

Summary of Primary Medical Conditions* Leading to Death
Shasta County Resident Deaths, January 1 – December 31, 2017*

Cause of Death	Medical Condition*	Number	Percent[@]
Chronic Diseases	Heart disease	568	24.3%
	All Cancers	454	19.4%
	Lung Cancer	(114)	(4.9%)
	Colorectal Cancer	(44)	(1.9%)
	Liver Cancer	(23)	(1.0%)
	Breast Cancer	(21)	(0.9%)
	Prostate Cancer	(21)	(0.9%)
	Malignant Melanoma	(5)	(0.2%)
	Cervical Cancer	(1)	(0.0%)
	Other cancer ^{&&}	(225)	(9.6%)
	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease (CLRD)**	196	8.4%
	Stroke	97	4.2%
	Other chronic diseases [#]	721	30.9%
	TOTAL CHRONIC DISEASES	2,036	87.2%
Communicable Diseases	Pneumonia & Influenza	50	2.1%
	Septicemia	19	0.8%
	Enterocolitis due to Clostridium difficile	12	0.5%
	Other Communicable Diseases ^{&}	23	1.0%
	TOTAL COMMUNICABLE DISEASES	104	4.5%
Unintended Injuries	All Drug Poisonings [~]	32	1.4%
	Poisoning, opioids alone	4	(0.2%)
	Poisoning, polysubstance with opioids	18	(0.8%)
	Poisoning, polysubstance without opioids	2	(0.1%)
	Poisoning, single substance non-opioid	8	(0.3%)
	Motor Vehicle Collision	29	1.2%
	Fall	19	0.8%
	Other Unintended Injuries [§]	35	1.5%
TOTAL UNINTENDED INJURIES	115	4.9%	
Intended Injuries	Suicide	55	2.4%
	Firearm	(27)	(1.2%)
	Drug Poisoning [~]	(3)	(0.1%)
	All other suicides	(25)	(1.1%)
	Homicide	9	0.4%
	TOTAL INTENDED INJURIES	64	2.7%
Other[^]		16	0.7%
TOTAL[@]		2,335	100.0%

*based on 2,332 final and 3 pending cause of death

@ May not add up to 100% due to rounding

&& Other Cancers include kidney, ovarian, thyroid, etc.

** Such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, emphysema, chronic bronchitis, pneumonitis and asthma.

Such as diabetes, liver and other digestive disease, kidney disease, and Alzheimer's disease

& Such as chronic viral hepatitis and AIDS

~ Drug Poisoning counts are preliminary, and include alcohol and other drugs with abuse potential

§ Such as drowning, suffocation, cut/pierce, fire/smoke, firearms, and drug mental disorder.

^ Includes Injury (Undetermined Intent), Iatrogenic, and Pending Causes of Death

NOTE: According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), about 50% of all deaths are preventable. Of the preventable deaths, the most significant causes are tobacco use, poor diet, physical inactivity, alcohol/drug abuse, microbes, toxic agents, firearms, irresponsible sexual behavior, and unsafe use of motor vehicles.