

Characteristics	2015 (N=132)	1998-2014 (N=859)	Total (N=991)
<b>Underlying illness</b>			
<b>Malignant neoplasms (%)</b>	<b>95 (72.0)</b>	<b>667 (77.9)</b>	<b>762 (77.1)</b>
Lung and bronchus (%)	23 (17.4)	154 (18.0)	177 (17.9)
Breast (%)	9 (6.8)	64 (7.5)	73 (7.4)
Colon (%)	7 (5.3)	54 (6.3)	61 (6.2)
Pancreas (%)	7 (5.3)	56 (6.5)	63 (6.4)
Prostate (%)	5 (3.8)	35 (4.1)	40 (4.0)
Ovary (%)	3 (2.3)	33 (3.9)	36 (3.6)
Other (%)	41 (31.1)	271 (31.7)	312 (31.6)
<b>Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (%)</b>	<b>8 (6.1)</b>	<b>71 (8.3)</b>	<b>79 (8.0)</b>
<b>Chronic lower respiratory disease (%)</b>	<b>6 (4.5)</b>	<b>38 (4.4)</b>	<b>44 (4.5)</b>
<b>Heart disease (%)</b>	<b>9 (6.8)</b>	<b>17 (2.0)</b>	<b>26 (2.6)</b>
<b>HIV/AIDS (%)</b>	<b>0 (0.0)</b>	<b>9 (1.1)</b>	<b>9 (0.9)</b>
<b>Other illnesses (%)<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>14 (10.6)</b>	<b>54 (6.3)</b>	<b>68 (6.9)</b>
<b>Unknown</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>DWDA process</b>			
Referred for psychiatric evaluation (%)	5 (3.8)	47 (5.5)	52 (5.3)
Patient informed family of decision (%) <sup>3</sup>	126 (95.5)	729 (93.2)	855 (93.5)
Patient died at			
Home (patient, family or friend) (%)	118 (90.1)	810 (94.6)	928 (94.0)
Long term care, assisted living or foster care facility (%)	9 (6.9)	37 (4.3)	46 (4.7)
Hospital (%)	0 (0.0)	1 (0.1)	1 (0.1)
Other (%)	4 (3.1)	8 (0.9)	12 (1.2)
Unknown	1	3	4
* Lethal medication			
Secobarbital (%)	114 (86.4)	466 (54.2)	580 (58.5)
Pentobarbital (%)	1 (0.8)	385 (44.8)	386 (39.0)
Phenobarbital/chloral hydrate/morphine sulfate mix (%)	16 (12.1)	0 (0.0)	16 (1.6)
Other (combination of above and/or morphine) (%)	1 (0.8)	8 (0.9)	9 (0.9)
<b>End of life concerns<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>(N=132)</b>	<b>(N=859)</b>	<b>(N=991)</b>
Less able to engage in activities making life enjoyable (%)	127 (96.2)	758 (88.7)	885 (89.7)
Losing autonomy (%)	121 (92.4)	782 (91.5)	903 (91.6)
Loss of dignity (%) <sup>5</sup>	98 (75.4)	579 (79.3)	677 (78.7)
Losing control of bodily functions (%)	46 (35.7)	428 (50.1)	474 (48.2)
Burden on family, friends/caregivers (%)	63 (48.1)	342 (40.0)	405 (41.1)
Inadequate pain control or concern about it (%)	37 (28.7)	211 (24.7)	248 (25.2)
Financial implications of treatment (%)	3 (2.3)	27 (3.2)	30 (3.1)
<b>Health care provider present (collected 2001-present)</b>	<b>(N=132)</b>	<b>(N=789)</b>	<b>(N=921)</b>
When medication was ingested <sup>6</sup>			
Prescribing physician	15	133	148
Other provider, prescribing physician not present	13	243	256
No provider	6	81	87
Unknown	98	332	430
At time of death			
Prescribing physician (%)	14 (10.8)	121 (15.7)	135 (15.0)
Other provider, prescribing physician not present (%)	13 (10.0)	268 (34.7)	281 (31.2)
No provider (%)	103 (79.2)	383 (49.6)	486 (53.9)
Unknown	2	17	19