

Voluntary Euthanasia and Physician Assisted Dying: Global Summary

Country/State	Title of Act	Year commenced	VE/Physician Assisted Dying (PAD) *	Population	Number of Assisted Deaths	Assisted Deaths as % of Requests (for medication)	% of Total Deaths	VE/PAD as % of total population
Oregon (USA)	<i>Death with Dignity Act (1994)</i>	1997	PAD	3.9m	71 (2013)	58%	0.2%	0.002%
Netherlands	<i>Termination of Life on Request and Assisted Suicide (Review Procedures) Act (2000)</i>	2002	VE and PAD	16.8m	4188 (2012)	na	3%	0.025%
Belgium	<i>Act on Euthanasia (2002)</i>	2002	VE	11m	1816 (2013)	na	1.5%	0.017%
Luxembourg	<i>Law of March 16 2009 on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide</i>	2009	VE and PAD	0.5m	14 (2011 & 2012)	na	0.16%	0.002%

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Washington (USA)	<i>Death with Dignity Act</i> (2008)	2009	PAD	6.9m	119 (2013)	70%	0.23%	0.002%
Switzerland	Article 15 of the Swiss Criminal Code (1942)	1942/1980's	PAD	8m	300 (2012)	na	0.46%	0.003%
Montana (USA)	Court rulings	2008	AS	1m	No prosecution - no data	na	na	na
Quebec	Bill 52, An Act Respecting End-of-life Care	2014	VE and PAD	8m	No data – too early	na	na	na
Vermont (USA)	Act 39 <i>Patient Choice and Control at End of Life</i>	2013	PAD	0.6m	No data – too early	na	na	na

Further information comparing the legislation in different jurisdictions is provided in the Australia 21 background paper *How should Australia regulate voluntary euthanasia and assisted suicide*, November 2012, White & Willmott, <http://www.australia21.org.au/publication-archive/how-should-australia-regulate-voluntary-euthanasia-and-assisted-suicide/#.U9cFCVZEATt>

*VE – drug administered by physician

*PAD – physician provides a prescription, but final step in the process is performed by the person themselves