

BAYFIELD COUNTY

The information presented here represents data specific to Bayfield 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 Bayfield County for all years was higher than the state rate for all years (14.0[‡] versus 11.8).
- ◆ Suicide represented a total of 328 years of potential life lost, at a rate of 382.7 for 2001-2006. This was less than the state rate (394.1 YPLL) for the same time period.
- ◆ The cost of inpatient hospitalizations and emergency department visits due to self-inflicted injury was over \$212,000 in 2006 alone.
- ◆ Firearms were the most frequently used method in Bayfield County suicides (77%) followed by hanging, strangulation, or suffocation (15%).

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

Age Group	Deaths		Inpatient Hospitalizations		Emergency Department Visit*	
	Number	Rate [‡]	Number	Rate [‡]	Number	Rate [‡]
5-14	0	--	10	84.2 [‡]	1	10.2 [‡]
15-24	2	19.0 [‡]	51	483.7	7	78.4 [‡]
25-34	2	25.8 [‡]	30	386.5	4	62.4
35-44	2	15.5 [‡]	26	201.4	1	9.5 [‡]
45-54	2	12.1 [‡]	15	90.8 [‡]	0	--
55-64	3	22.9 [‡]	3	22.9 [‡]	0	--
65-74	2	23.7 [‡]	3	35.6 [‡]	0	--
75-84	0	--	1	20.3 [‡]	0	--
85+	0	--	0	--	0	--
Total	13	14.0[‡]	139	158.1	13	17.7[‡]

*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.