 (7.7) [11.6]	26 (6.9) [9.9]	33 (8.7) [10.6]	48 (12.7) [16.9]	51 (13.5) [17.3]
	Female	17 (4.8*) [5.7*]	36 (10.1) [11.8]	33 (9.3) [11.3]	36 (10.1) [10.8]	42 (11.7) [11.3]
Race	White	32 (6.7) [7.2]	36 (7.6) [8.8]	40 (8.5) [9.6]	46 (9.7) [9.8]	64 (13.5) [12.5]
	Black	1 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	9 (33.9*) [56.4*]
	AI/AN	6 (5.3*) [11.6*]	13 (11.5*) [19.7*]	15 (13.0*) [20.8*]	19 (16.5*) [24.6*]	9 (7.8*) [12.1*]
	Asian/PI	7 (11.8*) [17.6*]	7 (11.7*) [16.8*]	5 (**) [**]	9 (14.7*) [19.8*]	9 (14.5*) [14.5*]
	Multiple	0	1 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]
	Hispanic	0	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	0
	Age	<5 Years	0	0	0	0
	5-14 Years	0	0	0	0	0
	15-24 Years	1 (**)	0	0	0	0
	25-34 Years	0	1 (**)	0	0	2 (**)
	35-44 Years	1 (**)	1 (**)	2 (**)	3 (**)	2 (**)
	45-54 Years	3 (**)	4 (**)	2 (**)	8 (9.7*)	4 (**)
	55-64 Years	4 (**)	4 (**)	5 (**)	8 (8.5*)	10 (10.9*)
	65-74 Years	11 (18.6*)	13 (20.9*)	15 (23.4*)	19 (27.9*)	23 (32.6)
	75-84 Years	10 (46.7*)	19 (83.7*)	26 (111.2)	23 (91.4)	30 (108.4)
	85+ Years	16 (243.5*)	20 (297.2)	16 (239.3*)	23 (321.8)	22 (297.8)
Residence	Anchorage	15 (5.1*) [6.3*]	29 (9.9) [12.2]	28 (9.6) [12.7]	45 (15.5) [17.9]	41 (14.1) [15.2]
	Gulf Coast	11 (13.6*) [14.7*]	7 (8.6*) [9.8*]	1 (**) [**]	6 (7.3*) [7.7*]	11 (13.3*) [12.8*]
	Interior	4 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	7 (6.3*) [5.1*]	9 (8.1*) [9.1*]
	Mat-Su	4 (**) [**]	12 (11.2*) [17.2*]	19 (17.7*) [24.6*]	13 (11.9*) [16.0*]	19 (17.0*) [19.8*]
	Northern	1 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]
	Southeast	8 (11.0*) [12.6*]	4 (**) [**]	7 (9.7*) [8.6*]	11 (15.1*) [15.7*]	7 (9.7*) [8.2*]
	Southwest	3 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]
Statewide	Total	46 (6.3) [8.2]	62 (8.5) [11.0]	66 (9.0) [11.3]	84 (11.4) [13.4]	93 (12.6) [13.8]

⁷⁷ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.
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Assault⁷⁸

Assault (homicide), while not in the top ten for 2022, has been a LCOD in previous years and had 76 deaths. Assault had an overall AADR of 10.3, up from 6.5 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in men (13.3) and AI/AN people (24.4). People aged 25-34 years had the highest reliable ASDR (21.5). The most common type of assault mechanism was firearms at 41 deaths.

Figure 19. Assault Age-Adjusted Death Rates by Year



⁷⁸ ICD-10 Codes: U01-U02, X85-Y09, Y871.

Table 93. Assault Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁷⁹

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	43 (11.4) [11.1]	49 (13.0) [13.6]	36 (9.5) [9.3]	35 (9.2) [8.9]	51 (13.5) [13.3]
	Female	13 (3.6*) [3.9*]	30 (8.4) [8.3]	19 (5.3*) [5.2*]	14 (3.9*) [3.9*]	25 (7.0) [7.1]
Race	White	14 (2.9*) [2.9*]	31 (6.5) [6.3]	11 (2.3*) [2.1*]	19 (4.0*) [3.7*]	26 (5.5) [5.6]
	Black	9 (33.1*) [27.8*]	7 (26.1*) [25.8*]	4 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	6 (22.6*) [21.2*]
	AI/AN	15 (13.2*) [13.3*]	32 (28.3) [31.4]	29 (25.2) [26.4]	20 (17.3) [17.7]	28 (24.3) [24.4]
	Asian/PI	8 (13.5*) [13.7*]	5 (**) [**]	7 (11.6*) [10.1*]	1 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]
	Multiple	10 (17.8*) [22.9*]	1 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	13 (21.7*) [23.0*]
	Hispanic	4 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]
Age	<5 Years	3 (**)	1 (**)	0	3 (**)	3 (**)
	5-14 Years	1 (**)	1 (**)	4 (**)	0	5 (**)
	15-24 Years	10 (10.5*)	13 (13.9*)	8 (8.6*)	7 (7.5*)	14 (15.0*)
	25-34 Years	14 (12.4*)	21 (18.7)	15 (13.4*)	20 (18.2)	23 (21.5)
	35-44 Years	12 (12.6*)	19 (19.6*)	10 (10.0*)	6 (5.8*)	15 (14.3*)
	45-54 Years	7 (7.9*)	14 (16.4*)	6 (7.1*)	4 (**)	4 (**)
	55-64 Years	7 (7.1*)	7 (7.2*)	6 (6.3*)	4 (**)	7 (7.6*)
	65-74 Years	2 (**)	3 (**)	6 (9.4*)	4 (**)	4 (**)
	75-84 Years	0	0	0	1 (**)	1 (**)
	85+ Years	0	0	0	0	0
Residence	Anchorage	29 (9.8) [9.9]	31 (10.6) [10.9]	19 (6.5*) [6.1*]	19 (6.5*) [6.0*]	23 (7.9) [7.7]
	Gulf Coast	4 (**) [**]	7 (8.6*) [9.5*]	3 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]
	Interior	8 (7.2*) [6.9*]	12 (10.9*) [11.6*]	6 (5.5*) [5.8*]	10 (9.0*) [8.8*]	23 (20.8) [20.9]
	Mat-Su	5 (**) [**]	11 (10.3*) [9.9*]	9 (8.4*) [8.3*]	7 (6.4*) [6.7*]	7 (6.3*) [6.5*]
	Northern	3 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	6 (20.8*) [19.5*]	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]
	Southeast	2 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]
	Southwest	5 (**) [**]	11 (26.0*) [28.5*]	8 (18.7*) [19.2*]	8 (18.9*) [18.8*]	14 (33.4*) [33.6*]
Statewide	Total	56 (7.6) [7.6]	79 (10.8) [11.1]	55 (7.5) [7.3]	49 (6.7) [6.5]	76 (10.3) [10.3]

⁷⁹ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

* Rates based on <20 events are statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. ** Rates based on <6 events are not reported.

Table 94. Assault Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Type⁸⁰

Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Assault	56 (7.6) [7.6]	79 (10.8) [11.1]	55 (7.5) [7.3]	49 (6.7) [6.5]	76 (10.3) [10.3]
Firearms Assault	37 (5.0) [5.2]	51 (7.0) [7.2]	27 (3.7) [3.8]	31 (4.2) [4.2]	41 (5.6) [5.5]
Cutting/Piercing Assault	8 (1.1*) [1.1*]	9 (1.2*) [1.2*]	10 (1.4*) [1.2*]	6 (0.8*) [0.7*]	9 (1.2*) [1.2*]
Suffocation Assault	2 (**) [**]	6 (0.8*) [0.8*]	6 (0.8*) [0.8*]	1 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]
All Other Assault	9 (1.2*) [1.1*]	13 (1.8*) [1.8*]	11 (1.5*) [1.4*]	11 (1.5*) [1.4*]	22 (3.0) [3.1]

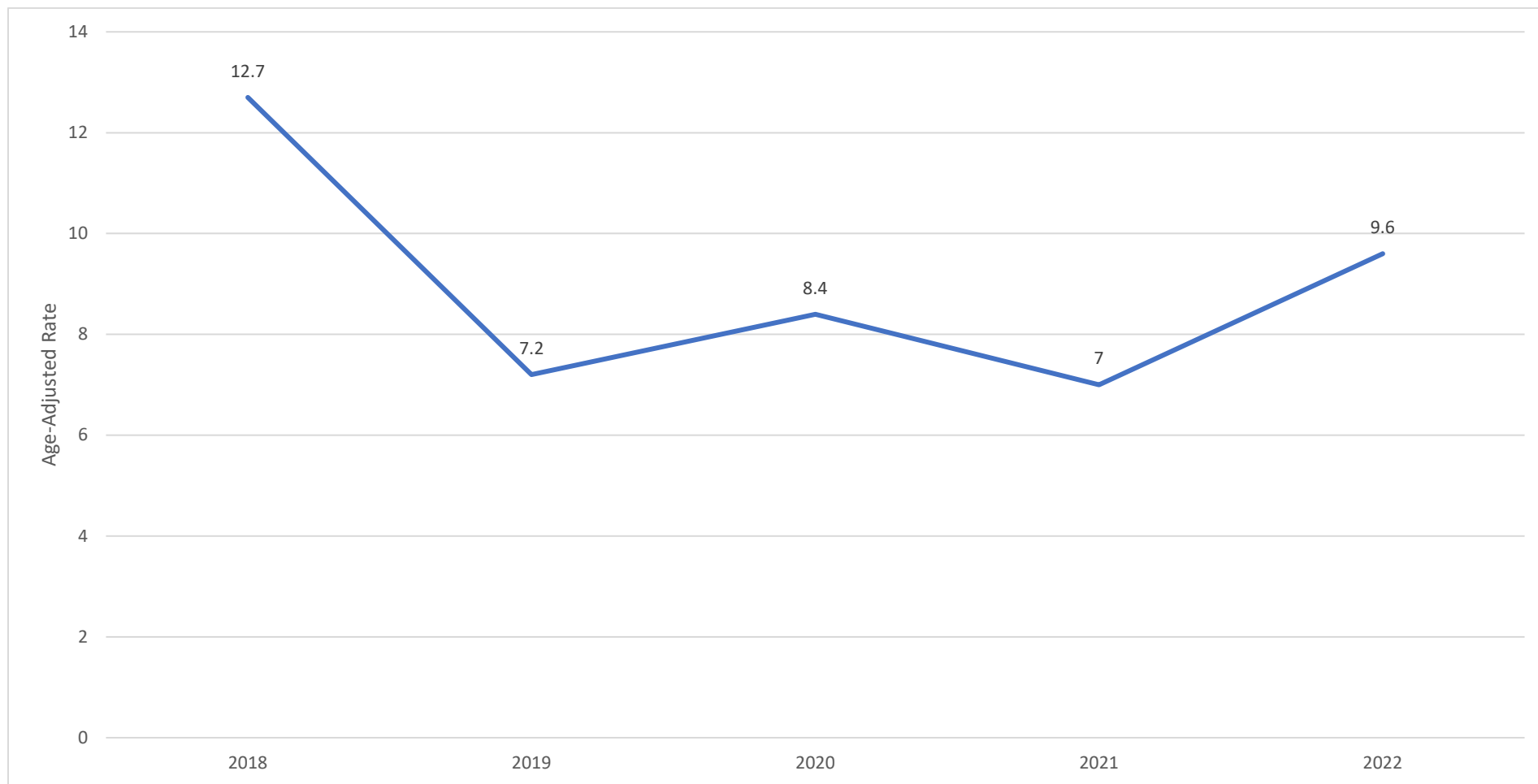
⁸⁰ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Influenza and Pneumonia⁸¹

Influenza and pneumonia, while not in the top ten for 2022, have been a LCOD in previous years and had 71 deaths. Influenza and pneumonia had an overall AADR of 9.6, up from 7.0 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in men (12.6) and AI/AN people (30.6).

Figure 20. Influenza and Pneumonia Age-Adjusted Death Rates by Year



⁸¹ ICD-10 Codes: J09-J18.

Table 95. Influenza and Pneumonia Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁸²

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	30 (7.9) [10.3]	20 (5.3) [6.3]	25 (6.6) [8.9]	23 (6.1) [8.3]	48 (12.7) [12.6]
	Female	40 (11.2) [14.3]	25 (7.0) [7.8]	27 (7.6) [7.9]	19 (5.3*) [5.9*]	23 (6.4) [6.6]
Race	White	36 (7.5) [9.1]	25 (5.3) [5.3]	23 (4.9) [4.7]	23 (4.9) [4.9]	37 (7.8) [6.8]
	Black	2 (**) [**]	0	2 (**) [**]	0	0
	AI/AN	26 (23.0) [39.3]	16 (14.1*) [21.5*]	25 (21.7) [32.7]	18 (15.6*) [26.2*]	29 (25.1) [30.6]
	Asian/PI	3 (**) [**]	0	2 (**) [**]	0	3 (**) [**]
	Multiple	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	0	1 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]
	Hispanic	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	0	1 (**) [**]
	Age	<5 Years	0	2 (**)	2 (**)	1 (**)
	5-14 Years	1 (**)	1 (**)	0	0	0
	15-24 Years	2 (**)	0	1 (**)	0	0
	25-34 Years	1 (**)	0	1 (**)	1 (**)	3 (**)
	35-44 Years	4 (**)	4 (**)	4 (**)	3 (**)	6 (5.7*)
	45-54 Years	1 (**)	4 (**)	0	1 (**)	3 (**)
	55-64 Years	9 (9.1*)	4 (**)	7 (7.3*)	5 (**)	18 (19.6*)
	65-74 Years	10 (16.9*)	12 (19.3*)	13 (20.3*)	6 (8.8*)	16 (22.7*)
	75-84 Years	20 (93.5)	10 (44.0*)	10 (42.8*)	11 (43.7*)	12 (43.4*)
	85+ Years	22 (334.9)	8 (118.9*)	14 (209.4*)	14 (195.9*)	12 (162.4*)
Residence	Anchorage	29 (9.8) [12.9]	14 (4.8*) [5.8*]	20 (6.9) [8.1]	11 (3.8*) [4.5*]	32 (11.0) [11.2]
	Gulf Coast	14 (17.3*) [16.1*]	11 (13.6*) [12.0*]	6 (7.4*) [6.7*]	9 (11.0*) [11.1*]	9 (10.9*) [8.8*]
	Interior	5 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	11 (9.9*) [10.1*]
	Mat-Su	4 (**) [**]	6 (5.6*) [5.8*]	4 (**) [**]	7 (6.4*) [7.6*]	6 (5.4*) [4.5*]
	Northern	5 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]
	Southeast	5 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	6 (8.3*) [8.0*]	2 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]
	Southwest	8 (18.9*) [45.8*]	5 (**) [**]	8 (18.7*) [39.7*]	5 (**) [**]	7 (16.7*) [30.2*]
Statewide	Total	70 (9.5) [12.7]	45 (6.1) [7.2]	52 (7.1) [8.4]	42 (5.7) [7.0]	71 (9.6) [9.6]

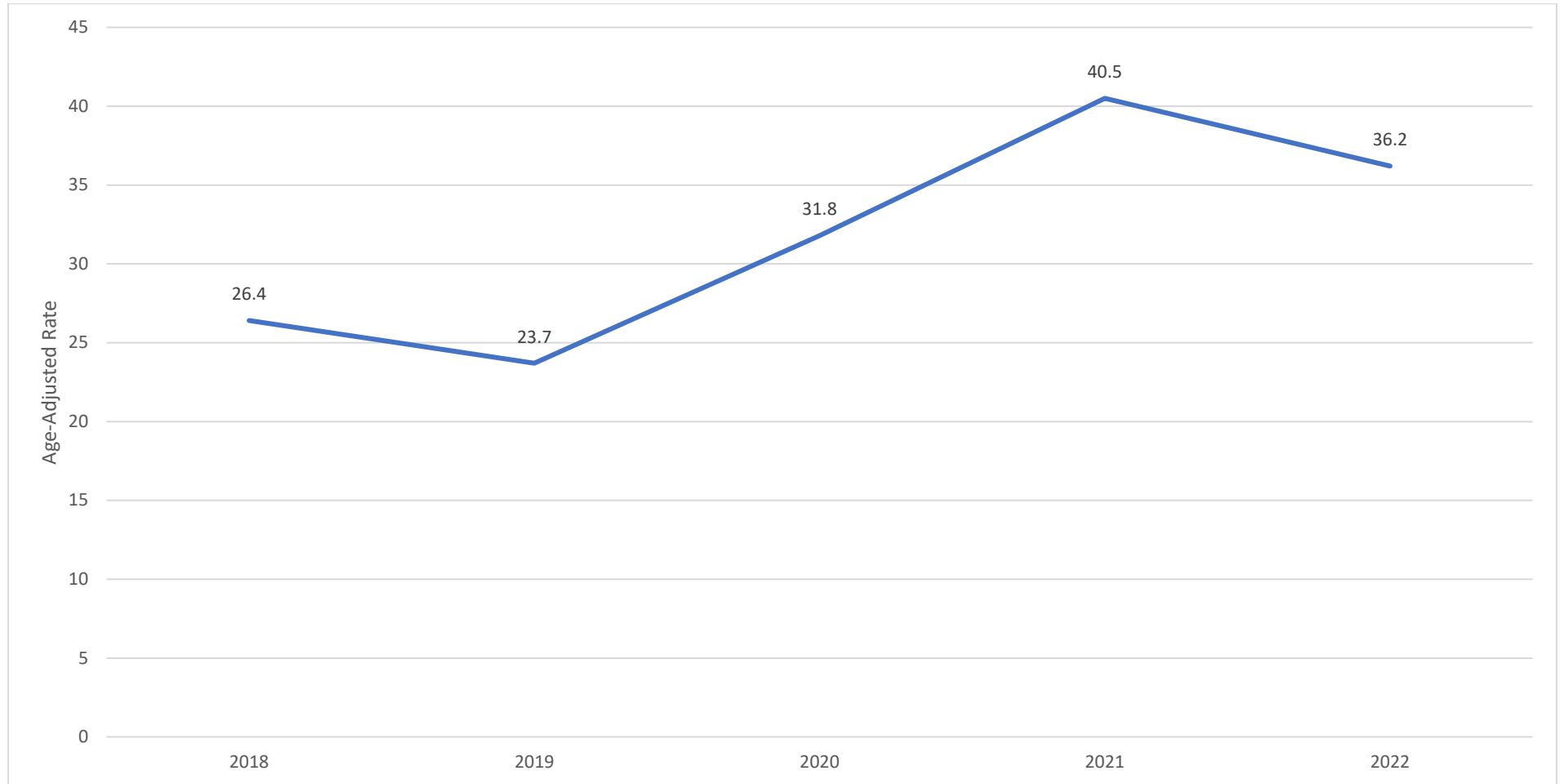
⁸² Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Alcohol-Induced⁸³

Alcohol-induced mortality (which contains several LCOD categories and is not ranked) includes causes such as alcohol poisoning, alcoholic liver disease, and mental and behavioral disorders due to alcohol. It does not include alcohol related injuries, or other causes indirectly related to alcohol use. In 2022, there were 286 alcohol-induced deaths, with an AADR of 36.2, down from 40.5 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in men (38.4), AI/AN people (141.5), and residents of the Southwest region (65.5). People aged 55-64 years had the highest reliable ASDR (92.5).

