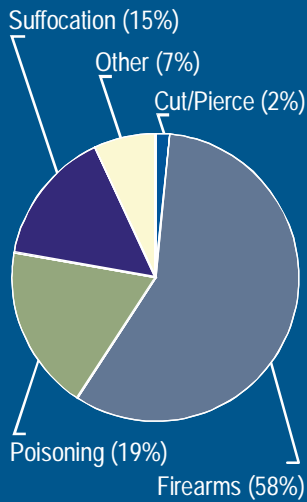
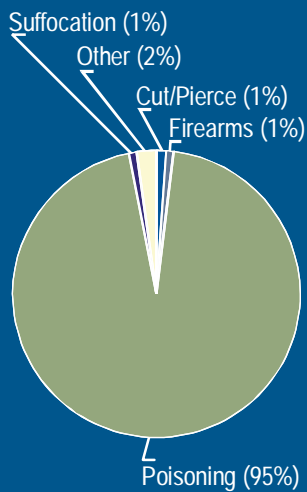


Suicides by Method



Attempts by Method



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Suicides, 1995-1998

Statewide

- 9th ranking cause of death
- Average of 2,147 residents died by suicide each year
- Crude suicide rate: 14.3 per 100,000
- Average of 6 suicides per day

Gender

- Males: 79% of suicides, rate 23.1 per 100,000, 9th ranking cause of death
- Females: 21% of suicides, rate 6.0 per 100,000, 14th ranking cause of death
- Male suicide rate 3.9 times greater than female rate

Race/ Ethnicity

- White non-Hispanics (NH): 84% of suicides, rate 17.4 per 100,000
- Hispanic: 9% of suicides, rate 8.6 per 100,000
- Black NH: 6% of suicides, rate 5.6 per 100,000
- Other NH: 1% of suicides, rate 5.5 per 100,000

- White NH: Crude suicide rate 3 times greater than Black NH and Other NH rate, and 2 times greater than Hispanic rate
(Data are not shown in table.)

Age

- 65+ years: highest suicide rate, 27% of suicides, rate 2.6 times higher than rate for 15 to 19 years

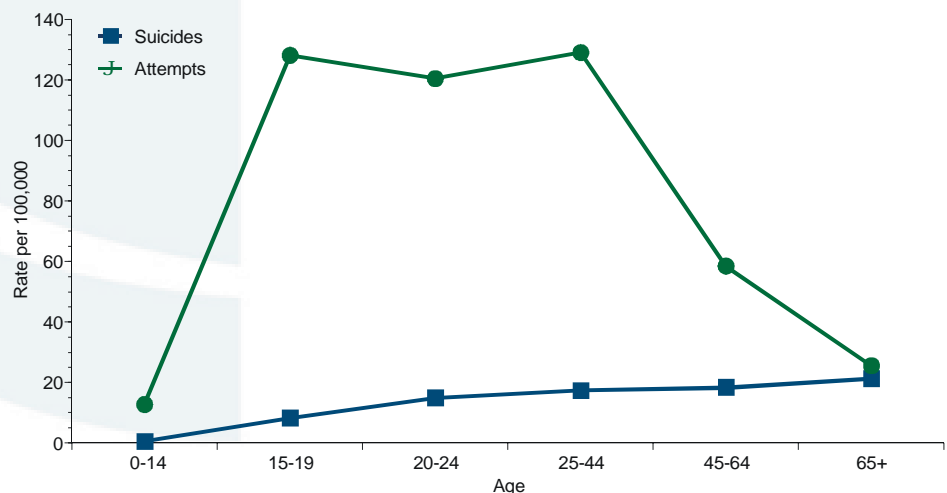
Method

- Firearms: leading method, crude rate 8.2 per 100,000, 2nd ranking cause of injury deaths
- Poisoning: 2nd leading method, crude rate 2.7 per 100,000, 6th ranking cause of injury deaths
- Suffocation: 3rd leading method, crude rate 2.2 per 100,000, 8th ranking cause of injury deaths

Costs

- Average medical cost per case: \$1,838
- Average work-loss cost per case: \$743,430

