

## PMRs for Selected Occupations and Causes of Death

PMRs for selected occupations and fatal illnesses are presented in Table 3–1 using data from the National Occupational Mortality Surveillance System (NOMS). Deaths related to diseases other than the pneumoconioses and mesothelioma are difficult to link to the workplace. Therefore, any apparent excess of mortality for an occupation must be verified by more definitive studies. Statistically significant elevations of PMR do not necessarily indicate a causal relationship between an occupation and a fatal illness. Some PMRs may be elevated by chance, which is likely when a very large number of PMRs are tested for statistical significance. Other elevated PMRs may be associated more strongly with confounding factors such as cigarette smoking, alcohol use, or socioeconomic factors such as availability of health care and proper diet. The information in Table 3–1 may be used to identify possible associations between fatal illnesses and occupations that warrant further study. The findings may also be used to describe, to evaluate the results of other studies, or to target occupational groups for health promotion activities. For additional discussion about the use of PMRs from NOMS, see *Mortality by Occupation, Industry, and Cause of Death: 24 Reporting States (1984–1988)* [NIOSH 1997]. Additional information about lung diseases can be obtained from the *Work-Related Lung Disease Surveillance Report (WoRLD)* [NIOSH 1999].

## FATAL ILLNESS

Table 3–1. PMRs for white and black men and women aged 18 to 90 for selected occupations and

| Occupation and census occupation codes*                    | Number of deaths | Cause of death        |             |              |            |                                  |            |
|--|------------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|
|  |                  | All cancers (140–208) | Liver (155) | Larynx (161) | Lung (162) | Mesothelioma (158.8, 158.9, 163) | Skin (173) |
| Executive and administrative occupations (003–019):        |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 269,754          | 1.10§                 | 1.15§       | 0.88§        | 0.99       | 1.23**                           | 0.95       |
| Black men  | 9,011            | 1.06§                 | 1.30        | 0.50§        | 0.93**     | 2.80                             | 0.70       |
| White women  | 87,200           | 1.19§                 | 1.17§       | 1.11         | 1.29§      | 1.28                             | 1.12       |
| Black women  | 4,765            | 1.30§                 | 1.40        | 0.52         | 1.36§      | —                                | 0.76       |
| Legislative and public administrative officials (003–005): |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 14,933           | 1.09§                 | 0.98        | 0.65**       | 0.95**     | 0.73                             | 0.57       |
| Black men  | 763              | 1.26§                 | 2.45**      | 0.00**       | 0.97       | —                                | 1.87       |
| White women  | 5,759            | 1.21§                 | 1.34        | 0.37         | 1.34§      | 1.08                             | 0.76       |
| Black women  | 415              | 1.49§                 | 1.46        | —            | 1.60**     | —                                | —          |
| Professional specialty occupations (043–199):              |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 234,721          | 1.06§                 | 1.11§       | 0.75§        | 0.75§      | 0.96                             | 1.14**     |
| Black men  | 16,050           | 0.97**                | 1.10        | 0.54§        | 0.74§      | 0.81                             | 0.73       |
| White women  | 229,259          | 1.15§                 | 1.02        | 0.81**       | 0.91§      | 1.38§                            | 0.90       |
| Black women  | 23,542           | 1.22§                 | 1.16        | 0.74         | 1.05       | 1.21                             | 0.48       |
| Engineers (044–062):                                       |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 67,509           | 1.12§                 | 1.13**      | 0.83**       | 0.90§      | 1.67§                            | 0.98       |
| Black men  | 1,246            | 1.06                  | 0.52        | 0.54         | 1.14       | —                                | 1.21       |
| White women  | 973              | 1.21§                 | 0.56        | 2.07         | 1.33**     | 6.01                             | 1.53       |
| Black women  | 75               | 1.48                  | —           | —            | 2.20       | —                                | —          |
| Natural scientists (069–083):                              |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 11,300           | 1.07§                 | 1.03        | 0.64**       | 0.74§      | 0.61                             | 1.08       |
| Black men  | 354              | 1.19                  | 3.00        | 0.63         | 0.65       | 16.00                            | —          |
| White women  | 1,062            | 1.23§                 | 1.06        | 2.01         | 1.14       | 2.88                             | —          |
| Black women  | 67               | 1.59**                | 10.02**     | —            | 0.70       | —                                | —          |
| Health diagnosing occupations (084–089):                   |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 21,310           | 1.06§                 | 1.21        | 0.66§        | 0.65§      | 0.22**                           | 1.60§      |
| Black men  | 556              | 0.99                  | 1.25        | 0.44         | 0.56§      | —                                | 1.65       |
| White women  | 1,454            | 1.21§                 | 1.25        | 0.85         | 0.89       | 2.39                             | —          |
| Black women  | 75               | 1.41                  | —           | —            | 1.32       | —                                | —          |
| Physicians (084):  |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 13,034           | 1.05§                 | 1.25        | 0.74         | 0.64§      | 0.18**                           | 1.63**     |
| Black men  | 347              | 0.89                  | 1.34        | 0.73         | 0.56**     | —                                | 2.70       |
| White women  | 1,017            | 1.18§                 | 1.46        | 1.15         | 0.86       | 3.31                             | —          |
| Black women  | 56               | 1.42                  | —           | —            | 1.76       | —                                | —          |
| Health assessment and treating occupations (095–106):      |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 9,055            | 0.98                  | 1.04        | 1.08         | 0.77§      | 0.85                             | 0.89       |
| Black men  | 896              | 0.89                  | 1.05        | 0.28         | 0.55§      | —                                | 1.71       |
| White women  | 65,181           | 1.07§                 | 0.97        | 0.84         | 1.02       | 1.15                             | 0.90       |
| Black women  | 8,105            | 1.11§                 | 0.80        | 1.05         | 1.14**     | 2.54                             | 0.22       |
| Nurses (095, 207):   |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 2,117            | 0.83§                 | 1.03        | 1.46         | 0.70§      | 1.29                             | 1.32       |
| Black men  | 484              | 0.90                  | 0.49        | —            | 0.64**     | —                                | 2.91       |
| White women  | 75,167           | 1.03§                 | 0.94        | 0.80         | 1.02       | 0.96                             | 0.93       |
| Black women  | 10,934           | 1.09§                 | 0.90        | 1.11         | 1.13§      | 2.25                             | 0.19       |

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|                    |                             | Non-Hodgkins<br>lymphoma<br>(200, 202.0–<br>202.2, 202.8,<br>202.9) | Hodgkins<br>disease<br>(201) | Leukemia<br>(204–208) | Parkinson's<br>disease<br>(332) | IHD<br>(410–414)   | COPD<br>(490–496)  | Pneumo-<br>conioses<br>(500–505) | Chronic<br>liver<br>disease<br>(571) | Renal<br>failure<br>(584–586) | Suicide<br>(E590–<br>E959) |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Bladder<br>(188)   | Kidney<br>(189.0–<br>189.2) |   |                              |                       |                                 |                    |                    |                                  |                                      |                               |                            |
| 1.10 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.21 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.27 <sup>§</sup>   | 1.16 <sup>**</sup>           | 1.22 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.19 <sup>§</sup>               | 1.01 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.80 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.33 <sup>§</sup>                | 0.93 <sup>§</sup>                    | 0.93 <sup>§</sup>             | 0.94 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 1.02               | 1.53 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.50 <sup>§</sup>   | 1.04                         | 1.29 <sup>**</sup>    | 0.81                            | 1.10 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.87 <sup>**</sup> | 0.63                             | 0.73 <sup>§</sup>                    | 0.90                          | 1.45 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 1.05               | 1.13 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.21 <sup>§</sup>   | 0.98                         | 1.19 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.95                            | 0.89 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.06 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.22                             | 0.90 <sup>§</sup>                    | 0.90 <sup>§</sup>             | 1.00                       |
| 1.18               | 1.79 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.12  | 1.44                         | 1.30                  | 2.01                            | 0.91 <sup>**</sup> | 1.14               | —                                | 0.63 <sup>§</sup>                    | 0.78                          | 1.25                       |
| 1.08               | 1.28 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.31 <sup>§</sup>   | 1.27                         | 1.29 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.15                            | 1.02               | 0.79 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.26 <sup>§</sup>                | 0.99                                 | 0.87                          | 0.91                       |
| 1.18               | 2.30                        | 1.74  | —                            | 1.12                  | 1.28                            | 0.99               | 0.75               | —                                | 0.89                                 | 0.52                          | 0.84                       |
| 1.03               | 1.25                        | 1.22  | 0.44                         | 1.23                  | 0.80                            | 0.85 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.08               | —                                | 0.75                                 | 0.92                          | 0.95                       |
| 0.83               | 0.66                        | 0.98  | —                            | 1.60                  | 4.15                            | 0.67 <sup>§</sup>  | 2.26 <sup>§</sup>  | —                                | 0.40                                 | 0.31                          | 1.44                       |
| 1.03               | 1.24 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.43 <sup>§</sup>   | 1.39 <sup>§</sup>            | 1.33 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.68 <sup>§</sup>               | 0.97 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.68 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.18 <sup>§</sup>                | 0.88 <sup>§</sup>                    | 0.92 <sup>§</sup>             | 1.03 <sup>**</sup>         |
| 1.39 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.03                        | 1.49 <sup>§</sup>   | 1.42                         | 1.41 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.93 <sup>§</sup>               | 1.07 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.75 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.49                             | 0.80 <sup>§</sup>                    | 1.06                          | 1.06                       |
| 0.95               | 1.01                        | 1.20 <sup>§</sup>   | 1.35 <sup>§</sup>            | 1.23 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.46 <sup>§</sup>               | 0.89 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.90 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.26 <sup>§</sup>                | 0.88 <sup>§</sup>                    | 0.81 <sup>§</sup>             | 1.27 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 0.93               | 1.20                        | 1.32 <sup>§</sup>   | 1.52                         | 1.26 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.62 <sup>**</sup>              | 0.92 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.97               | 1.14                             | 0.62 <sup>§</sup>                    | 0.82 <sup>§</sup>             | 1.21                       |
| 1.11 <sup>**</sup> | 1.30 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.34 <sup>§</sup>   | 1.42 <sup>§</sup>            | 1.37 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.56 <sup>§</sup>               | 0.97 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.75 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.36 <sup>§</sup>                | 0.90 <sup>§</sup>                    | 0.88 <sup>§</sup>             | 1.03                       |
| 1.73               | 0.55                        | 1.07  | —                            | 1.39                  | —                               | 1.13               | 0.75               | —                                | 1.10                                 | 1.19                          | 1.32                       |
| 1.46               | 1.38                        | 1.06  | 1.70                         | 0.47                  | 0.91                            | 0.81 <sup>**</sup> | 1.05               | —                                | 1.15                                 | 0.67                          | 1.61 <sup>§</sup>          |
| —                  | 14.47 <sup>§</sup>          | 5.13  | —                            | 4.07                  | —                               | 0.42               | 0.73               | —                                | 0.65                                 | —                             | —                          |
| 1.29 <sup>**</sup> | 1.23                        | 1.62 <sup>§</sup>   | 1.55                         | 1.50 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.81 <sup>§</sup>               | 0.93 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.74 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.28 <sup>§</sup>                | 1.07                                 | 0.88                          | 1.30 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 2.42               | 1.94                        | 1.29  | 5.13                         | 1.46                  | —                               | 1.10               | 0.80               | 3.67                             | 1.05                                 | 0.42                          | 1.49                       |
| 2.14               | 0.38                        | 1.02  | 2.11                         | 1.51                  | 0.34                            | 0.67 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.01               | —                                | 0.92                                 | 0.33 <sup>**</sup>            | 1.88 <sup>§</sup>          |
| —                  | —                           | 2.92  | —                            | —                     | —                               | 0.59               | 0.83               | —                                | 0.74                                 | —                             | —                          |
| 0.94               | 1.35 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.61 <sup>§</sup>   | 1.43                         | 1.43 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.69 <sup>§</sup>               | 0.99               | 0.54 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.00 <sup>§</sup>                | 0.75 <sup>§</sup>                    | 0.83 <sup>**</sup>            | 1.73 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 1.40               | 0.86                        | 1.77  | —                            | 1.83                  | 2.56                            | 1.23 <sup>**</sup> | 0.54               | —                                | 0.54                                 | 0.83                          | 2.72 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 0.66               | 1.34                        | 0.80  | 1.20                         | 1.31                  | 1.83                            | 0.82 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.08               | —                                | 0.88                                 | 0.77                          | 2.33 <sup>§</sup>          |
| —                  | —                           | 2.69  | 11.43                        | —                     | —                               | 1.08               | 0.77               | —                                | 0.62                                 | —                             | —                          |
| 0.90               | 1.36 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.60 <sup>§</sup>   | 1.44                         | 1.36 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.72 <sup>§</sup>               | 0.99               | 0.52 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.00 <sup>§</sup>                | 0.68 <sup>§</sup>                    | 0.94                          | 1.82 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 1.52               | 0.69                        | 2.12  | —                            | 0.98                  | 2.05                            | 1.17               | 0.48               | —                                | 0.21                                 | 0.98                          | 2.88 <sup>**</sup>         |
| 0.62               | 1.44                        | 0.84  | 1.81                         | 1.25                  | 2.32                            | 0.89               | 1.11               | —                                | 0.78                                 | 0.55                          | 2.83 <sup>§</sup>          |
| —                  | —                           | —   | —                            | —                     | —                               | 1.36               | 1.01               | —                                | 0.81                                 | —                             | —                          |
| 0.89               | 1.23                        | 1.26 <sup>**</sup>  | 0.97                         | 1.18                  | 1.39 <sup>**</sup>              | 0.98               | 0.77 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.00 <sup>§</sup>                | 0.60 <sup>§</sup>                    | 1.14                          | 1.13 <sup>**</sup>         |
| 1.24               | 1.12                        | 0.48  | 4.26                         | 2.24 <sup>**</sup>    | 2.69                            | 0.99               | 1.00               | —                                | 0.92                                 | 1.22                          | 0.97                       |
| 0.98               | 1.04                        | 1.15 <sup>§</sup>   | 1.11                         | 1.14 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.17 <sup>**</sup>              | 0.92 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.12 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.00                             | 0.91 <sup>**</sup>                   | 0.89 <sup>§</sup>             | 1.37 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 0.69               | 1.29                        | 1.17  | 1.51                         | 1.04                  | 0.80                            | 0.97               | 1.10               | 3.45                             | 0.71 <sup>§</sup>                    | 0.90                          | 1.38                       |
| 0.61               | 1.50                        | 1.29  | 0.72                         | 0.85                  | 1.68                            | 0.98               | 0.94               | —                                | 0.77                                 | 0.77                          | 0.98                       |
| 3.70 <sup>**</sup> | 1.05                        | 0.42  | 4.61                         | 1.94                  | 3.43                            | 0.90               | 0.87               | —                                | 0.92                                 | 1.33                          | 0.45                       |
| 0.95               | 1.06                        | 1.13 <sup>§</sup>   | 1.21                         | 1.11 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.15 <sup>**</sup>              | 0.94 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.13 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.00 <sup>**</sup>               | 0.94                                 | 0.93 <sup>**</sup>            | 1.34 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 0.70               | 1.43 <sup>**</sup>          | 1.06  | 1.15                         | 1.09                  | 0.83                            | 0.98               | 1.18 <sup>**</sup> | 3.04                             | 0.78 <sup>**</sup>                   | 0.92                          | 1.54 <sup>**</sup>         |