Figure 21. Alcohol-Induced Age-Adjusted Death Rates by Year



⁸³ ICD-10 Codes: E244, F10, G312, G621, G721, I426, K292, K70, K852, K860, R780, X45, X65, Y15.

Table 96. Alcohol-Induced Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁸⁴

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	114 (30.1) [29.4]	113 (30.0) [27.9]	132 (35.0) [32.5]	201 (53.1) [48.8]	156 (41.3) [38.4]
	Female	89 (24.9) [23.3]	72 (20.2) [19.3]	110 (30.9) [30.9]	114 (31.9) [32.1]	130 (36.2) [34.1]
Race	White	76 (15.9) [13.1]	72 (15.1) [12.4]	92 (19.4) [16.6]	127 (26.8) [22.5]	115 (24.3) [19.4]
	Black	0	5 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]
	AI/AN	112 (98.9) [113.4]	93 (82.1) [90.4]	133 (115.4) [130.1]	158 (137.0) [154.3]	148 (128.3) [141.5]
	Asian/PI	1 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	0
	Multiple	8 (14.3*) [34.1*]	11 (19.4*) [31.3*]	10 (17.3*) [22.2*]	16 (27.0*) [43.6*]	13 (21.7*) [37.2*]
	Hispanic	6 (11.3*) [15.8*]	6 (11.3*) [14.5*]	5 (**) [**]	6 (10.8*) [12.6*]	5 (**) [**]
Age	<5 Years	0	0	0	0	0
	5-14 Years	0	1 (**)	0	0	0
	15-24 Years	1 (**)	5 (**)	3 (**)	3 (**)	2 (**)
	25-34 Years	21 (18.6)	20 (17.8)	28 (25.1)	37 (33.7)	44 (41.1)
	35-44 Years	31 (32.5)	30 (30.9)	49 (49.1)	46 (44.5)	46 (43.8)
	45-54 Years	53 (59.8)	40 (46.7)	60 (70.9)	81 (97.7)	58 (70.3)
	55-64 Years	62 (62.7)	52 (53.3)	72 (75.2)	85 (90.6)	85 (92.5)
	65-74 Years	25 (42.2)	32 (51.6)	22 (34.4)	50 (73.4)	38 (53.9)
	75-84 Years	10 (46.7*)	5 (**)	8 (34.2*)	12 (47.7*)	13 (47.0*)
	85+ Years	0	0	0	1 (**)	0
Residence	Anchorage	69 (23.4) [21.0]	74 (25.3) [24.2]	95 (32.6) [31.6]	111 (38.2) [37.1]	123 (42.4) [39.4]
	Gulf Coast	29 (35.8) [31.3]	16 (19.7*) [17.8*]	26 (31.9) [27.1]	30 (36.7) [31.6]	20 (24.2) [20.0]
	Interior	30 (27.0) [27.6]	27 (24.5) [23.3]	38 (34.7) [36.1]	53 (47.5) [45.5]	48 (43.4) [40.0]
	Mat-Su	12 (11.4*) [11.0*]	17 (15.9*) [14.8*]	21 (19.6) [18.8]	37 (33.9) [31.4]	27 (24.2) [21.9]
	Northern	12 (43.4*) [44.9*]	12 (43.7*) [44.4*]	8 (27.7*) [27.7*]	14 (49.4*) [65.2*]	18 (64.8*) [65.8*]
	Southeast	26 (35.7) [32.1]	18 (24.8*) [18.8*]	30 (41.5) [35.2]	42 (57.8) [47.9]	26 (36.0) [27.4]
	Southwest	25 (59.2) [68.0]	20 (47.3) [46.8]	24 (56.0) [63.7]	27 (63.8) [64.1]	23 (54.8) [65.5]
Statewide	Total	203 (27.6) [26.4]	185 (25.2) [23.7]	242 (33.0) [31.8]	315 (42.8) [40.5]	286 (38.8) [36.2]

⁸⁴ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Table 97. Alcohol-Induced Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Type⁸⁵

Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Alcohol-Induced	203 (27.6) [26.4]	185 (25.2) [23.7]	242 (33.0) [31.8]	315 (42.8) [40.5]	286 (38.8) [36.2]
Alcohol Poisoning	38 (5.2) [5.5]	32 (4.4) [4.3]	29 (4.0) [3.8]	27 (3.7) [3.7]	22 (3.0) [3.2]
Accidental Alcohol Poisoning	38 (5.2) [5.5]	30 (4.1) [4.1]	29 (4.0) [3.8]	26 (3.5) [3.6]	21 (2.9) [3.0]
Intentional Self-Harm Alcohol Poisoning	0	1 (**) [**]	0	0	0
Undetermined Alcohol Poisoning	0	1 (**) [**]	0	1 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]
Alcoholic Liver Disease	93 (12.6) [11.9]	84 (11.5) [11.1]	139 (19.0) [18.9]	157 (21.3) [20.3]	146 (19.8) [18.8]
Mental and Behavioral Disorders Due to Use of Alcohol	58 (7.9) [7.3]	60 (8.2) [7.1]	62 (8.5) [7.7]	112 (15.2) [13.9]	99 (13.4) [11.9]
All Other Alcohol-Induced	14 (1.9*) [1.7*]	9 (1.2*) [1.2*]	12 (1.6*) [1.3*]	19 (2.6*) [2.6*]	19 (2.6*) [2.4*]

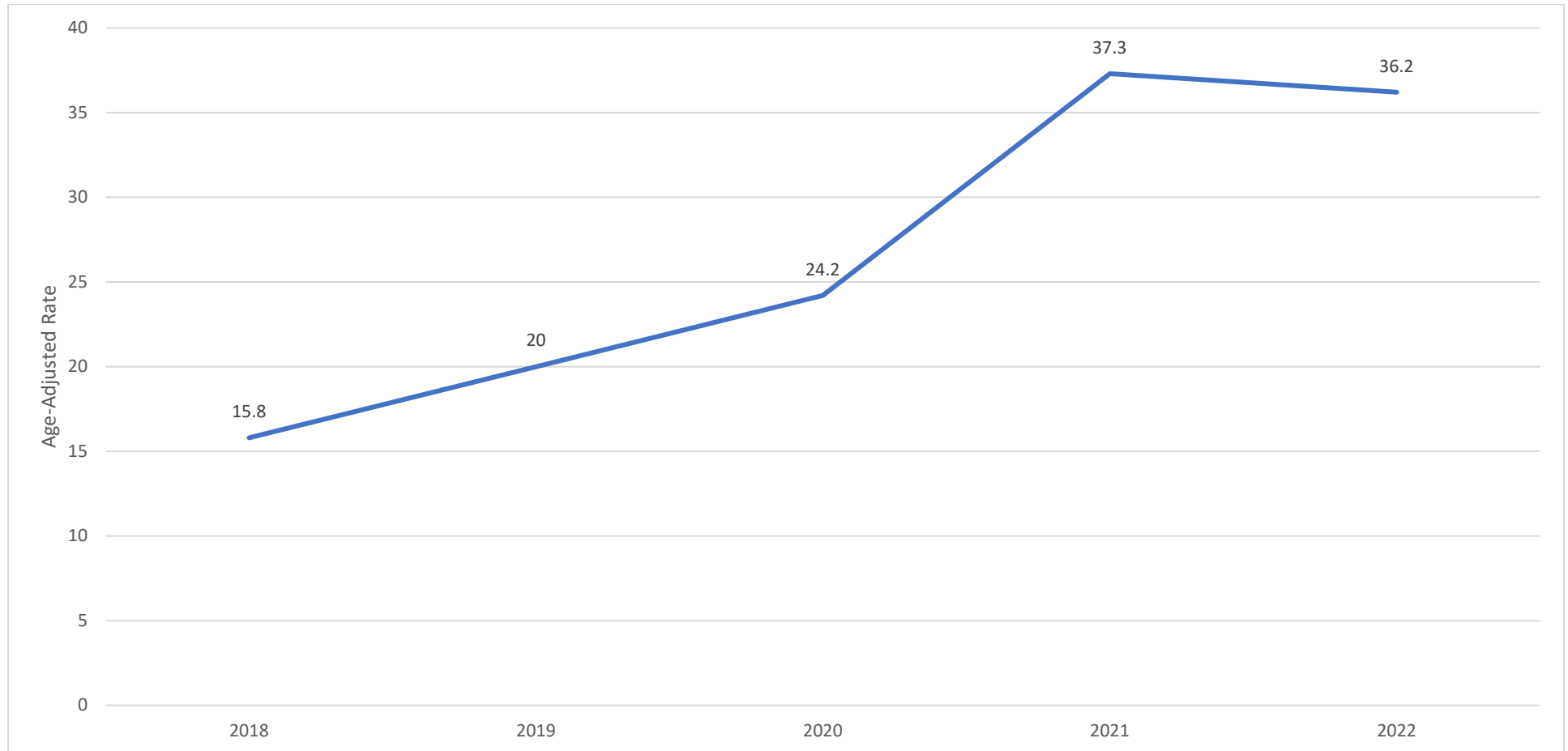
⁸⁵ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Drug-Induced⁸⁶

Drug-induced mortality (which contains several LCOD categories and is not ranked) includes causes such as drug poisoning (overdose, regardless of intent), and mental or behavioral disorders from the use of drugs. It does not include drug related injuries, or other causes indirectly related to drug use. In 2022, there were 268 drug-induced deaths, with an AADR of 36.2, down from 37.3 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in men (45.8), AI/AN people (85.6), and residents of the Anchorage region (46.0). People aged 35-44 years had the highest reliable ASDR (70.4).

Figure 22. Drug-Induced Age-Adjusted Death Rates by Year



⁸⁶ ICD-10 Codes: D521, D590, D592, D611, D642, E064, E160, E231, E242, E273, E661, F110-F115, F117-F119, F120-F125, F127-F129, F130-F135, F137-F139, F140-F145, F147-F149, F150-F155, F157-F159, F160-F165, F167-F169, F170, F173-F175, F177-F179, F180-F185, F187-F189, F190-F195, F197-F199, G211, G240, G251, G254, G256, G444, G620, G720, I952, J702-J704, L105, L270-L271, M102, M320, M804, M814, M835, M871, R502, R781-R785, X40-X44X, X60-X64X, X85, Y10-Y14X.

Table 98. Drug-Induced Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁸⁷

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	71 (18.8) [18.0]	100 (26.5) [25.8]	115 (30.5) [30.3]	167 (44.1) [44.2]	175 (46.3) [45.8]
	Female	48 (13.4) [13.5]	49 (13.8) [13.9]	64 (18.0) [17.7]	105 (29.4) [29.8]	93 (25.9) [26.1]
Race	White	76 (15.9) [14.4]	86 (18.1) [17.1]	94 (19.9) [18.9]	138 (29.1) [28.2]	129 (27.3) [25.5]
	Black	6 (22.0*) [19.8*]	6 (22.3*) [22.6*]	12 (45.1*) [42.1*]	7 (26.2*) [24.8*]	8 (30.1*) [29.7*]
	AI/AN	21 (18.5) [21.6]	37 (32.7) [35.1]	46 (39.9) [42.4]	91 (78.9) [84.8]	90 (78.0) [85.6]
	Asian/PI	0	3 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]
	Multiple	15 (26.8*) [38.1*]	17 (30.0*) [39.7*]	16 (27.6*) [40.3*]	33 (55.7) [77.1]	35 (58.4) [78.6]
	Hispanic	3 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	6 (10.8*) [10.9*]	13 (23.1*) [23.8*]
Age	<5 Years	0	1 (**)	0	0	1 (**)
	5-14 Years	0	0	0	0	0
	15-24 Years	11 (11.6*)	9 (9.6*)	22 (23.7)	26 (27.8)	17 (18.2*)
	25-34 Years	26 (23.0)	51 (45.4)	45 (40.3)	78 (71.1)	63 (58.8)
	35-44 Years	25 (26.2)	36 (37.1)	39 (39.1)	60 (58.0)	74 (70.4)
	45-54 Years	27 (30.5)	20 (23.4)	33 (39.0)	57 (68.8)	47 (56.9)
	55-64 Years	26 (26.3)	21 (21.5)	32 (33.4)	36 (38.4)	50 (54.4)
	65-74 Years	4 (**)	9 (14.5*)	7 (10.9*)	12 (17.6*)	14 (19.8*)
	75-84 Years	0	2 (**)	1 (**)	3 (**)	1 (**)
	85+ Years	0	0	0	0	1 (**)
Residence	Anchorage	50 (17.0) [16.2]	61 (20.9) [19.7]	97 (33.3) [33.2]	128 (44.1) [43.4]	137 (47.3) [46.0]
	Gulf Coast	18 (22.2*) [20.4*]	18 (22.2*) [21.7*]	17 (20.8*) [18.8*]	35 (42.8) [45.8]	23 (27.9) [28.3]
	Interior	13 (11.7*) [11.4*]	21 (19.1) [19.0]	15 (13.7*) [12.5*]	28 (25.1) [23.5]	29 (26.2) [27.2]
	Mat-Su	18 (17.0*) [17.1*]	24 (22.5) [23.9]	25 (23.3) [23.7]	39 (35.8) [37.2]	31 (27.7) [27.3]
	Northern	3 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	7 (25.2*) [25.6*]
	Southeast	12 (16.5*) [15.2*]	12 (16.5*) [15.6*]	13 (18.0*) [18.8*]	28 (38.5) [40.3]	23 (31.8) [33.6]
	Southwest	4 (**) [**]	8 (18.9*) [24.1*]	8 (18.7*) [20.5*]	9 (21.3*) [22.6*]	18 (42.9*) [44.5*]
Statewide	Total	119 (16.2) [15.8]	149 (20.3) [20.0]	179 (24.4) [24.2]	272 (37.0) [37.3]	268 (36.4) [36.2]

⁸⁷ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Table 99. Drug-Induced Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Type⁸⁸

Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Drug-Induced	119 (16.2) [15.8]	149 (20.3) [20.0]	179 (24.4) [24.2]	272 (37.0) [37.3]	268 (36.4) [36.2]
Drug Poisoning	110 (15.0) [14.7]	132 (18.0) [17.9]	160 (21.8) [22.0]	260 (35.3) [35.8]	249 (33.8) [33.8]
Accidental Drug Poisoning	95 (12.9) [12.7]	112 (15.3) [15.1]	140 (19.1) [19.2]	246 (33.4) [33.9]	229 (31.1) [30.9]
Intentional Self-Harm Drug Poisoning	6 (0.8*) [0.7*]	14 (1.9*) [1.9*]	11 (1.5*) [1.5*]	7 (1.0*) [1.0*]	9 (1.2*) [1.3*]
Assault Drug Poisoning	0	0	0	0	0
Undetermined Drug Poisoning	9 (1.2*) [1.2*]	6 (0.8*) [0.9*]	9 (1.2*) [1.3*]	7 (1.0*) [0.9*]	11 (1.5*) [1.6*]
Mental and Behavioral Disorders Due to Use of Drugs	9 (1.2*) [1.2*]	17 (2.3*) [2.2*]	19 (2.6*) [2.2*]	12 (1.6*) [1.5*]	19 (2.6*) [2.4*]
All Other Drug-Induced	0	0	0	0	0

⁸⁸ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Drug Poisoning⁸⁹

Within drug-induced deaths, drug poisoning (overdose) specifically was responsible for 249 deaths. Because multiple drugs can be involved in a single death, drug poisoning type categories are based on multiple cause of death analysis and are not mutually exclusive. Narcotic opioids were involved in 183 drug poisoning deaths, down from 199 in 2021. Non-methadone synthetic opioids, a narcotic class that includes drugs such as illicit fentanyl, was the most common opioid, involved in 156 deaths, up slightly from 151 in 2021. Psychostimulants, a psychotropic class that includes drugs such as illicit methamphetamine, was involved in 140 overdose deaths, down from 163 in 2021.

Table 100. Drug Poisoning Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Type⁹⁰

Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Drug Poisoning	110 (15.0) [14.7]	132 (18.0) [17.9]	160 (21.8) [22.0]	260 (35.3) [35.8]	249 (33.8) [33.8]
Narcotics	75 (10.2) [9.7]	88 (12.0) [11.6]	118 (16.1) [16.0]	203 (27.6) [27.8]	189 (25.7) [25.4]
Opioids	68 (9.2) [8.8]	83 (11.3) [11.0]	112 (15.3) [15.2]	199 (27.0) [27.4]	183 (24.8) [24.6]
Heroin	29 (3.9) [3.8]	44 (6.0) [5.9]	35 (4.8) [4.8]	66 (9.0) [9.1]	39 (5.3) [5.3]
Natural and Semi-Synthetic	34 (4.6) [4.5]	42 (5.7) [5.4]	38 (5.2) [4.8]	72 (9.8) [9.8]	48 (6.5) [6.5]
Methadone	9 (1.2*) [1.2*]	9 (1.2*) [1.2*]	8 (1.1*) [1.1*]	12 (1.6*) [1.6*]	10 (1.4*) [1.2*]
Non-Methadone Synthetic	18 (2.4*) [2.3*]	24 (3.3) [3.3]	69 (9.4) [9.7]	151 (20.5) [21.1]	156 (21.2) [21.0]
Fentanyl	11 (1.5*) [1.4*]	16 (2.2*) [2.2*]	66 (9.0) [9.3]	146 (19.8) [20.4]	151 (20.5) [20.3]
Cocaine	10 (1.4*) [1.3*]	7 (1.0*) [0.9*]	22 (3.0) [3.0]	13 (1.8*) [1.6*]	21 (2.9) [2.9]
Sedatives	27 (3.7) [3.7]	25 (3.4) [3.5]	27 (3.7) [3.7]	21 (2.9) [3.0]	36 (4.9) [5.0]
Benzodiazepines	25 (3.4) [3.4]	18 (2.5*) [2.6*]	21 (2.9) [2.9]	13 (1.8*) [1.8*]	30 (4.1) [4.2]
Psychotropics	62 (8.4) [8.6]	73 (10.0) [9.8]	77 (10.5) [10.5]	173 (23.5) [24.0]	149 (20.2) [20.4]
Antidepressants	11 (1.5*) [1.7*]	10 (1.4*) [1.4*]	9 (1.2*) [1.1*]	13 (1.8*) [1.9*]	14 (1.9*) [2.0*]
Antipsychotics	5 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	6 (0.8*) [0.9*]	6 (0.8*) [0.9*]
Psychostimulants	52 (7.1) [7.1]	64 (8.7) [8.6]	70 (9.5) [9.7]	163 (22.1) [22.5]	140 (19.0) [19.1]
Methamphetamine	47 (6.4) [6.4]	59 (8.1) [7.8]	65 (8.9) [9.0]	159 (21.6) [22.0]	127 (17.2) [17.3]

⁸⁹ ICD-10 Codes: X40-X44, X60-X64, X85, Y10-Y14 with T400-T409, T420-T428, or T430-T439 as a contributing cause. Fentanyl and methamphetamine estimates based on scans of the descriptive cause of death, significant conditions, and injury description text fields.

