Leading Causes of Death in Delaware

The 10 leading causes of death in 2003-2007 were the same as those in 2002-2006, though the ranking of the bottom 4 causes shifted. Of the 10 leading causes of death, only 3 demonstrated an increase in mortality rates, Dementia, Alzheimer’s disease, and Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome, and nephrosis (kidney disease).

Figure 1. Five-year Age-adjusted Mortality Rates for the 10 Leading Causes of Death Delaware, 2003-2007

Notes:
1. Rates per 100,000, adjusted to U.S. 2000 population.
Source: Delaware Health Statistics Center