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Table 3–1 (Continued). PMRs for white and black men and women aged 18 to 90 for selected

| Occupation and census occupation codes <sup>‡</sup>               | Number of deaths | Cause of death        |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
|---|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
|   |                  | All cancers (140–208) | Liver (155)        | Larynx (161)       | Lung (162)         | Mesothelioma (158.8, 158.9, 163) | Skin (173)         |
| Teachers (113–159):   |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 42,189           | 1.03 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.02               | 0.48 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.62 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.83                             | 0.82               |
| Black men   | 3,795            | 0.98                  | 0.87               | 0.60               | 0.65 <sup>§</sup>  | —                                | 1.02               |
| White women   | 119,036          | 1.18 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.02               | 0.67 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.76 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.37                             | 0.87               |
| Black women   | 10,934           | 1.28 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.13               | 0.55               | 0.89 <sup>**</sup> | 0.68                             | 0.36               |
| Social workers (174):   |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 3,237            | 0.96                  | 1.03               | 0.79               | 0.83 <sup>§</sup>  | —                                | 0.83               |
| Black men   | 955              | 1.01                  | 0.73               | 0.26               | 1.03               | —                                | —                  |
| White women   | 6,236            | 1.14 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.02               | 1.64               | 1.05               | 1.56                             | 1.68               |
| Black women   | 1,628            | 1.30 <sup>§</sup>     | 2.31 <sup>**</sup> | 0.91               | 1.52 <sup>§</sup>  | —                                | 1.07               |
| Clergy (176):   |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 19,879           | 0.96 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.03               | 0.36 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.47 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.96                             | 1.11               |
| Black men   | 4,378            | 0.91 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.11               | 0.42 <sup>**</sup> | 0.59 <sup>§</sup>  | —                                | 0.24               |
| White women   | 1,299            | 1.17 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.92               | —                  | 0.44 <sup>§</sup>  | —                                | —                  |
| Black women   | 665              | 1.18 <sup>**</sup>    | 1.40               | —                  | 0.41 <sup>§</sup>  | —                                | —                  |
| Lawyers and judges (178, 179):                                    |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 15,224           | 1.09 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.25               | 1.07               | 0.77 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.32                             | 1.57 <sup>**</sup> |
| Black men   | 292              | 1.17                  | 1.51               | —                  | 0.93               | —                                | —                  |
| White women   | 1,127            | 1.22 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.79               | 1.10               | 1.14               | 9.10 <sup>§</sup>                | —                  |
| Black women   | 53               | 1.47                  | —                  | —                  | 1.85               | —                                | —                  |
| Technicians and related support occupations (203–235):            |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 42,132           | 1.04 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.02               | 0.92               | 0.92 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.40                             | 1.08               |
| Black men   | 3,130            | 1.04                  | 0.38 <sup>**</sup> | 0.33 <sup>**</sup> | 1.03               | —                                | 0.95               |
| White women   | 32,519           | 1.03 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.01               | 0.45 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.07 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.59                             | 0.92               |
| Black women   | 5,401            | 1.18 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.33               | 0.72               | 1.20 <sup>§</sup>  | —                                | 0.32               |
| Engineering and related technologists and technicians (213–218):  |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 20,528           | 1.05 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.15               | 0.98               | 0.92 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.85 <sup>**</sup>               | 0.81               |
| Black men   | 1,078            | 1.03                  | 0.43               | 0.23               | 0.95               | —                                | 0.67               |
| White women   | 2,851            | 1.12 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.51               | —                  | 1.26 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.99                             | 1.00               |
| Black women   | 383              | 1.25 <sup>**</sup>    | 0.84               | —                  | 1.23               | —                                | —                  |
| Sales occupations (243–285):                                      |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 297,253          | 1.03 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.06 <sup>**</sup> | 0.91 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.95 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.69 <sup>§</sup>                | 0.93               |
| Black men   | 8,552            | 1.00                  | 1.08               | 0.72               | 0.89 <sup>§</sup>  | 3.26                             | 0.50               |
| White women   | 150,884          | 1.11 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.01               | 0.89               | 1.16 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.17                             | 0.76 <sup>**</sup> |
| Black women   | 6,158            | 1.21 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.25               | 1.07               | 1.15 <sup>**</sup> | 2.21                             | 1.00               |
| Administrative support occupations, including clerical (303–389): |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 134,837          | 1.01 <sup>**</sup>    | 1.01               | 0.85 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.96 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.86                             | 1.06               |
| Black men   | 15,091           | 1.07 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.25               | 0.84               | 0.96               | 1.25                             | 1.47               |
| White women   | 289,646          | 1.13 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.93 <sup>**</sup> | 0.91               | 1.10 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.96                             | 0.99               |
| Black women   | 14,714           | 1.30 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.30               | 0.48 <sup>**</sup> | 1.54 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.72                             | 0.97               |

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|                    |                             | Non-Hodgkins lymphoma<br>(200, 202.0–<br>202.2, 202.8,<br>202.9) | Hodgkins disease<br>(201) | Leukemia<br>(204–208) | Parkinson's disease<br>(332) | IHD<br>(410–414)  | COPD<br>(490–496)  | Pneumoconioses<br>(500–505) | Chronic liver disease<br>(571) | Renal failure<br>(584–586) | Suicide<br>(E590–<br>E959) |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|--|---------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Bladder<br>(188)   | Kidney<br>(189.0–<br>189.2) |  |                           |                       |                              |                   |                    |                             |                                |                            |                            |
| 0.89               | 1.21 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.61 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.60 <sup>§</sup>         | 1.33 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.99 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.99              | 0.56 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.09 <sup>§</sup>           | 0.79 <sup>§</sup>              | 0.90                       | 0.95                       |
| 1.69 <sup>**</sup> | 1.34                        | 1.79 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.46                      | 1.14                  | 2.92 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.99              | 0.69 <sup>§</sup>  | —                           | 0.86                           | 0.98                       | 1.10                       |
| 0.89 <sup>**</sup> | 0.99                        | 1.28 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.51 <sup>§</sup>         | 1.29 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.61 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.88 <sup>§</sup> | 0.73 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.36                        | 0.82 <sup>§</sup>              | 0.81 <sup>§</sup>          | 0.94                       |
| 0.83               | 1.20                        | 1.30   | 1.36                      | 1.44 <sup>§</sup>     | 2.31 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.89 <sup>§</sup> | 0.87               | —                           | 0.54 <sup>§</sup>              | 0.74 <sup>§</sup>          | 1.00                       |
| 0.56               | 1.04                        | 0.98   | 1.04                      | 1.20                  | 2.20 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.93              | 0.86               | 0.60                        | 1.05                           | 1.34                       | 1.08                       |
| 1.94               | 0.79                        | 2.55 <sup>§</sup>  | 3.45                      | 1.61                  | 6.03 <sup>**</sup>           | 1.09              | 0.84               | —                           | 0.66                           | 1.28                       | 0.73                       |
| 1.21               | 0.82                        | 1.19   | 1.04                      | 1.15                  | 2.06 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.84 <sup>§</sup> | 1.23 <sup>§</sup>  | —                           | 0.83                           | 0.83                       | 1.58 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 1.09               | 0.69                        | 1.64   | 0.94                      | 1.41                  | —                            | 0.88              | 0.96               | —                           | 0.63 <sup>**</sup>             | 0.92                       | 0.74                       |
| 0.83 <sup>**</sup> | 1.35 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.64 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.80 <sup>**</sup>        | 1.44 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.76 <sup>§</sup>            | 1.12 <sup>§</sup> | 0.44 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.16 <sup>§</sup>           | 0.43 <sup>§</sup>              | 1.02                       | 0.52 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 1.02               | 0.94                        | 1.36   | 1.37                      | 1.23                  | 1.39                         | 1.19 <sup>§</sup> | 0.59 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.85                        | 0.42 <sup>§</sup>              | 1.06                       | 0.87                       |
| 2.05               | 1.19                        | 0.93   | 3.29                      | 1.27                  | 1.52                         | 0.90              | 0.42 <sup>§</sup>  | —                           | 0.87                           | 0.95                       | 1.06                       |
| 2.53               | 1.43                        | 2.46   | —                         | 0.82                  | —                            | 1.16              | 0.59               | —                           | 0.62                           | 0.73                       | 1.07                       |
| 1.00               | 1.13                        | 1.34 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.06                      | 1.42 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.88 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.94 <sup>§</sup> | 0.63 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.00 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.04                           | 0.86                       | 1.35 <sup>§</sup>          |
| —                  | 3.22                        | 0.76   | 5.21                      | 1.80                  | —                            | 0.95              | 0.65               | —                           | 0.57                           | 1.82                       | 1.57                       |
| 1.77               | 0.96                        | 1.10   | 1.32                      | 1.27                  | 1.85                         | 0.81 <sup>§</sup> | 0.89               | —                           | 0.68                           | 1.12                       | 1.78 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 8.30               | —                           | —  | —                         | —                     | —                            | 0.78              | 3.17               | —                           | —                              | —                          | 2.89                       |
| 1.07               | 1.15 <sup>**</sup>          | 1.22 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.38 <sup>§</sup>         | 1.10                  | 1.32 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.99              | 0.89 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.30 <sup>§</sup>           | 0.90 <sup>§</sup>              | 0.98                       | 1.08 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 1.22               | 1.29                        | 1.66 <sup>**</sup>   | 1.39                      | 1.35                  | 0.49                         | 1.02              | 1.08               | 0.69                        | 0.84                           | 0.74                       | 1.56 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 0.85               | 1.06                        | 1.14 <sup>**</sup>   | 1.27                      | 1.16 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.03                         | 0.95 <sup>§</sup> | 1.11 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.58                        | 0.94                           | 0.98                       | 1.28 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 1.23               | 1.43                        | 1.48 <sup>**</sup>   | 1.28                      | 1.52 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.53                         | 0.99              | 1.17               | —                           | 0.83                           | 0.85                       | 1.70 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 1.15               | 1.10                        | 1.19 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.56 <sup>**</sup>        | 1.11                  | 1.33 <sup>**</sup>           | 1.00              | 0.84 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.26 <sup>§</sup>           | 0.92                           | 1.02                       | 1.11 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 1.56               | 1.15                        | 1.93   | 1.03                      | 1.37                  | —                            | 1.02              | 0.91               | —                           | 1.02                           | 0.52                       | 1.63 <sup>**</sup>         |
| 0.55               | 0.98                        | 1.18   | 0.00                      | 1.36                  | 1.73                         | 0.92              | 1.13               | 6.20                        | 0.80                           | 0.92                       | 1.28                       |
| 5.24 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.72                        | 3.09 <sup>**</sup>   | —                         | 2.49                  | —                            | 0.97              | 1.14               | —                           | 0.89                           | 0.92                       | 2.92 <sup>**</sup>         |
| 1.07 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.16 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.14 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.07                      | 1.08 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.16 <sup>§</sup>            | 1.03 <sup>§</sup> | 0.84 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.18 <sup>§</sup>           | 0.99                           | 0.99                       | 1.04 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 1.10               | 0.84                        | 1.43 <sup>**</sup>   | 1.04                      | 1.03                  | 1.39                         | 1.04              | 0.92               | 0.18                        | 0.60 <sup>§</sup>              | 1.18                       | 1.25 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 1.15 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.13 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.09 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.03                      | 1.08 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.06                         | 0.96 <sup>§</sup> | 1.01               | 0.51                        | 0.91 <sup>§</sup>              | 0.88 <sup>§</sup>          | 1.06 <sup>**</sup>         |
| 1.10               | 1.08                        | 1.21   | 0.30                      | 1.16                  | 1.35                         | 0.95              | 1.14               | —                           | 0.67 <sup>§</sup>              | 0.83                       | 1.34 <sup>**</sup>         |
| 1.02               | 0.97                        | 1.13 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.06                      | 1.03                  | 1.26 <sup>§</sup>            | 1.02 <sup>§</sup> | 0.90 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.25 <sup>§</sup>           | 0.97                           | 0.95                       | 0.90 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 1.07               | 1.13                        | 1.67 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.74                      | 1.13                  | 1.52                         | 1.01              | 0.93               | 0.29 <sup>**</sup>          | 0.93                           | 1.00                       | 0.94                       |
| 1.08 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.04                        | 1.07 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.99                      | 1.12 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.19 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.90 <sup>§</sup> | 1.06 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.58                        | 0.94 <sup>§</sup>              | 0.86 <sup>§</sup>          | 1.00                       |
| 1.20               | 1.02                        | 1.57 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.34                      | 1.28 <sup>§</sup>     | 2.04 <sup>**</sup>           | 0.85 <sup>§</sup> | 1.16 <sup>**</sup> | —                           | 0.65 <sup>§</sup>              | 0.76 <sup>§</sup>          | 1.21                       |