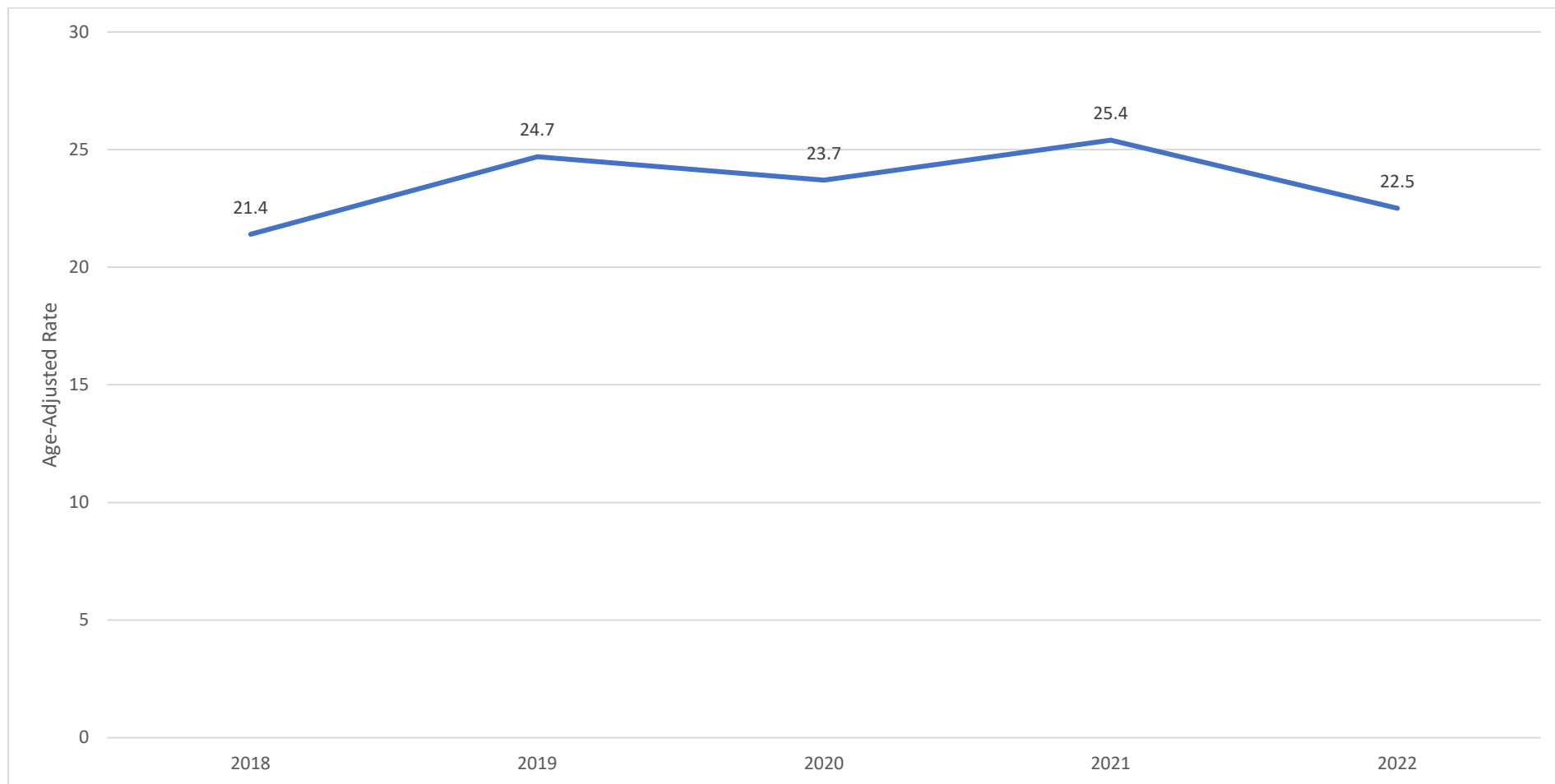
⁹⁰ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Firearm⁹¹

Firearm mortality (which contains several LCOD categories and is not ranked) includes deaths due to the discharge of a firearm. In 2022, there were 163 firearm deaths, with an AADR of 22.5, down from 25.4 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in men (37.2), AI/AN people (32.1), and residents of the Interior region (38.6). People aged 15-24 years had the highest reliable ASDR (37.6).

Figure 23. Firearm Discharge Age-Adjusted Death Rates by Year



⁹¹ ICD-10 Codes: U014, W32-W34, X72-X74, X93-X95, Y22-Y24, Y350.

Table 101. Firearm Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁹²

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	128 (33.8) [34.2]	147 (39.0) [39.6]	145 (38.4) [38.2]	149 (39.4) [40.1]	137 (36.3) [37.2]
	Female	28 (7.8) [8.2]	32 (9.0) [8.8]	30 (8.4) [8.4]	33 (9.2) [9.7]	26 (7.2) [7.2]
Race	White	92 (19.2) [18.7]	96 (20.2) [19.1]	96 (20.3) [19.3]	101 (21.3) [21.3]	92 (19.5) [19.4]
	Black	9 (33.1*) [26.5*]	8 (29.8*) [27.5*]	6 (22.5*) [21.1*]	6 (22.5*) [19.2*]	7 (26.3*) [23.0*]
	AI/AN	31 (27.4) [25.6]	50 (44.2) [47.6]	47 (40.8) [38.3]	48 (41.6) [41.8]	39 (33.8) [32.1]
	Asian/PI	8 (13.5*) [13.7*]	8 (13.3*) [12.8*]	7 (11.6*) [10.9*]	5 (**) [**]	7 (11.2*) [12.5*]
	Multiple	16 (28.5*) [34.7*]	10 (17.7*) [19.3*]	18 (31.1*) [38.7*]	14 (23.6*) [20.8*]	16 (26.7*) [41.6*]
	Hispanic	7 (13.2*) [12.2*]	10 (18.8*) [21.3*]	8 (14.8*) [13.7*]	11 (19.9*) [18.1*]	6 (10.7*) [9.7*]
Age	<5 Years	1 (**)	0	0	0	1 (**)
	5-14 Years	3 (**)	2 (**)	8 (7.6*)	1 (**)	6 (5.7*)
	15-24 Years	36 (37.9)	41 (43.9)	37 (39.8)	47 (50.3)	35 (37.6)
	25-34 Years	38 (33.6)	44 (39.2)	47 (42.1)	48 (43.8)	36 (33.6)
	35-44 Years	23 (24.1)	28 (28.8)	21 (21.1)	34 (32.9)	29 (27.6)
	45-54 Years	18 (20.3*)	27 (31.5)	18 (21.3*)	16 (19.3*)	17 (20.6*)
	55-64 Years	19 (19.2*)	24 (24.6)	18 (18.8*)	9 (9.6*)	16 (17.4*)
	65-74 Years	11 (18.6*)	8 (12.9*)	17 (26.6*)	16 (23.5*)	13 (18.4*)
	75-84 Years	5 (**)	3 (**)	9 (38.5*)	10 (39.7*)	7 (25.3*)
	85+ Years	2 (**)	2 (**)	0	1 (**)	3 (**)
Residence	Anchorage	53 (18.0) [17.4]	67 (22.9) [23.2]	62 (21.3) [20.9]	48 (16.5) [16.2]	44 (15.2) [15.1]
	Gulf Coast	17 (21.0*) [22.8*]	17 (21.0*) [20.1*]	18 (22.1*) [23.3*]	20 (24.5) [26.1]	23 (27.9) [30.5]
	Interior	33 (29.7) [29.2]	31 (28.2) [30.3]	25 (22.8) [22.1]	42 (37.7) [37.0]	44 (39.8) [38.6]
	Mat-Su	22 (20.8) [22.1]	31 (29.0) [27.3]	35 (32.7) [33.0]	30 (27.5) [28.9]	27 (24.2) [25.8]
	Northern	9 (32.5*) [30.9*]	11 (40.0*) [40.3*]	13 (45.0*) [43.2*]	10 (35.3*) [34.1*]	4 (**) [**]
	Southeast	12 (16.5*) [15.4*]	6 (8.3*) [8.8*]	4 (**) [**]	12 (16.5*) [18.7*]	9 (12.5*) [12.1*]
	Southwest	10 (23.7*) [21.4*]	14 (33.1*) [33.4*]	18 (42.0*) [38.9*]	20 (47.2) [45.3]	11 (26.2*) [25.3*]
Statewide	Total	156 (21.2) [21.4]	179 (24.4) [24.7]	175 (23.9) [23.7]	182 (24.7) [25.4]	163 (22.1) [22.5]

⁹² Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

* Rates based on <20 events are statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. ** Rates based on <6 events are not reported.

Table 102. Firearm Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Type⁹³

Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Firearm	156 (21.2) [21.4]	179 (24.4) [24.7]	175 (23.9) [23.7]	182 (24.7) [25.4]	163 (22.1) [22.5]
Accidental Discharge	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]
Intentional Self-Harm Discharge	108 (14.7) [14.8]	117 (16.0) [15.9]	133 (18.1) [17.9]	142 (19.3) [20.0]	114 (15.5) [16.0]
Assault Discharge	37 (5.0) [5.2]	51 (7.0) [7.2]	27 (3.7) [3.8]	31 (4.2) [4.2]	41 (5.6) [5.5]
Undetermined Discharge	5 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	7 (1.0*) [1.0*]	6 (0.8*) [0.7*]	2 (**) [**]
Legal Intervention Discharge	4 (**) [**]	4 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]

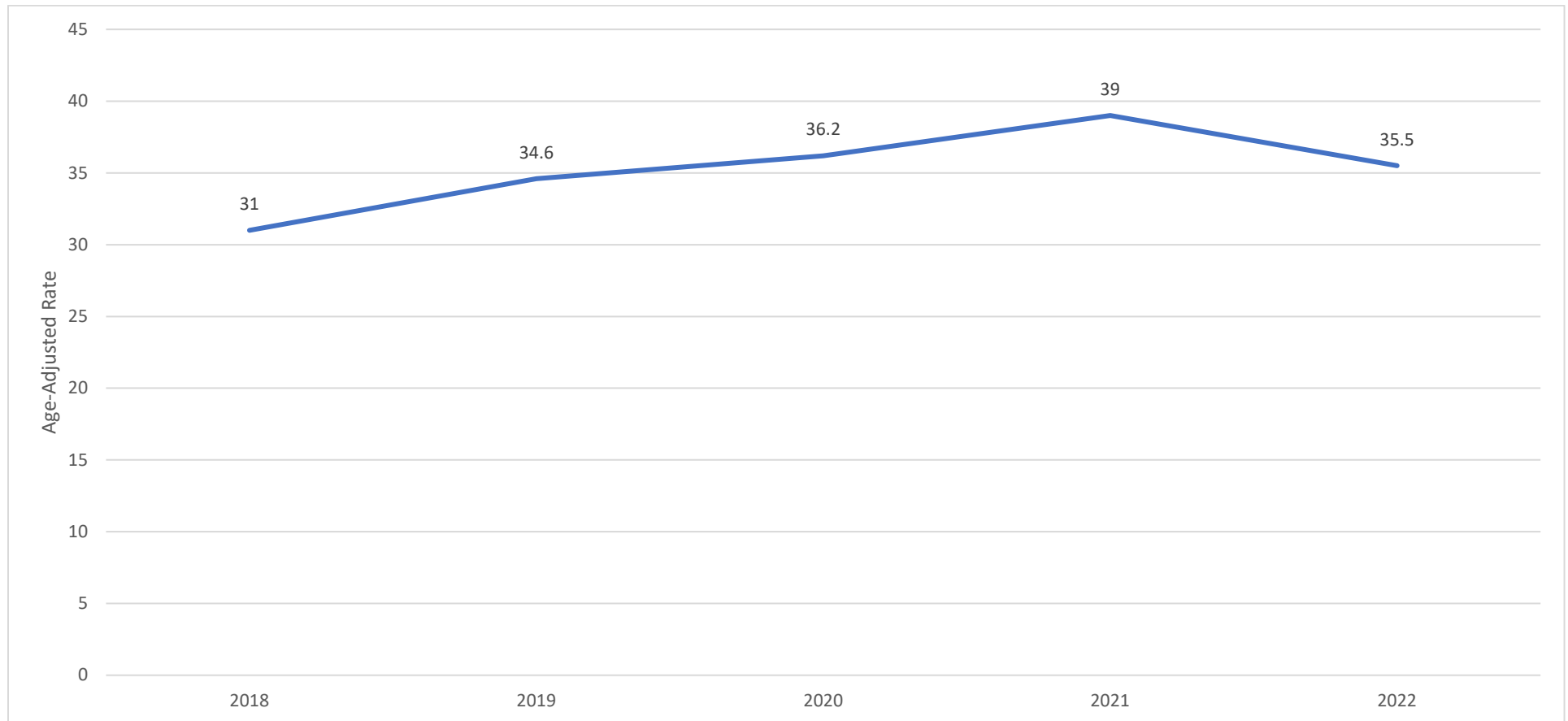
⁹³ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Traumatic Brain Injury⁹⁴

Traumatic brain injury (TBI) mortality (which contains several LCOD categories and is not ranked) includes injury deaths involving a bump, blow, or jolt to the head, or a penetrating injury to the head.⁹⁵ Because multiple injuries can be involved in a single death, TBI type categories are based on multiple cause of death analysis and are not mutually exclusive. In 2022, there were 259 TBI deaths, with an AADR of 35.5, down from 39.0 in 2021. The highest statistically reliable AADRs were found in men (52.6), AI/AN people (55.4), and residents of the Gulf Coast region (52.8). People aged 25-34 years had the highest reliable ASDR (48.6). The most common type of TBI was other and unspecified injuries of the head at 129 deaths followed closely by open wound of the head at 128 deaths.

Figure 24. Traumatic Brain Injury Age-Adjusted Death Rates by Year



⁹⁴ ICD-10 Codes: U01–U03, V01–Y36, Y85–Y87, Y89 with S010–S019, S020, S021, S023, S027–S029, S040, S060–S069, S070, S071, S078, S079, S097–S099, T901, T902, T904, T905, T908, T909 as a contributing cause.

⁹⁵ [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Traumatic Brain Injury and Concussion](#)

Table 103. Traumatic Brain Injury Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁹⁶

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	168 (44.4) [45.2]	179 (47.5) [49.0]	191 (50.6) [52.7]	216 (57.1) [59.7]	194 (51.4) [52.6]
	Female	57 (16.0) [16.3]	68 (19.1) [19.4]	70 (19.7) [19.5]	58 (16.2) [17.6]	65 (18.1) [18.0]
Race	White	144 (30.0) [29.2]	143 (30.0) [28.3]	151 (31.9) [30.8]	153 (32.3) [31.9]	157 (33.2) [32.1]
	Black	6 (22.0*) [19.7*]	5 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	7 (26.3*) [24.4*]
	AI/AN	54 (47.7) [47.1]	61 (53.9) [58.7]	72 (62.5) [62.1]	78 (67.6) [72.9]	64 (55.5) [55.4]
	Asian/PI	6 (10.1*) [11.9*]	13 (21.7*) [23.0*]	10 (16.5*) [18.4*]	12 (19.6*) [21.9*]	9 (14.5*) [16.3*]
	Multiple	14 (25.0*) [25.3*]	17 (30.0*) [40.0*]	21 (36.3) [56.6]	21 (35.4) [42.8]	19 (31.7*) [49.8*]
	Hispanic	11 (20.8*) [22.4*]	11 (20.7*) [39.6*]	11 (20.4*) [21.4*]	9 (16.2*) [16.1*]	8 (14.2*) [12.9*]
Age	<5 Years	4 (**)	1 (**)	1 (**)	4 (**)	6 (13.2*)
	5-14 Years	8 (7.5*)	3 (**)	13 (12.3*)	3 (**)	5 (**)
	15-24 Years	35 (36.9)	47 (50.3)	43 (46.3)	61 (65.3)	40 (42.9)
	25-34 Years	47 (41.6)	51 (45.4)	49 (43.9)	48 (43.8)	52 (48.6)
	35-44 Years	29 (30.4)	31 (31.9)	37 (37.1)	42 (40.6)	38 (36.2)
	45-54 Years	36 (40.6)	36 (42.0)	24 (28.4)	30 (36.2)	29 (35.1)
	55-64 Years	32 (32.3)	38 (39.0)	35 (36.6)	24 (25.6)	31 (33.7)
	65-74 Years	20 (33.8)	17 (27.4*)	32 (50.0)	26 (38.2)	31 (43.9)
	75-84 Years	8 (37.4*)	15 (66.1*)	17 (72.7*)	26 (103.3)	15 (54.2*)
	85+ Years	6 (91.3*)	8 (118.9*)	10 (149.6*)	10 (139.9*)	12 (162.4*)
Residence	Anchorage	70 (23.7) [23.8]	99 (33.8) [34.6]	80 (27.5) [28.0]	86 (29.6) [30.7]	68 (23.5) [24.0]
	Gulf Coast	24 (29.6) [29.7]	33 (40.7) [41.3]	33 (40.4) [39.4]	32 (39.2) [40.8]	43 (52.1) [52.8]
	Interior	45 (40.5) [40.7]	40 (36.3) [37.7]	40 (36.6) [35.6]	56 (50.2) [51.3]	50 (45.2) [45.0]
	Mat-Su	37 (35.0) [37.3]	41 (38.4) [37.9]	46 (43.0) [44.2]	34 (31.2) [31.4]	52 (46.5) [47.9]
	Northern	14 (50.6*) [53.4*]	11 (40.0*) [39.0*]	17 (58.9*) [55.8*]	17 (60.0*) [66.2*]	10 (36.0*) [41.2*]
	Southeast	22 (30.2) [28.0]	10 (13.8*) [16.5*]	17 (23.5*) [24.4*]	23 (31.6) [33.4]	16 (22.2*) [21.0*]
	Southwest	13 (30.8*) [30.3*]	12 (28.4*) [29.0*]	28 (65.3) [65.7]	26 (61.4) [61.3]	19 (45.3*) [43.8*]
Statewide	Total	225 (30.6) [31.0]	247 (33.7) [34.6]	261 (35.6) [36.2]	274 (37.2) [39.0]	259 (35.2) [35.5]

⁹⁶ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Table 104. Traumatic Brain Injury Deaths (Crude Death Rate) [Age-Adjusted Death Rate] by Type⁹⁷

Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Traumatic Brain Injury	225 (30.6) [31.0]	247 (33.7) [34.6]	261 (35.6) [36.2]	274 (37.2) [39.0]	259 (35.2) [35.5]
Open Wound Of Head	113 (15.4) [15.5]	130 (17.7) [17.9]	140 (19.1) [19.0]	145 (19.7) [20.3]	128 (17.4) [17.6]
Fracture Of Skull And Facial Bones	20 (2.7) [2.6]	25 (3.4) [3.6]	17 (2.3*) [2.3*]	36 (4.9) [4.9]	30 (4.1) [4.1]
Intracranial Injury	74 (10.1) [10.3]	96 (13.1) [13.7]	95 (13.0) [13.7]	114 (15.5) [16.0]	91 (12.4) [12.9]
Crushing Injury Of Head	0	1 (**) [**]	1 (**) [**]	0	0
Other And Unspecified Injuries Of Head	108 (14.7) [14.8]	112 (15.3) [15.9]	112 (15.3) [15.4]	115 (15.6) [16.9]	129 (17.5) [17.7]
Sequelae Of Injuries Of Head	2 (**) [**]	2 (**) [**]	3 (**) [**]	6 (0.8*) [0.9*]	3 (**) [**]

⁹⁷ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted death rates are deaths per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

* Rates based on <20 events are statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. ** Rates based on <6 events are not reported.

