

Abstract

Cause of Death in Thailand: Gender Differential Perspective

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The purpose of this investigation is to explore the cause of death differential patterns in Thailand, classified by gender, with the annually collected secondary data. This data is summarized from death registrations between the years 1996 to 2000, which were systematically improved in 1996 through the co-operation of the Ministry of Interior and the Ministry of Public Health. The results depict recent causes of death in Thailand, which is faced with the situation of increase in the number of deaths in all principal causes and gender differential. Although this evidence is not discovered first by this study, it emphasizes that Thailand will be facing an alarmingly excessive number of deaths in the near future, especially in males. Untimely and premature deaths will affect Thai males more than in the past. Fortunately, most of these causes are preventable.