

NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE

DEATH MASTER FILE *LIMITED USE* LAYOUT

2003 - CURRENT



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New York City has revised its death certificates effective January 1, 2003. The 2003 death file layout has been expanded from 280 to 1328 positions to accommodate the changes.

The major substantive change on death certificates in 2003 is the introduction of multiple race items. Fifteen fields are used to record races of a decedent. Race items are recoded to comply with the census tabulation of population. Some other changes are Hispanic/non-Hispanic ancestry check boxes, method of disposition, autopsy, education, and tobacco use. Ancestry is also recoded to create a single variable reflecting the information from Hispanic/Non-Hispanic ancestry items. Positions 437-680 are reserved for multiple cause of death codes. Following codes are also modified to capture more information or comply with NCHS practice.

Old Code

New Code

Place of Death in Hospital (position 234)

Type of Place (position 11)

- 1 DOA
- 2 Emergency
- 3 Outpatient
- 4 Inpatient
- 0 Not in Hospital
- 9 Not Stated
- 7 Other
- 9 Unknown or Not Stated

- 1 Hospital Inpatient
- 2 Emergency / Outpatient
- 3 DOA
- 4 Nursing Home / Long Term Care Facility
- 5 Hospice Facility
- 6 Decedent = s Residence

Age at Last Birthday (Position 170-172)

Age at Last Birthday (position 117-120)

- Number 01-99
- Unit 0 100 Years and Over
- 1 Years
- 2 Months
- 3 Days
- 4 Hours
- 5 Minutes
- 9 Unknown or Not Stated

- Number 01-125
- Unit 1 Years
- 2 Months
- 3 Days
- 4 Hours
- 5 Minutes
- 9 Unknown or Not Stated

Marital Status (Position 142)

Marital Status (Position 217)

- 1 Never Married
- 2 Widowed
- 3 Married or Separated
- 4 Divorced
- 9 Unknown or Not Stated
- 9 Unknown or Not Stated

- 1 Never Married
- 2 Married
- 3 Married, But Separated
- 4 Widowed
- 5 Divorced

Ethnicity of Deceased (Position 156)

Ethnicity of Deceased (Position 407)

- 1 Puerto Rican
- 2 Other Hispanic
- 3 Asian and Pacific Islander
- 4 White Non-Hispanic
- 5 Black Non-Hispanic

- 1 Puerto Rican
- 2 Other Hispanic
- 3 Asian and Pacific Islander
- 4 White Non-Hispanic
- 5 Black Non-Hispanic

6 Other
9 Unknown
9 Unknown

6 Other Non-Hispanic
7 Non-Hispanic of Two or More Races

Copies of the Certificate of Death completed by the Office of Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) and regular Certificate of Death appear following the Appendices.

<u>FIELD</u>	<u>MODE</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
BORO OF REPORT	N	1	5	5
1 MANHATTAN				
2 BRONX				
3 BROOKLYN				
4 QUEENS				
5 STATEN ISLAND				
TYPE OF PLACE	N	1	11	11
1 HOSPITAL INPATIENT				
2 EMERGENCY / OUTPATIENT				
3 DOA				
4 NURSING HOME / LONG TERM CARE FACILITY				
5 HOSPICE FACILITY				
6 DECEDENT'S RESIDENCE				
7 OTHER				
9 UNKNOWN OR NOT STATED				
TYPE OF INSTITUTION	C	1	32	32
0 HOME				
1 HOSPITAL - VOLUNTARY				
2 HOSPITAL - PROPRIETARY				
3 HOSPITAL - MUNICIPAL				
4 HOSPITAL - STATE				
5 HOSPITAL - FEDERAL				
6 NURSING HOME				
7 NURSING HOME				
9 UNKNOWN				
- OTHER SPECIFIED				
PLACE DATE OF DEATH				
MONTH	N	2	36	37
01-12				
YEAR, 4 DIGITS	N	4	40	43
9999 UNKNOWN				