Child and Adolescent Death Rates⁹⁸

Death rates for children aged <5 five years old can be reported on an age-specific basis relative to population, or preferably (given this age group's proximity to birth) on a death cohort basis relative to the number of live births that occurred in the same event year. Between 2020-2022, the three-year average under-five death rate (U5DR), which measures the number of deaths among children aged <5 years per 1,000 live births, was 7.8, up slightly from 7.4 between 2019-2021. The highest statistically reliable average U5DRs were found in boys (8.7), AI/AN children (14.7), and residents of the Southwest region (16.8).

Death rates for children aged 5-14 years and teens ages 15-19 years are reported on an age-specific basis. Between 2020-2022, the three-year average ASDR for children aged 5-14 years was 21.4, up slightly from 21.1 between 2019-2021. The highest statistically reliable average ASDRs for this age group were found in boys (28.9), AI/AN children (45.1), and residents of the Anchorage region (17.6). The average ASDR rate for teens aged 15-19 years was 98.8, down from 106.5 in 2019-2021. The highest statistically reliable average ASDRs for this age group were found in boys (113), AI/AN teens (229.2), and residents of the Northern region (321.6).

⁹⁸ Due to relatively low annual numbers of child and adolescent deaths in Alaska, rates are based on a three-year rolling sum of deaths.

Table 105. <5 Years Child Deaths (Age-Specific Death Rate) [Under-Five Death Rate] by Demographic Characteristic⁹⁹

Demographic	Characteristic	2016-2018	2017-2019	2018-2020	2019-2021	2020-2022
Sex	Male	133 (166.8) [8.1]	120 (153.7) [7.6]	114 (149.1) [7.5]	115 (154.5) [7.8]	126 (174.3) [8.7]
	Female	102 (132.5) [6.6]	100 (132.6) [6.8]	87 (118.4) [6.1]	97 (136.3) [7.0]	94 (136.4) [6.8]
Race	White	78 (93.6) [4.4]	78 (95.8) [4.7]	66 (83.3) [4.1]	72 (94.4) [4.5]	77 (105.7) [4.9]
	Black	12 (201.0*) [12.0*]	9 (151.1*) [9.1*]	9 (155.7*) [9.7*]	5 (**) [**]	5 (**) [**]
	AI/AN	92 (297.7) [15.1]	88 (293.7) [15.0]	80 (273.6) [13.9]	88 (315.4) [15.6]	81 (307.5) [14.7]
	Asian/PI	18 (142.2*) [5.9*]	12 (94.6*) [4.0*]	6 (48.4*) [2.1*]	11 (89.6*) [4.1*]	16 (129.1*) [6.0*]
	Multiple	24 (100.6) [7.2]	25 (106.5) [7.8]	29 (124.8) [9.2]	29 (123.0) [9.5]	32 (132.3) [10.6]
	Hispanic	16 (84.3*) [6.6*]	19 (102.5*) [7.9*]	21 (117.4) [9.0]	15 (86.8*) [6.5*]	17 (100.1*) [7.3*]
	Residence	Anchorage	81 (129.4) [6.4]	71 (116.3) [5.9]	62 (104.4) [5.3]	70 (121.9) [6.2]
	Gulf Coast	19 (121.1*) [6.3*]	20 (129.1) [7.0]	16 (105.2*) [5.8*]	15 (101.6*) [5.5*]	20 (139.4) [7.5]
	Interior	44 (182.7) [8.1]	32 (135.9) [6.2]	30 (130.7) [6.2]	25 (111.6) [5.2]	28 (129.2) [5.9]
	Mat-Su	17 (72.0*) [4.0*]	20 (85.4) [4.9]	15 (65.7*) [3.7*]	22 (98.7) [5.4]	25 (114.2) [6.1]
	Northern	26 (364.8) [16.2]	26 (378.0) [16.9]	23 (337.9) [15.7]	17 (256.1*) [11.9*]	16 (249.6*) [11.5*]
	Southeast	18 (140.9*) [7.9*]	15 (121.3*) [6.9*]	14 (116.9*) [6.7*]	17 (148.5*) [8.4*]	16 (145.8*) [8.1*]
	Southwest	29 (267.4) [11.3]	35 (325.2) [13.9]	40 (372.5) [16.0]	46 (432.0) [18.8]	40 (382.0) [16.8]
Statewide	Total	235 (149.9) [7.4]	220 (143.3) [7.2]	201 (134.1) [6.8]	212 (145.6) [7.4]	220 (155.8) [7.8]

⁹⁹ Age-specific rates are three-year deaths per 100,000 population. Under-five death rates are three-year deaths per 1,000 live births.

* Rates based on <20 events are statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. ** Rates based on <6 events are not reported.

Table 106. 5-14 Years Child Deaths (Age-Specific Death Rate) by Demographic Characteristic¹⁰⁰

Demographic	Characteristic	2016-2018	2017-2019	2018-2020	2019-2021	2020-2022
Sex	Male	48 (29.3)	48 (29.3)	52 (31.8)	46 (28.2)	47 (28.9)
	Female	29 (18.7)	31 (20.1)	30 (19.5)	21 (13.6)	21 (13.6)
Race	White	31 (17.9)	31 (18.1)	32 (18.8)	26 (15.4)	25 (14.8)
	Black	3 (**)	2 (**)	1 (**)	0	1 (**)
	AI/AN	27 (43.4)	30 (47.7)	31 (48.8)	28 (43.8)	29 (45.1)
	Asian/PI	4 (**)	4 (**)	3 (**)	3 (**)	2 (**)
	Multiple	10 (21.7*)	10 (21.4*)	12 (25.5*)	9 (19.0*)	9 (18.9*)
	Hispanic	8 (27.1*)	7 (23.1*)	9 (29.2*)	7 (22.2*)	8 (24.8*)
	Residence	Anchorage	28 (22.7)	27 (22.1)	34 (28.1)	23 (19.2)
	Gulf Coast	2 (**)	6 (18.6*)	7 (21.5*)	7 (21.3*)	7 (21.1*)
	Interior	9 (19.2*)	10 (21.5*)	6 (13.0*)	6 (13.0*)	6 (12.9*)
	Mat-Su	15 (29.3*)	14 (26.9*)	10 (19.1*)	8 (15.1*)	6 (11.2*)
	Northern	13 (86.4*)	11 (72.3*)	10 (64.7*)	9 (58.0*)	13 (83.8*)
	Southeast	2 (**)	2 (**)	4 (**)	3 (**)	3 (**)
	Southwest	8 (36.7*)	9 (41.0*)	11 (50.0*)	11 (50.0*)	12 (54.7*)
Statewide	Total	77 (24.2)	79 (24.8)	82 (25.8)	67 (21.1)	68 (21.4)

¹⁰⁰ Age-specific death rates are three-year deaths per 100,000 population.

* Rates based on <20 events are statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. ** Rates based on <6 events are not reported.

Table 107. Teen Deaths (Age-Specific Death Rate) by Demographic Characteristics¹⁰¹

Demographic	Characteristic	2016-2018	2017-2019	2018-2020	2019-2021	2020-2022
Sex	Male	97 (128.4)	110 (146.9)	104 (140.1)	104 (140.9)	84 (113.0)
	Female	28 (41.2)	29 (42.9)	34 (50.6)	46 (68.6)	56 (83.0)
Race	White	49 (62.0)	45 (57.7)	43 (56.0)	44 (57.8)	43 (56.4)
	Black	6 (103.8*)	7 (124.3*)	5 (**)	5 (**)	3 (**)
	AI/AN	51 (181.3)	58 (207.8)	58 (206.7)	66 (233.5)	66 (229.2)
	Asian/PI	4 (**)	7 (53.9*)	8 (61.6*)	8 (61.8*)	8 (62.3*)
	Multiple	11 (62.1*)	15 (83.6*)	19 (105.0*)	22 (119.9)	20 (106.5)
	Hispanic	3 (**)	5 (**)	6 (49.1*)	6 (48.8*)	4 (**)
	Residence	Anchorage	32 (56.1)	40 (71.0)	42 (75.6)	49 (89.2)
	Gulf Coast	13 (87.2*)	10 (67.9*)	10 (69.0*)	9 (62.7*)	8 (55.5*)
	Interior	23 (108.4)	19 (90.3*)	20 (96.0)	19 (92.0*)	23 (111.0)
	Mat-Su	12 (55.4*)	11 (50.1*)	10 (45.3*)	12 (53.4*)	14 (60.5*)
	Northern	13 (217.5*)	16 (268.1*)	16 (262.3*)	21 (333.0)	21 (321.6)
	Southeast	8 (61.9*)	9 (70.7*)	10 (79.6*)	8 (64.3*)	7 (56.1*)
	Southwest	24 (245.1)	34 (351.9)	30 (309.2)	32 (328.6)	21 (214.1)
Statewide	Total	125 (87.1)	139 (97.6)	138 (97.6)	150 (106.5)	140 (98.8)

¹⁰¹ Age-specific death rates are three-year deaths per 100,000 population.

* Rates based on <20 events are statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. ** Rates based on <6 events are not reported.

Infant Death Rates¹⁰²

Death rates for infants aged <1 year are reported on a death cohort basis relative to the number of live births that occurred in the same event year. Between 2020-2022, the three-year average infant death rate (IDR), which measures the number of deaths among infants aged <1 year per 1,000 live births, was 6.6, up from 6 between 2019-2021. The highest statistically reliable average IDRs were found in boys (7.5), AI/AN infants (11.8), and residents of the Southwest region (12.6).

The average IDR rate for neonatal infants aged 0-27 days was 3.9, up from 3.7 in 2019-2021. The highest statistically reliable average IDRs for this age group were found in AI/AN people (5.6) and residents of the Anchorage region (3.7). The average IDR rate for postneonatal infants aged 28+ days was 2.7, up from 2.3 between 2019-2021. The highest statistically reliable average IDRs for this age group were found in boys (3.5), AI/AN infants (6.2), and residents of the Anchorage region (2.2).

¹⁰² Due to relatively low annual numbers of infant deaths in Alaska, rates are based on a three-year rolling sum of deaths.

Table 108. Infant Deaths (Infant Death Rate) by Demographic Characteristic¹⁰³

Demographic	Characteristic	2016-2018	2017-2019	2018-2020	2019-2021	2020-2022
Sex	Male	100 (6.1)	91 (5.8)	92 (6.1)	94 (6.3)	108 (7.5)
	Female	81 (5.2)	77 (5.2)	72 (5.0)	79 (5.7)	79 (5.7)
Race	White	60 (3.4)	60 (3.6)	54 (3.3)	60 (3.8)	69 (4.4)
	Black	10 (10.0*)	8 (8.1*)	8 (8.6*)	5 (**)	5 (**)
	AI/AN	64 (10.5)	61 (10.4)	61 (10.6)	66 (11.7)	65 (11.8)
	Asian/PI	17 (5.6*)	11 (3.7*)	5 (**)	9 (3.3*)	12 (4.5*)
	Multiple	20 (6.0)	21 (6.5)	26 (8.2)	26 (8.5)	27 (8.9)
	Hispanic	11 (4.6*)	15 (6.3*)	19 (8.2*)	14 (6.0*)	15 (6.4*)
	Age	<27 Days (Neonatal)	103 (3.2)	96 (3.2)	97 (3.3)	107 (3.7)
	28+ Days (Postneonatal)	78 (2.5)	72 (2.4)	67 (2.3)	66 (2.3)	76 (2.7)
Residence	Anchorage	65 (5.2)	54 (4.5)	52 (4.5)	60 (5.3)	65 (5.9)
	Gulf Coast	16 (5.3*)	17 (6.0*)	13 (4.7*)	12 (4.4*)	19 (7.1*)
	Interior	35 (6.4)	26 (5.1)	28 (5.8)	21 (4.4)	23 (4.8)
	Mat-Su	12 (2.8*)	14 (3.4*)	11 (2.7*)	17 (4.2*)	21 (5.1)
	Northern	16 (10.0*)	16 (10.4*)	16 (10.9*)	13 (9.1*)	14 (10.1*)
	Southeast	15 (6.6*)	12 (5.5*)	12 (5.8*)	15 (7.4*)	15 (7.6*)
	Southwest	21 (8.2)	28 (11.1)	31 (12.4)	35 (14.3)	30 (12.6)
Statewide	Total	181 (5.7)	168 (5.5)	164 (5.6)	173 (6.0)	187 (6.6)

¹⁰³ Infant death rates are three-year infant deaths per 1,000 live births.

* Rates based on <20 events are statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. ** Rates based on <6 events are not reported.

Table 109. Neonatal Infant Deaths (Infant Death Rate) by Demographic Characteristic¹⁰⁴

Demographic	Characteristic	2016-2018	2017-2019	2018-2020	2019-2021	2020-2022
Sex	Male	55 (3.4)	51 (3.2)	52 (3.4)	55 (3.7)	57 (3.9)
	Female	48 (3.1)	45 (3.1)	45 (3.2)	52 (3.7)	54 (3.9)
Race	White	45 (2.6)	48 (2.9)	42 (2.6)	46 (2.9)	47 (3.0)
	Black	8 (8.0*)	5 (**)	6 (6.5*)	3 (**)	5 (**)
	AI/AN	26 (4.3)	21 (3.6)	24 (4.2)	30 (5.3)	31 (5.6)
	Asian/PI	6 (2.0*)	5 (**)	4 (**)	8 (3.0*)	10 (3.7*)
	Multiple	10 (3.0*)	11 (3.4*)	13 (4.1*)	14 (4.6*)	12 (4.0*)
	Hispanic	6 (2.5*)	10 (4.2*)	13 (5.6*)	11 (4.7*)	9 (3.9*)
	Residence	Anchorage	36 (2.9)	36 (3.0)	38 (3.3)	42 (3.7)
	Gulf Coast	7 (2.3*)	10 (3.5*)	8 (2.9*)	9 (3.3*)	9 (3.4*)
	Interior	22 (4.1)	14 (2.7*)	15 (3.1*)	15 (3.1*)	17 (3.6*)
	Mat-Su	9 (2.1*)	10 (2.4*)	7 (1.7*)	10 (2.5*)	12 (2.9*)
	Northern	9 (5.6*)	8 (5.2*)	9 (6.1*)	7 (4.9*)	7 (5.0*)
	Southeast	11 (4.8*)	10 (4.6*)	11 (5.3*)	10 (4.9*)	9 (4.6*)
	Southwest	8 (3.1*)	7 (2.8*)	8 (3.2*)	14 (5.7*)	16 (6.7*)
Statewide	Total	103 (3.2)	96 (3.2)	97 (3.3)	107 (3.7)	111 (3.9)

¹⁰⁴ Infant death rates are three-year infant deaths per 1,000 live births.

* Rates based on <20 events are statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. ** Rates based on <6 events are not reported.

Table 110. Postneonatal Infant Deaths (Infant Death Rate) by Demographic Characteristic¹⁰⁵

Demographic	Characteristic	2016-2018	2017-2019	2018-2020	2019-2021	2020-2022
Sex	Male	45 (2.8)	40 (2.5)	40 (2.6)	39 (2.6)	51 (3.5)
	Female	33 (2.1)	32 (2.2)	27 (1.9)	27 (1.9)	25 (1.8)
Race	White	15 (0.9*)	12 (0.7*)	12 (0.7*)	14 (0.9*)	22 (1.4)
	Black	2 (**)	3 (**)	2 (**)	2 (**)	0
	AI/AN	38 (6.2)	40 (6.8)	37 (6.4)	36 (6.4)	34 (6.2)
	Asian/PI	11 (3.6*)	6 (2.0*)	1 (**)	1 (**)	2 (**)
	Multiple	10 (3.0*)	10 (3.1*)	13 (4.1*)	12 (3.9*)	15 (4.9*)
	Hispanic	5 (**)	5 (**)	6 (2.6*)	3 (**)	6 (2.6*)
	Residence	Anchorage	29 (2.3)	18 (1.5*)	14 (1.2*)	18 (1.6*)
	Gulf Coast	9 (3.0*)	7 (2.5*)	5 (**)	3 (**)	10 (3.7*)
	Interior	13 (2.4*)	12 (2.3*)	13 (2.7*)	6 (1.3*)	6 (1.3*)
	Mat-Su	3 (**)	4 (**)	4 (**)	7 (1.7*)	9 (2.2*)
	Northern	7 (4.4*)	8 (5.2*)	7 (4.8*)	6 (4.2*)	7 (5.0*)
	Southeast	4 (**)	2 (**)	1 (**)	5 (**)	6 (3.0*)
	Southwest	13 (5.1*)	21 (8.3)	23 (9.2)	21 (8.6)	14 (5.9*)
Statewide	Total	78 (2.5)	72 (2.4)	67 (2.3)	66 (2.3)	76 (2.7)

¹⁰⁵ Infant death rates are three-year infant deaths per 1,000 live births.