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## FATAL ILLNESS

Table 3–1 (Continued). PMRs for white and black men and women aged 18 to 90 for selected

| Occupation and census occupation codes*  | Number of deaths | Cause of death        |             |              |            |                                  |            |
|--|------------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|
|  |                  | All cancers (140–208) | Liver (155) | Larynx (161) | Lung (162) | Mesothelioma (158.8, 158.9, 163) | Skin (173) |
| <b>Secretaries, stenographers, and typists (313–315):</b>                                |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 2,363            | 0.98                  | 1.85**      | 0.50         | 0.80\$     | 2.10                             | 2.51**     |
| Black men  | 177              | 1.13                  | —           | —            | 0.61       | —                                | 4.71       |
| White women  | 112,996          | 1.16\$                | 0.85\$      | 1.08         | 1.09\$     | 0.78                             | 0.99       |
| Black women  | 3,540            | 1.28\$                | 1.17        | 0.46         | 1.40\$     | 1.72                             | 1.54       |
| <b>Mail and message distributing occupations (354–357):</b>                              |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 30,933           | 1.04\$                | 1.05        | 0.88         | 0.98       | 0.98                             | 0.95       |
| Black men  | 5,045            | 1.10\$                | 0.86        | 1.06         | 0.98       | —                                | 0.83       |
| White women  | 5,141            | 1.08\$                | 1.36        | 0.66         | 1.05       | 1.88                             | 1.46       |
| Black women  | 863              | 1.25\$                | 0.38        | —            | 1.27       | —                                | 2.01       |
| <b>Material recording, scheduling, and distributing clerks, n.e.c. (359–374):</b>        |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 40,807           | 1.01                  | 0.98        | 0.88         | 1.00       | 0.76                             | 0.92       |
| Black men  | 4,799            | 1.06**                | 1.40        | 0.91         | 0.94       | 2.63                             | 2.01**     |
| White women  | 9,183            | 1.10\$                | 1.02        | 0.86         | 1.22\$     | 0.32                             | 0.63       |
| Black women  | 997              | 1.31\$                | 0.97        | 0.75         | 1.42**     | 6.50                             | —          |
| <b>General office clerks (379):</b>  |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 19,559           | 0.95\$                | 1.08        | 0.92         | 0.89\$     | 0.71                             | 1.05       |
| Black men  | 1,842            | 1.03                  | 1.82        | 0.71         | 0.96       | 3.48                             | 0.93       |
| White women  | 44,791           | 1.09\$                | 0.96        | 0.94         | 1.05\$     | 1.20                             | 0.77       |
| Black women  | 3,108            | 1.22\$                | 1.05        | 0.80         | 1.54\$     | 4.11                             | 1.20       |
| <b>Service occupations (403–469):</b>  |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 213,546          | 0.96\$                | 1.11\$      | 1.11\$       | 1.01**     | 0.76**                           | 1.09       |
| Black men  | 62,865           | 1.02\$                | 1.10        | 0.98         | 0.99       | 0.98                             | 1.08       |
| White women  | 237,600          | 0.97\$                | 0.98        | 1.21\$       | 1.11\$     | 0.74**                           | 0.89       |
| Black women  | 110,346          | 1.00                  | 1.00        | 1.11         | 1.00       | 0.92                             | 0.92       |
| <b>Protective service occupations (413–427):</b>   |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 65,823           | 0.98\$                | 1.11        | 0.87         | 0.99       | 0.70                             | 0.96       |
| Black men  | 6,859            | 1.02                  | 1.10        | 0.83         | 0.96       | 0.96                             | 0.89       |
| White women  | 3,928            | 1.03                  | 1.10        | 0.73         | 1.23\$     | —                                | 0.73       |
| Black women  | 1,049            | 1.21\$                | 2.23        | 2.10         | 1.02       | —                                | —          |
| <b>Food preparation and service occupations (433–444):</b>                               |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 31,189           | 0.90\$                | 1.29\$      | 1.83\$       | 0.98       | 0.59                             | 1.50\$     |
| Black men  | 13,495           | 0.98                  | 1.35**      | 1.11         | 0.90\$     | 1.09                             | 1.03       |
| White women  | 83,294           | 0.98\$                | 1.04        | 1.39\$       | 1.22\$     | 0.50\$                           | 0.93       |
| Black women  | 16,394           | 0.98                  | 0.88        | 1.50         | 0.94       | 1.27                             | 1.17       |
| <b>Cleaning and building service occupations, excluding private household (448–455):</b> |                  |                       |             |              |            |                                  |            |
| White men  | 90,769           | 0.98\$                | 1.07        | 1.14**       | 1.06\$     | 0.88                             | 1.00       |
| Black men  | 33,255           | 1.04\$                | 1.00        | 1.01         | 1.04**     | 1.20                             | 1.07       |
| White women  | 24,958           | 0.96\$                | 0.73**      | 1.42         | 1.10\$     | 0.77                             | 0.71       |
| Black women  | 15,075           | 1.04\$                | 0.94        | 1.09         | 1.12\$     | 1.41                             | 1.14       |

See footnotes at end of table.

occupations and causes of death in 28 States,\* 1984–1995

and ICD-9<sup>†</sup> codes

|                  |                         | Non-Hodgkins lymphoma<br>(200, 202.0–202.2, 202.8, 202.9) | Hodgkins disease<br>(201) | Leukemia<br>(204–208) | Parkinson's disease<br>(332) | IHD<br>(410–414)  | COPD<br>(490–496) | Pneumoconioses<br>(500–505) | Chronic liver disease<br>(571) | Renal failure<br>(584–586) | Suicide<br>(E590–E959) |
|------------------|-------------------------|---|---------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Bladder<br>(188) | Kidney<br>(189.0–189.2) |   |                           |                       |                              |                   |                   |                             |                                |                            |                        |
| 0.90             | 1.09                    | 1.55**  | 0.50                      | 1.17                  | 1.08                         | 0.99              | 0.83              | 0.18**                      | 0.74                           | 0.77                       | 0.72                   |
| 2.77             | 3.27                    | 1.16  | 5.19                      | 1.09                  | —                            | 0.71              | 0.64              | —                           | 1.06                           | 1.60                       | 0.70                   |
| 1.09             | 1.00                    | 1.07**  | 1.00                      | 1.15 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.28 <sup>s</sup>            | 0.87 <sup>s</sup> | 1.05 <sup>s</sup> | 0.17**                      | 1.02                           | 0.79 <sup>s</sup>          | 1.04                   |
| 1.72             | 0.64                    | 1.85 <sup>s</sup>   | 1.06                      | 1.41                  | 2.74                         | 0.79 <sup>s</sup> | 1.13              | —                           | 0.73**                         | 0.68**                     | 0.95                   |
| 1.11             | 0.94                    | 1.21 <sup>s</sup>   | 1.23                      | 1.07                  | 1.35 <sup>s</sup>            | 1.01              | 0.88 <sup>s</sup> | 0.21 <sup>s</sup>           | 1.04                           | 0.93                       | 1.07                   |
| 0.92             | 1.23                    | 1.52**  | 1.13                      | 1.27                  | 1.24                         | 0.98              | 0.89              | 0.00**                      | 1.00                           | 0.93                       | 1.28                   |
| 1.23             | 1.09                    | 0.98  | 1.04                      | 1.21                  | 1.26                         | 0.98              | 0.91              | 3.62                        | 0.89                           | 1.05                       | 1.08                   |
| 1.85             | 0.66                    | 1.63  | —                         | 1.45                  | —                            | 0.88              | 1.59**            | —                           | 0.71                           | 0.57                       | 1.49                   |
| 1.03             | 0.91                    | 1.04  | 0.97                      | 0.97                  | 1.14                         | 1.04 <sup>s</sup> | 0.92 <sup>s</sup> | 0.42 <sup>s</sup>           | 0.96                           | 1.04                       | 0.88 <sup>s</sup>      |
| 1.35             | 1.17                    | 1.75 <sup>s</sup>   | 0.57                      | 1.08                  | 2.06                         | 1.01              | 0.91              | 0.32                        | 1.00                           | 1.01                       | 1.06                   |
| 1.13             | 1.07                    | 1.21**  | 0.65                      | 0.96                  | 1.08                         | 0.95**            | 1.05              | 2.02                        | 0.78**                         | 0.92                       | 0.98                   |
| 0.76             | 0.28                    | 1.43  | 2.50                      | 1.27                  | 7.39 <sup>s</sup>            | 0.79 <sup>s</sup> | 1.69 <sup>s</sup> | —                           | 0.59                           | 0.75                       | 1.17                   |
| 0.99             | 1.03                    | 1.13  | 1.17                      | 0.90                  | 1.25**                       | 1.02              | 0.92**            | 0.23 <sup>s</sup>           | 1.07                           | 0.84**                     | 0.95                   |
| 1.04             | 1.10                    | 1.36  | 0.72                      | 1.23                  | 2.07                         | 0.96              | 1.00              | —                           | 0.99                           | 0.99                       | 0.58**                 |
| 1.08             | 1.06                    | 0.99  | 1.09                      | 1.10                  | 1.17**                       | 0.95 <sup>s</sup> | 1.01              | 1.65                        | 0.89**                         | 0.89**                     | 0.94                   |
| 0.98             | 1.38                    | 1.18  | 1.49                      | 0.71                  | 1.10                         | 0.98              | 1.02              | —                           | 0.64 <sup>s</sup>              | 0.83                       | 1.40                   |
| 0.94**           | 0.92 <sup>s</sup>       | 0.89 <sup>s</sup>   | 1.02                      | 0.90 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.79 <sup>s</sup>            | 1.01              | 1.03 <sup>s</sup> | 0.45 <sup>s</sup>           | 1.10 <sup>s</sup>              | 1.04                       | 0.99                   |
| 0.99             | 1.01                    | 1.01  | 1.04                      | 1.01                  | 1.08                         | 0.97 <sup>s</sup> | 0.97              | 0.32 <sup>s</sup>           | 1.04                           | 1.02                       | 1.04                   |
| 1.02             | 0.98                    | 0.92 <sup>s</sup>   | 0.94                      | 0.90 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.80 <sup>s</sup>            | 1.03 <sup>s</sup> | 1.07 <sup>s</sup> | 0.87                        | 1.01                           | 1.00                       | 0.95**                 |
| 1.07             | 0.97                    | 0.99  | 0.96                      | 0.96                  | 0.80**                       | 1.00              | 1.00              | 0.94                        | 1.01                           | 0.98                       | 0.91                   |
| 0.89**           | 1.04                    | 0.98  | 1.40 <sup>s</sup>         | 0.94                  | 0.74 <sup>s</sup>            | 1.06 <sup>s</sup> | 0.92 <sup>s</sup> | 0.31 <sup>s</sup>           | 0.99                           | 1.03                       | 1.17 <sup>s</sup>      |
| 0.94             | 1.44**                  | 1.19  | 1.35                      | 1.31                  | 1.61                         | 1.12 <sup>s</sup> | 0.76 <sup>s</sup> | 0.24                        | 0.82**                         | 1.10                       | 1.77 <sup>s</sup>      |
| 0.90             | 0.95                    | 1.10  | 0.60                      | 0.80                  | 0.90                         | 1.02              | 0.98              | 4.71                        | 0.93                           | 0.86                       | 1.46 <sup>s</sup>      |
| 1.58             | 2.10                    | 1.14  | 2.06                      | 1.47                  | —                            | 0.97              | 0.99              | —                           | 0.63                           | 0.62                       | 3.16 <sup>s</sup>      |
| 0.93             | 0.67 <sup>s</sup>       | 0.72 <sup>s</sup>   | 0.63 <sup>s</sup>         | 0.66 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.63 <sup>s</sup>            | 0.88 <sup>s</sup> | 1.22 <sup>s</sup> | 0.29 <sup>s</sup>           | 1.60 <sup>s</sup>              | 1.13                       | 0.84 <sup>s</sup>      |
| 1.28             | 1.04                    | 0.87  | 0.99                      | 0.96                  | 1.26                         | 0.89 <sup>s</sup> | 1.03              | 0.12 <sup>s</sup>           | 1.22 <sup>s</sup>              | 1.21 <sup>s</sup>          | 0.89                   |
| 0.95             | 1.03                    | 0.86 <sup>s</sup>   | 0.80                      | 0.86 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.72 <sup>s</sup>            | 1.02 <sup>s</sup> | 1.14 <sup>s</sup> | 1.11                        | 1.09**                         | 1.05                       | 0.90 <sup>s</sup>      |
| 1.00             | 0.99                    | 0.96  | 0.66                      | 1.10                  | 1.19                         | 1.00              | 1.01              | 3.36                        | 1.06                           | 0.99                       | 0.81                   |
| 0.97             | 0.92**                  | 0.85 <sup>s</sup>   | 0.99                      | 0.95                  | 0.80 <sup>s</sup>            | 1.01**            | 1.07 <sup>s</sup> | 0.63 <sup>s</sup>           | 1.02                           | 0.99                       | 1.04**                 |
| 0.99             | 0.88                    | 1.08  | 1.01                      | 1.01                  | 0.98                         | 0.98              | 0.98              | 0.40 <sup>s</sup>           | 1.02                           | 0.94                       | 1.00                   |
| 1.17             | 0.95                    | 0.91  | 1.03                      | 0.84**                | 0.62 <sup>s</sup>            | 1.11 <sup>s</sup> | 0.92 <sup>s</sup> | 2.22                        | 0.91                           | 0.89                       | 0.94                   |
| 1.23             | 0.87                    | 1.08  | 1.35                      | 0.88                  | 1.02                         | 1.01              | 0.99              | 3.72                        | 0.97                           | 0.85**                     | 0.72                   |

