Percent living to ages 65 and 85

Born in 1940

- To age 65: 60%
- To age 85: 11%

Born today

- To age 65: 84%
- To age 85: 39%

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality
Life Expectancy at Birth

Age in years

Female

Male

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality
Death Rates for Leading Causes of Death

Deaths per 100,000

- Heart Disease
- Cancer
- Stroke
- Chronic Lung Disease

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality

National Center for Health Statistics
Leading Causes of Death, 2009

Ages 1–24 years
- Accidents
- All other causes
- Cancer
- Suicide
- Homicide

Number of deaths = 40,277

Ages 25–44 years and over
- Accidents
- All other causes
- Cancer
- Heart disease
- Suicide
- Homicide

Number of deaths = 116,735

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality
Leading Causes of Death, 2009

Ages 45–64 years

- Cancer
- Heart disease
- Accidents
- Chronic lung disease
- Chronic liver disease

Number of deaths = 489,524

Ages 65 years and over

- Heart disease
- Cancer
- Alzheimer's
- Chronic lung disease
- Stroke

Number of deaths = 1,758,746

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality
Death Rates for Leading Causes of Death, 2009

Deaths per 100,000

- Heart disease
- Cancer
- Chronic lung disease
- Stroke

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality
Infant Mortality Rates, 2007

- Central and South American
- Asian or Pacific Islander
- Cuban
- Mexican
- Non-Hispanic white
- Total
- Puerto Rican
- American Indian
- Non-Hispanic black

Infant deaths per 1,000 live births

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, Linked birth/infant death data set
Infant Mortality Rates, 2007

Deaths per 1,000 live births

United States
U.S. Ranking, Life Expectancy at Birth, 2007

Males
- **Japan**: 79.2 years (1st)
- **United States**: 75.4 years (25th)

Females
- **Switzerland**: 84.4 years (1st)
- **United States**: 80.4 years (27th)

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS and Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)