* Rates based on <20 events are statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. ** Rates based on <6 events are not reported.

Fetal Death Rates¹⁰⁶

Fetal deaths are defined under Alaska Statute (AS) 18.50.950 as “death before the complete expulsion or extraction from its mother of a product of human conception, irrespective of the duration of pregnancy”, excluding induced termination.¹⁰⁷ AS 18.50.240 requires the filing of a fetal death certificate for each death where gestation lasts at least 20 weeks.¹⁰⁸ Fetal deaths at <20 weeks gestation, or where the gestational age was unknown, are not reported.

Fetal death rates are reported on a death cohort basis relative to the number of fetal deaths plus the number of live births that occurred in the same event year. Between 2020-2022, the three-year average fetal death rate (FDR), which measures the number of fetal deaths per 1,000 live births plus fetal deaths, was 5.8, up from 5.7 between 2019-2021. The highest statistically reliable average FDRs were found in AI/AN women (10.1), women aged 20-24 years (5.8), and residents of the Southwest region (10).

¹⁰⁶ Due to relatively low annual numbers of fetal deaths in Alaska, rates are based on a three-year rolling sum of deaths.

¹⁰⁷ [Alaska Statute Title 18, Chapter 50, Section 950. Definitions.](#)

¹⁰⁸ [Alaska Statute Title 18, Chapter 50, Section 240. Fetal Death Registration.](#)

Table 111. Fetal Deaths (Fetal Death Rate) by Demographic Characteristic¹⁰⁹

Demographic	Characteristic	2016-2018	2017-2019	2018-2020	2019-2021	2020-2022
Sex	Male	105 (6.4)	88 (5.6)	78 (5.1)	83 (5.6)	84 (5.8)
	Female	94 (6.1)	84 (5.7)	74 (5.2)	79 (5.6)	79 (5.7)
Race	White	91 (5.1)	73 (4.3)	58 (3.6)	61 (3.8)	69 (4.4)
	Black	10 (9.9*)	11 (11.0*)	7 (7.5*)	9 (9.8*)	7 (8.0*)
	AI/AN	56 (9.1)	56 (9.5)	56 (9.7)	61 (10.7)	56 (10.1)
	Asian/PI	21 (6.8)	19 (6.3*)	17 (6.0*)	13 (4.8*)	10 (3.7*)
	Multiple	14 (4.2*)	7 (2.2*)	7 (2.2*)	9 (2.9*)	11 (3.6*)
	Hispanic	15 (6.2*)	8 (3.3*)	5 (**)	6 (2.6*)	5 (**)
Mother Age	15-19 Years	15 (10.0*)	13 (9.9*)	10 (8.3*)	14 (12.0*)	15 (13.2*)
	20-24 Years	35 (5.0)	30 (4.6)	26 (4.2)	32 (5.3)	34 (5.8)
	25-29 Years	48 (4.7)	54 (5.6)	53 (5.8)	53 (6.0)	44 (5.2)
	30-34 Years	44 (5.2)	28 (3.4)	25 (3.1)	33 (4.2)	39 (4.9)
	35-39 Years	21 (5.3)	20 (5.0)	18 (4.5*)	19 (4.6*)	20 (4.8)
	40-44 Years	19 (24.7*)	15 (18.2*)	9 (11.0*)	5 (**)	4 (**)
Residence	Anchorage	76 (6.0)	61 (5.0)	53 (4.5)	59 (5.2)	61 (5.5)
	Gulf Coast	18 (6.0*)	18 (6.3*)	13 (4.7*)	16 (5.9*)	17 (6.3*)
	Interior	33 (6.0)	26 (5.0)	25 (5.2)	27 (5.6)	26 (5.4)
	Mat-Su	24 (5.6)	23 (5.6)	15 (3.6*)	17 (4.2*)	16 (3.9*)
	Northern	7 (4.3*)	12 (7.8*)	13 (8.8*)	12 (8.4*)	13 (9.3*)
	Southeast	11 (4.8*)	11 (5.0*)	12 (5.7*)	9 (4.4*)	5 (**)
	Southwest	30 (11.6)	23 (9.0)	23 (9.1)	25 (10.1)	24 (10.0)
Statewide	Total	200 (6.3)	175 (5.7)	154 (5.2)	165 (5.7)	164 (5.8)

¹⁰⁹ Fetal death rates are three-year fetal deaths per 1,000 live births plus fetal deaths.

* Rates based on <20 events are statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. ** Rates based on <6 events are not reported.

Years of Potential Life Lost

Years of Potential Life Lost (YPLL) is a measure of premature death that represents the number of years between an expected natural lifespan of 75 years and the age of people who die before that time. For example, someone who dies at age 65 would have $75 - 65 = 10$ YPLL. Someone who dies at age 10 would have $75 - 10 = 65$ YPLL. This places more weight on mortality among younger populations as YPLL decreases with age. In 2022 there were 69,727 YPLL among Alaska residents overall, or about 12.2 years per death.

Accidents were the leading cause of premature death, at 15,016 YPLL, or about 27.5 years per death. Accidents were the leading cause of premature death among both men and women, as well as White, AI/AN, multiple race, and Hispanic people, people aged 5-14 and 25-54 years, and residents of all regions. Diseases of heart were the leading cause of premature death among Black people, while malignant neoplasms were the leading cause among Asian/PI people, and people aged 55-74 years. Intentional self-harm was the leading cause among people aged 15-24 years.

Alaska's age-adjusted YPLL rate, which represents the number of YPLL per 100,000 Alaska residents under 75 years (standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels) was 9,787.5. The highest statistically reliable age-adjusted YPLL rates were found in men (12,088.6), AI/AN people (23,462.4), and residents of the Northern region (17,782.8). People aged 55-64 years had the highest reliable age-specific YPLL rate (14,898.7).

Table 112. Top Ten Leading Causes of Years of Potential Life Lost (Years) [Years per Death]¹¹⁰

Rank	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
#1	Accidents (11,177) [28.0]	Accidents (11,913) [27.5]	Accidents (12,862) [27.7]	Accidents (16,354) [27.7]	Accidents (15,016) [27.5]
#2	Malignant Neoplasms (8,098) [8.5]	Intentional Self-Harm (7,840) [37.3]	Malignant Neoplasms (8,684) [8.3]	Diseases Of Heart (8,925) [8.8]	Diseases Of Heart (8,285) [8.4]
#3	Intentional Self-Harm (6,559) [35.1]	Malignant Neoplasms (7,827) [7.7]	Diseases Of Heart (7,386) [8.1]	Intentional Self-Harm (8,287) [37.7]	Malignant Neoplasms (8,262) [7.8]
#4	Diseases Of Heart (6,450) [7.9]	Diseases Of Heart (6,526) [7.8]	Intentional Self-Harm (7,319) [35.9]	COVID-19 (8,120) [10.7]	Intentional Self-Harm (7,018) [35.6]
#5	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis (2,354) [19.5]	Assault (2,967) [37.6]	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis (4,046) [24.2]	Malignant Neoplasms (7,687) [7.0]	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis (4,300) [23.4]
#6	Assault (2,246) [40.1]	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis (2,329) [21.2]	Assault (2,027) [36.9]	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis (4,113) [21.8]	Assault (3,147) [41.4]
#7	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period (1,485) [74.3]	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities (1,738) [56.1]	Diabetes Mellitus (1,670) [9.6]	Assault (1,936) [39.5]	COVID-19 (2,217) [8.4]
#8	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities (1,181) [49.2]	Cerebrovascular Diseases (1,345) [6.4]	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases (1,509) [7.4]	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period (1,725) [75.0]	Diabetes Mellitus (1,662) [9.0]
#9	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases (1,132) [5.1]	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases (1,129) [5.6]	Cerebrovascular Diseases (1,423) [6.7]	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities (1,468) [63.8]	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period (1,648) [74.9]
#10	Diabetes Mellitus (996) [8.2]	Diabetes Mellitus (995) [9.0]	COVID-19 (1,387) [6.0]	Diabetes Mellitus (1,442) [7.9]	Cerebrovascular Diseases (1,367) [6.3]
Overall	All Causes (55,199) [12.4]	All Causes (57,988) [12.5]	All Causes (64,821) [12.5]	All Causes (77,851) [12.5]	All Causes (69,727) [12.2]

¹¹⁰ ** Causes based on <6 deaths are not reported.

Table 113. 2022 Top Three Leading Causes of Years of Potential Life Lost (Years) [Years per Death] by Demographic Characteristic¹¹¹

Demographic	Characteristic	#1	#2	#3	Overall	
Sex	Male	Accidents (10,084) [28.1]	Diseases Of Heart (5,581) [9.3]	Intentional Self-Harm (5,472) [34.2]	All Causes (44,246) [13.6]	
	Female	Accidents (4,932) [26.2]	Malignant Neoplasms (3,769) [7.7]	Diseases Of Heart (2,704) [7.0]	All Causes (25,481) [10.4]	
Race	White	Accidents (6,746) [23.1]	Malignant Neoplasms (5,171) [6.8]	Diseases Of Heart (3,932) [6.4]	All Causes (32,929) [9.2]	
	Black	Diseases Of Heart (362) [11.0]	Accidents (348) [23.2]	Assault (275) [45.8]	All Causes (2,209) [12.8]	
	AI/AN	Accidents (5,640) [31.9]	Intentional Self-Harm (2,914) [44.8]	Diseases Of Heart (2,742) [11.6]	All Causes (24,437) [18.1]	
	Asian/PI	Malignant Neoplasms (633) [12.4]	Diseases Of Heart (569) [10.9]	Intentional Self-Harm (240) [30.0]	All Causes (3,423) [13.6]	
	Multiple	Accidents (1,724) [38.3]	Assault (620) [47.7]	Diseases Of Heart (490) [14.0]	All Causes (5,345) [23.8]	
	Hispanic	Accidents (903) [41.0]	Diseases Of Heart (314) [15.0]	COVID-19 (264) [22.0]	All Causes (3,135) [21.5]	
Age	<5 Years	Certain Conditions Originating In The Perinatal Period (1,648) [74.9]	Congenital Malformations, Deformations And Chromosomal Abnormalities (900) [75.0]	Accidents (520) [74.3]	All Causes (5,521) [74.6]	
	5-14 Years	Accidents (531) [66.4]	**	**	All Causes (1,499) [65.2]	
	15-24 Years	Intentional Self-Harm (2,334) [54.3]	Accidents (1,964) [54.6]	Assault (782) [55.9]	All Causes (7,039) [54.6]	
	25-34 Years	Accidents (4,898) [44.9]	Intentional Self-Harm (1,996) [45.4]	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis (1,207) [43.1]	All Causes (12,340) [44.7]	
	35-44 Years	Accidents (3,508) [35.8]	Intentional Self-Harm (1,468) [36.7]	Chronic Liver Disease And Cirrhosis (1,143) [35.7]	All Causes (11,730) [35.8]	
	45-54 Years	Accidents (1,907) [25.1]	Diseases Of Heart (1,837) [25.2]	Malignant Neoplasms (1,685) [24.1]	All Causes (10,741) [24.9]	
	55-64 Years	Malignant Neoplasms (2,931) [14.6]	Diseases Of Heart (2,748) [14.9]	Accidents (1,381) [15.7]	All Causes (13,698) [14.9]	
	65-74 Years	Malignant Neoplasms (1,937) [5.5]	Diseases Of Heart (1,407) [5.7]	COVID-19 (428) [5.2]	All Causes (7,159) [5.4]	
	Residence	Anchorage	Accidents (5,782) [28.9]	Malignant Neoplasms (3,274) [7.8]	Diseases Of Heart (3,060) [8.5]	All Causes (26,270) [12.0]
		Gulf Coast	Accidents (1,817) [26.7]	Diseases Of Heart (1,082) [8.5]	Malignant Neoplasms (1,051) [7.2]	All Causes (7,576) [10.5]
Interior		Accidents (1,719) [24.6]	Intentional Self-Harm (1,217) [34.8]	Diseases Of Heart (1,129) [8.8]	All Causes (9,826) [12.8]	
Mat-Su		Accidents (1,918) [24.6]	Malignant Neoplasms (1,152) [6.8]	Diseases Of Heart (969) [7.1]	All Causes (9,075) [10.4]	
Northern		Accidents (1,099) [35.5]	Intentional Self-Harm (1,013) [42.2]	Diseases Of Heart (670) [12.4]	All Causes (4,770) [20.0]	
Southeast		Accidents (1,069) [21.4]	Malignant Neoplasms (945) [7.1]	Diseases Of Heart (816) [6.3]	All Causes (5,413) [9.1]	
Southwest		Accidents (1,612) [32.2]	Intentional Self-Harm (958) [50.4]	Diseases Of Heart (557) [10.9]	All Causes (6,699) [21.2]	
Statewide	Total	Accidents (15,016) [27.5]	Diseases Of Heart (8,285) [8.4]	Malignant Neoplasms (8,262) [7.8]	All Causes (69,727) [12.2]	

¹¹¹ ** Causes based on <6 deaths are not reported.

Table 114. 2022 Years of Potential Life Lost (YPLL Rate) [Age-Adjusted YPLL Rate] by Demographic Characteristic¹¹²

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	34,775 (9,512.4) [9,254.2]	36,712 (10,098.4) [9,894.7]	40,766 (11,221.2) [11,046.5]	49,300 (13,566.8) [13,364.0]	44,246 (12,247.9) [12,088.6]
	Female	20,424 (5,975.0) [5,844.5]	21,276 (6,262.1) [6,096.3]	24,055 (7,074.4) [6,929.9]	28,551 (8,387.2) [8,316.5]	25,481 (7,489.2) [7,342.9]
Race	White	28,979 (6,329.7) [5,776.9]	28,628 (6,317.2) [5,784.9]	30,505 (6,776.3) [6,260.2]	37,694 (8,401.4) [7,802.9]	32,929 (7,395.0) [6,857.2]
	Black	2,261 (8,487.2) [8,608.7]	1,993 (7,583.7) [7,473.4]	2,536 (9,747.1) [9,733.0]	1,702 (6,539.9) [6,592.5]	2,209 (8,539.2) [8,278.3]
	AI/AN	16,727 (15,205.3) [15,792.9]	19,059 (17,350.2) [18,135.3]	21,606 (19,343.1) [20,494.1]	26,516 (23,755.8) [25,359.8]	24,437 (21,932.9) [23,462.4]
	Asian/PI	1,780 (3,096.9) [3,066.1]	2,774 (4,781.4) [4,633.6]	3,388 (5,807.5) [5,719.9]	4,701 (7,960.1) [7,757.4]	3,423 (5,725.0) [5,735.9]
	Multiple	4,102 (7,398.1) [9,318.7]	4,403 (7,865.2) [10,071.9]	5,266 (9,223.1) [11,482.2]	5,745 (9,831.9) [12,604.3]	5,345 (9,040.3) [11,512.4]
	Hispanic	2,662 (5,103.1) [5,098.8]	1,971 (3,755.6) [4,355.4]	2,491 (4,697.3) [4,824.1]	2,562 (4,706.1) [5,192.7]	3,135 (5,681.1) [6,002.1]
Age	<5 Years	5,453 (10,670.0)	4,910 (9,855.7)	4,631 (9,456.4)	6,270 (13,390.6)	5,521 (12,160.0)
	5-14 Years	1,664 (1,568.4)	1,408 (1,334.3)	2,296 (2,170.3)	649 (614.2*)	1,499 (1,417.6)
	15-24 Years	5,239 (5,522.7)	6,934 (7,418.7)	7,266 (7,817.0)	7,847 (8,395.7)	7,039 (7,555.7)
	25-34 Years	8,749 (7,736.9)	10,358 (9,229.9)	10,812 (9,688.5)	13,604 (12,405.3)	12,340 (11,525.0)
	35-44 Years	7,384 (7,730.0)	8,787 (9,051.2)	10,239 (10,269.9)	13,388 (12,947.0)	11,730 (11,162.9)
	45-54 Years	9,907 (11,185.3)	8,334 (9,733.9)	10,380 (12,268.8)	13,129 (15,839.4)	10,741 (13,012.0)
	55-64 Years	11,494 (11,618.3)	11,628 (11,925.1)	13,055 (13,635.5)	15,047 (16,041.2)	13,698 (14,898.7)
	65-74 Years	5,309 (8,963.7)	5,629 (9,070.0)	6,142 (9,601.8)	7,917 (11,628.3)	7,159 (10,148.4)
Residence	Anchorage	20,166 (7,101.5) [6,869.0]	21,609 (7,689.8) [7,407.8]	25,314 (9,054.6) [8,875.0]	29,758 (10,712.3) [10,495.2]	26,270 (9,514.2) [9,258.4]
	Gulf Coast	6,443 (8,391.8) [7,796.4]	5,993 (7,828.1) [7,409.1]	6,234 (8,092.7) [7,771.4]	8,067 (10,502.8) [10,265.6]	7,576 (9,818.8) [9,480.2]
	Interior	8,030 (7,484.8) [7,366.3]	7,618 (7,180.1) [7,020.2]	8,036 (7,629.6) [7,491.3]	11,249 (10,513.9) [10,431.7]	9,826 (9,299.4) [9,202.2]
	Mat-Su	6,912 (6,793.9) [6,679.2]	7,538 (7,348.3) [7,242.7]	8,312 (8,086.7) [7,943.3]	10,877 (10,404.5) [10,305.7]	9,075 (8,500.1) [8,396.2]
	Northern	3,481 (12,829.4) [12,744.0]	3,763 (13,958.8) [14,566.3]	3,757 (13,268.6) [13,797.5]	3,945 (14,197.8) [14,475.1]	4,770 (17,528.4) [17,782.8]
	Southeast	5,276 (7,624.2) [7,116.9]	4,668 (6,789.5) [6,306.1]	6,127 (8,955.2) [8,394.8]	6,839 (9,977.7) [9,628.8]	5,413 (7,999.3) [7,393.9]
	Southwest	4,667 (11,300.5) [11,657.7]	6,633 (16,043.4) [16,222.5]	6,946 (16,587.1) [16,961.1]	7,021 (16,985.6) [17,179.9]	6,699 (16,375.4) [17,127.2]
Statewide	Total	55,199 (7,803.1) [7,610.6]	57,988 (8,245.1) [8,066.0]	64,821 (9,216.4) [9,061.9]	77,851 (11,061.6) [10,929.1]	69,727 (9,939.8) [9,787.5]

¹¹² YPLL rates are years per 100,000 population. Age-adjusted YPLL rates are years per 100,000 population, standardized by U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

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Life Expectancy

Life expectancy (LE) represents the number of years that infants aged <1 year, born in a given event year, could expect to live if they were to experience the same age-specific death rates as all persons who died during their birth year. In 2022, Alaska resident LE was 76.8 years, up from 75.4 in 2021. LE for men was 74.5 years, up from 72.8 in 2021. LE for women was 79.4 years, up from 78.3 in 2021. AI/AN people had the lowest LE by race at 66 years, up from 64.4 in 2021.

