

PRICE COUNTY

The information presented here represents data specific to Price 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 Price County for all years was higher than the state rate for all years (14.8[‡] versus 11.8).
- ◆ Suicide represented a total of 405 years of potential life lost, at a rate of 474.7 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 45-54, 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 \$20,000 in 2006 alone.
- ◆ Firearms were the most frequently used method in Price County suicides (71%) followed by hanging, strangulation, or suffocation (14%).

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

Age Group	Deaths		Inpatient Hospitalizations		Emergency Department Visit*	
	Number	Rate [‡]	Number	Rate [‡]	Number	Rate [‡]
5-14	0	--	4	34.7 [‡]	2	21.3 [‡]
15-24	1	8.9 [‡]	25	223.3	15	158.9 [‡]
25-34	2	23.1 [‡]	8	92.3 [‡]	8	112.3 [‡]
35-44	2	14.6 [‡]	11	80.4 [‡]	5	44.4
45-54	6	38.2 [‡]	12	76.3 [‡]	2	15.1 [‡]
55-64	2	16.9 [‡]	5	42.2 [‡]	0	--
65-74	0	--	3	35.0 [‡]	0	--
75-84	1	15.9 [‡]	0	--	1	19.1 [‡]
85+	0	--	0	--	0	--
Total	14	14.8[‡]	68	75.2	33	43.8

*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.