

Summary of Primary Medical Conditions* Leading to Death
Shasta County Resident Deaths, January 1 – December 31, 2019*

Cause of Death	Medical Condition*	Number	Percent[@]
Chronic Diseases	Heart disease	491	22.3%
	All Cancers	434	19.7%
	Lung Cancer	(98)	(4.5%)
	Colorectal Cancer	(38)	(1.7%)
	Liver Cancer	(29)	(1.3%)
	Breast Cancer	(12)	(0.5%)
	Prostate Cancer	(31)	(1.4%)
	Malignant Melanoma	(7)	(0.3%)
	Cervical Cancer	(0)	(0.0%)
	Other cancer ^{&&}	(219)	(10.0%)
	Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease (CLRD)**	185	8.4%
	Stroke	89	4.0%
	Diabetes	58	2.6%
	Other chronic diseases [#]	650	29.5%
TOTAL CHRONIC DISEASES	1,907	86.7%	
Communicable Diseases	Pneumonia & Influenza	47	2.1%
	Pneumonia	(45)	(2.0%)
	Influenza	(2)	(0.1%)
	Septicemia	22	1.0%
	Enterocolitis due to Clostridium difficile	9	0.4%
	Other Communicable Diseases ^{&}	23	1.0%
	TOTAL COMMUNICABLE DISEASES	101	4.6%
Unintended Injuries	All Drug Poisonings [~]	31	1.4%
	Poisoning, opioids alone	(2)	(0.1%)
	Poisoning, polysubstance with opioids	(11)	(0.5%)
	Poisoning, polysubstance without opioids	(3)	(0.1%)
	Poisoning, single substance non-opioid	(15)	(0.7%)
	Motor Vehicle Collision	27	1.2%
	Fall	25	1.1%
	Other Unintended Injuries [§]	34	1.5%
	TOTAL UNINTENDED INJURIES	117	5.3%
Intended Injuries	Suicide	51	2.3%
	Firearm	(23)	(1.0%)
	Drug Poisoning [~]	(5)	(0.2%)
	All other suicides	(23)	(1.0%)
	Homicide	12	0.5%
	TOTAL INTENDED INJURIES	63	2.9%
Other[^]		12	0.5%
TOTAL[@]		2,200	100.0%

*based on 2,200 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.