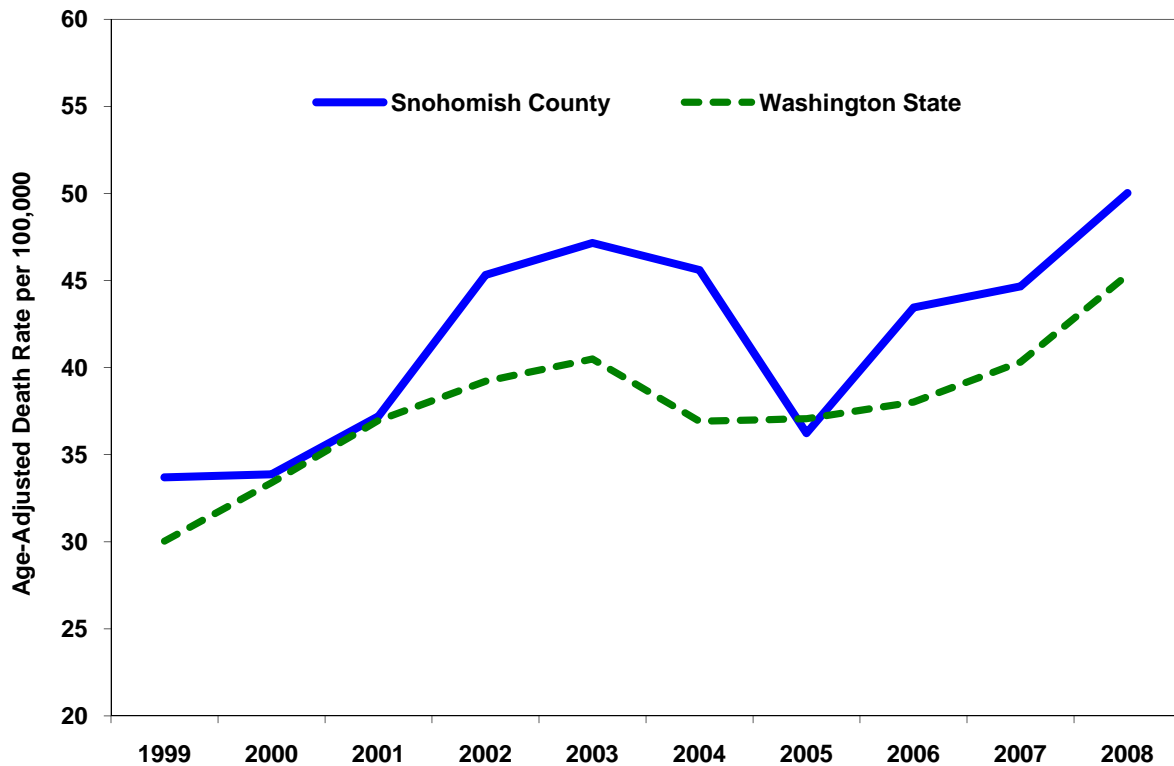


Alzheimer's Disease Mortality – Snohomish County, 1999 - 2008

- In 2008 Alzheimer's disease was the third leading cause of death in Snohomish County.
- Overall, the Snohomish County and Washington State Alzheimer's Disease age-adjusted mortality rates significantly increased between 1999 and 2008.
- When compared with the statewide rate, the age-adjusted mortality rate in Snohomish County was not significantly different in 2008.



Year	Snohomish County				Washington State		
	Deaths	Population	Age-Adjusted Rate per 100,000 ¹	95% C.I. ²	Deaths	Population	Age-Adjusted Rate per 100,000 ¹
1999	142	591,590	33.7	(28.4, 39.7)	1,577	5,830,835	30.0
2000	149	606,024	33.9	(28.7, 39.8)	1,801	5,894,141	33.4
2001	170	618,600	37.2	(31.8, 43.3)	2,051	5,974,900	37.0
2002	215	627,974	45.3	(39.5, 51.8)	2,238	6,041,710	39.2
2003	231	637,500	47.2	(41.3, 53.7)	2,380	6,098,300	40.5
2004	231	644,811	45.6	(39.9, 51.9)	2,234	6,167,800	36.9
2005	189	655,800	36.2	(31.2, 41.8)	2,308	6,256,400	37.1
2006	236	671,836	43.4	(38.0, 49.4)	2,466	6,375,600	38.0
2007	254	686,300	44.7	(39.3, 50.6)	2,683	6,488,000	40.3
2008	288	696,629	50.0	(44.3, 56.3)	3,104	6,587,600	45.3

¹ The age-adjusted rate is used to compare rates between two or more populations that have different underlying age distributions. By adjusting the rate for age, differences in the mortality rate between different regions or years cannot be explained by different age distributions in the populations being compared.

² 95% Confidence Interval: A confidence interval is a range of values that has a specified probability of containing the rate. Narrow confidence intervals indicate that rate is precisely estimated, while wider confidence intervals indicate that the estimated rate is less precisely estimated.