Table 115. Life Expectancy by Demographic Characteristic

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	76.8	76.4	74.9	72.8	74.5
	Female	81.1	80.8	80.0	78.3	79.4
Race	White	80.8	80.7	80.0	78.3	79.5
	Black	77.5	78.1	76.1	78.1	76.0
	AI/AN	70.8	69.5	67.4	64.4	66.0
	Asian/PI	84.7	82.9	81.1	78.6	82.3
	Multiple	75.9	75.9	75.2	73.5	75.4
	Hispanic	82.7	82.8	82.2	81.8	81.6
	Statewide	Total	78.9	78.5	77.3	75.4

Table 116. 2022 Period Life Table¹¹³

Age	Deaths	Population	n	a _x	m _x	q _x	p _x	i _x	d _x	l _x	t _x	e _x
<1 Year	62	8,443	1	0.5	0.006623	0.006623	0.993377	100,000	662	99,669	7,679,249	76.8
1-4 Years	12	36,960	4	2.0	0.000325	0.001298	0.998702	99,338	129	397,093	7,579,580	76.3
5-9 Years	12	52,257	5	2.5	0.000230	0.001148	0.998852	99,209	114	495,759	7,182,487	72.4
10-14 Years	11	53,486	5	2.5	0.000206	0.001028	0.998972	99,095	102	495,220	6,686,728	67.5
15-19 Years	50	47,968	5	2.5	0.001042	0.005198	0.994802	98,993	515	493,679	6,191,508	62.5
20-24 Years	79	45,193	5	2.5	0.001748	0.008702	0.991298	98,478	857	490,250	5,697,829	57.9
25-29 Years	99	49,331	5	2.5	0.002007	0.009984	0.990016	97,621	975	485,671	5,207,579	53.3
30-34 Years	177	57,741	5	2.5	0.003065	0.015210	0.984790	96,647	1,470	479,559	4,721,909	48.9
35-39 Years	172	56,440	5	2.5	0.003047	0.015122	0.984878	95,177	1,439	472,286	4,242,350	44.6
40-44 Years	156	48,640	5	2.5	0.003207	0.015909	0.984091	93,737	1,491	464,959	3,770,064	40.2
45-49 Years	179	40,332	5	2.5	0.004438	0.021947	0.978053	92,246	2,025	456,170	3,305,105	35.8
50-54 Years	253	42,215	5	2.5	0.005993	0.029523	0.970477	90,222	2,664	444,449	2,848,935	31.6
55-59 Years	380	44,583	5	2.5	0.008523	0.041728	0.958272	87,558	3,654	428,656	2,404,486	27.5
60-64 Years	540	47,358	5	2.5	0.011403	0.055432	0.944568	83,904	4,651	407,895	1,975,829	23.5
65-69 Years	649	41,165	5	2.5	0.015766	0.075840	0.924160	79,253	6,011	381,241	1,567,935	19.8
70-74 Years	667	29,378	5	2.5	0.022704	0.107423	0.892577	73,243	7,868	346,544	1,186,694	16.2
75-79 Years	665	18,029	5	2.5	0.036885	0.168855	0.831145	65,375	11,039	299,277	840,150	12.9
80-84 Years	563	9,650	5	2.5	0.058342	0.254578	0.745422	54,336	13,833	237,098	540,873	10.0
85+ Years	975	7,387	15	7.5	0.131989	1.000000	0.000000	40,503	40,503	303,774	303,774	7.5

¹¹³ n: Width of the age interval. Assumes an upper bound age of 100 and width of 15 for 85+ years.

a_x: Fraction of the age interval lived by those in the cohort population who die in the interval. Assumed equal to the age interval midpoint.

$$a_x = n / 2$$

m_x: Age-specific death rate for the interval. Infant death rate is calculated on a death cohort basis per number of live births.

$$m_{<1 \text{ year}} = \text{Deaths} / \text{Live Births}$$

m_x = Deaths / Population

q_x: Probability of dying in the interval.

$$q_{<1 \text{ year}} = m_{<1 \text{ year}}$$

$$q_{85+ \text{ years}} = 1$$

$$q_x = 2 * n * m_x / (2 + n * m_x)$$

p_x: Probability of surviving in the interval.

$$p_x = 1 - q_x$$

i_x: Number surviving in the interval.

$$i_{<1 \text{ year}} = 100,000$$

$$i_x = i_{x-1} * p_{x-1}$$

d_x: Number dying in the interval.

$$d_x = i_x - i_{x+1}$$

l_x: Person-years lived in the interval.

$$l_x = n * l_{x+1} + d_x * a_x$$

t_x: Cumulative person-years lived in the interval and all subsequent intervals.

$$t_x = t_{x+1} + l_x$$

e_x: Life expectancy at the beginning of the interval.

$$e_x = t_{x+1} / i_x$$

Chapter 4: Other Vital Events

Alaska Occurrence Marriages

In 2022, 4,805 marriage ceremonies occurred in Alaska, including 4,425 marriages between opposite sex partners (92%) and 81 marriages between same-sex partners (2%).¹¹⁴ Marriages between two Alaska resident partners made up 80% of marriages, while two non-Alaska resident partners made up 14%. The marriage rate, which measure the number of marriages per 1,000 Alaskan residents, was 6.5, up from 6.3 in 2021. The Gulf Coast region had the highest marriage rate by ceremony location (8.6). Between 2018-2022, marriages were most common between partners aged 20-24 years (3,368).

Table 117. Marriages (%) by Orientation

Orientation	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Opposite Sex	4,757 (96%)	4,536 (95%)	3,884 (93%)	4,314 (93%)	4,425 (92%)
Same Sex	78 (2%)	71 (1%)	61 (1%)	74 (2%)	81 (2%)
Not Specified	115 (2%)	174 (4%)	232 (6%)	256 (6%)	299 (6%)
Total	4,950 (100%)	4,781 (100%)	4,177 (100%)	4,644 (100%)	4,805 (100%)

Table 118. Marriages (%) by Alaska Residents

Residents	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Two Residents	4,106 (83%)	4,036 (84%)	3,602 (86%)	3,841 (83%)	3,859 (80%)
One Resident	300 (6%)	247 (5%)	326 (8%)	261 (6%)	274 (6%)
Two Non-Residents	544 (11%)	498 (10%)	249 (6%)	542 (12%)	672 (14%)
Total	4,950 (100%)	4,781 (100%)	4,177 (100%)	4,644 (100%)	4,805 (100%)

Table 119. Marriages (Marriage Rate) by Demographic Characteristic¹¹⁵

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Ceremony Loc.	Anchorage	1,969 (6.7)	1,860 (6.4)	1,612 (5.5)	1,626 (5.6)	1,762 (6.1)
	Gulf Coast	581 (7.2)	598 (7.4)	513 (6.3)	692 (8.5)	706 (8.6)
	Interior	869 (7.8)	841 (7.6)	788 (7.2)	817 (7.3)	784 (7.1)
	Mat-Su	788 (7.5)	776 (7.3)	780 (7.3)	950 (8.7)	880 (7.9)
	Northern	58 (2.1)	72 (2.6)	51 (1.8)	48 (1.7)	53 (1.9)
	Southeast	559 (7.7)	490 (6.8)	339 (4.7)	396 (5.4)	496 (6.9)
	Southwest	112 (2.7)	133 (3.1)	78 (1.8)	104 (2.5)	110 (2.6)
Statewide	Total	4,950 (6.7)	4,781 (6.5)	4,177 (5.7)	4,644 (6.3)	4,805 (6.5)

¹¹⁴ Partner gender is not a collected field on marriage certificates but is estimated using gendered terms, if provided. The partner identifying as the “groom” is assumed male, the “bride” is assumed female, and “spouse” is assumed gender neutral (not specified). Alaska began registering same-sex marriages on October 13th, 2014.

¹¹⁵ Marriage rates are marriages per 1,000 population.

* Rates based on <20 events are statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. ** Rates based on <6 events are not reported.

Table 120. 2018-2022 Marriages (%) by Partner Ages

Age	<15	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55+	Total
<15	0 (0)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
15-19	0 (0)	411 (38%)	376 (7%)	33 (<1%)	6 (<1%)	2 (<1%)	2 (<1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	830 (4%)
20-24	0 (0)	586 (54%)	3,368 (64%)	905 (17%)	147 (3%)	51 (2%)	11 (<1%)	6 (<1%)	2 (<1%)	1 (<1%)	5,077 (22%)
25-29	0 (0)	70 (6%)	1,135 (22%)	2,832 (53%)	1,088 (26%)	269 (11%)	81 (5%)	20 (2%)	18 (2%)	7 (<1%)	5,520 (24%)
30-34	0 (0)	10 (<1%)	248 (5%)	1,048 (20%)	1,799 (43%)	696 (28%)	200 (13%)	65 (6%)	19 (2%)	13 (<1%)	4,098 (18%)
35-39	0 (0)	8 (<1%)	76 (1%)	321 (6%)	715 (17%)	793 (31%)	348 (23%)	121 (11%)	37 (4%)	25 (2%)	2,444 (10%)
40-44	0 (0)	1 (<1%)	14 (<1%)	106 (2%)	262 (6%)	384 (15%)	351 (23%)	191 (18%)	61 (7%)	31 (2%)	1,401 (6%)
45-49	0 (0)	0 (0%)	6 (<1%)	34 (<1%)	79 (2%)	194 (8%)	284 (19%)	286 (26%)	151 (17%)	89 (6%)	1,123 (5%)
50-54	0 (0)	1 (<1%)	7 (<1%)	11 (<1%)	52 (1%)	70 (3%)	133 (9%)	204 (19%)	270 (31%)	170 (11%)	918 (4%)
55+	0 (0)	1 (<1%)	6 (<1%)	15 (<1%)	53 (1%)	59 (2%)	110 (7%)	187 (17%)	325 (37%)	1,190 (78%)	1,946 (8%)
Total	0 (0)	1,088 (100%)	5,236 (100%)	5,305 (100%)	4,201 (100%)	2,518 (100%)	1,520 (100%)	1,080 (100%)	883 (100%)	1,526 (100%)	23,357 (100%)

Alaska Occurrence Separations

In 2022, 2,208 legal separations occurred in Alaska, including 2,030 separations between opposite sex partners (92%) and 46 separations between same-sex partners (2%).¹¹⁶ There are three administrative procedures for terminating a marriage in Alaska: dissolution, divorce, and annulment. Divorces made up 56% of separations while dissolutions made up 44% percent. The separation rate, which measure the number of separations per 1,000 Alaskan residents, was 3, down from 3.1 in 2021. The Interior region had the highest separation rate by court filing location (4.3).

Table 121. Separations (%) by Orientation

Orientation	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Opposite Sex	2,615 (94%)	2,528 (93%)	2,232 (93%)	2,094 (91%)	2,030 (92%)
Same Sex	29 (1%)	35 (1%)	33 (1%)	41 (2%)	46 (2%)
Not Specified	133 (5%)	160 (6%)	145 (6%)	175 (8%)	132 (6%)
Total	2,777 (100%)	2,723 (100%)	2,410 (100%)	2,310 (100%)	2,208 (100%)

Table 122. Separations (%) by Type

Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Divorce	1,588 (57%)	1,508 (55%)	1,327 (55%)	1,337 (58%)	1,239 (56%)
Dissolution	1,185 (43%)	1,206 (44%)	1,079 (45%)	967 (42%)	966 (44%)
Annulment	4 (<1%)	8 (<1%)	4 (<1%)	6 (<1%)	3 (<1%)
Total	2,777 (100%)	2,723 (100%)	2,410 (100%)	2,310 (100%)	2,208 (100%)

Table 123. Separations (Separation Rate) by Demographic Characteristic¹¹⁷

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Court Loc.	Anchorage	1,303 (4.4)	1,261 (4.3)	1,174 (4.0)	1,018 (3.5)	1,001 (3.5)
	Gulf Coast	275 (3.4)	260 (3.2)	250 (3.1)	220 (2.7)	212 (2.6)
	Interior	479 (4.3)	512 (4.7)	361 (3.3)	460 (4.1)	475 (4.3)
	Mat-Su	401 (3.8)	389 (3.6)	315 (2.9)	323 (3.0)	300 (2.7)
	Northern	39 (1.4)	38 (1.4)	28 (1.0)	41 (1.4)	27 (1.0)
	Southeast	232 (3.2)	221 (3.0)	239 (3.3)	208 (2.9)	160 (2.2)
	Southwest	47 (1.1)	42 (1.0)	40 (0.9)	40 (0.9)	32 (0.8)
Statewide	Total	2,777 (3.8)	2,723 (3.7)	2,410 (3.3)	2,310 (3.1)	2,208 (3.0)

¹¹⁶ Partner gender is not a collected field on separation certificates but is estimated using gendered terms, if provided. The partner identifying as the “husband” is assumed male, the “wife” is assumed female, and “spouse” is assumed gender neutral (not specified).

¹¹⁷ Separation rates are separations per 1,000 population.

* Rates based on <20 events are statistically unreliable and should be used with caution. ** Rates based on <6 events are not reported.

Table 124. 2018-2022 Separations (%) by Partner Ages

Age	<15	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55+	Total
<15	0 (0)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (<1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (<1%)
15-19	0 (0)	6 (14%)	20 (2%)	2 (<1%)	1 (<1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	29 (<1%)
20-24	0 (0)	37 (86%)	757 (68%)	254 (15%)	46 (2%)	17 (<1%)	7 (<1%)	1 (<1%)	1 (<1%)	3 (<1%)	1,142 (9%)
25-29	0 (0)	0 (0%)	251 (23%)	989 (57%)	445 (23%)	124 (6%)	22 (1%)	12 (<1%)	4 (<1%)	9 (<1%)	1,882 (15%)
30-34	0 (0)	0 (0%)	60 (5%)	355 (20%)	928 (47%)	446 (23%)	133 (9%)	45 (4%)	16 (2%)	11 (<1%)	2,016 (16%)
35-39	0 (0)	0 (0%)	13 (1%)	89 (5%)	339 (17%)	829 (43%)	380 (25%)	137 (11%)	52 (5%)	26 (2%)	1,890 (15%)
40-44	0 (0)	0 (0%)	3 (<1%)	30 (2%)	114 (6%)	336 (17%)	579 (38%)	272 (22%)	106 (11%)	59 (3%)	1,523 (12%)
45-49	0 (0)	0 (0%)	3 (<1%)	11 (<1%)	39 (2%)	112 (6%)	258 (17%)	434 (35%)	240 (24%)	118 (7%)	1,231 (10%)
50-54	0 (0)	0 (0%)	3 (<1%)	5 (<1%)	22 (1%)	45 (2%)	93 (6%)	220 (18%)	321 (33%)	244 (14%)	969 (8%)
55+	0 (0)	0 (0%)	2 (<1%)	4 (<1%)	22 (1%)	34 (2%)	51 (3%)	127 (10%)	236 (24%)	1,207 (72%)	1,712 (14%)
Total	0 (0)	43 (100%)	1,114 (100%)	1,741 (100%)	1,961 (100%)	1,944 (100%)	1,526 (100%)	1,250 (100%)	980 (100%)	1,686 (100%)	12,428 (100%)

Alaska Occurrence Adoptions

In 2022, 662 adoptions were granted in the state. Alaska born children adopted by parents in another state, or non-Alaska born children without an Alaska birth certificate adopted in Alaska are not reported. The Alaska State Court granted 81% of adoptions, Alaska Native Tribal courts granted 4%, and 15% were cultural adoptions granted by Alaska Native Village Councils. The adoption rate, which measure the number of adoptions per 1,000 Alaskan residents, was 0.9, unchanged from 2021. The highest statistically reliable rates of adoption were among AI/AN people (2.5), and infants under one year (9.1).

Table 125. Adoptions (%) by Type

Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
State Court	567 (75%)	654 (79%)	493 (76%)	525 (80%)	536 (81%)
Cultural	150 (20%)	142 (17%)	127 (20%)	92 (14%)	99 (15%)
Tribal Court	39 (5%)	30 (4%)	27 (4%)	36 (6%)	27 (4%)
Total	756 (100%)	826 (100%)	647 (100%)	653 (100%)	662 (100%)

Table 126. Adoptions (Adoption Rate) by Demographic Characteristic¹¹⁸

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	377 (1.0)	380 (1.0)	291 (0.8)	316 (0.8)	333 (0.9)
	Female	379 (1.1)	445 (1.3)	356 (1.0)	337 (0.9)	329 (0.9)
Race	White	308 (0.6)	321 (0.7)	242 (0.5)	259 (0.5)	266 (0.6)
	AI/AN	360 (3.2)	387 (3.4)	326 (2.8)	293 (2.5)	287 (2.5)
	Asian/PI	24 (0.4)	40 (0.7)	21 (0.3)	28 (0.5)	37 (0.6)
	Black	14 (0.5*)	13 (0.5*)	7 (0.3*)	15 (0.6*)	11 (0.4*)
	Multiple	32 (0.6)	54 (1.0)	43 (0.7)	50 (0.8)	51 (0.9)
	Hispanic	25 (0.5)	43 (0.8)	23 (0.4)	28 (0.5)	38 (0.7)
Age	<5 Years	305 (6.0)	335 (6.7)	265 (5.4)	250 (5.3)	251 (5.5)
	<1 Year	84 (8.5)	104 (11.0)	87 (9.5)	68 (7.8)	77 (9.1)
	1-4 Years	221 (5.4)	231 (5.7)	178 (4.5)	182 (4.8)	174 (4.7)
	5-9 Years	244 (0.4)	231 (0.3)	166 (0.2)	186 (0.3)	169 (0.2)
	10-14 Years	137 (2.6)	171 (3.2)	137 (2.6)	129 (2.4)	148 (2.8)
	15-19 Years	45 (0.9)	73 (1.6)	54 (1.2)	61 (1.3)	71 (1.5)
	20+ Years	25 (0.0)	13 (0.0*)	23 (0.0)	24 (0.0)	22 (0.0)
Statewide	Total	756 (1.0)	826 (1.1)	647 (0.9)	653 (0.9)	662 (0.9)

¹¹⁸ Adoption rates are adoptions per 1,000 population.

