

Leading causes of death in the world, 2016	
Cause of death	Deaths
Cardiovascular diseases	17,858,000
Malignant neoplasms	8,966,000
Infectious and parasitic diseases	5,491,000
Respiratory diseases	3,808,000
Preventable injuries	3,429,000
Respiratory Infectious	2,964,000
Neurological conditions	2,538,000

Source: Global Health Estimates 2016: Disease burden by Cause, Age, Sex, by Country and by Region, 2000-2016. Geneva, World Health Organization; 2018.

Leading causes of preventable death in the world, 2016

	Deaths
Road injury	1,402,000
Falls	660,000
Drowning	322,000
Fire heat and hot substances	153,000
Exposure to mechanical forces	150,000
Poisonings	107,000
Natural disasters	2,000
Other unintentional injuries	633,000

Source: Global Health Estimates 2016: Disease burden by Cause, Age, Sex, by Country and by Region, 2000-2016. Geneva, World Health Organization; 2018.