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Health Analytics and Vital Records Section releases data reports on health facilities, vital statistics and cancer

November 10, 2025 / ANCHORAGE - The Alaska <u>Health Analytics and Vital Records Section</u> (<u>HAVRS</u>) has released three annual data reports offering insights for health care professionals, policymakers, and the general public. The following reports are now available on the <u>HAVRS Data and Statistics page</u> of the Department of Health website:

- Alaska Health Facilities Data Reporting (HFDR) Program 2024 Annual Report
- Alaska Vital Statistics 2024 Annual Report
- Cancer in Alaska 2022 Annual Report

The reports are crucial for understanding health trends and guiding public health initiatives in Alaska. Descriptions and highlights from each report follow.

Alaska Health Facilities Data Reporting (HFDR) Program 2024 Annual Report

The 2024 HFDR Annual Report describes health facility use in Alaska, using data provided by hospitals and other health care facilities across the state.

2024 HFDR Highlights:

- Alaska health facilities reported 62,201 inpatient hospitalizations, worth \$6 billion in billed charges.
 - Leading causes of hospitalization were liveborn infant deliveries, septicemia and alcohol-related disorders.
- Alaska health facilities reported 298,183 emergency department visits, worth \$1.8 billion in billed charges.
 - Leading causes of emergency department visits were abdominal pain, upper respiratory infections and chest pain.

Also see the interactive Alaska Discharge Dashboard.

Alaska Vital Statistics 2024 Annual Report

This report contains information about Alaska resident births, deaths, and fetal deaths, as well as Alaska occurrences of marriages, divorces, and adoptions during calendar year 2024.

2024 Alaska Vital Statistics Highlights:

- The state recorded 8,950 births and 5,525 deaths.
- The fertility rate was 61 births per 1,000 women ages 14-45 years.
- Life expectancy increased to 77.6 years.
- The state's leading causes of death remained: malignant neoplasms (cancer), heart disease and accidents.

Also see the interactive Alaska Death Dashboard

Cancer in Alaska 2022 Annual Report

This report, from the <u>Alaska Cancer Registry</u>, details how many people were diagnosed with cancer, the types of cancer reported, and what cancer deaths were recorded.

2022 Cancer Report Highlights:

- Alaska clinicians reported 3,401 new cancer cases, with breast and prostate being the most common.
- Cancer death rate decreased, to 146.7 per 100,000 people.
- Notably, pancreatic, uterine and melanoma cancers all increased in incidence.

Also see the *Alaska Vital Statistics 2024 Annual Report* ("malignant neoplasms") and the web page of the <u>Alaska Cancer Registry</u>.

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