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## FATAL ILLNESS

Table 3–1 (Continued). PMRs for white and black men and women aged 18 to 90 for selected

| Occupation and census occupation codes*                                | Number of deaths | Cause of death        |                   |                   |                   |                                  |                   |
|--|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|
|  |                  | All cancers (140–208) | Liver (155)       | Larynx (161)      | Lung (162)        | Mesothelioma (158.8, 158.9, 163) | Skin (173)        |
| <b>Personal service occupations (456–469):</b>                         |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |                   |
| White men  | 19,790           | 0.94 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.02              | 0.70**            | 0.96              | 0.79                             | 1.57 <sup>§</sup> |
| Black men  | 4,852            | 1.02                  | 1.10              | 0.97              | 0.91              | —                                | 1.20              |
| White women  | 33,756           | 1.08 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.97              | 1.34              | 1.19 <sup>§</sup> | 1.16                             | 0.80              |
| Black women  | 7,784            | 1.14 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.29              | 1.32              | 1.20 <sup>§</sup> | 1.78                             | 0.50              |
| <b>Farming and other agricultural occupations (473–489):</b>           |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |                   |
| White men  | 269,546          | 0.89 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.86 <sup>§</sup> | 0.75 <sup>§</sup> | 0.81 <sup>§</sup> | 0.53 <sup>§</sup>                | 1.22 <sup>§</sup> |
| Black men  | 38,103           | 0.88 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.68 <sup>§</sup> | 0.92              | 0.86 <sup>§</sup> | 0.45                             | 0.77              |
| White women  | 9,124            | 0.99                  | 0.84              | 0.78              | 0.89**            | 1.25                             | 1.22              |
| Black women  | 7,751            | 0.79 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.76              | 0.99              | 0.53 <sup>§</sup> | 2.00                             | 2.33**            |
| <b>Forestry, fishing, and hunting occupations (494–499):</b>           |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |                   |
| White men  | 16,031           | 0.94 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.01              | 1.28              | 1.09 <sup>§</sup> | 0.15**                           | 0.87              |
| Black men  | 4,564            | 0.93 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.61              | 0.82              | 0.96              | —                                | 1.00              |
| White women  | 156              | 0.97                  | —                 | —                 | 1.26              | —                                | —                 |
| Black women  | 45               | 0.49                  | —                 | —                 | 1.13              | —                                | —                 |
| <b>Precision production, craft, and repair occupations (503–699):</b>  |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |                   |
| White men  | 766,839          | 1.03 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.94 <sup>§</sup> | 1.10 <sup>§</sup> | 1.12 <sup>§</sup> | 1.54 <sup>§</sup>                | 0.95              |
| Black men  | 61,703           | 1.06 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.09              | 1.08              | 1.10 <sup>§</sup> | 1.45                             | 1.03              |
| White women  | 43,881           | 1.07 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.05              | 0.85              | 1.14 <sup>§</sup> | 1.17                             | 0.79              |
| Black women  | 4,989            | 1.16 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.39              | 0.70              | 1.34 <sup>§</sup> | 1.39                             | 0.38              |
| <b>Mechanics and repairers (503–549):</b>                              |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |                   |
| White men  | 170,950          | 1.03 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.90 <sup>§</sup> | 1.09**            | 1.11 <sup>§</sup> | 1.08                             | 0.94              |
| Black men  | 14,087           | 1.05 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.83              | 1.14              | 1.07**            | 2.53                             | 0.77              |
| White women  | 3,185            | 1.09 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.91              | —                 | 1.19 <sup>§</sup> | 2.03                             | 0.47              |
| Black women  | 333              | 1.25**                | 1.90              | —                 | 1.53              | 21.88                            | 5.04              |
| <b>Vehicle and mobile equipment mechanics and repairers (505–517):</b> |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |                   |
| White men  | 80,025           | 1.01                  | 0.97              | 1.20 <sup>§</sup> | 1.13 <sup>§</sup> | 0.79                             | 0.97              |
| Black men  | 8,912            | 1.03                  | 0.85              | 1.28              | 1.05              | 2.69                             | 0.88              |
| White women  | 390              | 1.04                  | 1.46              | —                 | 1.48**            | 8.17                             | —                 |
| Black women  | 69               | 1.07                  | —                 | —                 | 0.97              | —                                | —                 |
| <b>Millwrights (544):</b>  |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |                   |
| White men  | 10,058           | 1.09 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.79              | 1.22              | 1.17 <sup>§</sup> | 1.09                             | 0.79              |
| Black men  | 232              | 1.01                  | 0.89              | 2.66              | 0.88              | —                                | —                 |
| White women  | 56               | 1.05                  | —                 | —                 | 1.24              | 57.94**                          | —                 |
| Black women  | 6                | 0.61                  | —                 | —                 | —                 | —                                | —                 |
| <b>Construction trades (553–599):</b>                                  |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |                   |
| White men  | 281,961          | 1.04 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.97              | 1.22 <sup>§</sup> | 1.18 <sup>§</sup> | 2.08 <sup>§</sup>                | 1.04              |
| Black men  | 30,348           | 1.05 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.09              | 1.13              | 1.09 <sup>§</sup> | 0.60                             | 1.24              |
| White women  | 1,667            | 1.03                  | 2.12**            | 1.40              | 1.30 <sup>§</sup> | 3.98                             | —                 |
| Black women  | 192              | 1.18                  | 1.78              | —                 | 1.17              | —                                | —                 |

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|                   |                             | Non-Hodgkins lymphoma<br>(200, 202.0–<br>202.2, 202.8,<br>202.9) | Hodgkins disease<br>(201) | Leukemia<br>(204–208) | Parkinson's disease<br>(332) | IHD<br>(410–414)  | COPD<br>(490–496) | Pneumoconioses<br>(500–505) | Chronic liver disease<br>(571) | Renal failure<br>(584–586) | Suicide<br>(E590–<br>E959) |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|--|---------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Bladder<br>(188)  | Kidney<br>(189.0–<br>189.2) |  |                           |                       |                              |                   |                   |                             |                                |                            |                            |
| 0.97              | 0.92                        | 1.03   | 1.00                      | 0.99                  | 1.12                         | 0.96 <sup>§</sup> | 0.96              | 0.21 <sup>§</sup>           | 0.98                           | 1.16**                     | 0.79 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 0.90              | 1.32                        | 0.99   | 0.68                      | 0.99                  | 1.04                         | 0.93              | 1.01              | 0.00**                      | 1.06                           | 1.11                       | 0.71**                     |
| 1.26 <sup>§</sup> | 1.10                        | 1.15 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.07                      | 1.06                  | 0.85                         | 0.94 <sup>§</sup> | 1.11 <sup>§</sup> | 0.56                        | 1.05                           | 0.88**                     | 0.95                       |
| 1.25              | 1.22                        | 1.20   | 1.69                      | 1.24                  | 1.04                         | 0.96              | 1.04              | —                           | 1.09                           | 1.03                       | 0.57**                     |
| 0.81 <sup>§</sup> | 0.96                        | 1.01   | 0.89                      | 1.05**                | 0.93 <sup>§</sup>            | 1.03 <sup>§</sup> | 1.01              | 0.12 <sup>§</sup>           | 0.73 <sup>§</sup>              | 1.01                       | 1.11 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 0.88              | 0.71 <sup>§</sup>           | 0.63 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.62                      | 0.82 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.75**                       | 1.04 <sup>§</sup> | 1.02              | 0.11 <sup>§</sup>           | 0.90**                         | 0.97                       | 0.69 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 0.82              | 1.19                        | 1.08   | 1.03                      | 1.14                  | 1.07                         | 1.00              | 0.96              | —                           | 1.02                           | 0.96                       | 1.43 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 0.47 <sup>§</sup> | 1.26                        | 0.77   | 0.36                      | 0.67**                | 0.97                         | 0.99              | 0.76 <sup>§</sup> | 3.08                        | 1.14                           | 1.07                       | 0.78                       |
| 0.84              | 0.78**                      | 0.76 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.64                      | 0.83**                | 0.61 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.92 <sup>§</sup> | 1.31 <sup>§</sup> | 0.21 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.00                           | 0.83**                     | 1.01                       |
| 1.05              | 0.74                        | 0.81   | —                         | 0.56**                | 0.91                         | 0.96              | 0.85              | 0.00                        | 0.70 <sup>§</sup>              | 0.94                       | 0.66**                     |
| —                 | 1.24                        | 1.14   | —                         | 0.68                  | —                            | 0.85              | 1.12              | —                           | 2.25                           | 0.71                       | 1.95                       |
| —                 | 7.13                        | —  | —                         | —                     | —                            | 1.38              | 2.58              | —                           | 1.75                           | —                          | 7.41                       |
| 1.04 <sup>§</sup> | 0.98                        | 0.93 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.89 <sup>§</sup>         | 0.95 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.83 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.98 <sup>§</sup> | 1.09 <sup>§</sup> | 2.87 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.06 <sup>§</sup>              | 0.97 <sup>§</sup>          | 1.04 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 0.95              | 1.14**                      | 1.02   | 1.26                      | 0.97                  | 0.80                         | 0.99              | 1.01              | 3.33 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.03                           | 0.91 <sup>§</sup>          | 1.12 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 1.07              | 0.94                        | 1.06   | 1.08                      | 1.03                  | 0.85                         | 1.01              | 1.02              | 5.12 <sup>§</sup>           | 0.88**                         | 0.96                       | 1.05                       |
| 0.96              | 1.20                        | 1.31   | 0.37                      | 0.62**                | 1.77                         | 0.97              | 1.14              | —                           | 0.83                           | 0.61 <sup>§</sup>          | 1.39                       |
| 1.06              | 0.97                        | 0.92 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.90                      | 0.98                  | 0.81 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.99              | 1.09 <sup>§</sup> | 0.50 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.01                           | 0.97                       | 1.05 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 0.83              | 1.19                        | 1.22   | 1.24                      | 1.07                  | 0.71                         | 1.02              | 0.97              | 1.50                        | 0.95                           | 0.98                       | 1.32 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 1.15              | 0.77                        | 1.03   | 1.24                      | 0.88                  | 1.31                         | 0.98              | 1.04              | —                           | 1.08                           | 0.59**                     | 1.10                       |
| 2.36              | 0.85                        | 1.81   | —                         | 0.47                  | —                            | 0.89              | 0.98              | —                           | 0.79                           | 0.00**                     | 1.83                       |
| 1.07              | 0.93                        | 0.84 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.87                      | 0.92**                | 0.74 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.98 <sup>§</sup> | 1.19 <sup>§</sup> | 0.45 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.06**                         | 0.97                       | 1.06 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 0.92              | 1.21                        | 0.99   | 1.41                      | 0.82                  | 0.81                         | 1.01              | 0.98              | 1.11                        | 0.97                           | 0.95                       | 1.16                       |
| —                 | —                           | 0.93   | 1.86                      | 0.77                  | 0.93                         | 1.05              | 0.68              | —                           | 1.72                           | 0.91                       | 1.14                       |
| —                 | —                           | —  | —                         | 2.35                  | —                            | 1.12              | —                 | —                           | 1.97                           | —                          | —                          |
| 1.12              | 1.28**                      | 0.94   | 1.26                      | 0.96                  | 0.78                         | 1.02              | 0.93              | 0.71                        | 1.09                           | 1.15                       | 0.96                       |
| —                 | 0.93                        | 2.03   | —                         | 1.43                  | —                            | 1.00              | 0.41              | 5.04                        | 0.89                           | 0.91                       | 3.17                       |
| —                 | —                           | —  | —                         | 1.86                  | 5.40                         | 1.31              | 0.85              | —                           | 3.44                           | —                          | 1.40                       |
| —                 | —                           | —  | —                         | —                     | —                            | 4.13**            | —                 | —                           | —                              | —                          | —                          |
| 1.03              | 0.92 <sup>§</sup>           | 0.91 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.77 <sup>§</sup>         | 0.90 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.81 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.94 <sup>§</sup> | 1.18 <sup>§</sup> | 0.78 <sup>§</sup>           | 1.19 <sup>§</sup>              | 0.90 <sup>§</sup>          | 1.07 <sup>§</sup>          |
| 0.98              | 1.02                        | 0.91   | 0.83                      | 0.83**                | 0.69                         | 0.95 <sup>§</sup> | 0.97              | 0.78                        | 1.06                           | 0.87 <sup>§</sup>          | 0.97                       |
| 1.39              | 1.27                        | 0.90   | 0.41                      | 0.66                  | 1.08                         | 0.97              | 1.19              | 11.91                       | 0.98                           | 0.70                       | 1.84 <sup>§</sup>          |
| —                 | —                           | 1.06   | —                         | —                     | —                            | 1.11              | 0.60              | —                           | 1.35                           | 0.37                       | 0.84                       |

