

RESIDENT BIRTHS, DEATHS AND DEATHS BY IMPORTANT  
CAUSES BY NUMBER - CITIES OVER 10,000 POPULATION  
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	Beckley	Bluefield
LIVE BIRTHS	474	503
Physician in Hospital	359	370
Physician in Home	105	133
Midwife, Other & Unknown	10	-
TOTAL DEATHS, ALL CAUSES	186	229
Deaths Under 1 Year		
Deaths Under 1 Month		
INFECTIVE & PARASITIC DISEASES	10	8
Tuberculosis (All Forms)	7	3
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	7	3
Syphilis and its sequelae	1	2
Scarlet Fever	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-
Whooping Cough	1	1
Meningococcal Infections	-	-
Poliomyelitis	-	1
Measles	-	-
MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS (CANCER)	20	25
BENIGN & UNSPECIFIED NEOPLASMS	1	2
DIABETES MELLITUS	1	3
RHEUMATIC FEVER	-	1
VASCULAR LESIONS AFFECTING CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	18	28
DISEASES OF THE HEART	61	90
Chronic Rheumatic Heart	3	6
Arteriosclerotic & Degenerative	44	59
Hypertension	10	20
Other Diseases of the Heart	4	5
HYPERTENSION WITHOUT HEART	1	1
GENERAL ARTERIOSCLEROSIS	2	4
PNEUMONIA & INFLUENZA	5	7
Pneumonia	3	6
Influenza	2	1
SILICOSIS	4	-
DIARRHEA & ENTERITIS	-	-
CIRRHOSIS OF LIVER	1	3
NEPHRITIS & NEPHROSIS	4	3
MATERNAL CAUSES	-	-
CONGENITAL MALFORMATIONS	2	2
PREMATURE BIRTH	9	3
ACCIDENTS (ALL FORMS)	14	16
Motor Vehicle Accidents	6	6
SUICIDE	4	1
HOMICIDE	1	1
ALL OTHER CAUSES	27	31

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	Charleston	Clarksburg
LIVE BIRTHS	2,148	755
Physician in Hospital	2,013	715
Physician in Home	130	40
Midwife, Other & Unknown	5	-
TOTAL DEATHS, ALL CAUSES	841	368
Deaths Under 1 Year		
Deaths Under 1 Month		
INFECTIVE & PARASITIC DISEASES	39	11
Tuberculosis (All Forms)	28	8
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	28	7
Syphilis and its sequelae	6	1
Scarlet Fever	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	-
Meningococcal Infections	-	1
Poliomyelitis	3	-
Measles	-	-
MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS (CANCER)	120	64
BENIGN & UNSPECIFIED NEOPLASMS	4	1
DIABETES MELLITUS	11	3
RHEUMATIC FEVER	3	1
VASCULAR LESIONS AFFECTING CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	3	41
DISEASES OF THE HEART	255	135
Chronic Rheumatic Heart	14	4
Arteriosclerotic & Degenerative	191	102
Hypertension	47	25
Other Diseases of the Heart	3	4
HYPERTENSION WITHOUT HEART	8	4
GENERAL ARTERIOSCLEROSIS	16	5
PNEUMONIA & INFLUENZA	34	12
Pneumonia	31	9
Influenza	3	3
SILICOSIS	-	-
DIARRHEA & ENTERITIS	4	2
CIRRHOSIS OF LIVER	15	5
NEPHRITIS & NEPHROSIS	13	3
MATERNAL CAUSES	2	-
CONGENITAL MALFORMATIONS	18	5
PREMATURE BIRTH	9	15
ACCIDENTS (ALL FORMS)	55	21
Motor Vehicle Accidents	25	5
SUICIDE	8	1
HOMICIDE	7	-
ALL OTHER CAUSES	214	57

