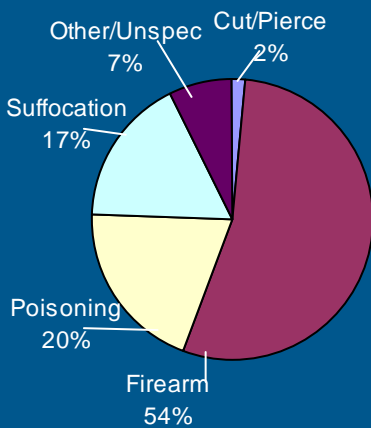
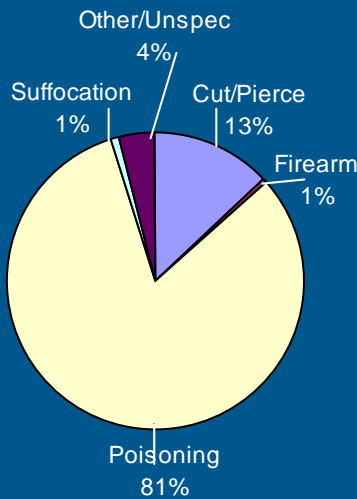




Suicides by Method



Attempts by Method



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Suicides, 1999-2003

Statewide

- 9th ranking cause of death
- Average of 2,211 residents died by suicide each year
- Crude suicide rate: 14.4 per 100,000
- Average of 6 suicides per day

Gender

- Males: 78% of suicides; rate 23.1 per 100,000; 7th ranking cause of death
- Females: 22% of suicides; rate 6.1 per 100,000; 17th ranking cause of death
- Male suicide rate 3.8 times greater than female rate

Race/Ethnicity

- White Non-Hispanic (NH): 84% of suicides; rate 13.7 per 100,000
- Hispanic: 6% of suicides; rate 5.6 per 100,000
- Black NH: 6% of suicides; rate 5.9 per 100,000
- Other NH: 4% of suicides; rate 8.1 per 100,000
- White NH crude suicide rate 2.3 times greater than Black NH rate

Age

- 70+ years: highest suicide rate; 20% of suicides; rate 3.3 times greater than rate for 15 to 19 years

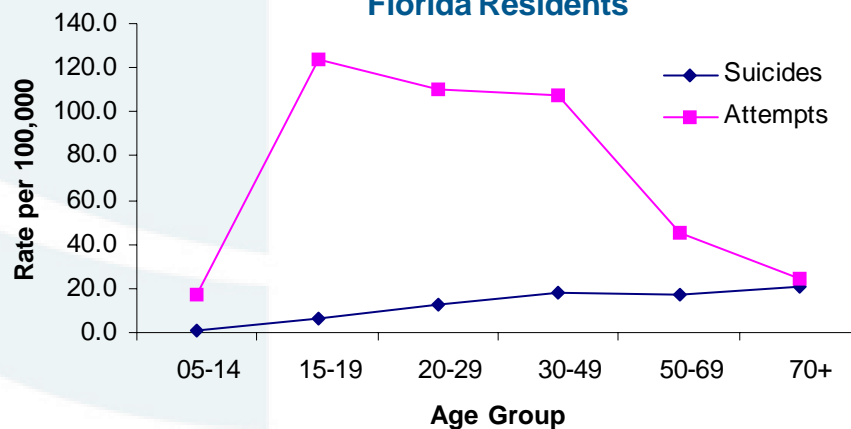
Method

- Firearm: leading method; crude rate 7.8 per 100,000; 3rd ranking cause of injury deaths
- Poisoning: 2nd leading method; crude rate 2.9 per 100,000; 7th ranking cause of injury deaths
- Suffocation: 3rd leading method; crude rate 2.5 per 100,000; 6th ranking cause of injury deaths
- If half of **undetermined intent** poisonings were self-inflicted, suicides in this state would rise 1%

Costs

- Average medical cost per case: \$3,757
- Average work-loss cost per case: \$992,100

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



Hospitalized Attempts, 2003

Statewide

- An annual total of 11,379 hospitalized attempts per year
- Crude average annual hospitalized attempt rate: 71.3 per 100,000
- Average of 156 attempts every 5 days
- Black NH: 9% of suicide attempts; rate 44.1 per 100,000
- Other NH: 3% of suicide attempts; rate 73.5 per 100,000
- White NH crude suicide attempt rate 1.9 times greater than Black NH rate