Appendices

Appendix A: Glossary

Adoption Rate: The number of adoptions divided by the estimated population, multiplied by a constant of proportionality (e.g., 1,000). This report does not include adoptions of children without an Alaska birth certificate, adoptions of foreign nationals, or adoptions of Alaska-born children to out-of-state adoptive parents.

Age-Adjusted Death Rate (AADR): A weighted average of age-specific death rates adjusted using one standard age distribution (e.g., the U.S. year 2000 standard population). This standardization allows comparisons to be made between populations with different age distributions (see Appendix B for additional information).

Age-Specific Death Rate (ASDR): The number of deaths in a specific age group divided by the population for the same age group, multiplied by a constant of proportionality (e.g., 100,000).

Cause of Death, Underlying (UCOD): The disease or injury which initiated the train of morbid events leading directly to death, or the circumstances of the injury or violence which produced the fatality.

Cause of Death, Contributing (CCOD): All other non-underlying causes in the train of morbid events resulting in death.

Cause of Death, Leading (LCOD): Categories of disease and injury used for the analysis of mortality. Alaska's LCOD are determined by collapsing over 8,000 International Classification of Disease, 10th Revision cause of death codes into 52 cause categories recommended by the CDC for the general analysis of mortality, and into 71 cause categories recommended for the analysis of infant mortality. Leading causes of death are based on the underlying cause of death to prevent a single death from being tabulated in more than one category.

Cause of Death, Multiple (MCOD): Cause analysis that considers both underlying and contributing cause codes to explore comorbidities or show total cause-related death. Because deaths by MCOB are not mutually exclusive a single death can be counted in multiple categories.

Characteristics of Labor and Delivery: Information about the course of labor and delivery (e.g., induction of labor, augmentation of labor, steroids, antibiotics received by the mother during delivery, clinical chorioamnionitis (inflammation of the membranes or placenta) diagnosed during labor or maternal temperature greater than or equal to 38°C, epidural or spinal anesthesia during labor).

Cohort: A group of individuals that share a common trait. The under-five and infant death rates in this report are calculated using the death cohort method. The death cohort method is determined by dividing the number of deaths by the number of live births in a given calendar year. For example, to calculate the death cohort infant death rate for the last three-year period, divide the total number of infant deaths in those years by the total number of live births that occurred during the same three-year period, and multiply the result by a constant of proportionality.

Conditions of the Newborn: Disorders or significant morbidity experienced by the newborn (e.g., assisted ventilation required immediately following delivery, assisted ventilation required for more than six hours, neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) admission, newborn given surfactant replacement therapy, antibiotics received by the newborn for suspected neonatal sepsis, seizure or serious neurologic dysfunction).

Congenital Anomalies: Malformations of the newborn diagnosed prenatally or after delivery. (e.g., anencephaly, meningomyelocele / spina bifida, cyanotic congenital heart disease, congenital diaphragmatic hernia, omphalocele, gastroschisis, limb reduction defect, cleft lip with or without cleft palate, cleft palate alone, Down syndrome, suspected chromosomal disorder, hypospadias).

Constant of Proportionality: A constant number (e.g., 1,000 or 100,000) that is multiplied by a proportion (rate) to help better contextualize of proportional levels. (e.g., 200 deaths divided by a resident population of 200,000 = 0.001 deaths per resident, which may be more difficult to understand than $0.001 * 100,000 = 100$ deaths per 100,000 residents).

Crude Birth Rate (CBR): The number of births divided by the estimated population, multiplied by a constant of proportionality (e.g., 1,000).

Crude Death Rate (CDR): The number of deaths divided by the estimated population, multiplied by a constant of proportionality (e.g., 100,000).

Death: Irreversible cessation of circulatory and respiratory functions, or irreversible cessation of all functions of the entire brain, including the brain stem.

Fetal Death: Deaths occurring prior to the complete expulsion or extraction from its mother of a product of conception, irrespective of the duration of pregnancy, excluding induced termination. Fetal deaths at <20 weeks gestation, or where the gestational age was unknown, are not reported.

Fetal Death Rate (FDR): The number of fetal deaths, divided by sum of the number of live births and fetal deaths, multiplied by a constant of proportionality (e.g., 1,000). Fetal death rates in this report are a three-year moving average.

Fertility Rate (FR): The number of live births among women aged 15-44 years divided by the number of women aged 15 and 44 years, multiplied by a constant of proportionality (e.g., 1,000).

Gestation: The period beginning with the first day of the last normal menstrual period and ending with the day of birth. Births occurring between 37 to 41 weeks gestational age are considered full-term. This report uses the obstetrician reported gestation date.

Infant Death: Deaths occurring between 0 and 364 days of birth (<1 year). Infant deaths can be further divided into neonatal infant deaths, which occur in the first 27 days, and postneonatal infant deaths, which occur 28+ days after birth.

Infant Death Rate (IDR): The number of deaths among infants aged <1 year divided by the number of live births, multiplied by a constant of proportionality (e.g., 1,000). Infant death rates in this report are a three-year moving average.

International Classification of Diseases (ICD): The World Health Organization-developed manual for categorizing and coding diseases and injuries. Tenth Revision (ICD-10) codes were adopted by Alaska in

1999. Deaths before 1999 were coded using the Ninth Revision (ICD-9).

Live Birth: A birth where the baby exhibits signs of life after delivery. These signs include breathing, beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord and movement of voluntary muscles.

Low Birth Weight (LBW): An infant born weighing less than 2,500 grams (approximately 5.5 pounds). LBW births can be further divided into extreme LBW (<1,000 grams), very LBW (1,000-1,499 grams), and moderate LBW (1,500-2,499 grams).

Manner of Death: The manner of death describes the way in which death occurred, as determined by the physician or medical examiner who certifies the death record. Manner must be classified as Natural, Accident, Suicide, Homicide, Could Not Be Determined, or Pending Investigation (Unknown). Non-natural manners of death, including Accident, Suicide, or Homicide, are referred to the Alaska State Medical Examiner Office for certification.

The “manner” of death does not necessarily refer to the same thing as the “cause” of death. Cause of death is considered a medical diagnosis that should describe the conditions, diseases, and injuries in the train of morbid events that resulted in death. Depending on the specific pathology involved, a certifier may classify the manner of death in a way that doesn’t appear to match the cause. For example, the number of deaths where manner equals “Accident” may not equal the number of deaths where underlying cause equals “Accident” (ICD-10 Codes: V01-X59, Y85, and Y86). Although the term “Accident” is used in both places, in this context, it technically refers to two distinct aspects of the death record.

Marriage Rate: The number of marriages divided by the estimated population, multiplied by a constant of proportionality (e.g., 1,000). This report includes all marriages licensed and performed in Alaska, regardless of partner residency status.

Maternal Infection: Infections present at the time of the pregnancy diagnosis or a confirmed diagnosis during the pregnancy with or without documentation of treatment (e.g., Gonorrhea, Syphilis, Chlamydia, Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C).

Maternal COVID-19 infection data collection began April of 2020. Data for this year are incomplete. Data may not include home testing positives, asymptomatic cases, and diagnoses not reported to the birth certifier.

Maternal Morbidity: Serious complications experienced by the mother associated with labor and delivery (e.g., maternal transfusion, third- or fourth-degree perineal laceration, ruptured uterus, unplanned hysterectomy, admission to an intensive care unit).

Obstetric Procedures: Medical treatment or invasive or manipulative procedure performed during this pregnancy to treat the pregnancy or to manage labor or delivery (e.g., cervical cerclage to stitch the cervix, tocolysis medications to delay delivery, or external cephalic procedures to convert the fetus from a nonvertex presentation when the infant would not be delivered head-first).

Onset of Labor: The initial onset of the process through which the fetus, membranes, umbilical cord, and placenta are expelled from the uterus. Typically indicated by regular, painful uterine contractions resulting in progressive cervical effacement and dilatation. Premature rupture of the membranes (ROM) occurs when the membranes break before the 37th week of pregnancy. Precipitous labor is when the infant is delivered less than three hours from the onset of regular contractions, while prolonged labor is when the infant is delivered 20 or more hours after.

Place of Occurrence: The location where an event (e.g., a birth or death) physically occurred. When an event occurs on a moving conveyance such as a boat or plane, the event is considered to have occurred where the infant or decedent is removed from the conveyance.

Place of Residence: The location where an individual (e.g., a mother or decedent) claimed actual residence at the time of an event. This is not necessarily the same as a person's legal residence. The location of residence during a tour of military duty or while attending college is considered actual residence.

Pregnancy Risk Factors: Risk factors of the mother during pregnancy (e.g., diabetes (glucose intolerance), prepregnancy diabetes, gestational diabetes, hypertension (elevated blood pressure), prepregnancy hypertension, gestational hypertension, eclampsia (blood-pressure related seizures), previous preterm births, pregnancy resulted from infertility treatment,

fertility-enhancing drugs, assisted reproductive technology (ART), mother had a previous cesarean delivery).

Prenatal Care (PNC): Visits during pregnancy to health care providers to assess maternal and fetal health. May include physical exams, weight checks, ultrasound exams, or other diagnostic tests.

Preterm Birth: An infant born prior to the 37th week of gestation. Preterm births can be further divided into extreme preterm (<28 weeks), very preterm (28-31 weeks), moderate preterm (32-33 weeks), and late preterm (34-36 weeks).

Race of Infant: The reported race of the mother provided on the infant's birth certificate is considered the race of the infant. Prior to 1989, races of both parents were taken into consideration when determining the race of the infant using a look-up table. Beginning in 1989, the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) recommended that all states adopt the same standard for determining the race of the infant at birth based on maternal characteristics.

Separation Rate: The number of separations divided by the estimated population, multiplied by a constant of proportionality (e.g., 1,000). Separations in Alaska include divorces, dissolutions, and annulments.

Standard Population: The age distributions used as weights to create age-adjusted statistics. Age-adjusted rates in the Vital Statistics Annual Report are calculated using U.S. year 2000 standard population levels.

Teen Birth Rate (TBR): The number of live births to women aged 15-19 years divided by the estimated population of women aged 15-19 years, multiplied by a constant of proportionality (e.g., 1,000).

Under-Five Death Rate (U5DR): The number of deaths among children aged <5 years divided by the number of live births each year, multiplied by a constant of proportionality (e.g., 1,000). Under-five death rates in this report are a three-year moving average.

Vital Events: Vital events in this report include Alaska resident live births, deaths, and fetal deaths, and Alaska occurrence marriages, separations, and adoptions.

Years of Potential Life Lost (YPLL): Years of Potential Life Lost is a measure of premature death that represents the number of years between an expected

natural lifespan of 75 years and the age of people who die before that time.

Years of Potential Life Lost (YPLL) Rate: The number of YPLL among people aged <75 years divided by the estimated population aged <75 years, multiplied by a constant of proportionality (e.g., 100,000). Like death rates, YPLL rates can also be age-adjusted by taking a weighted average of age-specific YPLL rates adjusted using one standard age distribution.

Appendix B: Technical Notes

Reliability of the Data

The reliability of vital records may vary depending on the data collection method. For instance, some information on birth and death certificates is collected and provided by health facilities or medical professionals (birth weight, complications of labor and delivery, cause of death, etc.), while other information is self-reported or reported by third-parties (smoking during pregnancy, marital status of deceased, etc.).

HAVRS makes every effort to complete, verify, and correct information that is missing, invalid, or inconsistent. Ultimately, the reliability of the data depends on everyone who is involved in the data collection, storage and retrieval pipeline. This includes HAVRS staff, medical professionals, magistrates, funeral directors, marriage commissioners, judges, and everyone involved in, or witness to, a vital event.

It is not uncommon for data in the Vital Statistics Annual Report to be revised or adjusted over time. This may be due to additional records being received and registered after publication dates, records being amended or even deleted if errors are identified, or population estimates used to calculate rates being revised. It is important to note when the data being referred to was last updated to ensure the most recent information available is being used.

Data may also appear to differ from other reports or data sources depending on the specific case definitions or reporting methods used. For example, the number of deaths in the Alaska Vital Statistics Report includes Alaska resident events only, while other reports or data sources may report Alaska occurrence events or events regardless of residency status. It is important to note how the data being referred to was defined to ensure that valid comparisons are made.

Comparing Populations

Comparing the number of events for two separate demographic groups or geographic locations may not be meaningful by itself. For example, we can assume that Anchorage will have more births than Juneau because Anchorage has the larger population. However, a more meaningful metric would be the number of births compared to the size of the population.

To make this comparison, we calculate a ratio by dividing the number of events by the population for which that event could have occurred. For instance, if there were 4,200 births in Anchorage and a population of 280,000 people, then the ratio of births to population would be $4,200/280,000$ or 0.015 births for every person living in Anchorage. If there were 500 births in Juneau and a population of 30,000 then the ratio of births to population in Juneau would be $500/30,000$ or 0.0167 births for every person living in Juneau.

Since small decimal numbers can be difficult to interpret, we change the ratio to a rate by multiplying it by a constant of proportionality. This constant of proportionality can be any number if the same number is used when calculating comparable rates. To calculate birth rates, we usually use a constant of proportionality of 1,000.

Using this method, the birth rate for Anchorage would be $0.015 * 1,000$ or 15.0 births per 1,000 population. The birth rate for Juneau would be $0.0167 * 1,000$ or 16.7 births per 1,000 population. Rates are typically rounded to the nearest tenth. We can see that while there are fewer births in Juneau in this example, the rate per 1,000 population is greater, which provides a more meaningful insight than counts alone.

The birth rates described in the prior paragraph are considered “crude” rates because they compare events to the total population. An even more meaningful comparison would use only the female population of common reproductive age (i.e., women aged 15-44 years). Let us assume that the number of fertile women aged 15-44 years in Anchorage is 60,000, and in Juneau is 7,300. The Anchorage fertility rate would be $(4,200 / 60,000) * 1,000$ or 70.0 births per 1,000. The Juneau fertility rate would be $(500 / 7,300) * 1,000$ or 68.5 births per 1,000. While Anchorage would have a lower crude birth rate than Juneau in this example, the Anchorage fertility rate would be higher than in Juneau. This is because the ratio of women of reproductive age

to the total population in Anchorage (60,000 / 280,000 or 0.2143) is lower than in Juneau (7,300 / 30,000 or 0.2433).

Constant of Proportionality

In calculating crude birth rates and fertility rates, we use a constant of proportionality of 1,000. Vital statistics may be reported with different constants of proportionality. Readers may familiarize themselves with how rates are calculated so that validity is maintained when comparing rates. Unless rates are calculated with the same constant of proportionality, comparisons will lead to incorrect conclusions. For instance, in this report we calculate death rates per 100,000 population. If another publication reported deaths per 1,000 population, you would need to convert the rates in this report (by dividing by 100) or the death rates in the other report (by multiplying by 100) in order to make a valid comparison.

Age-Adjustment Using Standard Populations

The age-adjusted death rate (AADR) is a death rate that controls for the effects of differences in the age distributions of populations. For example, a geographic area with a higher population of children and young adults would generally be expected to have a lower death rate than a population with a higher percentage of senior citizens, all other factors equal. The AADR standardizes crude death rates between these two areas to show what rates would be if both populations had identical age distributions. This is a more meaningful measure than crude death rates when you expect different groups of people to have different age distributions.

The AADRs in this report were calculated using the U.S. year 2000 standard population level.¹¹⁹ The year 2000 is widely used in public health research, although the year used is ultimately unimportant provided the same weighting standard is used when comparing results. For example, rates adjusted using year 2000 weights would not be directly comparable to rates standardized using year 2010 or 2020 weights.

Rates are adjusted using the direct age-adjustment method, which is the same as calculating a weighted average. First, the age-specific death rate (ASDR) is calculated by dividing the number of deaths in each age

group by the Alaska resident population for that age group, and multiplying by a constant of proportionality (i.e., 100,000). A weighted ASDR is then calculated by multiplying the ASDR for each age group by that group's proportion of the U.S. year 2000 standard population (these weights should sum to one). The sum of the weighted ASDRs represents the AADR.

¹¹⁹ [Centers of Disease Control and Prevention. Age Adjustment Using the 2000 Projected U.S. Population.](#)

Table 127. 2022 Age Adjusted Death Rate Using U.S. Year 2000 Standard Population¹²⁰

Age	Deaths (A)	Population (B)	Age-Specific Death Rate (C)	U.S. Year 2000 Standard Population (Thousands) (D)	Standard Population Weight (E)	Weighted Age-Specific Death Rate (F)
00-04	74	45,403	163.0	18,987	0.069136	11.3
05-14	23	105,743	21.8	39,977	0.145565	3.2
15-24	129	93,161	138.5	38,077	0.138646	19.2
25-34	276	107,072	257.8	37,233	0.135573	34.9
35-44	328	105,080	312.1	44,659	0.162613	50.8
45-54	432	82,547	523.3	37,030	0.134834	70.6
55-64	920	91,941	1,000.6	23,961	0.087247	87.3
65-74	1,316	70,543	1,865.5	18,136	0.066037	123.2
75-84	1,228	27,679	4,436.6	12,315	0.044841	198.9
85+	975	7,387	13,198.9	4,259	0.015508	204.7
Total	5,701	736,556	774.0	274,634	1.000000	804.0

¹²⁰ Column A: Deaths during period.

Column B: Population during period.

Column C: Age-specific death rate (A/B * 100,000).

Column D: U.S. year 2000 standard population (in thousands).

Column E: Standard population weight (D/sum of D).

Column F: Weighted age-specific death rate (C*E). The sum of F is the age-adjusted rate.

