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MMWR. June 19, 2009; 58(23):637-41. This report analyzes data from the National Violent Death Reporting System in 2005-2006. The overall prevalence of alcohol intoxication was nearly 24% among suicide decedents tested for alcohol, with the highest percentage among American Indian/Alaska Natives (37%), followed by Hispanics (29%) and persons aged 20-49 years (28%). The authors conclude that many populations can benefit from culturally appropriate suicide-prevention strategies that include efforts to reduce alcohol consumption.

Populations: Racial and Ethnic Groups, American Indians and Alaska Natives, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, Blacks and African Americans, Hispanics and Latinos
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