

**Appendix E**

# HEALTH INDICATORS BY ETHNIC/RACIAL GROUP, SAN DIEGO COUNTY, 1996

Health issue	County overall*	White*	Hispanic*	Black*	Asian/PI*	Native American*
Cancer death rate	113.1	118.8	77.1	**157.5	96.8	65.2
Breast cancer death rate	19.9	21.4	12.1	**29.2	13.1	0
Lung cancer death rate	29.5	32.0	14.5	**46.5	22.0	***
Colorectal death rate	10.6	10.9	7.1	**19.6	9.1	0
Coronary heart disease death rate	93.1	95.6	70.5	**155.7	65.3	84.9
Asthma hospitalizations (not age adjusted)	112.2	82.0	146.8	**276.8	86.6	82.6
Influenza and pneumonia death rate	16.8	17.4	13.8	**20.0	12.5	***
First trimester prenatal care (percent of births)	78.8%	88.0%	**69.1%	77.3%	81.7%	73.8%
Third trimester or no prenatal care (percent of births)	5.5%	2.2%	**9.3%	4.7%	3.6%	7.7%
Infant Mortality rate (per 1,000 births)	5.4	5.6	4.4	**10.6	5.1	***
Low Birthweight (less than 2,500 grams; percent of total births to that ethnicity)	5.8%	5.5%	4.9%	**10.5%	7.5%	6.6%
Birth rate to Teenagers Age 12-14 (per 1,000 population)	1.1	0.2	2.4	**2.8	***	0
Birth rate to Teenagers Age 15-17 (per 1,000 population, not age adjusted)	36.9	13.3	**80.9	49.5	18.8	26.6
Suicide rate	11.6	**13.9	5.8	9.6	6.6	***
Drug-related death rate	8.9	**10.2	6.8	9.9	0.4	***
Unintentional injury death rate	22.8	22.9	21.7	**55.4	34.2	18.4
Homicide rate	6.2	3.8	9.6	**14.0	7.4	0

\* 1996 age adjusted for all death rates per 100,000 population unless otherwise noted.

\*\*Note: Highest rates of ALL ethnic groups.

\*\*\*Fewer than five events; no rates calculated

Sources: County of San Diego reports from the California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics, Vital Statistics Section, Birth and Death Statistical Master files; and Office of Health Planning and Data, Hospital Discharge Data Survey.