Indicator 50. Death

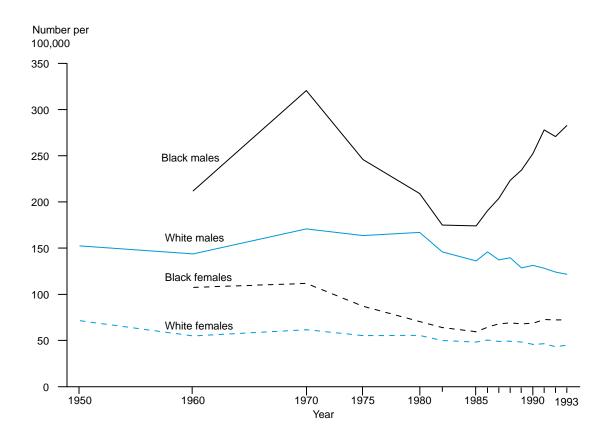
Number of deaths per 100,000 persons 5 to 34 years old, by sex, age, and race: 1950 to 1993

	Males and females			Males			Females		
Year	5 to 14 years old	15 to 24 years old	25 to 34 years old	5 to 14 years old	15 to 24 years old	25 to 34 years old	5 to 14 years old	15 to 24 years old	25 to 34 years old
			L		All races				
1950	60.1	128.1	178.7	70.9	167.9	216.5	48.9	89.1	142.7
1960	46.6	106.3	146.4	55.7	152.1	187.9	37.3	61.3	106.6
1970	41.3	127.7	157.4	50.5	188.5	215.3	31.8	68.1	101.6
1975	35.2	117.3	140.6	43.3	174.1	198.9	26.8	59.8	83.6
1980	30.6	115.4	135.5	36.7	172.3	196.1	24.2	57.5	75.9
1985	26.3	95.9	123.4	31.6	141.1	178.0	20.8	49.9	68.9
1988	25.8	102.1	135.4	30.9	151.0	196.7	20.4	52.1	74.0
1989	25.7	97.6	140.0	30.5	142.4	204.4	20.6	50.9	75.7
1990	24.0	99.2	139.2	28.5	147.4	204.3	19.3	49.0	74.2
1991	23.6	100.1	139.1	28.7	148.0	204.0	18.3	50.0	74.2
1992	22.6	97.4	135.0	27.5	144.8	199.9	17.4	47.9	70.1
1993	23.6	97.6	142.6	27.4	144.1	211.4	19.6	49.2	73.7
					White				
1950	56.4	111.7	148.3	67.2	152.4	185.3	45.1	71.5	112.8
1960	43.9	99.1	123.6	52.7	143.7	163.2	34.7	54.9	85.0
1970	39.1	115.8	129.9	48.0	170.8	176.6	29.9	61.6	84.1
1975	33.4	110.0	119.2	40.9	163.6	166.4	25.5	55.3	72.1
1980	29.1	112.0	118.4	35.0	167.0	171.3	22.9	55.5	65.4
1985	24.8	92.9	108.4	29.9	136.3	157.1	19.4	48.4	58.9
1988	23.9	95.1	116.2	28.9	139.7	169.6	18.6	49.2	61.7
1989	23.8	89.5	120.6	28.4	128.6	177.0	19.0	48.4	63.1
1990	22.3	89.7	119.3	26.4	131.3	176.1	17.9	45.9	61.5
1991	22.0	88.5	119.4	26.5	128.2	176.1	17.2	46.6	61.7
1992	20.8	84.7	115.5	25.5	124.1	172.9	15.9	43.2	57.0
1993	21.9	84.3	125.2	26.1	121.7	186.2	17.6	44.9	62.9
					Black				
1960 ¹	64.5	157.9	333.0	75.1	212.0	402.5	53.8	107.5	273.2
1970	55.5	212.4	381.2	67.1	320.6	559.5	43.8	111.9	231.0
1975	45.5	165.2	315.2	57.0	246.0	484.0	34.0	87.0	168.0
1980	39.0	138.3	269.5	47.4	209.1	407.3	30.5	70.5	150.0
1985	34.8	115.9	235.4	41.3	174.1	347.4	28.1	59.5	136.3
1988	36.0	145.2	275.4	42.1	223.3	409.7	29.8	69.0	155.5
1989	36.3	150.7	285.7	43.5	234.5	425.6	29.0	68.0	161.0
1990	34.4	159.9	287.5	41.2	252.2	430.8	27.5	68.7	159.5
1991	34.2	174.9	284.5	42.4	278.1	425.5	25.8	72.6	158.6
1992	33.4	171.3	277.1	40.8	270.7	413.2	25.9	72.3	155.0
1993	33.2	177.4	270.9	35.4	282.8	409.5	31.0	72.4	146.5

¹ Includes all races except white.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, *Vital Statistics of the United States*, vol. II, part A, various years; *Monthly Vital Statistics Report*, vols. 38, 39, and 42; and unpublished tabulations.

Number of deaths per 100,000 persons 15 to 24 years old, by sex and race: 1950 to 1993



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The death rates of young adults 15 to 24 years old generally declined between 1970 and 1985 and have fluctuated since then. Young men have died each year at nearly triple the rate of young women since the late 1980s. Also, between 1950 and 1993, the decline in the death rate for women was much larger than that for men. There has been a recent surge in death rates for 15- to 24-year-old black males—from174 per 100,000 in 1985 to 283 in 1993. Death rates are higher for blacks than for whites, especially among men.