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	Fairmont	Huntington
LIVE BIRTHS	577	
Physician in Hospital	538	2,216
Physician in Home	39	2,182
Midwife, Other & Unknown	-	33
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TOTAL DEATHS, ALL CAUSES	297	892
Deaths Under 1 Year		
Deaths Under 1 Month		
INFECTIVE & PARASITIC DISEASES	15	
Tuberculosis (All Forms)	9	43
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	9	31
Syphilis and its sequelae	2	28
Scarlet Fever	-	6
Diphtheria	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	-
Meningococcal Infections	-	1
Poliomyelitis	-	2
Measles	3	2
		-
MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS (CANCER)	43	
BENIGN & UNSPECIFIED NEOPLASMS	1	124
DIABETES MELLITUS	4	6
RHEUMATIC FEVER	1	12
VASCULAR LESIONS AFFECTING CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	23	2
DISEASES OF THE HEART	109	12
Chronic Rheumatic Heart	2	290
Arteriosclerotic & Degenerative	91	10
Hypertension	14	231
Other Diseases of the Heart	2	39
HYPERTENSION WITHOUT HEART	2	10
GENERAL ARTERIOSCLEROSIS	6	3
		15
PNEUMONIA & INFLUENZA	4	
Pneumonia	3	34
Influenza	1	25
SILICOSIS	-	9
DIARRHEA & ENTERITIS	1	-
CIRRHOSIS OF LIVER	7	5
NEPHRITIS & NEPHROSIS	7	11
MATERNAL CAUSES	1	16
CONGENITAL MALFORMATIONS	2	3
PREMATURE BIRTH	5	19
ACCIDENTS (ALL FORMS)	23	21
Motor Vehicle Accidents	12	65
SUICIDE	3	19
HOMICIDE	-	9
ALL OTHER CAUSES	39	9
		191

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	Martinsburg	Morgantown
LIVE BIRTHS	337	582
Physician in Hospital	330	566
Physician in Home	7	10
Midwife, Other & Unknown	-	6
TOTAL DEATHS, ALL CAUSES	175	257
Deaths Under 1 Year		
Deaths Under 1 Month		
INFECTIVE & PARASITIC DISEASES	11	4
Tuberculosis (All Forms)	7	2
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	7	2
Syphilis and its sequelae	2	1
Scarlet Fever	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-
Whooping Cough	2	-
Meningococcal Infections	-	1
Poliomyelitis	-	-
Measles	-	-
MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS (CANCER)	32	37
BENIGN & UNSPECIFIED NEOPLASMS	-	-
DIABETES MELLITUS	3	5
RHEUMATIC FEVER	-	1
VASCULAR LESIONS AFFECTING CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	23	31
DISEASES OF THE HEART	58	88
Chronic Rheumatic Heart	-	7
Arteriosclerotic & Degenerative	46	62
Hypertension	8	5
Other Diseases of the Heart	4	14
HYPERTENSION WITHOUT HEART	6	8
GENERAL ARTERIOSCLEROSIS	1	9
PNEUMONIA & INFLUENZA	7	10
Pneumonia	5	8
Influenza	2	2
SILICOSIS	-	1
DIARRHEA & ENTERITIS	1	2
CIRRHOsis OF LIVER	3	2
NEPHRITIS & NEPHROSIS	4	3
MATERNAL CAUSES	-	-
CONGENITAL MALFORMATIONS	1	2
PREMATURE BIRTH	5	5
ACCIDENTS (ALL FORMS)	8	12
Motor Vehicle Accidents	3	2
SUICIDE	-	2
HOMICIDE	-	4
ALL OTHER CAUSES	13	30

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	Moundsville	Parkersburg
LIVE BIRTHS	308	912
Physician in Hospital	306	883
Physician in Home	2	28
Midwife, Other & Unknown	-	1
TOTAL DEATHS, ALL CAUSES	137	440
Deaths Under 1 Year		
Deaths Under 1 Month		
INFECTIVE & PARASITIC DISEASES	2	15
Tuberculosis (All Forms)	-	9
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	-	6
Syphilis and its sequelae	1	2
Scarlet Fever	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	-
Meningococcal Infections	-	-
Poliomyelitis	-	1
Measles	-	-
MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS (CANCER)	21	58
BENIGN & UNSPECIFIED NEOPLASMS	1	1
DIABETES MELLITUS	4	5
RHEUMATIC FEVER	-	-
VASCULAR LESIONS AFFECTING CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	16	68
DISEASES OF THE HEART	43	161
Chronic Rheumatic Heart	1	4
Arteriosclerotic & Degenerative	37	114
Hypertension	4	34
Other Diseases of the Heart	1	9
HYPERTENSION WITHOUT HEART	1	7
GENERAL ARTERIOSCLEROSIS	3	8
PNEUMONIA & INFLUENZA	1	10
Pneumonia	1	7
Influenza	-	3
SILICOSIS	-	-
DIARRHEA & ENTERITIS	1	2
CIRRHOSIS OF LIVER	1	3
NEPHRITIS & NEPHROSIS	3	8
MATERNAL CAUSES	-	-
CONGENITAL MALFORMATIONS	1	5
PREMATURE BIRTH	2	10
ACCIDENTS (ALL FORMS)	7	20
Motor Vehicle Accidents	7	6
SUICIDE	3	8
HOMICIDE	2	-
ALL OTHER CAUSES	25	51

