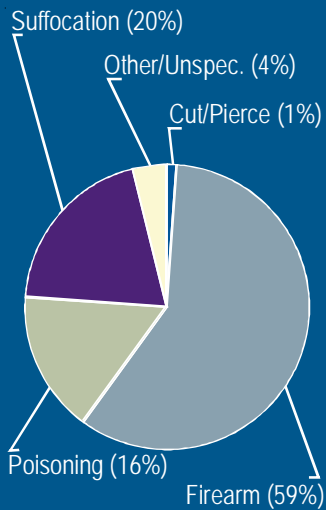
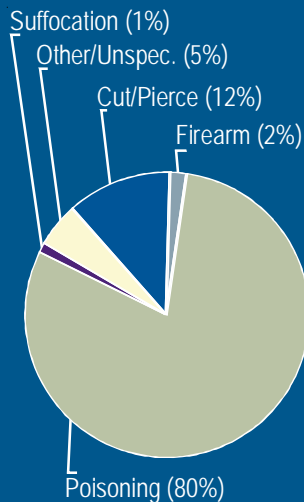


Suicides, 1999-2005

Suicides by Method



Attempts by Method



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Statewide

- 11th ranking cause of death
- Average of 2,238 residents died by suicide each year
- Suicide rate: 11.2 per 100,000
- Average of 6.1 suicides every day

Gender

- Males: 79% of suicides; rate 17.9 per 100,000; 7th ranking cause of death
- Females: 21% of suicides; rate 4.6 per 100,000; 14th ranking cause of death
- Male suicide rate 4.0 times the female rate

Race/Ethnicity

- White Non-Hispanic (NH): 76% of suicides; rate 16.1 per 100,000
- Hispanic: 17% of suicides; rate 5.8 per 100,000
- Black NH: 6% of suicides; rate 5.8 per 100,000
- Other NH: 1% of suicides; rate 5.5 per 100,000
- White NH suicide rate 2.8 times the Black NH rate

Age

- 70+ years: highest suicide rate; 12% of suicides; rate 2.0 times the rate for 15 to 19 years

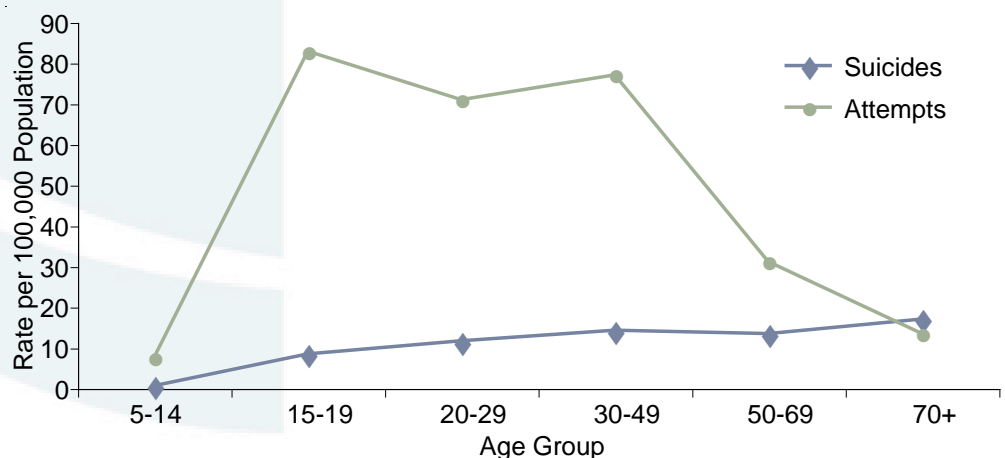
Method

- Firearm: leading method; rate 6.6 per 100,000; 2nd ranking cause of injury deaths
- Suffocation: 2nd leading method; rate 2.2 per 100,000; 6th ranking cause of injury deaths
- Poisoning: 3rd leading method; rate 1.8 per 100,000; 8th ranking cause of injury deaths
- If half of **undetermined intent** poisonings were self-inflicted, suicides in this state would be 2% higher

Costs

- Average medical cost per case: \$4,042
- Average work-loss cost per case: \$1,207,369

Average Annual Self-Inflicted Injuries by Age Group, Texas Residents



Estimated Hospitalized Attempts, 2005

Statewide

- Total of 10,807 hospitalized attempts per year
- Hospitalized attempt rate: 51.3 per 100,000
- Average of 29.6 attempts every day

