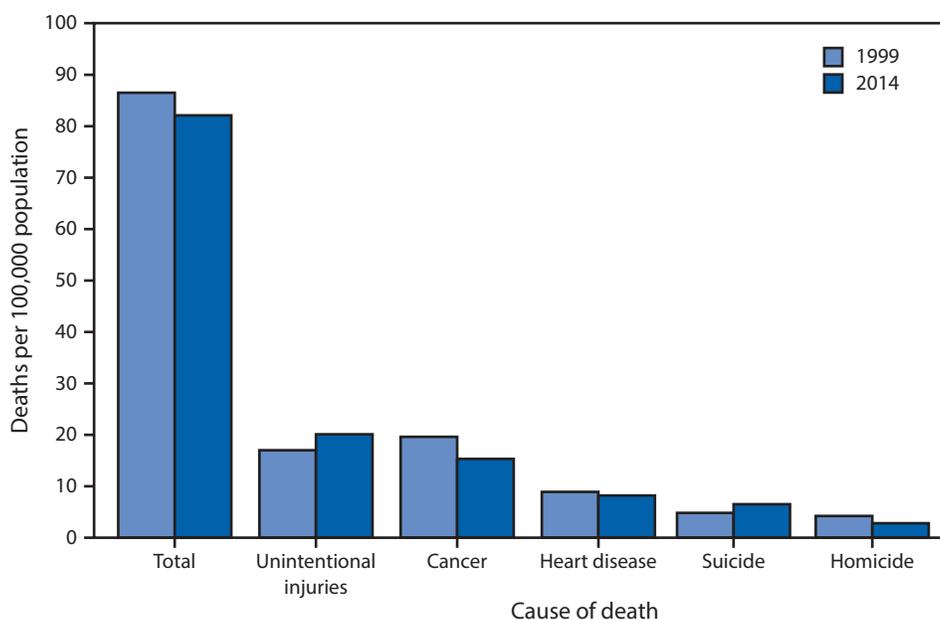


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Age-Adjusted Death Rates* for Females Aged 15–44 Years, by the Five Leading Causes of Death† — United States, 1999 and 2014



* All differences in rates were statistically significant ($p < 0.05$). Age-adjusted rates are per 100,000 standard population.

† Unintentional injuries are identified with *International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision* codes V01–X59, Y85–Y86; C00–C97 for cancer; I00–I09, I11, I13, I20–I51 for heart disease; U03, X60–X84, Y87.0 for suicide; and U01–U02, X85–Y09, Y87.1 for homicide.

The age-adjusted death rate for females aged 15–44 years was 5% lower in 2014 (82.1 per 100,000 population) than in 1999 (86.5). Among the five leading causes of death, the age-adjusted rates of three were lower in 2014 than in 1999: cancer (from 19.6 to 15.3, a 22% decline), heart disease (8.9 to 8.2, an 8% decline), and homicide (4.2 to 2.8, a 33% decline). The age-adjusted death rates for two of the five causes were higher in 2014 than in 1999: unintentional injuries (from 17.0 to 20.1, an 18% increase) and suicide (4.8 to 6.5, a 35% increase). Unintentional injuries replaced cancer as the leading cause of death in this demographic group.

Source: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, 1999 and 2014, Mortality. CDC Wonder online database. <http://wonder.cdc.gov/ucd-icd10.html>.

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