<b>Death Rates</b>	Humans *	%	C57BL/6j	%
All causes	865			
Major cardiovascular diseases	348	40.2%	Yes	
Diseases of the heart	268	31.0%		
Rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease	2			
Hypertensive heart disease	10			
Ischemic heart disease	170			
Other diseases of endocardium	7			
All other forms of heart disease	80			
Hypertension	5	0.6%		
Cerebrovascular diseases	58	6.7%		
Atherosclerosis	6	0.7%	Yes	high
Other	10	1.2%		
Malignancies	199	23.0%	Low	
			susceptibility	
Of respiratory and intrathoracic organs	59			
Of digestive organs and peritoneum	47			
Of genital organs	21			
Of breast	15			
Of urinary organs	9			
Leukemia	7			
Other	40			
Accidents and adverse effects	34		not applicable	
Motor vehicle	15		not applicable	
All other	19		not applicable	
Chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases	42	4.9%		
Bronchitis, chronic and unspecified	1			
Emphysema	7			
Asthma	2			
Other	33			
Pneumonia and influenza	35	4.0%		
Pneumonia	34			
Influenza	1			
Diabetes mellitus	24	2.8%	type II	
Suicide	11	1.3%	not applicable	
Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis	9	1.0%		
Other infectious and parasitic diseases	7	0.8%		
Homicide and legal intervention	6	0.7%		
Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome, nephrosis	10	1.2%		
Septicemia	9	1.0%		
Perinatal conditions	5	0.6%	not applicable	
Congenital anomalies	4	0.5%	not applicable	
Benign neoplasms	3	0.3%		
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	2	0.2%		

<b>Death Rates</b>	Humans *	%	C57BL/6j	%
Hernia and intestinal obstruction	2	0.2%		
Anemias	2	0.2%		
Cholelithiasis and gall bladder disorders	1	0.1%		
Nutritional deficiencies	1	0.1%		
Tuberculosis	1	0.1%		
Infections of kidney	1	0.1%		
Viral hepatitis	2	0.2%		
Meningitis	1	0.1%		
Acute bronchitis and bronchiolitis	1	0.1%		
Hyperplasia of prostate	1	0.1%		
Ill-defined conditions	13	1.5%		
All other causes	92	10.6%		

## \* Crude death rate per 100,000 U.S. 1998.

Source: U.S. National Center for Health Statistics, *Vital Statistics of the United States*, annual; and *National Vital Statistics Report (NVSR)* (formerly *Monthly Vital Statistics Report*); and unpublished data.