<u>FIELD</u>	<u>MODE</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
SEX	N	1	49	49
1 MALE				
2 FEMALE				
9 UNKNOWN				
BOROUGH OF RESIDENCE	N	1	50	50
1 MANHATTAN				
2 BRONX				
3 BROOKLYN				
4 QUEENS				
5 STATEN ISLAND				
6 NEW YORK STATE OUTSIDE OF N.Y.C.				
8 OUTSIDE OF NEW YORK STATE				
9 RESIDENCE UNKNOWN				
THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE GENERATED FOR NEW YORK CITY				
GEOSUPPORT ACCEPTED ADDRESSES ONLY. SEE APPENDIX B AND B1.				
HEALTH CENTER DISTRICT	C	1	55	55
COMMUNITY PLANNING DISTRICT	N	3	66	68
ZIP CODE	N	5	69	73
SCHOOL DISTRICT	N	2	74	75
CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT	N	2	76	77
POLICE PRECINCT	N	3	78	80
RESERVED FOR FIPS	C	12	81	92
OCME (1 YES; 0 NO)	N	1	93	93
INJURY AT WORK	N	1	105	105
1 YES				
2 NO				
9 UNKNOWN OR NOT STATED				
0 NOT OCME CERTIFICATE				

<u>FIELD</u>	<u>MODE</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
MANNER OF DEATH	N	1	106	106
0 NATURAL				
4 UNDETERMINED				
1 ACCIDENT				
5 THERAPEUTIC COMPLICATION				
2 SUICIDE				
9 PENDING				
3 HOMICIDE				
WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED	N	1	107	107
OCME CASES				
1 YES				
2 NO AUTOPSY PURSUANT TO LAW				
3 NO AUTOPSY				
9 UNKNOWN OR NOT STATED				
NON OCME CASES				
1 YES				
2 NO				
9 UNKNOWN OR NOT STATED				
BIRTHDATE OF DECEASED				
YEAR, 4 DIGITS	N	4	113	116
9999 UNKNOWN OR NOT STATED				
AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY	N	4	117	120
NUMBER 01-125	N	3	117	119
999 UNKNOWN AGE				
UNIT	N	1	120	120
1 YEARS				
2 MONTHS				
3 DAYS				
4 HOURS				
5 MINUTES				
9 UNKNOWN OR NOT STATED				

<u>FIELD</u>		<u>MODE</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
AGE RECODE (COMPUTED)		N	2	121	122
00 UNDER 1 YEAR	13 45 TO 49 YEARS				
01 1 YEAR	14 50 TO 54 YEARS				
02 2 YEARS	15 55 TO 59 YEARS				
03 3 YEARS	16 60 TO 64 YEARS				
04 4 YEARS	17 65 TO 69 YEARS				
05 5 TO 9 YEARS	18 70 TO 74 YEARS				
06 10 TO 14 YEARS	19 75 TO 79 YEARS				
07 15 TO 19 YEARS	20 80 TO 84 YEARS				
08 20 TO 24 YEARS	21 85 TO 89 YEARS				
09 25 TO 29 YEARS	22 90 TO 94 YEARS				
10 30 TO 34 YEARS	23 95 TO 99 YEARS				
11 35 TO 39 YEARS	24 100 YEARS AND OVER				
12 40 TO 44 YEARS					
AGE GROUP RECODE (COMPUTED)		N	1	123	123
0 UNDER 1 YEAR					
1 1 TO 4 YEARS					
2 5 TO 14 YEARS					
3 15 TO 24 YEARS					
4 25 TO 44 YEARS					
5 45 TO 64 YEARS					
6 65 TO 74 YEARS					
7 75 TO 84 YEARS					
8 85 YEARS AND OVER					
OCCUPATION (RESERVED FOR 3 DIGIT CENSUS)		N	3	164	166
INDUSTRY (RESERVED FOR 3 DIGIT CENSUS)		N	3	207	209

<u>FIELD</u>	<u>MODE</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
BIRTHPLACE	N	2	213	214
1 NEW YORK CITY				
2 REST OF NEW YORK STATE				
3 OTHER U.S. STATES AND TERRITORIES (INCLUDING PUERTO RICO)				
4 FOREIGN BORN				
9 UNKNOWN				
EDUCATION	N	1	215	215
1 8 TH GRADE OR LESS; NONE				
2 9 TH - 12 TH GRADE; NO DIPLOMA				
3 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE OR GED				
4 SOME COLLEGE CREDIT, BUT NO DEGREE				
5 ASSOCIATE DEGREE				
6 BACHELOR-S DEGREE				
7 MASTER-S DEGREE				
8 DOCTORATE OR PROFESSIONAL DEGREE				
9 UNKNOWN				
SERVED IN U.S. ARMED FORCES	N	1	216	216
0 NO				
1 YES				
9 UNKNOWN OR NOT STATED				
MARITAL STATUS	N	1	217	217
1 NEVER MARRIED				
2 MARRIED				
3 MARRIED, BUT SEPARATED				
4 WIDOWED				
5 DIVORCED				
9 UNKNOWN OR NOT STATED				
HISPANIC ANCESTRY	N	1	218	218
1 YES				
0 NO				

