

DUNN COUNTY

The information presented here represents data specific to Dunn 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 Dunn County for all years was lower than the state rate for all years (9.6 versus 11.8).
- ◆ Suicide represented a total of 780 years of potential life lost, at a rate of 331.5 for 2001-2006. This was less than the state rate (394.1 YPLL) for the same time period.
- ◆ The greatest number of suicides occurred in individuals aged 35-54, while the greatest number of hospitalizations and emergency department visits occurred in younger individuals, aged 15-24. This finding is the same at the state level.
- ◆ The cost of inpatient hospitalizations and emergency department visits due to self-inflicted injury was over \$188,000 in 2006 alone.
- ◆ Firearms were the most frequently used method in Dunn County suicides (58%) followed by hanging, strangulation, or suffocation (21%) and poisoning (17%).

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

Age Group	Deaths		Inpatient Hospitalizations		Emergency Department Visit*	
	Number	Rate‡	Number	Rate‡	Number	Rate‡
5-14	1	3.3‡	13	42.4‡	10	39.3‡
15-24	4	6.5‡	91	148.8	57	111.5
25-34	3	10.7‡	39	138.6	22	94.0
35-44	5	15.4‡	41	126.1	20	74.0
45-54	5	15.1‡	21	63.5	8	28.7‡
55-64	2	8.9‡	8	35.7‡	3	15.6‡
65-74	2	15.0‡	6	45.1‡	2	18.0‡
75-84	1	10.3‡	0	--	1	12.3‡
85+	1	22.0‡	0	--	0	--
Total	24	9.6	219	93.0	123	62.4

*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.