

OUTAGAMIE COUNTY

The information presented here represents data specific to Outagamie 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 Outagamie County for all years was lower than the state rate for all years (9.7 versus 11.8).
- ◆ Suicide represented a total of 3,389 years of potential life lost, at a rate of 354.1 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 25-44, which is slightly younger as compared to the state. 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 \$2 million in 2006 alone.
- ◆ Firearms were the most frequently used method in Outagamie County suicides (40%) followed by poisoning (28%) and hanging, strangulation, or suffocation (27%).

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

Age Group	Deaths		Inpatient Hospitalizations		Emergency Department Visit*	
	Number	Rate†	Number	Rate†	Number	Rate†
5-14	1	1.0†	47	31.6	17	13.8†
15-24	12	8.3†	377	262.1	183	151.4
25-34	22	15.6	155	110.1	67	57.0
35-44	21	12.5	178	105.6	52	37.1
45-54	14	9.7†	110	76.0	23	18.8
55-64	15	17.0†	31	35.1	5	6.7†
65-74	8	14.9†	4	7.5†	1	2.2†
75-84	4	10.1†	7	17.7†	0	--
85+	1	6.2†	1	6.2†	0	--
Total	98	9.7	910	96.4	348	44.0

*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.