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## FATAL ILLNESS

Table 3–1 (Continued). PMRs for white and black men and women aged 18 to 90 for selected

| Occupation and census occupation codes*                        | Number of deaths | Cause of death        |                   |                   |                   |                                  |            |
|--|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|------------|
|  |                  | All cancers (140–208) | Liver (155)       | Larynx (161)      | Lung (162)        | Mesothelioma (158.8, 158.9, 163) | Skin (173) |
| Carpenters (554, 567, 569):                                    |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |            |
| White men  | 87,576           | 1.02 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.88**            | 1.14**            | 1.18 <sup>s</sup> | 1.33                             | 1.22**     |
| Black men  | 6,687            | 1.02                  | 0.95              | 1.03              | 1.07              | —                                | 0.88       |
| White women  | 227              | 0.93                  | 1.32              | —                 | 1.60              | —                                | —          |
| Black women  | 27               | 1.54                  | —                 | —                 | 3.33              | —                                | —          |
| Electricians and power transmission installers (555, 575–577): |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |            |
| White men  | 46,173           | 1.05 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.92              | 1.09              | 1.10 <sup>s</sup> | 2.12 <sup>s</sup>                | 0.77       |
| Black men  | 1,983            | 1.04                  | 1.04              | 0.86              | 0.98              | 3.26                             | 0.78       |
| White women  | 285              | 0.89                  | 0.99              | —                 | 1.21              | —                                | —          |
| Black women  | 36               | 1.26                  | —                 | —                 | 1.65              | —                                | —          |
| Painters, paperhanglers, and plasterers (556, 579–584):        |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |            |
| White men  | 35,274           | 1.02                  | 1.16              | 1.53 <sup>s</sup> | 1.27 <sup>s</sup> | 2.15 <sup>s</sup>                | 1.21       |
| Black men  | 4,770            | 1.11 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.39              | 1.36              | 1.15 <sup>s</sup> | 1.30                             | 0.83       |
| White women  | 570              | 1.17**                | 3.25**            | 4.41              | 1.24              | 6.37                             | —          |
| Black women  | 55               | 1.11                  | —                 | —                 | 0.95              | —                                | —          |
| Plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters (557, 585, 587):       |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |            |
| White men  | 32,975           | 1.07 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.00              | 1.30 <sup>s</sup> | 1.18 <sup>s</sup> | 4.31 <sup>s</sup>                | 0.96       |
| Black men  | 2,481            | 0.98                  | 1.59              | 0.75              | 0.98              | —                                | 0.99       |
| White women  | 108              | 0.86                  | —                 | —                 | 1.21              | —                                | —          |
| Black women  | 16               | 1.23                  | —                 | —                 | —                 | —                                | —          |
| Extractive occupations (613–617):                              |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |            |
| White men  | 58,959           | 0.90 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.92              | 1.04              | 1.11 <sup>s</sup> | 0.44 <sup>s</sup>                | 0.86       |
| Black men  | 2,289            | 0.94                  | 0.83              | 1.04              | 1.14              | —                                | 1.72       |
| White women  | 166              | 0.72                  | —                 | —                 | 1.40              | —                                | —          |
| Black women  | 14               | 0.85                  | —                 | —                 | 1.68              | —                                | —          |
| Precision production occupations (633–699):                    |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |            |
| White men  | 254,969          | 1.05 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.92**            | 0.97              | 1.07 <sup>s</sup> | 1.52 <sup>s</sup>                | 0.87**     |
| Black men  | 14,979           | 1.10 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.38 <sup>s</sup> | 0.92              | 1.14 <sup>s</sup> | 2.31                             | 0.77       |
| White women  | 38,863           | 1.08 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.02              | 0.91              | 1.12 <sup>s</sup> | 0.97                             | 0.86       |
| Black women  | 4,450            | 1.15 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.34              | 0.80              | 1.33 <sup>s</sup> | —                                | —          |
| Precision metal working occupations (634–655):                 |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |            |
| White men  | 104,650          | 1.04 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.93              | 1.10              | 1.09 <sup>s</sup> | 1.67 <sup>s</sup>                | 0.82**     |
| Black men  | 4,645            | 1.10 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.45              | 0.88              | 1.21 <sup>s</sup> | 4.98**                           | 1.00       |
| White women  | 3,896            | 1.08 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.08              | 1.35              | 1.34 <sup>s</sup> | 1.57                             | 0.75       |
| Black women  | 448              | 1.25**                | 1.43              | —                 | 1.55**            | —                                | —          |
| Tool and die makers (634, 635):                                |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |            |
| White men  | 15,716           | 1.08 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.82              | 0.96              | 1.09 <sup>s</sup> | 1.28                             | 0.51**     |
| Black men  | 188              | 1.17                  | 1.12              | —                 | 1.36              | —                                | —          |
| White women  | 90               | 1.14                  | 3.15              | 12.37             | 1.10              | —                                | —          |
| Black women  | 9                | 0.44                  | —                 | —                 | 2.21              | —                                | —          |
| Machinists (637, 639):   |                  |                       |                   |                   |                   |                                  |            |
| White men  | 68,053           | 1.02**                | 0.96              | 1.07              | 1.07 <sup>s</sup> | 1.07                             | 0.82       |
| Black men  | 3,741            | 1.10 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.44              | 1.02              | 1.24 <sup>s</sup> | 6.13 <sup>s</sup>                | 1.24       |
| White women  | 1,750            | 1.00                  | 0.47              | 1.72              | 1.24**            | 3.37                             | —          |
| Black women  | 339              | 1.27**                | 0.94              | —                 | 1.69**            | —                                | —          |

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|                   | Bladder<br>(188)   | Kidney<br>(189.0–<br>189.2) | Non-Hodgkins<br>lymphoma<br>(200, 202.0–<br>202.2, 202.8,<br>202.9) | Hodgkins<br>disease<br>(201) | Leukemia<br>(204–208) | Parkinson's<br>disease<br>(332) | IHD<br>(410–414)   | COPD<br>(490–496)   | Pneumo-<br>conioses<br>(500–505) | Chronic<br>liver<br>disease<br>(571) | Renal<br>failure<br>(584–586) | Suicide<br>(E590–<br>E959) |
|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 0.97              | 0.84 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.94                        | 0.62 <sup>s</sup>   | 0.86 <sup>s</sup>            | 0.74 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.94 <sup>s</sup>               | 1.25 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.46 <sup>s</sup>   | 1.18 <sup>s</sup>                | 0.89 <sup>s</sup>                    | 1.15 <sup>s</sup>             |                            |
| 0.77              | 1.11               | 0.97                        | 0.25  | 0.72                         | 0.72                  | 1.00                            | 0.92               | 0.39                | 0.91                             | 0.92                                 | 1.07                          |                            |
| —                 | 0.97               | 1.23                        | —   | 0.82                         | 5.47 <sup>**</sup>    | 1.05                            | 0.96               | —                   | 0.70                             | 0.55                                 | 1.61                          |                            |
| —                 | —                  | 7.59                        | —   | —                            | —                     | 1.20                            | —                  | —                   | —                                | —                                    | —                             |                            |
| 1.05              | 1.03               | 1.06                        | 0.78  | 0.97                         | 0.93                  | 0.96 <sup>s</sup>               | 1.07 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.06                | 1.07                             | 0.99                                 | 1.04                          |                            |
| 1.00              | 1.34               | 1.12                        | 1.39  | 1.60                         | 0.52                  | 1.03                            | 1.07               | 0.79                | 0.90                             | 0.70                                 | 1.31                          |                            |
| 2.15              | —                  | 0.64                        | —   | 0.73                         | 2.21                  | 1.14                            | 1.43               | —                   | 1.94                             | 0.39                                 | 2.51 <sup>**</sup>            |                            |
| —                 | —                  | —                           | —   | —                            | —                     | 1.00                            | —                  | —                   | —                                | 1.97                                 | —                             |                            |
| 1.02              | 0.74 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.73 <sup>s</sup>           | 0.90  | 0.71 <sup>s</sup>            | 0.75 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.91 <sup>s</sup>               | 1.35 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.51 <sup>s</sup>   | 1.35 <sup>s</sup>                | 0.92                                 | 1.06 <sup>**</sup>            |                            |
| 1.03              | 1.16               | 0.76                        | 0.64  | 0.91                         | 0.39                  | 0.89 <sup>s</sup>               | 0.96               | 0.00                | 1.20                             | 0.95                                 | 0.90                          |                            |
| 1.72              | 1.16               | 1.20                        | —   | 1.10                         | —                     | 0.93                            | 1.13               | —                   | 0.97                             | 0.20                                 | 1.55                          |                            |
| —                 | —                  | —                           | —   | —                            | —                     | 1.31                            | 1.11               | —                   | 1.85                             | —                                    | 2.91                          |                            |
| 1.11              | 0.99               | 0.89                        | 0.91  | 0.98                         | 0.78 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.96 <sup>s</sup>               | 1.10 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.16                | 1.19 <sup>s</sup>                | 0.79 <sup>s</sup>                    | 1.04                          |                            |
| 0.88              | 1.31               | 1.04                        | 0.74  | 0.61                         | 1.26                  | 1.01                            | 0.91               | 1.01                | 1.29                             | 0.82                                 | 0.75                          |                            |
| 3.07              | —                  | —                           | —   | 0.94                         | —                     | 1.03                            | 1.22               | —                   | 0.82                             | 1.07                                 | 2.05                          |                            |
| —                 | —                  | —                           | —   | —                            | —                     | 1.03                            | 3.49               | —                   | —                                | —                                    | —                             |                            |
| 0.78 <sup>s</sup> | 0.80 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.76 <sup>s</sup>           | 1.01  | 0.79 <sup>s</sup>            | 0.46 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.94 <sup>s</sup>               | 1.33 <sup>s</sup>  | 25.85 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.86 <sup>s</sup>                | 0.97                                 | 0.92 <sup>**</sup>            |                            |
| 0.90              | 0.88               | 1.31                        | 1.54  | 1.12                         | 0.62                  | 1.08                            | 1.78 <sup>s</sup>  | 39.07 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.10                             | 1.03                                 | 1.83 <sup>**</sup>            |                            |
| 1.95              | —                  | —                           | —   | 1.28                         | 2.06                  | 0.94                            | 1.24               | 744.21 <sup>s</sup> | 1.10                             | 1.35                                 | 0.87                          |                            |
| —                 | —                  | —                           | —   | —                            | —                     | 0.99                            | 4.20               | —                   | —                                | —                                    | 16.88                         |                            |
| 1.09 <sup>s</sup> | 1.09 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.01                        | 1.03  | 1.02                         | 0.96                  | 1.03 <sup>s</sup>               | 0.95 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.56 <sup>s</sup>   | 0.98                             | 1.04                                 | 1.00                          |                            |
| 1.02              | 1.36 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.02                        | 2.24 <sup>s</sup>   | 1.12                         | 1.15                  | 1.03                            | 0.95               | 1.07                | 1.04                             | 0.88                                 | 1.23 <sup>s</sup>             |                            |
| 1.04              | 0.95               | 1.07                        | 1.12  | 1.06                         | 0.81 <sup>**</sup>    | 1.01                            | 1.01               | 2.40                | 0.86 <sup>s</sup>                | 0.99                                 | 0.95                          |                            |
| 0.91              | 1.29               | 1.29                        | 0.44  | 0.66                         | 1.91                  | 0.97                            | 1.17               | —                   | 0.80                             | 0.66 <sup>s</sup>                    | 1.32                          |                            |
| 1.05              | 1.01               | 0.97                        | 1.08  | 0.97                         | 0.96                  | 1.02 <sup>s</sup>               | 0.97 <sup>**</sup> | 0.59 <sup>s</sup>   | 1.04                             | 1.05                                 | 1.10 <sup>s</sup>             |                            |
| 1.07              | 1.53 <sup>**</sup> | 1.12                        | 2.23  | 0.89                         | 0.74                  | 1.03                            | 1.11               | 1.18                | 0.98                             | 0.88                                 | 1.48 <sup>s</sup>             |                            |
| 0.98              | 0.81               | 1.11                        | 1.45  | 0.69                         | 0.79                  | 1.09 <sup>**</sup>              | 1.04               | 9.14 <sup>**</sup>  | 0.85                             | 1.06                                 | 1.07                          |                            |
| —                 | 1.87               | 2.27                        | —   | 1.10                         | —                     | 0.80                            | 1.57               | —                   | 1.10                             | 0.74                                 | 1.93                          |                            |
| 1.13              | 1.17               | 1.13                        | 0.89  | 0.96                         | 0.98                  | 1.04 <sup>s</sup>               | 0.84 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.13 <sup>s</sup>   | 0.97                             | 1.02                                 | 1.16 <sup>**</sup>            |                            |
| 3.54              | 2.40               | 1.14                        | —   | 0.95                         | —                     | 0.69                            | 0.64               | —                   | 1.50                             | 0.43                                 | 1.48                          |                            |
| —                 | —                  | 1.03                        | —   | 2.41                         | 6.99                  | 0.98                            | 0.25               | —                   | —                                | 1.20                                 | —                             |                            |
| —                 | —                  | —                           | —   | —                            | —                     | 0.59                            | —                  | —                   | 9.42                             | —                                    | —                             |                            |
| 1.03              | 0.95               | 0.92 <sup>**</sup>          | 1.19  | 0.96                         | 0.96                  | 1.03 <sup>s</sup>               | 0.99               | 0.50 <sup>s</sup>   | 1.01                             | 1.05                                 | 1.11 <sup>s</sup>             |                            |
| 0.85              | 1.58 <sup>**</sup> | 1.09                        | 1.86  | 0.87                         | 0.69                  | 1.06                            | 1.19               | 0.73                | 0.98                             | 0.75                                 | 1.63 <sup>s</sup>             |                            |
| 1.02              | 0.77               | 0.81                        | —   | 0.54                         | 0.56                  | 1.09                            | 1.28 <sup>**</sup> | 10.02               | 0.82                             | 1.21                                 | 1.40                          |                            |
| —                 | 2.47               | 1.80                        | —   | 1.46                         | —                     | 0.88                            | 1.73               | —                   | 0.66                             | 0.39                                 | 2.70                          |                            |