<u>FIELD</u>	<u>MODE</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
NON-HISPANIC ANCESTRY	N	1	222	222
1 YES				
0 NO				
ANCESTRY (NUMERIC, SEE APPENDIX D)	N	2	229	230
RACE OF DECEASED (1,0)	C	15	231	245
WHITE				
BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN				
AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE				
ASIAN INDIAN				
CHINESE				
FILIPINO				
JAPANESE				
KOREAN				
VIETNAMESE				
OTHER ASIAN				
NATIVE HAWAIIAN				
GUAMANIAN OR CHAMORRO				
SAMOAN				
OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER				
OTHER				
RACE RECODE	C	1	406	406
1 WHITE ALONE				
2 BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN ALONE				
3 AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE ALONE				
4 ASIAN ALONE				
5 NATIVE HAWAIIAN AND OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER ALONE				
6 SOME OTHER RACE ALONE				
7 TWO OR MORE RACES				
9 RACE UNKNOWN				

<u>FIELD</u>	<u>MODE</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
ETHNICITY OF DECEASED	N	1	407	407
1 PUERTO RICAN				
2 OTHER HISPANIC				
3 ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER				
4 WHITE NON-HISPANIC				
5 BLACK NON-HISPANIC				
6 OTHER NON-HISPANIC				
7 NON-HISPANIC OF TWO OR MORE RACES				
9 UNKNOWN				
RECENT PREGNANCY (IF FEMALE)	N	1	408	408
1 NOT PREGNANT WITHIN 1 YEAR OF DEATH				
2 PREGNANT AT TIME OF DEATH				
3 NOT PREGNANT AT DEATH, BUT WITHIN 42 DAYS OF DEATH				
4 NOT PREGNANT AT DEATH, BUT 43 DAYS TO 1 YEAR OF DEATH				
5 UNKNOWN IF PREGNANT WITHIN 1 YEAR OF DEATH				
9 UNKNOWN OR NOT STATED				
METHOD OF DISPOSITION	N	1	418	418
1 BURIAL				
2 CREMATION				
3 ENTOMBMENT				
4 CITY CEMETERY				
5 OTHER				
9 UNKNOWN OR NOT STATED				

<u>FIELD</u>	<u>MODE</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
LOCATION OF DISPOSITION	A	1	419	419
A DONATED, ANATOMICAL GIFT				
0 CITY BURIAL				
1 MANHATTAN				
2 BRONX				
3 BROOKLYN				
4 QUEENS				
5 STATEN ISLAND				
6 TRISTATE AREA: REST OF NEW YORK STATE, NEW JERSEY, CONNECTICUT				
7 ANY DISPOSITION OUTSIDE TRISTATE AREA IN CONTINENTAL U.S. (EXCLUDES ALASKA, HAWAII, PUERTO RICO)				
8 DISPOSITION OUTSIDE CONTINENTAL U.S. (INCLUDES ALASKA, HAWAII, PUERTO RICO)				
9 NOT STATED				
TOBACCO	N	1	421	421
1 YES				
2 NO				
3 PROBABLY				
9 UNKNOWN				
UNDERLYING CAUSE OF DEATH (ICD-10)	C	4	422	425

APPENDIX B

GEOGRAPHIC CODES FOR USUAL RESIDENCE

BIRTH, DEATH, AND SPONTANEOUS TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY RECORDS

USUAL RESIDENCE	BOROUGH CODES	GEOGRAPHY									
NEW YORK CITY	1-5	HEALTH AREA	H C D*	CENSUS TRACT ROOT 4 SUFFIX 2	CENSUS BLOCK ROOT 3 SUFFIX 1	BOROUGH & COMMUNITY DISTRICT	ZIP CODE				
N.Y. STATE OUTSIDE NEW YORK CITY	6	N. Y. STATE COUNTY OR MINOR CIVIL DIVISION	-	BLANK							
OUTSIDE N.Y. STATE	8	STATE AND COUNTY OR POSSESSION		BLANK							
		REST OF WORLD		BLANK							
UNKNOWN	9	-		BLANK							

* HCD - HEALTH CENTER DISTRICT

INDUCED TERMINATION RECORD

USUAL RESIDENCE	BOROUGH CODES	GEOGRAPHY										
NEW YORK CITY	1-5	ZIP CODE										
N.Y. STATE OUTSIDE NEW YORK CITY	6	N. Y. STATE COUNTY OR MINOR CIVIL DIVISION										
OUTSIDE N.Y. STATE	8	STATE AND COUNTY OR POSSESSION										
		REST OF WORLD										
UNKNOWN	9	-										

Codes for New York State locations are from the New York State Gazetteer, prepared by the New York State Department of Health.

