

# The Demographics of COVID-19 Deaths (<https://dc-covid.site.ined.fr/en/>)

## Metadata Sheet for Sweden

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### Source 1

Public Health Agency of Sweden (PHAS): <https://www.folkhalsomyndigheten.se/smittskydd-beredskap/utbrott/aktuella-utbrott/covid-19/bekraftade-fall-i-sverige/>

### Coverage

The statistics published by the PHAS show the number of people with confirmed covid-19 who have died, regardless of the cause of death. Data are provided by 10-years age groups and sex. Daily total since 11 March are also available by date of deaths. The number of deaths for most recent days may be subject to revision at subsequent updates and should be interpreted with caution (especially during holidays).

### Data collection method

*[to be specified]*

### Collected Data

Date of death, age, sex

### Countdown stop time

The data is updated daily at 11.30 and is available daily at 14.00

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### Source 2

National Board of Health and Welfare (NBHW): <https://www.socialstyrelsen.se/statistik-och-data/statistik/statistik-om-covid-19/statistik-over-antal-avlidna-i-covid-19/>

### Coverage

The statistics includes deaths where the underlying cause of death was covid-19, according to the cause of death certificates submitted to the NBHW. The data are detailed by age, sex, comorbidity and county. The figures do not show the final number of deaths but are updated as more death certificates come in. The doctors send the certificates within three weeks and the final number will change as more death certificates are received.

The majority of deceased people had laboratory-confirmed covid-19 according to the Public Health Authority's register of infected people. As an example on a cumulated total of 3,395 deaths by May 14, 2020, 87 percent (2,950 people of 3,395) had laboratory-confirmed covid-19.

**Warning:** The NBHW information on deceased persons differs slightly from the information presented by the PHAS on a daily basis. The PHAS reports only those deceased who have had

a laboratory-verified covid-19 and have died within 30 days. The NBHW reports all cases where the underlying cause of death was covid-19, regardless of whether the diagnosis was laboratory confirmed or not. More information, specifically for the causes of death, can be found in the fact sheet “Beskrivning av datakällor för avlidna i covid-19” (Description of data sources for COVID-19 deaths, available in the documentation and downloadable here: <https://www.socialstyrelsen.se/globalassets/sharepoint-dokument/dokument-webb/statistik/rapportering-av-dodsfall.pdf>).

**Data collection method**

Medical doctors should send the death certificates within three weeks.

**Collected Data**

Age, sex, comorbidity, county, type of housing, receipt of home help and place of death.

**Periodicity and countdown stop time**

Occasional report based on the death certificates received until the publication day of the report.