

Rate, Number, and Ranking of Suicide for Each U.S.A. State, 2005*

| Rank | State [Division] (2004 rank) | Deaths | Rate |
|------|--------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 1 | Montana [M] (2T) | 206 | 22.0 |
| 2 | Nevada [M] (2T) | 480 | 19.9 |
| 3 | Alaska [P] (1) | 131 | 19.7 |
| 4 | New Mexico [M] (4) | 342 | 17.7 |
| 4 | Wyoming [M] (5) | 90 | 17.7 |
| 6 | Colorado [M] (6) | 800 | 17.1 |
| 7 | Idaho [M] (7) | 228 | 16.0 |
| 8 | Arizona [M] (11) | 945 | 15.9 |
| 9 | South Dakota [WNC] (13) | 121 | 15.6 |
| 10 | Oregon [P] (10) | 560 | 15.4 |
| 11 | Oklahoma [WSC] (14) | 522 | 14.7 |
| 12 | North Dakota [WNC] (29) | 92 | 14.5 |
| 13 | Arkansas [WSC] (20) | 400 | 14.4 |
| 13 | Tennessee [ESC] (18T) | 856 | 14.4 |
| 15 | Utah [M] (9) | 348 | 14.1 |
| 16 | West Virginia [SA] (8) | 255 | 14.0 |
| 17 | Kentucky [ESC] (16T) | 566 | 13.6 |
| 18 | Florida [SA] (15) | 2,347 | 13.2 |
| 18 | Kansas [WNC] (16T) | 362 | 13.2 |
| 18 | Maine [NE] (21) | 175 | 13.2 |
| 21 | Washington [P] (18T) | 822 | 13.1 |
| 22 | Missouri [WNC] (22) | 727 | 12.5 |
| 22 | Vermont [NE] (12) | 78 | 12.5 |
| 24 | Mississippi [ESC] (23) | 363 | 12.4 |
| 24 | New Hampshire [NE] (39T) | 162 | 12.4 |
| 26 | South Carolina [SA] (29T) | 510 | 12.0 |
| 27 | Indiana [ENC] (33) | 745 | 11.9 |
| 28 | Alabama [ESC] (24T) | 535 | 11.7 |
| 28 | Ohio [ENC] (29T) | 1,341 | 11.7 |
| 30 | North Carolina [SA] (24T) | 1,009 | 11.6 |
| 30 | Wisconsin [ENC] (24T) | 643 | 11.6 |
| 32 | Pennsylvania [MA] (32) | 1,430 | 11.5 |
| 33 | Virginia [SA] (35) | 866 | 11.4 |
| 34 | Iowa [WNC] (28) | 333 | 11.2 |
| 34 | Louisiana [WSC] (27) | 505 | 11.2 |
| | Total | 32,637 | 11.0 |
| 36 | Michigan [ENC] (36T) | 1,108 | 10.9 |
| 37 | Minnesota [WNC] (38) | 547 | 10.7 |
| 38 | Nebraska [WNC] (41) | 187 | 10.6 |
| 38 | Texas [WSC] (39T) | 2,418 | 10.6 |
| 40 | Georgia [SA] (36T) | 924 | 10.2 |
| 41 | Delaware [SA] (34) | 83 | 9.8 |
| 42 | California [P] (42) | 3,206 | 8.9 |
| 43 | Illinois [ENC] (46) | 1,086 | 8.5 |
| 44 | Connecticut [NE] (45) | 295 | 8.4 |
| 44 | Hawaii [P] (43) | 107 | 8.4 |
| 44 | Maryland [SA] (44) | 472 | 8.4 |
| 47 | Massachusetts [NE] (49) | 480 | 7.5 |
| 48 | Rhode Island [NE] (47) | 71 | 6.6 |
| 49 | New York [MA] (50) | 1,189 | 6.2 |
| 50 | New Jersey [MA] (48) | 536 | 6.1 |
| 51 | District of Columbia [SA] (51) | 33 | 6.0 |

Caution: Annual fluctuations in state levels combined with often relatively small populations can make these data highly variable. The use of several years' data is preferable to conclusions based on single years alone.

| Division [Abbreviation] | Rate | Number |
|--------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Mountain [M] | 16.9 | 3,439 |
| East South Central [ESC] | 13.2 | 2,320 |
| West North Central [WNC] | 12.0 | 2,369 |
| South Atlantic [SA] | 11.6 | 6,499 |
| West South Central [WSC] | 11.4 | 3,845 |
| Nation | 11.0 | 32,637 |
| East North Central [ENC] | 10.7 | 4,923 |
| Pacific [P] | 10.1 | 4,826 |
| New England [NE] | 8.9 | 1,261 |
| Middle Atlantic [MA] | 7.8 | 3,155 |

| Region [Subdivision Abbreviations] | Rate | Number |
|------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| West (M, P) | 12.1 | 8,265 |
| South (ESC, WSC, SA) | 11.8 | 12,664 |
| Midwest (WNC, ENC) | 11.1 | 7,292 |
| Nation | 11.0 | 32,637 |
| Northeast (NE, MA) | 8.1 | 4,416 |

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Note: All rates are per 100,000 population.

* Including the District of Columbia.

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