Codes for other states and counties are from Instruction Manual Part 8, Vital Records and Geographic Classification, prepared by N.C.H.S., revised 1995.

Codes for rest of world are in Appendix C2.

APPENDIX B1

BOROUGH AND HEALTH CENTER DISTRICT CODES

Code	Borough and Health Center District
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Manhattan

11	CENTRAL HARLEM
12	EAST HARLEM
13	KIPS BAY-YORKVILLE
14	LOWER EAST SIDE
15	LOWER WEST SIDE
16	RIVERSIDE
17	WASHINGTON HEIGHTS

Bronx

21	FORDHAM-RIVERDALE
22	MORRISANIA
23	MOTT HAVEN
24	PELHAM BAY
25	TREMONT
26	WESTCHESTER

Brooklyn

31	BAY RIDGE
32	BEDFORD
33	BROWNSVILLE
34	BUSHWICK
35	FLATBUSH
36	FORT GREENE
37	GRAVESEND
38	RED HOOK-GOWANUS
39	SUNSET PARK
30	WILLIAMSBURG-GREENPOINT

Queens

41	ASTORIA
42	CORONA
43	FLUSHING
44	JAMAICA EAST
45	JAMAICA WEST
46	MASPETH - FOREST HILLS

51	<u>Richmond</u>
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APPENDIX D

NEW YORK CITY NUMERIC CODES FOR ANCESTRY

<u>Ancestry</u>	<u>Numeric Code</u>	<u>Contains Alphabetic Codes</u>
Mexican	01	CHC MEX
Puerto Rican	02	PUE
Cuban	03	CUB
Central or South American	04	ARG BOL CHL COL COS DOM ECU ELS GAL GUA HON NIC PAN PAR PER URU VEN BEZ FAL
Other and unknown Spanish	05	BAL BAS BOR CAS CAT CAY ESP FER HIS IBE LAI LAR MAJ MLL SPA VAL XSP
"American"	06	AME USA
American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut	07	ALE ESK INA
British	08	BRI CEL ENG SCO SCD UKG WEL
Irish	09	IRE
German	10	GER
French	11	BRE FRA
Norwegian, Swedish, Danish	12	DEN NOR SCA SWE
Polish	13	POL
Italian	14	ITA
Other North, Central, and South American	15	ANT ARU BAH BEM BON BRA CAI CAJ CAN CAZ CUR DOC FRC FRE GRD GRL GUP GUY HAI JAM MAQ MOT NEV QUE STB STL STM STN STV SUR TOR TRI TUK VIR WES XCA XNA XSA
Other Western European	16	AUS BEL CRE DUT FLE LIE LUX NET SWI WAL
Other Northern European	17	FIN ICE LAP
Other Eastern European	18	ALB ARM AZE BLA BUL BYE CZE EST GEO HUN LAT LIT MOD RUM RUS SLV UKR USR
Other Southern European	19	ALB AND AZO BOS CRO GIB GRE MAE MAT MOC POR SAN SER SLO VAT YUG
Southeast Asian and Pacific Islander	20	AUL BRU BUR CAM CAR CHI EAS FIJ GUM HAW HMO HOK INO JAP JAV KIR KOR LAO MAC MAN MAO MAS MAY MEL MIC MID MOL MON NAU NWC NWG NWZ OKI PAP PHI SIN SMA SOL SMW TAH TAI TAT THA TIB TON TRU VAN VIE YAP XPI
South Central Asian	21	AFG BAN BHU CEY HIN IND KAS KAZ MAV NEP PAK SIK SKM SRI TAJ TRK UZB
Near East (formerly other Asian)	22	ARA BHR CYP IRN IRQ ISR JOR KUR KUW LEB OMA PAL QAT SAU SYR TUR UAE UIG YEM YMA
North African	23	ALG BER EGY LBY MOR SUD TUN
Other African	24	ANG BEN BOT BUI BUK CAO CAP CEN CHA COM CON DAH DJI EQU ERI ETH GAB GAM GHA GUB GUI IVO KEN LES LIB MAD MAL MAR MAU MAW MOZ NAM NIG NGA RHO RWA SAO SEN SEY SIE SOM SOU SWA TAN TOG UGA UPP ZAI ZAM ZIM
African American	25	AFR
Not classifiable	99	AMI GYP HEB JEW MIX MOS STA XAF XAS XEU XXX ZZZ