Small Populations or Few Events

Data based on small populations and few events require particular care in data analysis. In Alaska, variability is expected when looking at small groups within the population. Precautions are taken to avoid drawing false conclusions from random or unusual events. A method that is used in this report to provide greater reliability is rolling averages.

Rolling Sums and Averages

Calculations of multiple year rolling averages can be performed when single-year rates are not reliable due to a small number of observations, or due to large fluctuations in the number of events from year to year. Rolling sums and averages can help to smooth out statistics which would vary widely from one year to another, or otherwise be below standard reporting thresholds.

For example, single-year infant death rates are seldom good indicators for the state of infant health within Alaska because rates can fluctuate dramatically from year to year. For example, if 67 infants died during 2008, 76 infants died during 2009, and 43 infants died during 2010. The single-year infant death rates during 2008, 2009 and 2010 would be 5.9, 6.7 and 3.7 deaths per 1,000 births, respectively. Taking a 3-year average gives an infant death rate of 5.4 deaths per 1,000, which provides a more meaningful measure of infant mortality trends over time.

Premature Death and Years of Potential Life Lost

Years of potential life lost (YPLL) is the difference between an age representing the expected natural lifespan of an individual, and the age of a decedent who dies before that time. The age used in the calculation is ultimately arbitrary, but 75 is a common standard given that this is close to the median natural lifespan expected in many developed countries. This is the age used in this report.

YPLL is a useful way to estimate the impact of premature death because it emphasizes mortality in younger populations. For example, an infant aged <1 years who dies before their first birthday will have 75 minus 0 = 75 YPLL. An adult aged 35 years will have 75

minus 35 = 40 YPLL. Finally, a senior aged 75 will have 75 minus 75 = 0 YPLL.

Adequacy of Prenatal Care Utilization

The Kotelchuck Adequacy of Prenatal Care Utilization (APNCU) index makes use of two pieces of PNC information obtained from birth certificate data: when PNC began (adequacy of initiation) and the number of PNC visits from when PNC began until delivery (adequacy of received services).¹²¹ The APNCU index classifies the adequacy of initiation under the assumption that PNC starting earlier is better during the following months of pregnancy: months 1-2, months 3-4, months 5-6, and months 7-9.

To classify the adequacy of received services, the number of PNC visits is compared to the expected number of visits for the period between when care began and the delivery date. The expected number of visits is based on the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists prenatal care standards for uncomplicated pregnancies and is adjusted for the gestational age when care began and for the gestational age at delivery. A ratio of observed to expected visits is calculated and grouped into four categories— Inadequate (received less than 50% of expected visits), Intermediate (50%–79%), Adequate (80%–109%), and Adequate Plus (110%). The final APNCU index measure combines these two dimensions into a single summary score.

While the APNCU index provides a reasonable starting point for evaluation of prenatal care, it also carries certain limitations. For example, the APNCU index does not measure the quality of a PNC visit, only the quantity of visits received. It is also dependent on how well the patient or provider recalls the date of initiation, and the number of visits. Furthermore, it may not be a good measure of adequacy of care for high-risk pregnancies due to the increased probability of services among at-risk patients.

¹²¹ [Kotelchuck M. An evaluation of the Kessner Adequacy of Prenatal Care Index and a proposed Adequacy of Prenatal Care Utilization Index.](#)

Appendix C: Population

In 2022, Alaska's resident population was 736,556 persons, up from 736,105 persons in 2021. This included 377,762 men (51%), and 358,794 women (49%), or approximately 105 men per 100 women. By race and ethnicity, Alaska's population distribution was 64% White, 4% Black, 16% AI/AN, 8% Asian/PI, and 8% multiple race people. Hispanic people of any race made up 8%. Children aged <15 years, made up 20% of Alaska's population. While seniors aged 65+ years made up 15%. Most of Alaska's population was concentrated in the Anchorage region (39%). This was followed by the Interior and Matanuska-Susitna regions (both at 15%).

Table 128. Population by Demographic Characteristic

Demographic	Characteristic	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sex	Male	378,371 (51%)	377,146 (51%)	377,246 (51%)	378,442 (51%)	377,762 (51%)
	Female	356,996 (49%)	355,588 (49%)	356,145 (49%)	357,663 (49%)	358,794 (49%)
Race	White	479,457 (65%)	475,987 (65%)	473,218 (65%)	473,480 (64%)	472,404 (64%)
	Black	27,213 (4%)	26,859 (4%)	26,636 (4%)	26,696 (4%)	26,576 (4%)
	AI/AN	113,270 (15%)	113,242 (15%)	115,227 (16%)	115,352 (16%)	115,367 (16%)
	Asian/PI	59,377 (8%)	60,029 (8%)	60,436 (8%)	61,333 (8%)	62,230 (8%)
	Multiple	56,050 (8%)	56,617 (8%)	57,874 (8%)	59,244 (8%)	59,979 (8%)
	Hispanic	52,867 (7%)	53,243 (7%)	53,917 (7%)	55,396 (8%)	56,208 (8%)
	Age	<5 Years	51,106 (7%)	49,819 (7%)	48,972 (7%)	46,824 (6%)
	5-14 Years	106,095 (14%)	105,525 (14%)	105,791 (14%)	105,666 (14%)	105,743 (14%)
	15-24 Years	94,863 (13%)	93,467 (13%)	92,951 (13%)	93,465 (13%)	93,161 (13%)
	25-34 Years	113,082 (15%)	112,222 (15%)	111,596 (15%)	109,663 (15%)	107,072 (15%)
	35-44 Years	95,524 (13%)	97,081 (13%)	99,699 (14%)	103,406 (14%)	105,080 (14%)
	45-54 Years	88,572 (12%)	85,618 (12%)	84,605 (12%)	82,888 (11%)	82,547 (11%)
	55-64 Years	98,930 (13%)	97,509 (13%)	95,743 (13%)	93,802 (13%)	91,941 (12%)
	65-74 Years	59,228 (8%)	62,062 (8%)	63,967 (9%)	68,084 (9%)	70,543 (10%)
	75-84 Years	21,397 (3%)	22,702 (3%)	23,382 (3%)	25,159 (3%)	27,679 (4%)
	85+ Years	6,570 (<1%)	6,729 (<1%)	6,685 (<1%)	7,148 (<1%)	7,387 (1%)
Residence	Anchorage	294,973 (40%)	292,487 (40%)	291,247 (40%)	290,410 (39%)	289,810 (39%)
	Gulf Coast	80,946 (11%)	81,048 (11%)	81,619 (11%)	81,700 (11%)	82,481 (11%)
	Interior	111,066 (15%)	110,067 (15%)	109,425 (15%)	111,552 (15%)	110,588 (15%)
	Mat-Su	105,685 (14%)	106,782 (15%)	107,081 (15%)	109,086 (15%)	111,752 (15%)
	Northern	27,666 (4%)	27,484 (4%)	28,870 (4%)	28,342 (4%)	27,774 (4%)
	Southeast	72,805 (10%)	72,571 (10%)	72,286 (10%)	72,683 (10%)	72,218 (10%)
	Southwest	42,226 (6%)	42,295 (6%)	42,863 (6%)	42,332 (6%)	41,933 (6%)
Statewide	Total	735,367 (100%)	732,734 (100%)	733,391 (100%)	736,105 (100%)	736,556 (100%)

Appendix D: Race

Prior to 2021, the Vital Statistics Annual Report presented race using NCHS-provided “bridged” race categories. Race bridging “refers to making data collected using one set of race categories consistent with data collected using a different set of race categories, to permit estimation and comparison of race-specific statistics at a point in time or over time”.¹²²

Alaska began collecting multiple-choice race data in 2013 for births and 2014 for other events when it adopted the current (2003 revision) U.S. standard certificate forms. Race information prior to these revisions was collected using a single-choice race selection method. Bridged race categories represent a hypothetical single-choice race based on what individuals who selected multiple races would be predicted to identify as had they used the older single choice method. This allows multiple-race responses (e.g., White plus AI/AN) to be proportionally distributed into a single race category (e.g., AI/AN) to allow analysis of race-specific statistics that are comparable to data collected using the older forms.

NCHS has discontinued reporting bridged race population estimates as of 2020 and bridged race coding of vital events as of 2021. Individuals that identified as more than one race are now counted in the “Multiple” race category. While the multiple-choice race method is more accurate and allows greater expression of racial identity, there are important differences in the racial distributions of both population and vital event data compared to the previously reported bridged race method. Race data reported by bridged races in Vital Statistics Annual Reports before 2021 are not comparable to data reported by race alone in the Vital Statistics 2021 Annual Report and thereafter.

Event counts by a race alone will be lower than counts by bridged races due to the redistribution of multiple race records. The size of that decrease depends on a variety of factors such as the combinations of races reported, and the algorithm used by NCHS to distribute multiple race people into a bridged race category. Between 2016-2020, average population counts by race

(alone) compared to the same race (bridged) were 5% lower for White people, 29% lower for Black people, 12% lower for AI/AN people, and 9% lower for Asian/PI people. Average birth counts were 9% lower for White people, 39% lower for Black people, 14% lower for AI/AN people, and 7% lower for Asian/PI people. Average death counts were 3% lower for White people, 9% lower for Black people, 6% lower for AI/AN people, and 6% lower for Asian/PI people.

In terms of event rates (for example, events per 1,000 or 100,000 population for crude birth and death rates, respectively), differences between race (alone) and race (bridged) estimates depend on whether the relative change in the population denominator is greater or less than the change in the event count numerator. This means that unlike event counts, differences in rates by race (alone) can be either higher or lower than rates by race (bridged). Between 2016-2020, average crude birth rates were 4% lower for White people, 11% lower for Black people, 2% lower for AI/AN people, and 2% higher for Asian/PI people. Average crude death rates were 2% higher for White people, 20% higher for Black people, 5% higher for AI/AN people, and 3% higher for Asian/PI people.

¹²² [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. U.S. Census Populations with Bridged Race Categories.](#)

Figure 25. Percent Difference Between Race (Alone) vs Race (Bridged) Statistics, 2016-2020 Average

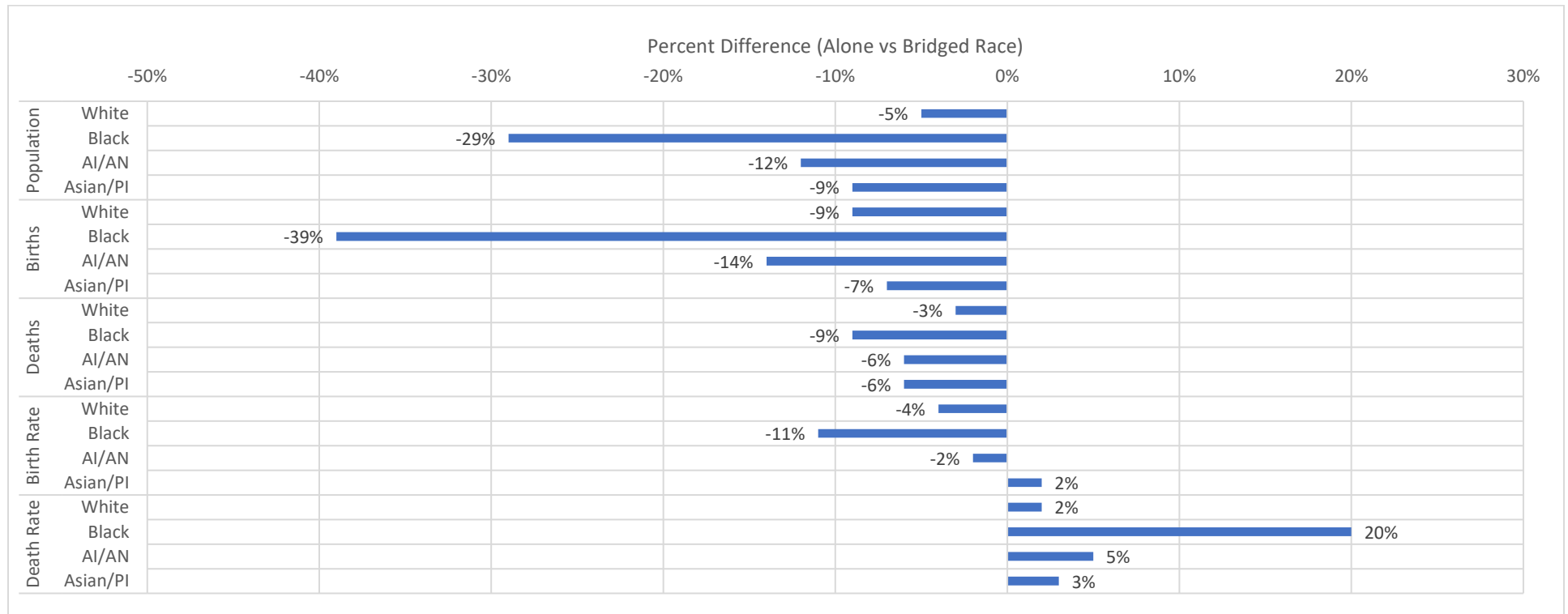


Table 129. Population by Race (Alone vs Bridged)

Year	White (Alone)	White (Bridged)	White (% Diff.)	Black (Alone)	Black (Bridged)	Black (% Diff.)	AI/AN (Alone)	AI/AN (Bridged)	AI/AN (% Diff.)	Asian/PI (Alone)	Asian/PI (Bridged)	Asian/PI (% Diff.)
2016	488,670	514,892	-5%	26,951	35,510	-27%	112,999	127,569	-12%	57,278	62,666	-9%
2017	483,839	510,332	-5%	27,216	36,080	-28%	113,074	127,744	-12%	59,205	64,764	-9%
2018	479,457	506,244	-5%	27,213	36,227	-28%	113,270	127,832	-12%	59,377	65,064	-9%
2019	475,987	502,940	-6%	26,859	36,116	-29%	113,242	127,833	-12%	60,029	65,845	-9%
2020	473,218	499,488	-5%	26,636	35,853	-29%	115,227	127,526	-10%	60,436	66,036	-9%
Total	2,401,171	2,533,896	-5%	134,875	179,786	-29%	567,812	638,504	-12%	296,325	324,375	-9%

Table 130. Births by Race (Alone vs Bridged)

Year	White (Alone)	White (Bridged)	White (% Diff.)	Black (Alone)	Black (Bridged)	Black (% Diff.)	AI/AN (Alone)	AI/AN (Bridged)	AI/AN (% Diff.)	Asian/PI (Alone)	Asian/PI (Bridged)	Asian/PI (% Diff.)
2016	6,276	6,914	-10%	335	483	-36%	2,177	2,480	-13%	1,025	1,115	-8%
2017	5,795	6,343	-9%	358	522	-37%	1,967	2,292	-15%	1,046	1,118	-7%
2018	5,551	6,112	-10%	303	473	-44%	1,950	2,256	-15%	983	1,054	-7%
2019	5,407	5,919	-9%	326	485	-39%	1,944	2,235	-14%	952	1,031	-8%
2020	5,258	5,777	-9%	298	452	-41%	1,850	2,115	-13%	894	955	-7%
Total	28,287	31,065	-9%	1,620	2,415	-39%	9,888	11,378	-14%	4,900	5,273	-7%

Table 131. Crude Birth Rates by Race (Alone vs Bridged)¹²³

Year	White (Alone)	White (Bridged)	White (% Diff.)	Black (Alone)	Black (Bridged)	Black (% Diff.)	AI/AN (Alone)	AI/AN (Bridged)	AI/AN (% Diff.)	Asian/PI (Alone)	Asian/PI (Bridged)	Asian/PI (% Diff.)
2016	12.8	13.4	-4%	12.4	13.6	-9%	19.3	19.4	-1%	17.9	17.8	1%
2017	12.0	12.4	-4%	13.2	14.5	-10%	17.4	17.9	-3%	17.7	17.3	2%
2018	11.6	12.1	-4%	11.1	13.1	-16%	17.2	17.6	-2%	16.6	16.2	2%
2019	11.4	11.8	-4%	12.1	13.4	-10%	17.2	17.5	-2%	15.9	15.7	1%
2020	11.1	11.6	-4%	11.2	12.6	-12%	16.1	16.6	-3%	14.8	14.5	2%
Total	11.8	12.3	-4%	12.0	13.4	-11%	17.4	17.8	-2%	16.5	16.3	2%

¹²³ Crude birth rates are live births per 1,000 population.

Table 132. Deaths by Race (Alone vs Bridged)

Year	White (Alone)	White (Bridged)	White (% Diff.)	Black (Alone)	Black (Bridged)	Black (% Diff.)	AI/AN (Alone)	AI/AN (Bridged)	AI/AN (% Diff.)	Asian/PI (Alone)	Asian/PI (Bridged)	Asian/PI (% Diff.)
2016	2,942	3,030	-3%	116	124	-7%	994	1,057	-6%	210	224	-6%
2017	2,879	2,961	-3%	121	133	-9%	1,019	1,070	-5%	195	209	-7%
2018	2,931	3,027	-3%	134	147	-9%	961	1,033	-7%	174	183	-5%
2019	2,990	3,105	-4%	128	139	-8%	1,034	1,102	-6%	216	226	-5%
2020	3,246	3,362	-4%	157	173	-10%	1,221	1,306	-7%	271	292	-7%
Total	14,988	15,485	-3%	656	716	-9%	5,229	5,568	-6%	1,066	1,134	-6%

Table 133. Crude Death Rates by Race (Alone vs Bridged)¹²⁴

Year	White (Alone)	White (Bridged)	White (% Diff.)	Black (Alone)	Black (Bridged)	Black (% Diff.)	AI/AN (Alone)	AI/AN (Bridged)	AI/AN (% Diff.)	Asian/PI (Alone)	Asian/PI (Bridged)	Asian/PI (% Diff.)
2016	602.0	588.5	2%	430.4	349.2	21%	879.7	828.6	6%	366.6	357.5	3%
2017	595.0	580.2	3%	444.6	368.6	19%	901.2	837.6	7%	329.4	322.7	2%
2018	611.3	597.9	2%	492.4	405.8	19%	848.4	808.1	5%	293.0	281.3	4%
2019	628.2	617.4	2%	476.6	384.9	21%	913.1	862.1	6%	359.8	343.2	5%
2020	685.9	673.1	2%	589.4	482.5	20%	1,059.6	1,024.1	3%	448.4	442.2	1%
Total	624.2	611.1	2%	486.4	398.3	20%	920.9	872.0	5%	359.7	349.6	3%

¹²⁴ Crude death rates are deaths per 100,000 population.