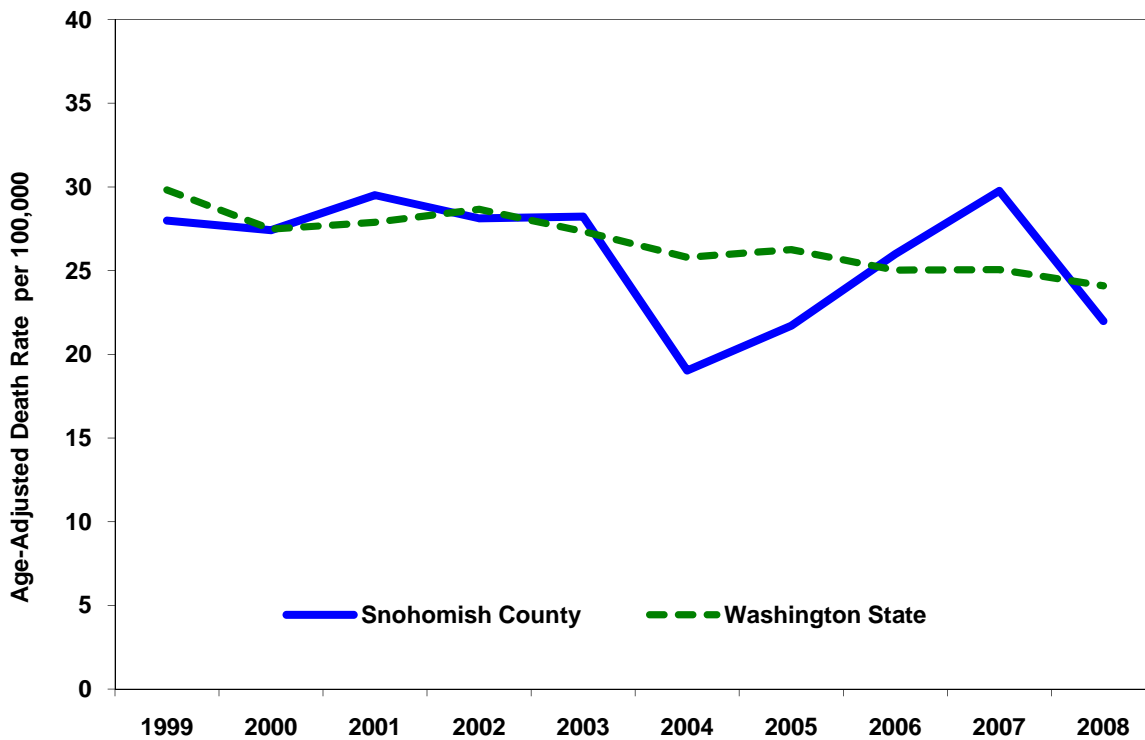


Prostate Cancer Mortality – Snohomish County, 1999 – 2008

- In 2008 the Snohomish County mortality rate from prostate cancer was comparable with the Washington State rate.
- From 1999 through 2008, prostate cancer mortality rates have significantly decreased in Washington State but show no significant trend in Snohomish County.



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	46	296,237	28.0	(20.4, 37.8)	599	2,904,938	29.8
2000	49	303,209	27.4	(20.2, 36.6)	574	2,934,311	27.5
2001	52	309,577	29.5	(21.9, 39.0)	592	2,975,115	27.9
2002	52	314,308	28.1	(20.9, 37.2)	619	3,008,776	28.7
2003	53	319,085	28.2	(21.1, 37.2)	613	3,037,218	27.3
2004	37	322,775	19.0	(13.3, 26.5)	590	3,072,237	25.8
2005	46	328,325	21.7	(15.8, 29.3)	620	3,116,998	26.3
2006	52	336,433	26.0	(19.4, 34.2)	610	3,177,360	25.0
2007	66	343,734	29.8	(22.9, 38.1)	635	3,234,234	25.1
2008	48	348,915	22.0	(16.1, 29.3)	623	3,284,518	24.1

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.