

Summary of Primary Medical Conditions* Leading to Death
Shasta County Resident Deaths, January 1 – December 31, 2018*

Cause of Death	Medical Condition*	Number	Percent[@]
Chronic Diseases	Heart disease	505	22.4%
	All Cancers	463	20.5%
	Lung Cancer	(88)	(3.9%)
	Colorectal Cancer	(40)	(1.8%)
	Breast Cancer	(43)	(1.9%)
	Liver Cancer	(10)	(0.4%)
	Prostate Cancer	(24)	(1.1%)
	Malignant Melanoma	(10)	(0.4%)
	Cervical Cancer	(4)	(0.2%)
	Other cancer ^{&&}	(244)	(10.8%)
	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease (CLRD)**	193	8.5%
	Stroke	107	4.7%
	Diabetes	57	2.5%
	Other chronic diseases [#]	621	27.5%
TOTAL CHRONIC DISEASES	1,946	86.1%	
Communicable Diseases	Pneumonia & Influenza	61	2.7%
	Septicemia	24	1.1%
	Enterocolitis due to Clostridium difficile	12	0.5%
	Other Communicable Diseases ^{&}	17	0.8%
	TOTAL COMMUNICABLE DISEASES	114	5.0%
Unintended Injuries	All Drug Poisonings [~]	30	1.3%
	Poisoning, opioids alone	4	(0.2%)
	Poisoning, polysubstance with opioids	6	(0.3%)
	Poisoning, polysubstance without opioids	2	(0.1%)
	Poisoning, single substance non-opioid	18	(0.8%)
	Motor Vehicle Collision	36	1.6%
	Fall	21	0.9%
	Other Unintended Injuries [§]	42	1.9%
	TOTAL UNINTENDED INJURIES	129	5.7%
Intended Injuries	Suicide	44	1.9%
	Firearm	(20)	(0.9%)
	Drug Poisoning [~]	(2)	(0.1%)
	All other suicides	(22)	(1.0%)
	Homicide	11	0.5%
TOTAL INTENDED INJURIES	55	2.4%	
Other[^]		15	0.7%
TOTAL[@]		2,259	100.0%

*based on 2,259 final

@ 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 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.