Self-Inflicted Injuries by Age Group, Florida Residents



Hospitalized Attempts, 1998

Statewide

- A total of 10,639 hospitalized attempts in the year
- Crude hospitalized attempt rate: 71.4 per 100,000
- Average of 29 attempts per day

Gender

- Females: 59% of attempts, rate 82.4 per 100,000
- Males: 41% of attempts, rate 59.6 per 100,000
- Female hospitalized attempt rate 38% greater than male attempt rate

Race/Ethnicity

- No data available

Age

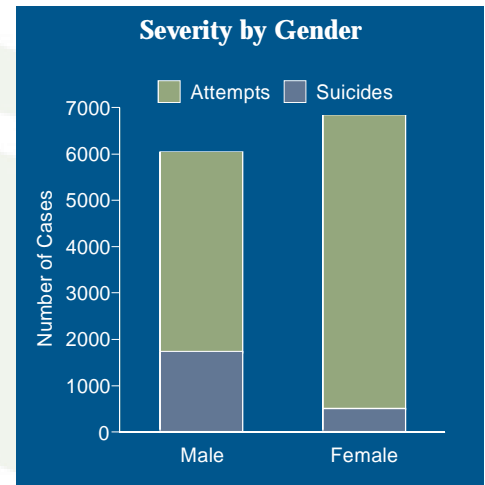
- 25 to 44 years: highest hospitalized attempt rate, 52% of attempts, crude rate 5 times higher than rate for 65+ years

Method

- Poisoning: leading method, crude rate 61.8 per 100,000
- Cut/pierce: 2nd leading method, crude rate 6.8 per 100,000

Costs

- Average medical cost per case: \$6,478
- Average work-loss cost per case: \$10,215



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

Age Group	Suicides								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
0-14	12	0.8	4	0.2	15	0.5	\$3,680	\$1,177,288	75	5.0	299	20.7	374	12.7	\$6,182	\$9,729
15-19	59	12.6	15	3.4	74	8.2	\$1,965	\$1,285,986	370	77.0	827	182.1	1,197	128.1	\$5,860	\$8,334
20-24	107	24.1	23	5.4	130	14.9	\$1,866	\$1,346,538	427	99.6	594	141.7	1,021	120.4	\$5,480	\$13,134
25-44	604	27.2	167	7.5	771	17.3	\$1,759	\$1,161,188	2,378	112.6	3,105	145.3	5,483	129.0	\$6,472	\$10,789
45-64	434	29.0	141	8.6	575	18.3	\$1,786	\$617,335	794	52.3	1,074	64.0	1,868	58.4	\$6,749	\$10,991
65+	467	39.6	112	7.2	579	21.2	\$1,916	\$102,923	268	22.7	428	27.7	696	25.5	\$8,483	\$2,920
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Method																
Cut/ Pierce	32	0.4	6	0.1	38	0.3	\$4,237	\$742,739	536	7.4	479	6.2	1,015	6.8	\$12,417	\$35,680
Firearms	1,046	14.3	189	2.4	1,234	8.2	\$1,223	\$698,861	54	0.7	29	0.4	83	0.6	\$28,628	\$40,286
Poisoning	238	3.3	160	2.1	398	2.7	\$3,006	\$762,035	3,511	48.5	5,699	74.2	9,210	61.8	\$5,078	\$5,179
Suffocation	270	3.7	58	0.8	328	2.2	\$1,534	\$878,043	55	0.8	19	0.2	74	0.5	\$12,713	\$124,359
Other	100	1.4	48	0.6	148	1.0	\$3,509	\$742,641	135	1.9	85	1.1	220	1.5	\$26,439	\$48,476
Unspecified	1	0.0	0	0.0	1	0.0	\$0	\$1,022,647	21	0.3	16	0.2	37	0.2	\$11,262	\$41,916
Total	1,686	23.1	461	6.0	2,147	14.3	\$1,838	\$743,430	4,312	59.6	6,327	82.4	10,639	71.4	\$6,478	\$10,215

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