Gender

- Males: 40% of attempts; rate 58.7 per 100,000
- Females: 60% of attempts; rate 83.3 per 100,000
- Female attempt rate 42% greater than male rate

Race/Ethnicity

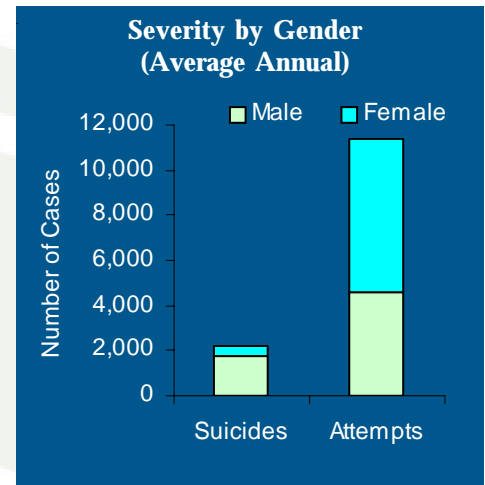
- White Non-Hispanic (NH): 75% of suicide attempts; rate 82.6 per 100,000
- Hispanic: 13% of suicide attempts; rate 49.4 per 100,000

Age

- 15-19 years: highest hospitalized attempt rate; 12% of hospitalized attempts

Method

- Poisoning: leading method; 9,278 annual attempts; crude rate 58.1 per 100,000
- Cut/Pierce: 2nd leading method; 1,481 annual attempts; crude rate 9.3 per 100,000



- If half of **undetermined intent** and **non-e-coded** poisonings were self-inflicted, suicide attempts in this state would rise 16%

Costs

- Average medical cost per case: \$9,864
- Average work-loss cost per case: \$11,026

Average Annual Self-Inflicted Injuries, 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
5-14	10	0.9	1	0.1	11	0.5	\$7,075	\$1,596,425	89	7.9	298	27.8	387	17.6	\$7,089	\$12,390
15-19	53	9.8	13	2.5	66	6.3	\$4,207	\$1,676,692	409	72.4	948	177.1	1,357	123.3	\$6,892	\$8,987
20-29	211	21.0	41	4.2	252	12.8	\$3,569	\$1,792,685	982	93.1	1,285	128.5	2,267	110.3	\$9,076	\$14,320
30-49	649	27.5	215	9.0	864	18.3	\$3,674	\$1,382,043	2,210	91.2	3,029	124.6	5,239	107.9	\$10,130	\$11,581
50-69	441	27.6	139	7.8	581	17.2	\$3,494	\$654,953	666	39.0	947	50.0	1,613	44.8	\$13,038	\$7,527
70+	367	41.2	71	5.9	439	20.8	\$4,224	\$93,302	217	23.7	299	24.2	516	24.0	\$15,755	\$2,327
Method																
Cut/Pierce	31	0.4	6	0.1	38	0.2	\$6,232	\$950,425	709	9.1	772	9.5	1,481	9.3	\$9,259	\$43,157
Firearms	1,024	13.7	169	2.1	1,193	7.8	\$3,033	\$916,818	61	0.8	18	0.2	79	0.5	\$75,724	\$58,485
Poisoning	244	3.3	194	2.5	438	2.9	\$5,106	\$984,112	3,497	44.9	5,781	70.8	9,278	58.1	\$7,870	\$2,066
Suffocation	316	4.2	65	0.8	380	2.5	\$2,411	\$1,246,460	61	0.8	24	0.3	85	0.5	\$28,036	\$187,839
Other/Unspecified	117	1.6	45	0.6	162	1.1	\$8,021	\$980,434	245	3.1	211	2.6	456	2.9	\$31,750	\$52,193
Total	1,732	23.1	480	6.1	2,211	14.4	\$3,757	\$992,100	4,573	58.7	6,806	83.3	11,379	71.3	\$9,864	\$11,026

All non-estimated hospitalization counts for year 2003 were obtained from the 2003 Florida State Inpatient Data (SID) file, which is part of the Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP; Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Rockville, MD, 2006). Rates are per 100,000 population. 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. Note: ** Indicates 1-10 discharges, or indicates 11 or more discharges, but suppressed to prevent identification of other small numbers through subtraction.

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