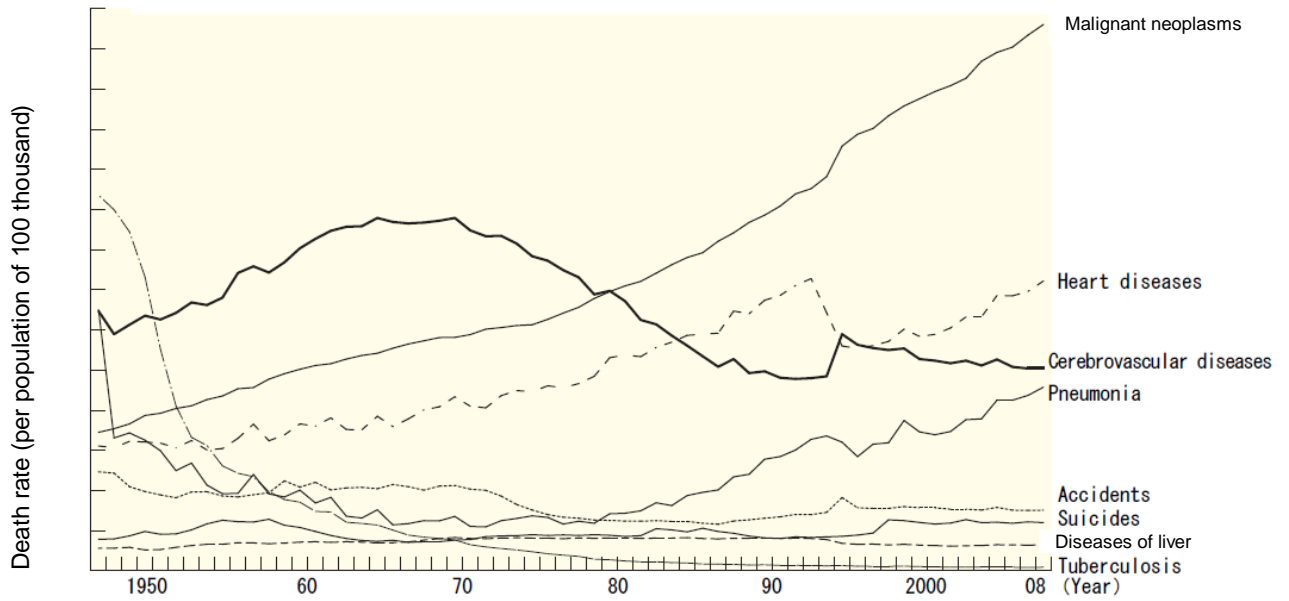


Annual Changes in Death Rate for Leading Causes of Death



Source: "Vital Statistics", Statistics and Information Department, Minister's Secretariat, MHLW

Note: 1. Complete consistency cannot be maintained in causes of death because of the revision of causes of death classifications.

2 The figures for 2008 are estimates.