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## FATAL ILLNESS

Table 3–1 (Continued). PMRs for white and black men and women aged 18 to 90 for selected

| Occupation and census occupation codes*                                       | Number of deaths | Cause of death        |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
|---|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
|   |                  | All cancers (140–208) | Liver (155)        | Larynx (161)       | Lung (162)         | Mesothelioma (158.8, 158.9, 163) | Skin (173)         |
| <b>Sheet metal workers (653, 654):</b>  |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 10,948           | 1.10 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.05               | 1.38               | 1.16 <sup>s</sup>  | 4.65 <sup>s</sup>                | 1.18               |
| Black men   | 369              | 1.10                  | 2.46               | 0.65               | 1.06               | —                                | —                  |
| White women   | 290              | 1.16                  | 2.78               | 3.24               | 2.00 <sup>s</sup>  | —                                | —                  |
| Black women   | 28               | 1.89 <sup>**</sup>    | 12.34              | —                  | 0.84               | —                                | —                  |
| <b>Precision textile, apparel, and furnishings machine workers (666–674):</b> |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 10,760           | 0.99                  | 1.00               | 0.95               | 0.99               | 0.68                             | 1.25               |
| Black men   | 1,402            | 0.99                  | 1.42               | 1.31               | 0.97               | —                                | —                  |
| White women   | 14,444           | 1.05 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.11               | 0.65               | 0.91 <sup>**</sup> | 1.15                             | 0.67               |
| Black women   | 2,001            | 1.16 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.11               | 0.56               | 1.31 <sup>**</sup> | —                                | —                  |
| <b>Precision workers, assorted materials (675–684):</b>                       |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 8,631            | 1.01                  | 0.85               | 0.72               | 0.97               | 0.80                             | 0.42 <sup>**</sup> |
| Black men   | 508              | 1.19                  | 1.84               | 1.46               | 1.42 <sup>**</sup> | —                                | —                  |
| White women   | 7,008            | 1.07 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.99               | 1.28               | 1.15 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.85                             | 1.03               |
| Black women   | 469              | 1.14                  | —                  | 1.57               | 1.54 <sup>**</sup> | —                                | —                  |
| <b>Precision food production occupations (686–688):</b>                       |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 22,121           | 1.00                  | 0.89               | 1.11               | 1.01               | 0.75                             | 1.04               |
| Black men   | 2,976            | 1.01                  | 1.59               | 1.16               | 0.98               | —                                | 0.82               |
| White women   | 3,943            | 1.01                  | 0.46               | 0.64               | 1.06               | 1.79                             | —                  |
| Black women   | 603              | 0.96                  | 1.53               | —                  | 1.05               | —                                | —                  |
| <b>Plant and system operators (694–699):</b>                                  |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 22,238           | 1.08 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.84               | 0.79               | 1.05 <sup>**</sup> | 2.55 <sup>s</sup>                | 0.72               |
| Black men   | 1,328            | 1.27 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.94 <sup>**</sup> | 1.18               | 1.20 <sup>**</sup> | 4.32                             | 1.79               |
| White women   | 360              | 1.07                  | 1.54               | 2.89               | 1.06               | —                                | 4.10               |
| Black women   | 103              | 1.27                  | 6.08               | —                  | 0.65               | —                                | —                  |
| <b>Operators, fabricators, and laborers (703–889):</b>                        |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 765,521          | 0.97 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.96 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.17 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.07 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.83 <sup>s</sup>                | 0.93 <sup>**</sup> |
| Black men   | 178,087          | 1.01 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.98               | 1.08 <sup>**</sup> | 1.05 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.83                             | 1.06               |
| White women   | 247,323          | 0.98 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.01               | 1.11               | 1.03 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.90                             | 0.94               |
| Black women   | 34,052           | 1.09 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.01               | 0.81               | 1.18 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.21                             | 0.93               |
| <b>Metalworking and plastic machine operators (703–725):</b>                  |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 30,311           | 1.03 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.06               | 1.06               | 1.10 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.66                             | 0.69 <sup>**</sup> |
| Black men   | 3,398            | 1.07 <sup>**</sup>    | 1.33               | 0.85               | 1.28 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.57                             | 0.95               |
| White women   | 3,549            | 1.05                  | 0.87               | 1.16               | 1.37 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.73                             | 1.22               |
| Black women   | 300              | 1.41 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.04               | —                  | 2.13 <sup>s</sup>  | —                                | —                  |
| <b>Woodworking machine operators (726–733):</b>                               |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 7,445            | 0.92 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.03               | 0.91               | 1.06               | 0.32                             | 0.40               |
| Black men   | 1,656            | 0.92                  | 0.81               | 0.84               | 0.98               | —                                | 0.50               |
| White women   | 375              | 1.07                  | 1.52               | 2.76               | 1.07               | 8.19                             | —                  |
| Black women   | 82               | 1.02                  | —                  | —                  | 1.05               | —                                | —                  |
| <b>Printing machine operators (734–737):</b>                                  |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 19,559           | 1.04 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.87               | 1.15               | 1.04               | 0.83                             | 1.08               |
| Black men   | 926              | 1.23 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.76               | 0.53               | 1.22               | —                                | 1.68               |
| White women   | 2,762            | 1.13 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.64               | 0.41               | 1.31 <sup>s</sup>  | 3.58                             | 1.08               |
| Black women   | 144              | 1.47 <sup>**</sup>    | —                  | —                  | 1.38               | —                                | —                  |

See footnotes at end of table.

occupations and causes of death in 28 States,\* 1984–1995

and ICD-9<sup>†</sup> codes

|                         |                                | <b>Non-Hodgkins lymphoma</b><br>(200, 202.0–202.2, 202.8, 202.9) | <b>Hodgkins disease</b><br>(201) | <b>Leukemia</b><br>(204–208) | <b>Parkinson's disease</b><br>(332) | <b>IHD</b><br>(410–414) | <b>COPD</b><br>(490–496) | <b>Pneumoconioses</b><br>(500–505) | <b>Chronic liver disease</b><br>(571) | <b>Renal failure</b><br>(584–586) | <b>Suicide</b><br>(E590–E959) |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Bladder</b><br>(188) | <b>Kidney</b><br>(189.0–189.2) |  |                                  |                              |                                     |                         |                          |                                    |                                       |                                   |                               |
| 1.14                    | 1.08                           | 1.11   | 0.57                             | 1.09                         | 0.82                                | 0.94 <sup>§</sup>       | 1.05                     | 0.95                               | 1.19**                                | 0.99                              | 1.02                          |
| 2.62                    | 1.95                           | 1.21   | —                                | 0.47                         | 2.72                                | 0.98                    | 0.42                     | 4.17                               | 0.90                                  | 1.95                              | 1.01                          |
| 1.06                    | 1.91                           | 1.77   | —                                | —                            | —                                   | 1.03                    | 0.90                     | —                                  | 1.39                                  | 0.80                              | 0.89                          |
| —                       | —                              | 14.71**  | —                                | —                            | —                                   | 0.26                    | —                        | —                                  | 1.67                                  | 2.57                              | —                             |
| 1.11                    | 0.61 <sup>§</sup>              | 1.04   | 1.31                             | 1.04                         | 0.88                                | 1.03                    | 0.91**                   | 0.26 <sup>§</sup>                  | 1.00                                  | 1.19                              | 1.01                          |
| 0.97                    | 1.16                           | 0.34   | 1.35                             | 0.97                         | —                                   | 0.95                    | 1.03                     | —                                  | 1.48**                                | 0.82                              | 0.75                          |
| 1.12                    | 1.05                           | 0.99   | 1.05                             | 1.07                         | 0.84                                | 1.00                    | 0.99                     | 2.76                               | 0.90                                  | 1.03                              | 0.58 <sup>§</sup>             |
| 1.12                    | 1.66                           | 0.96   | —                                | 0.64                         | 2.41                                | 0.95                    | 1.46**                   | —                                  | 0.50**                                | 0.78                              | 1.27                          |
| 1.25                    | 1.06                           | 1.17   | 1.37                             | 1.06                         | 1.27                                | 0.98                    | 0.96                     | 1.31                               | 0.97                                  | 1.17                              | 1.15**                        |
| —                       | 1.45                           | 2.22   | —                                | 0.69                         | —                                   | 0.81                    | 1.18                     | 6.06                               | 1.03                                  | 0.64                              | 1.34                          |
| 1.22                    | 0.85                           | 1.29**   | 0.78                             | 0.79                         | 0.70                                | 1.01                    | 1.09                     | 2.50                               | 0.87                                  | 1.09                              | 1.20                          |
| 0.80                    | —                              | 1.27   | —                                | 0.34                         | —                                   | 1.03                    | 0.45                     | —                                  | 1.41                                  | 0.57                              | 0.42                          |
| 1.18**                  | 0.94                           | 0.87   | 0.79                             | 0.89                         | 0.88                                | 1.01                    | 1.04                     | 0.20 <sup>§</sup>                  | 1.03                                  | 1.12                              | 0.97                          |
| 1.03                    | 1.26                           | 0.31 <sup>§</sup>  | 3.02                             | 0.80                         | 2.21                                | 0.96                    | 0.80                     | 0.42                               | 1.26                                  | 1.20                              | 1.08                          |
| 0.74                    | 0.72                           | 1.04   | 0.65                             | 1.25                         | 0.92                                | 1.05                    | 0.89                     | —                                  | 0.75                                  | 0.84                              | 1.16                          |
| 0.52                    | 0.48                           | 2.86**   | —                                | 0.28                         | 4.36                                | 1.04                    | 0.54                     | —                                  | 1.18                                  | 0.59                              | 2.04                          |
| 1.08                    | 1.09                           | 1.20 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.94                             | 1.16**                       | 0.95                                | 1.01                    | 0.93 <sup>§</sup>        | 0.54 <sup>§</sup>                  | 1.03                                  | 0.99                              | 1.00                          |
| 0.62                    | 1.37                           | 1.92   | 4.23                             | 1.65                         | 1.19                                | 1.05                    | 0.82                     | —                                  | 1.06                                  | 0.77                              | 1.14                          |
| 0.86                    | 0.54                           | 1.24   | —                                | 1.15                         | —                                   | 1.02                    | 0.82                     | —                                  | 0.93                                  | 0.64                              | 0.67                          |
| —                       | 2.80                           | —  | 17.55                            | —                            | —                                   | 0.88                    | 0.51                     | —                                  | —                                     | 0.58                              | —                             |
| 0.99                    | 0.89 <sup>§</sup>              | 0.83 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.86 <sup>§</sup>                | 0.86 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.81 <sup>§</sup>                   | 1.01 <sup>§</sup>       | 1.14 <sup>§</sup>        | 0.81 <sup>§</sup>                  | 1.01                                  | 1.03 <sup>§</sup>                 | 0.99                          |
| 1.01                    | 1.03                           | 0.94   | 0.92                             | 0.99                         | 0.96                                | 0.99                    | 1.03 <sup>§</sup>        | 1.01                               | 1.03                                  | 1.00                              | 0.96**                        |
| 1.06                    | 1.10 <sup>§</sup>              | 0.99   | 0.86**                           | 0.96**                       | 0.75 <sup>§</sup>                   | 1.05 <sup>§</sup>       | 0.96 <sup>§</sup>        | 3.95 <sup>§</sup>                  | 0.91 <sup>§</sup>                     | 1.05**                            | 0.82 <sup>§</sup>             |
| 0.75 <sup>§</sup>       | 0.94                           | 0.97   | 0.90                             | 1.18**                       | 1.03                                | 0.98                    | 0.96                     | 1.71                               | 0.87 <sup>§</sup>                     | 0.94                              | 1.01                          |
| 1.07                    | 0.95                           | 0.95   | 0.91                             | 0.93                         | 0.86                                | 1.03 <sup>§</sup>       | 1.09 <sup>§</sup>        | 1.13                               | 1.01                                  | 0.92                              | 1.00                          |
| 0.86                    | 0.87                           | 1.04   | 1.18                             | 1.24                         | 2.04                                | 1.11**                  | 1.32 <sup>§</sup>        | 6.46 <sup>§</sup>                  | 1.00                                  | 1.08                              | 1.09                          |
| 1.40                    | 0.94                           | 1.25   | 1.03                             | 0.77                         | 0.62                                | 1.07**                  | 1.30 <sup>§</sup>        | —                                  | 0.77                                  | 1.01                              | 0.93                          |
| 1.15                    | 0.91                           | 2.07   | 5.34                             | 0.55                         | —                                   | 0.95                    | 1.06                     | —                                  | 1.17                                  | 0.64                              | 2.55                          |
| 0.75                    | 0.80                           | 0.92   | 0.30                             | 0.85                         | 0.85                                | 1.02                    | 1.16 <sup>§</sup>        | 0.29 <sup>§</sup>                  | 0.69 <sup>§</sup>                     | 0.98                              | 1.04                          |
| 0.79                    | 1.12                           | 0.58   | —                                | 1.02                         | —                                   | 1.05                    | 0.89                     | 2.14                               | 0.71                                  | 0.64                              | 1.22                          |
| 0.83                    | 1.58                           | 0.48   | —                                | 1.10                         | 1.93                                | 0.98                    | 1.17                     | —                                  | 0.70                                  | 0.92                              | 0.64                          |
| —                       | —                              | —  | —                                | 2.05                         | —                                   | 1.09                    | 1.32                     | —                                  | 3.07                                  | 0.73                              | —                             |
| 1.10                    | 0.96                           | 1.09   | 0.81                             | 0.92                         | 1.31 <sup>§</sup>                   | 0.99                    | 0.98                     | 0.11 <sup>§</sup>                  | 1.16**                                | 0.90                              | 0.99                          |
| 1.83                    | 1.07                           | 0.96   | —                                | 1.34                         | 1.14                                | 1.00                    | 0.80                     | 1.73                               | 1.15                                  | 1.07                              | 1.21                          |
| 1.22                    | 1.20                           | 1.06   | 1.07                             | 0.86                         | 0.46                                | 1.04                    | 0.96                     | —                                  | 1.00                                  | 0.80                              | 0.95                          |
| —                       | —                              | 1.38   | —                                | 2.21                         | —                                   | 0.84                    | 0.39                     | —                                  | 0.35                                  | 1.00                              | —                             |

