

Top Five Leading Causes of Injury Death and Age Adjusted Mortality Rates per 100,000 Population by Mechanism for Los Angeles County and Each SPA, 1998- 2007

Los Angeles County

Cause	Deaths	Rate
Firearms	11,574	11.5
Motor Vehicle Traffic	8,589	8.9
Poisoning	7,186	7.4
Falls	3,616	4.3
Suffocation	2,669	2.8
All Other Causes	6,117	6.4

SPA 3: San Gabriel

Cause	Deaths	Rate
Motor Vehicle Traffic	1,393	7.8
Firearms	1,338	7.3
Poisoning	955	5.4
Falls	635	3.9
Suffocation	482	2.7
All Other Causes	983	5.6

SPA 6: South

Cause	Deaths	Rate
Firearms	3,133	28.9
Motor Vehicle Traffic	1,058	11.7
Poisoning	681	8.5
Falls	252	3.6
Suffocation	227	2.5
All Other Causes	840	10.0

SPA 1: Antelope Valley

Cause	Deaths	Rate
Motor Vehicle Traffic	632	20.3
Firearms	377	12.4
Poisoning	309	9.6
Suffocation	102	3.3
Falls	84	3.6
All Other Causes	258	8.4

SPA 4: Metro

Cause	Deaths	Rate
Firearms	1,273	10.4
Poisoning	1,013	8.6
Motor Vehicle Traffic	836	7.3
Falls	531	5.1
Suffocation	386	3.3
All Other Causes	739	6.4

SPA 7: East

Cause	Deaths	Rate
Firearms	1,316	9.6
Motor Vehicle Traffic	1,016	8.0
Poisoning	798	6.6
Falls	384	3.6
Suffocation	309	2.5
All Other Causes	663	5.4

SPA 2: San Fernando Valley

Cause	Deaths	Rate
Motor Vehicle Traffic	1,745	8.7
Firearms	1,597	7.9
Poisoning	1,346	6.4
Falls	760	4.2
Suffocation	523	2.6
All Other Causes	1,057	5.3

SPA 5: West

Cause	Deaths	Rate
Poisoning	534	7.7
Firearms	454	6.9
Motor Vehicle Traffic	381	5.8
Falls	310	4.7
Suffocation	198	3.0
All Other Causes	323	5.0

SPA 8: South Bay

Cause	Deaths	Rate
Firearms	1,897	12.4
Poisoning	1,104	7.2
Motor Vehicle Traffic	1,093	7.3
Falls	542	4.1
Suffocation	379	2.5
All Other Causes	955	6.4

Sources:

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