

# ADAMS COUNTY

The information presented here represents data specific to Adams County, Wisconsin from 2001-2006, and is meant to complement the report, *The Burden of Suicide in Wisconsin*. Please refer to this report for technical notes and suicide prevention strategies. For counties with fewer than 20 suicides each year, data are aggregated for 2001-2006 and findings are presented in bullets rather than tables.

## KEY FINDINGS

- ◆ The suicide rate in Adams County for all years was higher than the state rate for all years (16.9 versus 11.8).
- ◆ Suicide represented a total of 547 years of potential life lost, at a rate of 476.8 for 2001-2006. This was more than the state rate (394.1 YPLL) for the same time period.
- ◆ The greatest number of suicides occurred in individuals aged 35-54, which is the same at the state level. The greatest number of hospitalizations and emergency department visits occurred in those aged 35-44, which is older than at the state level.
- ◆ The cost of inpatient hospitalizations and emergency department visits due to self-inflicted injury was over \$76,000 in 2006 alone.
- ◆ Firearms were the most frequently used method in Adams County suicides (48%) followed by poisoning (19%) and hanging, strangulation, or suffocation (19%).

Numbers and rates (per 100,000 population) of suicides, inpatient hospitalizations, and emergency department visits due to self-inflicted injuries, by age, Adams County, 2001-2006.

Age Group	Deaths		Inpatient Hospitalizations		Emergency Department Visit*	
	Number	Rate†	Number	Rate†	Number	Rate†
5-14	1	8.0†	5	40.1†	5	48.7†
15-24	1	8.1†	14	112.9†	21	201.6
25-34	0	--	14	102.9†	21	184.2
35-44	5	27.4†	24	131.5	23	152.4
45-54	5	25.7†	9	46.3†	10	60.7†
55-64	2	10.8†	10	53.9†	1	6.4†
65-74	3	20.1†	2	13.4†	2	16.0†
75-84	3	39.5†	1	13.2†	0	--
85+	0	--	0	--	0	--
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>16.9</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>66.1</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>82.9</b>

\*Emergency department data are not available for 2001.

†Rates based on numbers of 20 or less are considered unstable due to random chance and should be interpreted with caution.