

# Carbon monoxide poisoning deaths down 1999 to 2014

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(HealthDay)—From 1999 to 2014 the numbers of deaths, both

accidental and intentional, due to carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning significantly declined in the United States, according to a study published in the October issue of the *Annals of the American Thoracic Society*.

Neil B. Hampson, M.D., from the Virginia Mason Medical Center in Seattle, evaluated data from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Multiple Cause of Death file (1999 to 2014) to understand U.S. mortality from CO poisoning.

Hampson found that total deaths by CO poisoning decreased from 1,967 in 1999 to 1,319 in 2014 (P

"Continued public education about CO toxicity should be emphasized," Hampson writes. "Additional study is needed to demonstrate the efficacy of residential CO alarms."

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