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	South Charleston	Weirton
LIVE BIRTHS	538	47
Physician in Hospital	520	39
Physician in Home	18	8
Midwife, Other & Unknown		
TOTAL DEATHS, ALL CAUSES	97	173
Deaths Under 1 Year		
Deaths Under 1 Month		
INFECTIVE & PARASITIC DISEASES	4	9
Tuberculosis (All Forms)	2	5
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	2	4
Syphilis and its sequelae	1	2
Scarlet Fever	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	1
Meningococcal Infections	-	-
Poliomyelitis	-	-
Measles	-	-
MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS (CANCER)	17	30
BENIGN & UNSPECIFIED NEOPLASMS	-	-
DIABETES MELLITUS	2	5
RHEUMATIC FEVER	-	1
VASCULAR LESIONS AFFECTING CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	9	11
DISEASES OF THE HEART	33	61
Chronic Rheumatic Heart	-	5
Arteriosclerotic & Degenerative	25	46
Hypertension	7	8
Other Diseases of the Heart	1	2
HYPERTENSION WITHOUT HEART	-	-
GENERAL ARTERIOSCLEROSIS	-	1
PNEUMONIA & INFLUENZA	2	6
Pneumonia	1	6
Influenza	1	-
SILICOSIS	-	-
DIARRHEA & ENTERITIS	-	-
CIRRHOISIS OF LIVER	-	-
NEPHRITIS & NEPHROSIS	3	2
MATERNAL CAUSES	-	-
CONGENITAL MALFORMATIONS	2	4
PREMATURE BIRTH	1	5
ACCIDENTS (ALL FORMS)	10	9
Motor Vehicle Accidents	7	3
SUICIDE	3	2
HOMICIDE	-	-
ALL OTHER CAUSES	11	26

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	Wheeling
LIVE BIRTHS	
Physician in Hospital	1,362
Physician in Home	1,351
Midwife, Other & Unknown	11
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TOTAL DEATHS, ALL CAUSES	
Deaths Under 1 Year	740
Deaths Under 1 Month	
INFECTIVE & PARASITIC DISEASES	
Tuberculosis (All Forms)	20
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	12
Syphilis and its sequelae	9
Scarlet Fever	4
Diphtheria	-
Whooping Cough	1
Meningococcal Infections	1
Poliomyelitis	1
Measles	-
	-
MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS (CANCER)	110
BENIGN & UNSPECIFIED NEOPLASMS	4
DIABETES MELLITUS	12
RHEUMATIC FEVER	3
VASCULAR LESIONS AFFECTING CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM	86
DISEASES OF THE HEART	272
Chronic Rheumatic Heart	8
Arteriosclerotic & Degenerative	221
Hypertension	35
Other Diseases of the Heart	8
HYPERTENSION WITHOUT HEART	10
GENERAL ARTERIOSCLEROSIS	13
PNEUMONIA & INFLUENZA	
Pneumonia	18
Influenza	17
SILICOSIS	1
DIARRHEA & ENTERITIS	1
CIRRHOSIS OF LIVER	3
NEPHRITIS & NEPHROSIS	11
MATERNAL CAUSES	32
CONGENITAL MALFORMATIONS	-
PREMATURE BIRTH	13
ACCIDENTS (ALL FORMS)	22
Motor Vehicle Accidents	28
SUICIDE	12
HOMICIDE	3
ALL OTHER CAUSES	-
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