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Table 3–1 (Continued). PMRs for white and black men and women aged 18 to 90 for selected

| Occupation and census occupation codes*                           | Number of deaths | Cause of death        |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
|---|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
|   |                  | All cancers (140–208) | Liver (155)        | Larynx (161)       | Lung (162)         | Mesothelioma (158.8, 158.9, 163) | Skin (173)         |
| Textile, apparel, and furnishing machine operators (738–749):     |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 38,837           | 0.89 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.94               | 1.00               | 0.97               | 0.79                             | 1.25               |
| Black men   | 6,922            | 1.02                  | 0.99               | 1.17               | 0.98               | —                                | 0.85               |
| White women   | 105,775          | 0.95 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.00               | 0.79               | 0.89 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.52 <sup>s</sup>                | 1.07               |
| Black women   | 13,468           | 1.05 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.14               | 1.08               | 1.10 <sup>**</sup> | 1.02                             | 1.12               |
| Machine operators, assorted materials (753–779):                  |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 111,490          | 1.00                  | 0.97               | 1.14 <sup>**</sup> | 1.05 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.77                             | 0.97               |
| Black men   | 19,429           | 1.07 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.97               | 0.97               | 1.14 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.49                             | 0.60 <sup>**</sup> |
| White women   | 33,842           | 1.00                  | 1.03               | 1.48 <sup>**</sup> | 1.08 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.14                             | 1.18               |
| Black women   | 5,005            | 1.12 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.83               | 0.64               | 1.06               | —                                | —                  |
| Fabricators, assemblers, and hand working occupations (783–795):  |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 61,029           | 1.01                  | 1.03               | 1.10               | 1.13 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.22                             | 0.85               |
| Black men   | 6,793            | 1.06 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.12               | 0.89               | 1.09 <sup>**</sup> | 0.91                             | 0.68               |
| White women   | 22,617           | 1.03 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.07               | 1.26               | 1.21 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.64                             | 0.39 <sup>**</sup> |
| Black women   | 2,164            | 1.23 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.59               | 1.33               | 1.37 <sup>s</sup>  | —                                | 0.78               |
| Assemblers (785):   |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 24,366           | 0.99                  | 0.85               | 0.92               | 1.02               | 0.74                             | 1.01               |
| Black men   | 2,962            | 1.03                  | 0.76               | 0.96               | 1.10               | 2.14                             | 0.79               |
| White women   | 19,472           | 1.03 <sup>**</sup>    | 1.10               | 1.13               | 1.19 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.42                             | 0.45 <sup>**</sup> |
| Black women   | 1,805            | 1.22 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.54               | 1.57               | 1.30 <sup>s</sup>  | —                                | 0.93               |
| Production inspectors, testers, samplers, and weighers (796–799): |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 20,942           | 1.01                  | 0.95               | 1.20               | 1.01               | 1.68                             | 0.69               |
| Black men   | 1,476            | 1.19 <sup>s</sup>     | 2.54 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.93               | 1.15               | —                                | —                  |
| White women   | 19,876           | 1.03 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.95               | 1.27               | 1.08 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.96                             | 0.89               |
| Black women   | 1,599            | 1.27 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.18               | 0.46               | 1.11               | 4.13                             | —                  |
| Transportation and material moving occupations (803–859):         |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 237,073          | 1.00                  | 0.95               | 1.15 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.14 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.77 <sup>**</sup>               | 0.93               |
| Black men   | 39,706           | 1.02                  | 0.85 <sup>**</sup> | 0.90               | 1.07 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.58                             | 0.89               |
| White women   | 5,235            | 1.03                  | 1.16               | 0.52               | 1.14 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.05                             | 0.54               |
| Black women   | 981              | 1.23 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.68               | —                  | 1.41 <sup>**</sup> | —                                | —                  |
| Motor vehicle operators (803–814):                                |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 153,852          | 0.99 <sup>s</sup>     | 0.93               | 1.18 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.14 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.70 <sup>s</sup>                | 0.92               |
| Black men   | 29,635           | 1.01                  | 0.85 <sup>**</sup> | 0.99               | 1.06 <sup>s</sup>  | 0.39                             | 0.89               |
| White women   | 4,066            | 1.04 <sup>**</sup>    | 1.20               | 0.64               | 1.10               | 0.65                             | 0.68               |
| Black women   | 821              | 1.23 <sup>s</sup>     | 1.60               | —                  | 1.47 <sup>s</sup>  | —                                | —                  |
| Rail transportation occupations (823–826):                        |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                    |
| White men   | 23,349           | 1.03 <sup>**</sup>    | 1.06               | 0.94               | 1.11 <sup>s</sup>  | 1.08                             | 0.89               |
| Black men   | 841              | 1.05                  | 0.82               | 0.31               | 1.03               | —                                | 1.13               |
| White women   | 115              | 0.93                  | —                  | —                  | 0.90               | —                                | —                  |
| Black women   | 15               | 1.34                  | —                  | —                  | —                  | —                                | —                  |

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|                    | Bladder<br>(188)   | Kidney<br>(189.0–<br>189.2) | Non-Hodgkins<br>lymphoma<br>(200, 202.0–<br>202.2, 202.8,<br>202.9) | Hodgkins<br>disease<br>(201) | Leukemia<br>(204–208) | Parkinson's<br>disease<br>(332) | IHD<br>(410–414)   | COPD<br>(490–496)  | Pneumo-<br>conioses<br>(500–505) | Chronic<br>liver<br>disease<br>(571) | Renal<br>failure<br>(584–586) | Suicide<br>(E590–<br>E959) |
|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 0.85 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.83 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.73 <sup>\$</sup>          | 0.78  | 0.79 <sup>\$</sup>           | 0.77 <sup>\$</sup>    | 1.04 <sup>\$</sup>              | 1.14 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.39 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.95                             | 0.90                                 | 0.90                          | 0.92 <sup>**</sup>         |
| 1.45 <sup>**</sup> | 1.14               | 0.87                        | 0.90  | 1.26                         | 0.61                  | 1.02                            | 1.04               | 0.39               | 0.90                             | 1.01                                 | 1.01                          | 1.30 <sup>\$</sup>         |
| 1.00               | 1.15 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.93 <sup>**</sup>          | 0.95  | 0.97                         | 0.71 <sup>\$</sup>    | 1.07 <sup>\$</sup>              | 0.86 <sup>\$</sup> | 4.97 <sup>\$</sup> | 1.00                             | 1.04                                 | 1.04                          | 0.68 <sup>\$</sup>         |
| 0.87               | 0.72               | 0.69 <sup>**</sup>          | 0.26 <sup>**</sup>  | 1.16                         | 0.66                  | 0.98                            | 0.96               | —                  | 0.90                             | 0.87 <sup>**</sup>                   | 0.85                          |                            |
| 1.06               | 1.00               | 0.93 <sup>**</sup>          | 0.99  | 0.99                         | 0.87 <sup>\$</sup>    | 1.02 <sup>\$</sup>              | 1.05 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.76 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.99                             | 1.03                                 | 1.03                          | 1.01                       |
| 0.97               | 0.85               | 1.09                        | 0.90  | 1.36 <sup>\$</sup>           | 0.80                  | 1.09 <sup>\$</sup>              | 1.01               | 1.65 <sup>**</sup> | 0.91                             | 0.94                                 | 0.94                          | 1.11                       |
| 1.26 <sup>\$</sup> | 1.01               | 0.98                        | 0.75  | 0.92                         | 0.66 <sup>\$</sup>    | 1.05 <sup>\$</sup>              | 1.02               | 5.37 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.94                             | 1.02                                 | 0.85 <sup>**</sup>            |                            |
| 0.68               | 1.29               | 1.36                        | 1.56  | 1.23                         | 2.00                  | 0.95                            | 0.89               | 5.84               | 0.74 <sup>**</sup>               | 1.05                                 | 1.23                          |                            |
| 0.93               | 0.91               | 0.83 <sup>\$</sup>          | 1.07  | 0.90 <sup>**</sup>           | 0.86 <sup>**</sup>    | 1.00                            | 1.13 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.88               | 0.95                             | 0.99                                 | 0.99                          | 1.09 <sup>\$</sup>         |
| 0.95               | 1.39               | 1.01                        | 0.43  | 1.18                         | 1.18                  | 1.03                            | 0.99               | 1.34               | 0.88                             | 1.03                                 | 1.17                          |                            |
| 1.13               | 1.20 <sup>**</sup> | 1.07                        | 1.24  | 1.01                         | 0.77 <sup>**</sup>    | 1.06 <sup>\$</sup>              | 1.10 <sup>\$</sup> | 2.35               | 0.83 <sup>\$</sup>               | 1.16 <sup>**</sup>                   | 0.85 <sup>**</sup>            |                            |
| 1.02               | 1.03               | 1.42                        | 1.26  | 1.19                         | 1.59                  | 1.01                            | 1.09               | —                  | 0.57 <sup>\$</sup>               | 0.80                                 | 0.78                          |                            |
| 0.96               | 0.98               | 0.83 <sup>**</sup>          | 0.99  | 1.03                         | 0.93                  | 1.02 <sup>**</sup>              | 1.00               | 0.58 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.91                             | 1.14 <sup>**</sup>                   | 1.00                          |                            |
| 0.55               | 1.29               | 1.13                        | 0.96  | 1.18                         | 0.98                  | 0.98                            | 0.97               | 0.51               | 0.97                             | 1.03                                 | 1.25                          |                            |
| 1.16               | 1.22 <sup>**</sup> | 1.05                        | 1.37  | 1.05                         | 0.75 <sup>**</sup>    | 1.06 <sup>\$</sup>              | 1.08 <sup>**</sup> | 0.91               | 0.79 <sup>\$</sup>               | 1.14                                 | 0.87                          |                            |
| 1.25               | 1.08               | 1.59                        | 1.48  | 1.24                         | 1.98                  | 1.08                            | 0.99               | —                  | 0.57 <sup>**</sup>               | 0.67                                 | 0.90                          |                            |
| 1.05               | 0.95               | 1.00                        | 0.96  | 1.03                         | 1.05                  | 1.07 <sup>\$</sup>              | 0.93 <sup>**</sup> | 0.50 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.87 <sup>**</sup>               | 0.92                                 | 0.96                          |                            |
| 1.18               | 0.63               | 2.19 <sup>**</sup>          | 1.16  | 1.39                         | —                     | 0.97                            | 0.75               | 0.90               | 0.59 <sup>**</sup>               | 1.13                                 | 1.04                          |                            |
| 1.08               | 1.04               | 1.10                        | 0.68  | 1.07                         | 0.91                  | 1.03 <sup>**</sup>              | 0.95               | 4.45 <sup>**</sup> | 0.90                             | 0.98                                 | 0.88                          |                            |
| 0.21               | 1.58               | 1.43                        | 4.87 <sup>\$</sup>  | 1.02                         | —                     | 0.97                            | 0.86               | —                  | 0.65                             | 0.44 <sup>\$</sup>                   | 1.10                          |                            |
| 1.03               | 0.92 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.83 <sup>\$</sup>          | 0.92  | 0.88 <sup>\$</sup>           | 0.74 <sup>\$</sup>    | 1.01 <sup>\$</sup>              | 1.18 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.69 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.93 <sup>\$</sup>               | 1.05 <sup>**</sup>                   | 0.95 <sup>\$</sup>            |                            |
| 1.02               | 1.29 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.99                        | 1.57 <sup>**</sup>  | 0.94                         | 1.06                  | 1.05 <sup>\$</sup>              | 0.94 <sup>**</sup> | 0.69               | 0.87 <sup>\$</sup>               | 1.02                                 | 1.05                          |                            |
| 0.78               | 1.33               | 1.03                        | 0.67  | 0.79                         | 0.97                  | 1.05                            | 0.94               | 3.75               | 0.85                             | 0.92                                 | 1.02                          |                            |
| 1.82               | 0.85               | 1.60                        | 2.33  | 1.10                         | —                     | 0.92                            | 0.96               | —                  | 0.42 <sup>\$</sup>               | 1.00                                 | 0.82                          |                            |
| 1.02               | 0.92 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.79 <sup>\$</sup>          | 0.94  | 0.85 <sup>\$</sup>           | 0.75 <sup>\$</sup>    | 1.01 <sup>\$</sup>              | 1.22 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.44 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.90 <sup>\$</sup>               | 1.08 <sup>\$</sup>                   | 0.93 <sup>\$</sup>            |                            |
| 1.08               | 1.19 <sup>**</sup> | 0.93                        | 1.75 <sup>\$</sup>  | 0.94                         | 1.09                  | 1.04 <sup>\$</sup>              | 0.94               | 0.42 <sup>\$</sup> | 0.86 <sup>\$</sup>               | 1.03                                 | 1.04                          |                            |
| 0.78               | 1.49 <sup>**</sup> | 1.12                        | 0.64  | 0.76                         | 1.03                  | 1.03                            | 0.94               | —                  | 0.84                             | 0.87                                 | 0.99                          |                            |
| 2.21               | 0.67               | 1.89                        | 2.75  | 1.31                         | —                     | 0.88                            | 1.01               | —                  | 0.38 <sup>\$</sup>               | 1.21                                 | 0.78                          |                            |
| 1.07               | 0.97               | 0.93                        | 1.12  | 0.95                         | 0.78 <sup>**</sup>    | 1.02                            | 1.06 <sup>**</sup> | 1.11               | 1.14 <sup>**</sup>               | 0.99                                 | 1.05                          |                            |
| 1.47               | 1.44               | 1.16                        | 2.72  | 1.40                         | 3.07                  | 1.14                            | 0.93               | —                  | 0.88                             | 1.24                                 | 1.38                          |                            |
| —                  | —                  | —                           | 10.84   | 3.05                         | 2.38                  | 1.13                            | 1.51               | —                  | —                                | —                                    | 2.28                          |                            |
| —                  | —                  | —                           | —   | —                            | —                     | 1.74                            | —                  | —                  | —                                | —                                    | —                             |                            |

