

STATE PROFILE: CALIFORNIA

PERCENT OF BIRTHS TO UNMARRIED MOTHERS (2006 preliminary data)

CALIFORNIA	U.S RATE	2006 RANK	2005 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2005 TO 2006
37.6	38.5	25th	35.7	+1.9

EARLY PRE-NATAL CARE (Percent Receiving pre-natal care in the first trimester of pregnancy, 2005)

CALIFORNIA	U.S RATE	2004 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2004 TO 2005
86.6	83.9	87.1	-0.5

CESAREAN DELIVERY RATE (2006 preliminary data)

CALIFORNIA	U.S RATE	2006 RANK	2005 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2005 TO 2006
31.3	31.1	19th (tie)	30.3	+1.0

PRE-TERM BIRTH RATE (2006 preliminary data)

CALIFORNIA	U.S RATE	2006 RANK	2005 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2005 TO 2006
10.7	12.8	45th	10.8	-0.1

TEEN BIRTH RATE (Number of live births per 1,000 females aged 15-19, 2005)

CALIFORNIA	U.S RATE	RANK	2004 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2004 TO 2005
38.8	40.5	24th	39.5	-0.7

LOW BIRTHWEIGHT RATE (2006 preliminary data)

CALIFORNIA	U.S RATE	2006 RANK	2005 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2005 TO 2006
6.8	8.3	44th (tie)	6.9	-0.1

INFANT MORTALITY RATE (2005)

CALIFORNIA	U.S RATE	2005 RANK	2004 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2004 TO 2005
5.25	6.86	45th	5.32	-0.07

LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH IN THE U.S. (2005)

1. HEART DISEASE

DEATHS	CALIFORNIA DEATH RATE (age-adjusted)	U.S. 2005 RATE RANK	2004 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2004 TO 2005
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64916	196.3	211.1	26th	202.1	-5.8
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2. CANCER

DEATHS	CALIFORNIA DEATH RATE (age-adjusted)	U.S. RATE	2005 RANK	2004 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2004 TO 2005
54732	167.0	183.8	45th	166.8	+0.2

3. STROKE

DEATHS	CALIFORNIA DEATH RATE (age-adjusted)	U.S. RATE	2005 RANK	2004 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2004 TO 2005
15585	47.4	46.6	26th	52.7	-5.3

4. CHRONIC LOWER RESPIRATORY DISEASES

DEATHS	CALIFORNIA DEATH RATE (age-adjusted)	U.S. RATE	2005 RANK	2004 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2004 TO 2005
13188	40.9	43.2	36th	39.7	+1.2

5. ACCIDENTS

DEATHS	CALIFORNIA DEATH RATE (age-adjusted)	U.S. RATE	2005 RANK	2004 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2004 TO 2005
11129	31.4	37.7	44th	30.4	+1.0

6. DIABETES

DEATHS	CALIFORNIA DEATH RATE (age-adjusted)	U.S. RATE	2005 RANK	2004 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2004 TO 2005
7697	23.5	24.6	30th (tie)	22.2	+1.3

7. ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

DEATHS	CALIFORNIA DEATH RATE (age-adjusted)	U.S. RATE	2005 RANK	2004 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2004 TO 2005
7706	23.2	22.9	27th (tie)	21.8	+1.4

8. INFLUENZA/PNEUMONIA

DEATHS	CALIFORNIA DEATH RATE (age-adjusted)	U.S. RATE	2005 RANK	2004 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2004 TO 2005
7553	22.8	20.3	13th	22.8	-5.5

9. KIDNEY DISEASE

California	2,482	7.5			
DEATHS	CALIFORNIA DEATH RATE (age-adjusted)	U.S. 2005 RATE RANK	2004 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2004 TO 2005	
2482	7.5	14.3 45th	7.4	+0.1	

10. SEPTICEMIA

DEATHS	CALIFORNIA DEATH RATE (age-adjusted)	U.S. RATE	2005 RANK	2004 CALIFORNIA RATE	CHANGE FROM 2004 TO 2005
1033	3.1	11.2	50th	n/a	n/a

Sources: Birth data come from *National Vital Statistics Reports, Vol. 55, No. 1*; Infant mortality data come from the 2004 period linked birth/infant death data set; Leading cause of death data come from the *CDC WONDER* compressed mortality file and rankings are based on age-adjusted death rates. States are categorized from highest rate to lowest. Although adjusted for differences in age-distribution and population size, rankings by state do not take into account other state specific population characteristics that may effect the level of mortality. When the number of deaths is small, rankings by state may be unreliable due to instability in death rates. For more information on age-adjustment, click [Here](#).

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