

RELATIVE HEALTH IMPORTANCE

Polk County, TN

		Your Health Status Compared to Peers	
		UNFAVORABLE	FAVORABLE
Your County's Health Compared to US Rates	UNFAVORABLE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low Birth Wt. (&lt;2500 g)</li> <li>• Premature Births (&lt;37 weeks)</li> <li>• Infant Mortality</li> <li>• White non Hispanic Infant Mortality</li> <li>• Neonatal Infant Mortality</li> <li>• Coronary Heart Disease</li> <li>• Lung Cancer</li> <li>• Motor Vehicle Injuries</li> <li>• Suicide</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Births to Women under 18</li> <li>• Post-neonatal Infant Mortality</li> <li>• Breast Cancer (Female)</li> <li>• Colon Cancer</li> <li>• Stroke</li> <li>• Unintentional Injury</li> </ul>
	FAVORABLE		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Very Low Birth Wt. (&lt;1500 g)</li> <li>• Births to Women age 40-54</li> <li>• Births to Unmarried Women</li> </ul>

The Relative Health Importance table creates four categories of relative concern by simply comparing a county to its peers and to the U.S.

A county's indicators in the upper left-hand box (P) are higher than the U.S. and its peers and may warrant more attention. Conversely, indicators in the lower right-hand box (♥) of the table compare favorably to both peers and the U.S. The other boxes represent intermediate levels of health where a county's rate is higher than either its peers or the U.S., but not both.

Source: [Measures of Birth and Death tables, pages 6 - 7.](#)

NATIONAL LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH<sup>1</sup>

Polk County, TN

	White	Black	Other	Hispanic
<b>Under Age 1</b>				
Complications of Pregnancy/Birth	45%	nrf	nrf	nrf
Birth Defects	27%	nrf	nrf	nrf
<b>Ages 1-14</b>				
Injuries	nrf	nrf	nrf	nrf
Cancer	nrf	nrf	nrf	nrf
Homicide	nrf	nrf	nrf	nrf
<b>Ages 15-24</b>				
Injuries	49%	nrf	nrf	nrf
Homicide	nrf	nrf	nrf	nrf
Suicide	17%	nrf	nrf	nrf
Cancer	nrf	nrf	nrf	nrf
<b>Ages 25-44</b>				
Injuries	25%	nrf	nrf	nrf
Cancer	16%	nrf	nrf	nrf
Heart Disease	10%	nrf	nrf	nrf
Suicide	11%	nrf	nrf	nrf
HIV/AIDS	nrf	nrf	nrf	nrf
Homicide	nrf	nrf	nrf	nrf
<b>Ages 45-64</b>				
Cancer	34%	nrf	nrf	nrf
Heart Disease	25%	nrf	nrf	nrf
<b>Ages 65+</b>				
Heart Disease	35%	nrf	nrf	nrf
Cancer	21%	nrf	nrf	nrf

nrf No report, fewer than 20 deaths in race/ethnicity and age group or less than 10% of the deaths.

nda No data available.

Local data are presented for the Nation's top leading causes of death in each age group. Columns, within age categories, do not total 100% because all causes of death are not listed.

The most complete ethnicity data available are reported.

<sup>1</sup> NCHS. Vital Statistics Reporting System, 1996-2005.