(Continued)

## FATAL ILLNESS

Table 3–1 (Continued). PMRs for white and black men and women aged 18 to 90 for selected

| Occupation and census occupation codes <sup>‡</sup>            | Number of deaths | Cause of death        |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                   |
|--|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|
|  |                  | All cancers (140–208) | Liver (155)        | Larynx (161)       | Lung (162)         | Mesothelioma (158.8, 158.9, 163) | Skin (173)        |
| Water transportation occupations (828–834):                    |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                   |
| White men  | 6,141            | 1.01                  | 1.14               | 1.50               | 1.17 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.45                             | 1.54              |
| Black men  | 511              | 0.96                  | 1.64               | 0.42               | 0.98               | —                                | —                 |
| White women  | 42               | 0.39 <sup>**</sup>    | —                  | —                  | 0.72               | —                                | —                 |
| Black women  | 9                | 1.18                  | —                  | —                  | 3.78               | —                                | —                 |
| Material moving equipment operators (843–859):                 |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                   |
| White men  | 53,731           | 1.02 <sup>**</sup>    | 0.94               | 1.10               | 1.14 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.77                             | 0.92              |
| Black men  | 8,719            | 1.05 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.86               | 0.70               | 1.12 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.33                             | 0.94              |
| White women  | 1,012            | 1.00                  | 1.13               | —                  | 1.36 <sup>§</sup>  | 3.17                             | —                 |
| Black women  | 136              | 1.23                  | 2.42               | —                  | 1.05               | —                                | —                 |
| Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, and laborers (863–889): |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                   |
| White men  | 238,835          | 0.92 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.93 <sup>**</sup> | 1.27 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.01               | 0.79 <sup>**</sup>               | 0.94              |
| Black men  | 97,781           | 0.99                  | 1.00               | 1.22 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.02 <sup>**</sup> | 0.86                             | 1.29 <sup>§</sup> |
| White women  | 53,292           | 0.97 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.01               | 1.37 <sup>**</sup> | 1.07 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.79                             | 0.81              |
| Black women  | 10,309           | 1.02                  | 0.94               | 0.62               | 1.27 <sup>§</sup>  | 2.00                             | 1.51              |
| Construction laborers (869):                                   |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                   |
| White men  | 56,765           | 0.91 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.99               | 1.43 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.08 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.83                             | 1.06              |
| Black men  | 27,394           | 1.01                  | 0.88               | 1.50 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.06 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.12                             | 1.31              |
| White women  | 570              | 0.90                  | 0.52               | —                  | 1.07               | —                                | 2.91              |
| Black women  | 222              | 0.97                  | 1.61               | —                  | 1.90 <sup>**</sup> | —                                | —                 |
| Laborers, excluding construction (889):                        |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                   |
| White men  | 146,536          | 0.91 <sup>§</sup>     | 0.92 <sup>**</sup> | 1.19 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.99               | 0.79                             | 0.94              |
| Black men  | 54,459           | 0.98 <sup>**</sup>    | 1.02               | 1.07               | 1.03               | 0.98                             | 1.22              |
| White women  | 39,082           | 0.96 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.05               | 1.42 <sup>**</sup> | 1.06 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.42 <sup>**</sup>               | 0.73              |
| Black women  | 8,511            | 1.01                  | 0.94               | 0.65               | 1.23 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.61                             | 1.83              |
| Military (905):  |                  |                       |                    |                    |                    |                                  |                   |
| White men  | 52,541           | 1.05 <sup>§</sup>     | 1.10               | 1.11               | 1.09 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.81                             | 1.22              |
| Black men  | 6,004            | 1.05 <sup>**</sup>    | 1.05               | 0.73               | 1.01               | 1.08                             | 1.63              |
| White women  | 1,188            | 1.00                  | 0.51               | 2.09               | 1.26               | —                                | 1.35              |
| Black women  | 194              | 1.08                  | —                  | —                  | 0.24               | —                                | —                 |

Source: NOMS [1999].

\*Alaska, Colorado, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York except New York City, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

<sup>†</sup>Abbreviations: COPD = chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; ICD-9 = International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision [WHO 1977]; IHD = ischemic heart disease.

<sup>‡</sup>Bureau of the Census [1992].

<sup>§</sup>P<0.01.

<sup>\*\*</sup>P<0.05.

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|                         |                                | <b>Non-Hodgkins lymphoma</b><br>(200, 202.0–202.2, 202.8, 202.9) | <b>Hodgkins disease</b><br>(201) | <b>Leukemia</b><br>(204–208) | <b>Parkinson's disease</b><br>(332) | <b>IHD</b><br>(410–414) | <b>COPD</b><br>(490–496) | <b>Pneumoconioses</b><br>(500–505) | <b>Chronic liver disease</b><br>(571) | <b>Renal failure</b><br>(584–586) | <b>Suicide</b><br>(E590–E959) |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Bladder</b><br>(188) | <b>Kidney</b><br>(189.0–189.2) |  |                                  |                              |                                     |                         |                          |                                    |                                       |                                   |                               |
| 0.95                    | 0.75                           | 0.78   | 0.39                             | 0.91                         | 0.88                                | 0.95**                  | 1.07                     | 0.21 <sup>§</sup>                  | 1.24**                                | 0.96                              | 1.02                          |
| 0.99                    | 0.87                           | 1.41   | —                                | 1.27                         | 2.81                                | 0.87                    | 1.33                     | —                                  | 0.91                                  | 1.23                              | 1.67                          |
| —                       | —                              | —  | —                                | —                            | 8.92                                | 0.63                    | 2.23                     | —                                  | 1.90                                  | —                                 | 2.90                          |
| —                       | —                              | —  | —                                | —                            | —                                   | —                       | 6.93                     | —                                  | —                                     | —                                 | 15.02                         |
| 1.07                    | 0.92                           | 0.89**   | 0.85                             | 0.93                         | 0.66 <sup>§</sup>                   | 1.02 <sup>§</sup>       | 1.14 <sup>§</sup>        | 1.20**                             | 0.95                                  | 1.04                              | 0.98                          |
| 0.76                    | 1.66 <sup>§</sup>              | 1.16   | 0.97                             | 0.89                         | 0.54                                | 1.11 <sup>§</sup>       | 0.91                     | 1.80                               | 0.90                                  | 0.95                              | 1.04                          |
| 0.90                    | 0.79                           | 0.82   | —                                | 0.73                         | 0.33                                | 1.13                    | 0.85                     | 18.30                              | 0.98                                  | 1.22                              | 1.07                          |
| —                       | 2.10                           | —  | —                                | —                            | —                                   | 1.10                    | 0.42                     | —                                  | 0.71                                  | —                                 | —                             |
| 0.93 <sup>§</sup>       | 0.80 <sup>§</sup>              | 0.76 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.73 <sup>§</sup>                | 0.76 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.77 <sup>§</sup>                   | 0.98 <sup>§</sup>       | 1.18 <sup>§</sup>        | 1.09**                             | 1.15 <sup>§</sup>                     | 1.09 <sup>§</sup>                 | 1.00                          |
| 0.99                    | 0.93                           | 0.86 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.73**                           | 0.88 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.95                                | 0.94 <sup>§</sup>       | 1.07 <sup>§</sup>        | 0.79                               | 1.15 <sup>§</sup>                     | 1.01                              | 0.86 <sup>§</sup>             |
| 1.02                    | 1.04                           | 1.02   | 0.70**                           | 0.94                         | 0.83**                              | 1.04 <sup>§</sup>       | 1.05**                   | 2.07                               | 0.80 <sup>§</sup>                     | 1.07                              | 0.87 <sup>§</sup>             |
| 0.57**                  | 0.94                           | 0.87   | 0.31                             | 1.20                         | 1.24                                | 1.00                    | 0.97                     | 2.73                               | 1.06                                  | 1.10                              | 1.14                          |
| 0.88**                  | 0.79 <sup>§</sup>              | 0.68 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.63 <sup>§</sup>                | 0.67 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.66 <sup>§</sup>                   | 0.93 <sup>§</sup>       | 1.27 <sup>§</sup>        | 0.91                               | 1.41 <sup>§</sup>                     | 1.02                              | 1.02                          |
| 0.99                    | 0.91                           | 0.69 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.53**                           | 0.93                         | 0.80                                | 0.89 <sup>§</sup>       | 1.15 <sup>§</sup>        | 0.53**                             | 1.03                                  | 0.98                              | 0.76 <sup>§</sup>             |
| 2.75                    | 0.78                           | 0.96   | —                                | 0.60                         | —                                   | 0.92                    | 1.39                     | —                                  | 0.54                                  | 0.24                              | 0.90                          |
| —                       | 2.65                           | 0.92   | —                                | 1.99                         | —                                   | 0.88                    | 0.54                     | —                                  | 1.41                                  | 1.01                              | —                             |
| 0.92**                  | 0.77 <sup>§</sup>              | 0.74 <sup>§</sup>  | 0.76 <sup>§</sup>                | 0.79 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.80 <sup>§</sup>                   | 1.00                    | 1.16 <sup>§</sup>        | 1.26 <sup>§</sup>                  | 1.05**                                | 1.10 <sup>§</sup>                 | 0.98                          |
| 1.02                    | 0.92                           | 0.93   | 0.72                             | 0.82 <sup>§</sup>            | 0.90                                | 0.96 <sup>§</sup>       | 1.07 <sup>§</sup>        | 1.00                               | 1.19 <sup>§</sup>                     | 1.07                              | 0.89 <sup>§</sup>             |
| 1.00                    | 1.10                           | 1.01   | 0.78                             | 0.96                         | 0.84                                | 1.05 <sup>§</sup>       | 1.06**                   | 1.88                               | 0.81 <sup>§</sup>                     | 1.08                              | 0.86 <sup>§</sup>             |
| 0.64                    | 0.90                           | 0.91   | 0.20                             | 1.16                         | 1.47                                | 1.01                    | 0.94                     | 3.24                               | 1.07                                  | 1.13                              | 1.25                          |
| 0.95                    | 1.03                           | 0.87 <sup>§</sup>  | 1.01                             | 1.03                         | 0.97                                | 0.93 <sup>§</sup>       | 1.13 <sup>§</sup>        | 0.13 <sup>§</sup>                  | 1.31 <sup>§</sup>                     | 0.99                              | 1.07 <sup>§</sup>             |
| 0.97                    | 1.10                           | 1.15   | 1.17                             | 1.61 <sup>§</sup>            | 1.24                                | 1.15 <sup>§</sup>       | 1.03                     | —                                  | 1.18                                  | 1.02                              | 1.59 <sup>§</sup>             |
| 0.58                    | 0.56                           | 0.71   | 1.71                             | 0.40**                       | 1.56                                | 0.73 <sup>§</sup>       | 1.69 <sup>§</sup>        | —                                  | 1.35                                  | 0.71                              | 1.90 <sup>§</sup>             |
| —                       | 3.41                           | 3.92**   | —                                | 0.61                         | 21.53                               | 1.04                    | 1.74                     | —                                  | 0.25                                  | 1.62                              | 1.27                          |