Gender

- Males: 38% of attempts; rate 39.2 per 100,000
- Females: 62% of attempts; rate 63.4 per 100,000
- Female attempt rate 1.6 times the male rate

Age

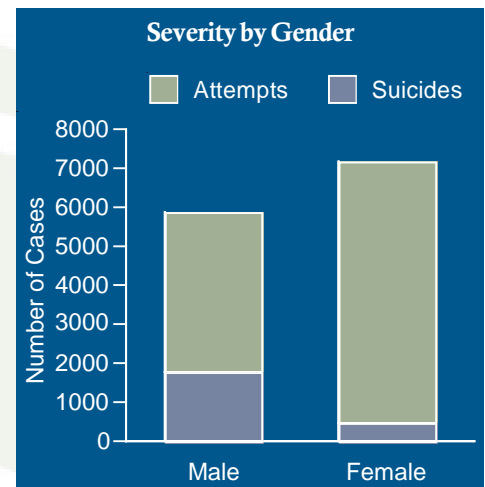
- 15-19 years: highest hospitalized attempt rate; 13% of hospitalized attempts

Method

- Poisoning: leading method; 8,654 annual attempts; rate 41.1 per 100,000
- Cut/Pierce: 2nd leading method; 1,327 annual attempts; rate 6.3 per 100,000

Costs

- Average medical cost per case: \$8,849
- Average work-loss cost per case: \$10,285



Self-Inflicted Injuries by Age Group, Gender, and Method, Texas Residents

	Suicides								Estimated Hospitalized Attempts							
	Male		Female		All		Avg Cost Per Case		Male		Female		All		Avg Cost Per Case	
	N	Rate	N	Rate	N	Rate	Medical	Work Loss	N	Rate	N	Rate	N	Rate	Medical	Work Loss
Age Group																
5-14	18	1.1	6	0.4	25	0.7	\$14,463	\$1,554,478	56	3.2	204	12.2	260	7.6	\$7,064	\$14,176
15-19	118	13.8	23	2.9	141	8.5	\$5,557	\$1,740,119	530	60.5	878	106.8	1,408	82.9	\$6,834	\$10,501
20-29	325	19.2	58	3.7	383	11.7	\$4,083	\$1,854,460	1,079	59.9	1,377	82.9	2,456	71.0	\$7,789	\$13,290
30-49	710	21.7	219	6.8	929	14.3	\$3,686	\$1,441,208	1,866	55.2	3,309	99.4	5,175	77.1	\$8,857	\$10,019
50-69	377	21.1	124	6.5	501	13.5	\$3,694	\$692,454	481	24.0	809	37.8	1,290	31.2	\$11,775	\$6,600
70+	225	36.9	36	3.9	260	17.1	\$4,072	\$102,612	87	13.3	131	13.6	218	13.5	\$14,865	\$2,001
Method																
Cut/Pierce	24	0.2	5	0.0	29	0.1	\$5,454	\$1,142,371	615	5.9	712	6.7	1,327	6.3	\$9,483	\$41,726
Firearms	1120	11.3	199	2.0	1319	6.6	\$3,214	\$1,126,436	131	1.3	28	0.3	159	0.8	\$56,950	\$56,620
Poisoning	185	1.9	166	1.6	351	1.8	\$5,971	\$1,140,279	2,927	28.0	5,727	54.1	8,654	41.1	\$7,355	\$1,465
Suffocation	377	3.8	73	0.7	449	2.2	\$3,280	\$1,491,071	73	0.7	25	0.2	98	0.5	\$26,841	\$205,752
Other/Unspecified	66	0.7	24	0.2	90	0.5	\$11,976	\$1,273,784	353	3.4	216	2.0	569	2.7	\$28,046	\$51,884
Total	1772	17.9	466	4.6	2238	11.2	\$4,042	\$1,207,369	4,099	39.2	6,708	63.4	10,807	51.3	\$8,849	\$10,285

Rates are per 100,000 population aged 5 and over. For table details and data sources, see Methods page. Rates based on 5 or fewer cases may be unstable, use with caution. Rows and columns may not add due to rounding. All costs are in year 2006 dollars. Not all self-inflicted injuries are suicide attempts.

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