1
In the annual vital statistics volumes, the birth counts by year of registration and year of birth are not provided by sex. We estimated the sex distribution based on the sex ratio of registered births in the specified year. Because the sex distribution of registered births for 1950, 1970, and 1971 are not given by sex, we applied the mean of the sex ratio for years 1951-69 (Ratio Male/Female=1.046).

2
These counts include all deaths for the specified year that were registered through 2013 (delayed registrations generally comprised <5% of all deaths that occurred in a given year, with the vast majority being registered in the year following the death).

3
Because there are fewer than 5 deaths in this cell, the actual death count was not reported. This death count was inferred by comparing the death counts by 2-year age groups with the death counts by single year of age.

4
Because there are fewer than 5 deaths in this cell, the actual death count was not reported. We estimated the death count by allocating 50% of the deaths in the 2-year age group into each of the two age years.

5
Counts represent deaths by year of registration (not by year of death). The annual vital statistics volumes for Costa Rica (Estadística Vital) report only the deaths registered in that year. They are not tabulated by year of death and year of registration.